
BIG WALNUT

LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

MINUTES
BIG WALNUT LOCAL SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
June 10, 2013
Big Walnut High School, Media Center, 6:30 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

13-64 Motion by Mr. Wecker, Seconded by Mrs. Hines recommending the approval of the Board meeting minutes of the May 13, 2013 Regular Board Meeting.

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

Recognitions & Building Presentation

A. Athletic Recognitions – State Track

- *Olivia Small – Division I State Champion Long Jump*
- *Jamie Annis – Placed 4th in the 100 meter hurdles and 14th in the 300 meter hurdles*
- *Olivia Small, Leah Thomas, Jamie Annis & Kristen Carty – placed 15th in the 4x100 relay*

Superintendent Report

A. District Goal: Plan for Growth (facility plan)

- FTE Report
 - *Mrs. Hines requested that the report be part of the board packet.*

B. District Goal: Improve Communication

- Graduation Date for 2014
 - *Mr. Mazzi announced the graduation date for next year is schedule for Sunday, May 18, at 4:00 pm.*

Treasurer's Report

A. District Goal: Financial Responsibility

- Monthly Report –*Mrs. Drummey reported on the following:*
 - *During May we encountered an operating shortfall, which reflects our typical revenue cycle.*
 - *The next major source of revenue is expected in July/August (SDIT & RE Tax).*
 - *Monthly revenue was less than projected due to early receipt of rollback/homestead.*
 - *Other miscellaneous revenue of \$238,569 is higher than expected – in spite of BAB interest decrease of 8.7% or \$9,647, due to sequestration. This was offset by special education excess costs in which we applied for reimbursement.*
 - *Overall year to date revenue is half a million higher than projected.*
 - *Expenditures were less than projected for the month and a half a million less for the year primarily due to negotiated changes in salaries and benefits.*
 - *As we approach fiscal year end, trends expected to hold true resulting in a better overall financial position than anticipated.*

Selected Board Policies

13-65 Motion by Mrs. Meyer, Seconded by Mrs. Lillie recommending the Board approve the following policies (second reading):

- 1240 Evaluation of the Superintendent – (Administration/Revised)
- 1330 Evaluation of the Treasurer – (Administration/Revised)
- 1530 Evaluation of Principals and Other Administrators – (Administration/Revised)
- 3220 Standards-Based Teacher Evaluation – (Professional Staff/Revised)
- 2111 Parent and Family Involvement – (Program/Review)
- 2261.01 Parent Participation in Title I Programs – (Program/Review)

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

B. NEOLA Additions/Revisions/Review – First Reading

- 1411 Whistleblower Protection – (Administration Revised)
- 1422 Nondiscrimination & Equal Employment Opportunities – (Administration New)
- 2431 Interscholastic Athletic - (Program New)
- 2623 Student Assessment and Academic Intervention Services - (Program Revised)
- 2623.02 Third Grade Reading Guarantee - (Program New)
- 3122 Nondiscrimination & Equal Employment Opportunities - (Professional Staff Revised)
- 3142 Non-Renewal of a Teacher Contract – (Professional Staff Revised)
- 3211 Whistleblower Protection - (Professional Staff Revised)
- 4122 Nondiscrimination and Equal Employment Opportunity - (Classified Staff Revised)
- 4211 Whistleblower Protection - (Classified Staff Revised)
- 5112 Entrance Requirements - (Students Revised)
- 5410 Promotion, Academic Acceleration, Placement, and Retention - (Student Revised)
- 5630.01 Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports and Limited Use of Restraint and Seclusion – (Students New)
- 6107 Authorization to Accept and Distribute Electronic Records and to Use Electronic Signatures - (Finance New)
- 7300 Disposition of Real Property / Personal Property - (Property Revised)
- 8210 School Calendar - (Operations Revised)
- 8462 Student Abuse & Neglect - (Operations Revised)
- 8800 Religious / Patriotic - (Operations Revised)
- 8900 Anti-Fraud - (Operations Revised)

School Board Members Items of Interest or Discussion

- *Mrs. Hines stated she attended the Mai Fest for the German awards program and read to classes at BWE. She noted how excited students are to learn.*
- *Mrs. Lillie said that HB59 budget continues to change in Senate; we will continue to assess. The bill will change the process of electing board members to DACC to appointing a business*

representative rather than elected positions. She announced that Columbus is subject to a bill that will change state law to require internal audit.

