
BIG WALNUT

LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

MINUTES
BIG WALNUT LOCAL SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
November 21, 2011
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*

President

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

Roll Call: Ms. Butts, Mrs. Hines, Dr. Fagan, Mrs. Lillie, Mr. Hildreth, Mr. Moran

11-136 Motion by Mr. Hildreth, Seconded by Dr. Fagan recommending the Board approve the Board meeting minutes of the October 4, 2011 Special Board Meeting and the October 10, 2011 Regular Board Meeting.

VOTE: YEAS Mrs. Hines, Dr. Fagan, Mrs. Lillie, Mr. Hildreth, Mr. Moran, Ms. Butts

Recognitions & Building Presentations

- A. Student of the Month, Hannah Ackley, General Rosecrans Elementary – Mr. Hildreth
- B. General Rosecrans Building Presentation

Treasurer's Items

A. Monthly Report

- *Monthly Financial Activity: During the month of October, revenue of \$2,486,286 exceeded expenditures of \$2,125,470 by \$360,816 that was primarily due to the receipt of income tax collections of \$83,381.*
- *Revenue: Monthly revenue of \$2,486,286 was less than projected due to the timing of the anticipated receipt of the interest rebate of \$110,882 and the tangible personal property (i.e. TPP) subsidy of \$132,133. The TPP amount is ½ of the H.B. 66 Direct Subsidy Payment of \$264,268 for fiscal 2012. The balance of the TPP subsidy is to be received in May 2012. Please note that last years' district subsidy payment from the state was \$735,496 for TPP. This reduced collection of TPP reflects Governor Kaisck biennial budget that accelerated the phase out of TPP.*
- *Expenditures: Monthly expenditures of \$2,125,470 are less than projected by \$101,478, primarily in the purchase services category. The variance in expenditures reflects the delayed payment to the Educational Service Center of Central Ohio (ESC) for payment of contracted special educational staff that is likely to be offset with pending credits.*

Superintendent's Items

A. Race to the Top Updates

- Waiver Day
 - *Mrs. Pollock explained Waiver Day is the Monday after Thanksgiving and the staff will be working with staff members in other districts. There will be a national speaker on trends in education.*
- New Standards in Technology
 - *Mrs. Pollock stated Ohio is likely to adopt new standards in science and technology; standards are embedded into language arts.*
 - *Mr. Mazzi shared that by 2014 all students will be taking test on-line.*

- Board members asked questions concerning the availability and budget for computers for this purpose.
- Mrs. Pollock indicated I Pad will probably be the best option to support these needs.
- Dr. Fagan asked about curriculum for the arts.
- Mrs. Pollock answered that it is in the development stage.
- OTES Pilot
 - Mrs. Pollock said Big Walnut is participating in developing teacher evaluations that show student growth - teachers from HS and SOU are participating.

B. Facility Update

- Mr. Mazzi stated the new buildings are at or near capacity. The Development Committee is examining how to deal with student growth and what to do with HSE, Intermediate and Galena building. The committee will explore how the facilities should function and how much money should be invested in upkeep of the older buildings. The buildings that were built in the late 1800's are really starting to deteriorate; the committee will help to evaluate the buildings and their needs.
- Mrs. Lillie inquired about the mold problem at the HS and the Galena building.
- Mr. Mazzi stated that the mold recommendations at the HS have been completed along with trying to solve the gutter issue.

Selected Board Policies

A. HB 136 Discussion

- Ms. Butts suggested to remove the first "Be It Further Resolved".

11-137 Motion by Mrs. Lillie, Seconded by Dr. Fagan recommending the Board approve Resolution HB 136, as amended.

