
BIG WALNUT

LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

MINUTES
BIG WALNUT LOCAL SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
April 9, 2012
Big Walnut Middle School Library, 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

- Call to Order
- Pledge of Allegiance

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

12-46 Motion by Dr. Fagan, Seconded by Mrs. Hines approving the April 9, 2012 Board agenda.

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

12-47 Motion by Mrs. Meyer, Seconded by Dr. Fagan approving the Board meeting minutes of the March 12, 2012 Regular Board Meeting.

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

Recognitions & Building Presentations

- Student of the Month, Audrey Rice, General Rosecrans – Mrs. Meyer
- Student Recognitions
- General Rosecrans Elementary Presentation

Treasurer's Items

- School Fees
- Monthly Report

Superintendent's Items

- Ohio Superintendent Evaluation System – Dr. Reimer
 - *Dr. Reimer provided a presentation on the Superintendent Evaluation System and indicated it is one of the first evaluation systems addressed by the State.*
- Enlit Data Update
 - *Mr. Barber's goal is to use Data Dashboard to ensure we follow the District objectives.*
- Custodial Handbook
 - *The custodians have been working hard to develop a handbook. They have asked students to submit artwork for the cover.*

D. High School Project

- *Mr. Barber indicated bids for the project will be approved in May for the water intrusion project. They have discovered downspouts and gutters are undersized.*

E. Bell Time

- *Mr. Mazzi shared the three options for bell times including staff and parents ranked choices.*

F. Grading Scale/Credits

- *Mr. Mazzi addressed the grading scale comparing the base 10 module.*
- *Mr. Mazzi indicated the State requires 20 plus credits to graduate. He would like to see our requirements reduced from 21 to 20 to allow dual-enrollment (secondary) and flex credits.*

12-48 Motion by Dr. Fagan, Seconded by Mrs. Hines recommending the Board adopt the following additions and revisions to Board Policy:

NEOLA Additions/Revisions – Second Reading

1422.02 Nondiscrimination Based on Genetic Information of the Employee (Administration - New Policy)

1432 Sick Leave (Administration – New Policy)

1460 Physical Examination (Administration – Revised Policy)

1461 Unrequested Leaves of Absence/Fitness for Duty (Administration – New Policy)

1623 Prohibition Against Disability Discrimination in Employment (Administration – New Policy)

2260.01 Section 504/ADA Prohibition Against Discrimination Based on Disability (Program – Revised Policy)

3122.02 Nondiscrimination Based on Genetic Information of the Employee (Professional Staff – Revised Policy)

3123 Section 504/ADA Prohibition Against Disability Discrimination in Employment (Professional Staff – New Policy)

3160 Physical Examination (Professional Staff – Revised Policy)

3161 Unrequested Leaves of Absence/Fitness for Duty (Professional Staff – Revised Policy)

3432 Sick Leave (Professional Development – New Policy)

4122.02 Nondiscrimination Based on Genetic Information of the Employee (Classified Staff – Revised Policy)

4123 Section 504/ADA Prohibition Against Disability Discrimination in Employment (Classified Staff – New Policy)

4160 Physical Examination (Classified Staff – Revised Policy)

4161 Unrequested Leaves of Absence/Fitness for Duty (Classified Staff – Revised Policy)

4432 Sick Leave (Classified Staff – New Policy)

5113.02 School Choice Options Provided by the No Child Left Behind Act (Students – Revised Policy)

61520.01 Waiver of School Fees for Instructional materials (Finances – Revised Policy)

9160 Public Attendance at School Events (Relations – Revised Policy)

(Appendix A)

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

School Board Members Items of Interest or Discussion:

- *Mr. Moran indicated that Peace Week focused on positive choices. He announced Saturday will be the Golden Eagle Relay, April 9th is the Blood Drive and the State Choir Contest is April 27.*
- *Mr. Wecker announced that kindergarten registration is this week and as a parent of four with summer birthdays he would ask people to consider waiting the extra year. He indicated May 8th is McTeacher Night at McDonald with teachers serving and May 14 is the circus at BWE.*
- *Mrs. Meyer stated that GRE's Book Fair and Plant Sale is occurring, she asked people to please consider participating. She stated that Peace Week was good.*
- *Dr. Fagan announced Twitter accounts are being set up to tweet about school events and board activities. The State Band Competition is coming up in Gahanna. She is sitting in on the BWEA negotiations, she indicated they will be working to fulfill mission to inspire and guide.*
- *Mrs. Hines viewed the student art work displayed at GRE and believes this type of enrichment is essential.*
- *Mrs. Lillie she commended the art, PE and music departments for an outstanding job last year educating students. As a parent of a college aged student she is in favor of the 10 point based grading scale, she believes it builds confidence in students. She indicated the table set-up is not conducive to meeting and requested it be changed next meeting.*

