
BIG WALNUT

LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

MINUTES
BIG WALNUT LOCAL SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
January 9, 2012
Big Walnut High School Media Center, 7:00 P.M.

OUR MISSION:

The mission of the Big Walnut Local Schools is to inspire and guide each student to his or her maximum potential

OUR VISION:

In order to realize our mission, we will strive to achieve and maintain our vision of:

- *Student-focused, professional, collaborative staff*
- *Student-focused, challenging and current curriculum*
- *Supportive, involved and informed community*
- *Safe, respectful and welcoming environment*

DISTRICT GOALS:

- *Improve academic achievement*
- *Improve communication*
- *Plan for growth (facility plan)*
- *Financial responsibility*

President

- A. Call to Order
- B. Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Mrs. Meyer, Mrs. Hines, Dr. Fagan, Mrs. Lillie, Mr. Wecker, Mr. Moran

12-12 Motion by Dr. Fagan, Seconded by Mr. Wecker to approve Board meeting minutes of the December 12, 2011 Regular Board Meeting.

VOTE: YEAS Mrs. Hines, Dr. Fagan, Mrs. Lillie, Mr. Wecker, Mr. Moran, Mrs. Meyer

Recognitions & Building Presentations

- A. Student of the Month, Max Muhlbaier, Hylén Souders Elementary – Dr. Fagan
- B. Hylén Souders Elementary Building Presentation

Treasurer's Items

- A. Monthly Report

Superintendent's Items

- A. OSBA Board Member Recognition
- B. Curriculum Update
 - *Mr. Mazzi shared that by the school year 2014-2015 students will be taking tests on-line, which will impact budget and five-year-forecast moving forward due to providing computers, training, etc.*
 - *Dr. Fagan voiced her concerns with socio-economic impact setting a bar that is unjust for those who do not have resources.*
 - *Mr. Mazzi informed everyone that Vo-Ag is provided and funded by DACC, but housed at Big Walnut. He stated our goal is to pursue similar opportunities.*
 - *Mrs. Hines is concerned about all the technology that children use – studies reveal that childhood cancer is on the rise and the cause is undetermined.*
 - *Mr. Mazzi indicated he will be meeting with the Development Committee later in the month to review the future use of the buildings and to present possible solutions to the Board in February.*
 - *Mr. Mazzi acknowledged thank you letter from Friends Who Share for the donations during the holidays from Big Walnut Basketball, The German Club, Hylén Souders Elementary, and Big Walnut Middle School.*

- *Mr. Barber stated that Big Walnut adopted numerous families during the holidays and provided gifts, money and food.*

Selected Board Policies

School Board Members Items of Interest or Discussion

- *Mr. Moran stated that the high school will be finalizing exams tomorrow and that the seniors are becoming very excited about graduation. He announced that January 21 is Homecoming.*
- *Dr. Fagan participated in the Local Government Innovation Grant Webinar. She congratulated the art students who had their work displayed at the Scholastic Art Awards at Columbus Arts and Design. She thanked the teachers for inspiring and guiding to achieve such accomplishments. She also congratulated the student of the week.*
- *Mrs. Hines welcomed new board members; she stated that their primary responsibility is to hire Superintendent and Treasurer. She indicated she is very impressed with the skills of the new members and she looks forward to working with them.*
- *Mrs. Lillie shared that she will be attending a Board President workshop on January 28 and will participate in a Webinar. She also welcomed new board members.*

Public Participation

This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not considered a public community meeting. This is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in the agenda. (Please reference criteria for Public Participation attached to the agenda.)

A. Scheduled - None

B. Non Scheduled

- *Mayor Hatfield introduced Dave Miller as a new Village Council member.*
- *Mardissa Thorpe shared with the board her hope that they would approve the contract for Mr. McClure. She indicated that after being a driver for decades he is the first director who has made her feel like she is part of the school.*

New Business

12-13 Motion by Dr. Fagan, Seconded by Mrs. Hines recommending the Board approve the following Resolution:
Resolution Declaring Transportation to be Impractical for Certain Identified Schools (R.C. Section 3327.020)
(Appendix A)

VOTE: YEAS Dr. Fagan, Mrs. Lillie, Mr. Wecker, Mr. Moran, Mrs. Meyer, Mrs. Hines

12-14 Motion Mrs. Hines, Seconded by Dr. Fagan recommending the Board approve a two-year 260-day Administrative Contract to Ronald McClure, Transportation Supervisor, annual salary \$68,000, effective date January 5, 2012.