VOTE: YEAS Mr. Hildreth, Dr. Fagan, Mrs. Lillie, Mrs. Hines, Mr. Moran, Ms. Butts

School Board Members Items of Interest or Discussion

- Mr. Moran stated the football team made it to regionals. Winter sports will be starting in December and the Blood Drive will be December 13. The high school play is "Play On" and will take place December 1 -3. Eagle Madness, which is hosted by the basketball team, will be this Sunday.
- Mr. Hildreth congratulated the band and Mr. Porter. He also congratulated the new board members, Andy Wecker and Mindy Meyer.
- Mrs. Lillie announced there will be an Open House reception at 6:00 pm on December 12 in honor of Diana and Jim for their service to the board.
- Dr. Fagan congratulated band and the new board member elects. She thanked Ms. Hernandez and Ms. Justice for caring enough for the community to run. December 5 and 12 are the middle school band and choir concerts at the high school. Jazz night at SUMC was standing room only and rocked the house.
- Mrs. Hines indicated she has board policy manual that she can share with new board members. She stated that communication is always challenging as everyone has different interests. She shared that the board is responsible for hiring the Superintendent and Treasurer and to set policies; it is their job to run the day-to-day operations.
- Ms. Butts shared Lenny's quote "Everything is important to somebody so it is important to use resources wisely and engage community". She also congratulated band and 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

B. Non Scheduled

New Business

11-138 Motion by Mrs. Lillie, Seconded by Mr. Hildreth recommending the Board approve the following Resolution: Resolution Declaring Transportation to be Impractical for Certain Identified Schools (R.C. Section 3327.020) (Appendix A)

- Mr. Mazzi explained that the district must provide same service to non-public unless it creates a hardship to the district.

Approve the following Easement and Right of Way between the Board of Education of the Big Walnut Local School District and Columbus Southern Power Company an Ohio Corporation and a unit of American Electric Power. (Appendix B)

Approve the First Amendment to Easement Agreement between Forman Partners LP and the Board of Education of the Big Walnut Local School District.
(Appendix C)

Approve following athletic supplemental contracts for the remaining 2011-2012 school year:

Boys Basketball

Eric Myers, Head Coach
Mike Adams, Varsity Assistant
Jason Crawford, Assistant
Rich Smith, Assistant
Andrew Beckett, ¾ Assistant
Chris Holly, ¾ Assistant

Girls Basketball

Bob Scott, Head Coach
Gary Miller, ¾ Varsity Assistant
Frank Turner, ¾ Assistant
Mike Tutorow, Assistant
Summer Hale, Assistant
Jason Manns, Volunteer

Wrestling

Luke Moore, Head Coach
Aaron Morris, ½ Assistant
Tony Eisnnicher, ½ Assistant
Josh Pace, Assistant
Luke Worley, Assistant
Sean Crum, Volunteer
Timothy Halbakken, Volunteer

Gymnastics

Misty Matthews, Head Coach
Kirsten Varner, Volunteer

Bowling

Pat McClelland, Volunteer
Jamie McClelland, Volunteer

Swimming

Andy Chatterton, Volunteer
Sarah Cline, Volunteer
Ryan Reynolds, Volunteer
Jen White, Volunteer
Jim Peterfish, Volunteer

Approve to employ, according to Board approved policy and salary schedules, the following long-term substitute teachers for the 2011-2012 school year:
Margaret Pharazyn Debra Rigsby

Approve a leave of absence for Kori Rigo, beginning January 4 through the 2011/2012 school year.

Accept the resignation of Keith Johnson, bus driver, effective October 13, 2011.

Approved a 90 day probationary classified contract for the following employees, effective November 14, 2011:
Dale Wolfe, full-time bus driver, step 0
Michelle Takatch, part-time bus driver, step 0

Approve the following substitute reading tutors for the 2011-2012, \$12.00 an hour
hour:
Lauren Bossick-Skillen
Rebecca Sliva

Approve bus routes and bus stops for the 2011-2012 school year based on student safety, numbers of students per route and the location of students.

Release the following student for transportation purposes for the 2011-2012 school year:

- Lindsey Cira release from Big Walnut Local Schools to Westerville City Schools attending St. Paul School

Approve the following donations:

- Piano donation to Big Walnut Middle School, donation from Dan & Megan Braun
- \$250 donation to Big Walnut High School Challenge Day, donation from Marketing Dimensions, Inc.
- \$100 donation to Big Walnut High School Challenge Day, donation from Pablum to Prom Child Conservation League
- \$750 donation to Big Walnut High School Renaissance Program, donation from Big Walnut Education Foundation