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

- *Georgia Craig asked the board to consider athletic schedules when determining bell times. She believes kids involved in extra-curricular perform better academically. Her concern is that kids will miss the last period of the day and will detract from achievement.*

B. Non Scheduled

New Business

12-49 Motion by Dr. Fagan, Seconded by Mrs. Meyer recommending the Board approve the following Resolution:
Resolution Permitting the Board of Education of the Educational Service Center of Central Ohio (“the ESC”) and the Board of Education of the Big Walnut Local School District to Enter into an Agreement
(Appendix B)

Approve to employ, according to Board approved policy and salary schedules, the following long-term substitute teacher for the 2011-2012 school year:
Sarah McClure

Accept the resignation of the following certified personnel, effective at the end of the 2011-2012 school year, due to retirement:

Leslie Wolford, 2nd grade teacher, Big Walnut Elementary School
Anne Davis, 2nd grade teacher, General Rosecrans Elementary

Accept the resignation of the following classified personnel, effective at the end of the 2011-2012 school year, due to retirement:

Jeannie Blevins, Head Cook, Hylen Souders Elementary
Micheline Myers, Educational Assistant Special Needs, General Rosecrans Elementary

➤ *Mrs. Lillie thanked them for their service.*

Approve the following certified personnel for a one-year contract:

Karen Bodker	Melissa Hay	Amanda Rammelsberg
Savannah Brown	Carrie Knight	Charles Rowley
Rachel Estep	Ashley Longshore	Beth Shirk
Katie Fox	Kevin Masterson	Julie Tuel
Jody Grieger	Christine McWilliams	

Approve the following certified personnel for a two-year contract:

Sarah Cline	Dora Riggs
Ryan Mocarski	Alison Sberna
Stacey O’Reilly	

Approve the following certified personnel for a three-year contract:

Mark Adams	Erin Curtis	Mary Mitton
Mike Adams	Barbara Dean	Brittany Moser
Mandy Bailey	Mike DeLaney	Eric Myers
Cindy Barno	Ashley Dicken	Leah Peck
Julie Beeker	Molly Fortune	Craig Porter
Elaine Blakley	Alan Frank	Kori Rigo
Heidi Bridge	Melanie Gathers	Corry Schull
Ben Broschart	Katie Graven	Mike Smith
Carol Burchett	Katy Harris	Jamie Sohovich
Kim Castiglione	Justin Heck	Kari Thomas
Sandy Chiampo	Zachary Hite	Mary Wolf
Steve Comstock	Penny Lacy	
Debbie Connell	Melissa Maxson	

Approve the following certified personnel for a continuing contract:

Scott Bowden	Tammi Jordan	Pam Tribble
Nancy Crawford	Christina McDonough	Kim White
Rob Firchau	Lisa Morgan	
Trisha Hilton	Brian Shelton	

➤ *Mr. Mazzi explained the staff has a rigorous evaluation process and their negotiated agreement spells out contract sequence.*

Approve Ted Stimmel as a track volunteer.

Approve the following donations:

- Ceramic/Glass Kiln donated to Big Walnut High School Art Department donated by Rich Zumpone
- \$500.00 donated to Big Walnut High School Challenge Day donated by Medical Mutual of Ohio
- Scholastic material (1 Reading Lab – 3 Math Labs – 3 Reading for Understanding Kits – 3 School House Math Kits) donated by Dan Stockdale

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

12-50 Motion by Dr. Fagan, Seconded by Mrs. Meyer recommending the Board enter Executive Session to prepare for negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment, consider the sale of property at competitive bidding and to consider the employment of a public employee or official.

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

Scheduling of Next Board Meeting:

Regular Board Meeting:

Monday, May 14, 2012

7:00 P.M.

Big Walnut Middle School Library

12-51 Motion by Mrs. Lillie, Seconded by Mrs. Meyer recommending the Board exit Executive Session and the meeting adjourn.

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