VOTE: YEAS Mrs. Lillie, Mr. Wecker, Mr. Moran, Mrs. Meyer, Mrs. Hines, Dr. Fagan

12-15 Motion by Dr. Fagan, Seconded by Mrs. Hines recommending the Board approve Susan Missman as a home school tutor at an hourly rate of \$18.00 for the 2011-2012 school year.

VOTE: YEAS Mr. Wecker, Mr. Moran, Mrs. Meyer, Mrs. Hines, Dr. Fagan, Mrs. Lillie

12-16 Motion by Mrs. Meyer, Seconded by Dr. Fagan recommending the Board approve to employ, according to Board approved policy and salary schedules, the following long-term substitute teacher for the 2011-2012 school years:

Steven Kreiner
Summer Hale

VOTE: YEAS Mr. Moran, Mrs. Meyer, Mrs. Hines, Dr. Fagan, Mrs. Lillie, Mr. Wecker

12-17 Motion by Dr. Fagan, Seconded by Mrs. Meyer recommending the Board approve the following donations:

- \$25.00 donated to Big Walnut High School National Art Honor Society, donated by Wayne Homes
- \$25.00 donated to Big Walnut High School Challenge Day, donated by Mr. and Mrs. Ditman
- \$75.00 donated to Big Walnut High School Challenge Day, donated by Sunbury Chiropractic Center, Inc.
- \$50.00 donated to Big Walnut High School Challenge Day, donated by Westerville Surgical Specialists
- \$250.00 donated to Big Walnut High School Challenge Day, donated by Consumers News Services
- \$30.00 donated to Big Walnut High School Challenge Day, donated by the Osburn family
- \$20.00 donated to Big Walnut High School Challenge Day, donated by the Hartman family

- \$190.00 donated to Big Walnut High School Student Council, donated by Roger Roberts

VOTE: YEAS Mrs. Meyer, Mrs. Hines, Dr. Fagan, Mrs. Lillie, Mr. Wecker, Mr. Moran

12-18 Motion by Mrs. Hines, Seconded by Mrs. Lillie recommending the Board approve the following extended field trips:

- Expedition Inside Culture, Big Walnut High School Art Students, Higgins Lake, MI, May 2012 (dates are to be determined, either May 10-13 or May 17-20)

VOTE: YEAS Mrs. Hines, Dr. Fagan, Mrs. Lillie, Mr. Wecker, Mr. Moran, Mrs. Meyer

12-19 Motion by Dr. Fagan, Seconded by Mrs. Hines recommending the Board accept the transfer of the accumulated sick leave balance for Ronald McClure from Mason City Schools to Big Walnut Local Schools, not to exceed 240 days upon written notification from Mason City Schools.

VOTE: YEAS Dr. Fagan, Mrs. Lillie, Mr. Wecker, Mr. Moran, Mrs. Meyer, Mrs. Hines

12-20 Motion by Mrs. Meyer, Seconded by Dr. Fagan recommending the Board enter Executive Session to consider the employment of a public employee or official, to confer with an attorney for the board of education concerning disputes involving the board that are the subject of pending or imminent court action, and to prepare for negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment.

VOTE: YEAS Dr. Fagan, Mrs. Lillie, Mr. Wecker, Mr. Moran, Mrs. Meyer, Mrs. Hines

Scheduling of Next Board Meeting

Regular Board Meeting:

Monday, February 13, 2012
7:00 P.M.
Big Walnut Middle School Library

Special Board Meeting:

January 16, 2012
8:00 A.M.
Galena Administrative Building

12-21 Motion by Dr. Fagan, Seconded by Mrs. Meyer recommending the meeting adjourn.

VOTE: YEAS Mrs. Lillie, Mr. Wecker, Mr. Moran, Mrs. Meyer, Mrs. Hines, Dr. Fagan