- *Mr. Wecker indicated that the Chamber Community Fair in May was well attended; he has noticed how much the Chamber is growing. He said the HS Band performed and marched on Memorial Day. He announced Greg Roy is taking over for Jim Burkhart in the Education Foundation.*
- *Mrs. Meyer expressed what a success graduation was and her appreciation of being involved.*
- *Dr. Fagan conveyed that Mrs. Burkhart feels supported by the BW community. She announced the BOE petitions are due to board of elections on August 7. OSBA offers a pre-board training if anyone is interested. The outlet mall could have dramatic financial impact for the district. Polaris Mall, in the past ten years, has changed the economic diversity for Olentangy to 70% of the revenue being commercial support. Currently, Big Walnut is supported 80% by residents. New Albany would like the mall to be located in their district, but it would be most beneficial if it remains in our district. She shared that the board is conducting a self-evaluation.*

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

- *Rob Galindo stated while he appreciates the reasons for the change in the graduation date to Sunday, he feels it will create difficulty for people traveling and believes early in the day Saturday would provide a better option.*

New Business

13-66 Motion by Mrs. Lillie, Seconded by Mrs. Meyer recommending the Board approve the tax budget for the Community Library of the Big Walnut Local School District in Delaware County, Ohio for the year ending December 31, 2014.

(Appendix A)

- *Chauncey Montgomery indicated the Library looks to the district as the taxing authority for approving trustees, levies, etc.*

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

13-67 Motion by Mrs. Lillie, Seconded by Mrs. Meyer recommending the Board approve the following engagement letter contract between the Auditor of State and Big Walnut Local School District for the conversion and compilation of the basic financial statements for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2013 and 2014.

(Appendix B)

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

13-68 Motion by Mrs. Lillie, Seconded by Mrs. Meyer recommending the Board approve the following Resolution:

Resolution Authorizing STRS/SERS Pick-Ups Full Employee Share Per ORC at Current Percentage Rate All Pick-Up Types

(Appendix C)

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

13-69 Motion by Mrs. Lillie, Seconded by Mrs. Hines recommending the Board approve Transfers, Advances and Account Modifications as necessary to close the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013 with transactions to be reported at its next regular meeting. The board further authorizes the Treasurer to return said advances as monies are received.

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

13-70 Motion by Mrs. Lillie, Seconded by Mrs. Meyer recommending the Board authorize the Treasurer to submit to the Delaware County Auditor the Final Appropriations and Final Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources as of June 30, 2013 to be reported at its next regular meeting for ratification.

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

13-71 Motion by Mrs. Lillie, Seconded by Mrs. Meyer recommending the Board authorize the Treasurer to establish Temporary Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2014 in accordance with Section 5705.38 O.R.C. beginning July 1, 2013 to be reported at its next regular meeting for ratification and/or amendment.

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

13-72 Motion by Mrs. Meyer, Seconded by Mrs. Lillie recommending the Board approve the Sports Medicine Proposal from Nationwide Children's Hospital of \$10,000 for 1,300 hours of athletic training services each school year that shall commence for an initial term of three (3) years on July 1, 2013 and expiring on June 30, 2016. Subject to approval of mutually agreeable terms and conditions of both parties.

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

13-73 Motion by Mrs. Lillie, Seconded by Mrs. Meyer recommending the Board approve the following handbooks for the 2013-2014 school year:

- Big Walnut High School Handbook
- Big Middle School Handbook
- Big Walnut K-6 Handbook
- Big Walnut Athletic Handbook

(Appendix D)

➤ *Mrs. Lillie would like more consistency in all handbooks.*

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

13-74 Motion by Mrs. Lillie, Seconded by Mrs. Hines recommending the Board approve the following Big Walnut Local School fees for the 2013-2014 school year:

- Kindergarten – 8th grade \$50.00
- Big Walnut High School (Appendix E)

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

13-75 Motion by Mrs. Meyer, Seconded by Mrs. Lillie recommending the Board approve the transfer of funds in the amount of \$1,073.57 from the Middle School Yearbook Fund #200-9682 to the Middle School Principal's Fund #018-9002 for PBIS (yearbook fund is no longer needed).

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

13-76 Motion by Mrs. Lillie, Seconded by Mr. Wecker recommending the Board approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Big Walnut Board of Education and the Big Walnut Education Association regarding the OTES rubric and framework.

(Appendix F)

➤ *Mrs. Pollock thanked the teachers for their six days of work, especially Erin Barr and Julie Beeker.*

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

13-77 Motion by Mrs. Meyer, Seconded by Mrs. Hines recommending the Board accept the following resignations:
Peggy McMurry, Principal, General Rosecrans Elementary, effective July 31, 2013
Steve Comstock, Science Teacher, Big Walnut High School, effective June 6, 2013

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

13-78 Motion by Mrs. Lillie, Seconded by Mrs. Meyer recommending the Board approve a two-year 260 day Administrative Level I contract for Jeff Jones, Principal, Big Walnut High School, at an annual salary of \$90,000.00, effective August 1, 2013, with seven (7) extended days to be used prior to August 1, 2013.

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

13-79 Motion by Mrs. Meyer, Seconded by Mrs. Hines recommending the Board approve a two-year 225 day Administrative Level I contract for Laura Wood, Director of Academic Achievement, at an annual salary of \$68,000, effective August 1, 2013, with (7) extended days to be used prior to August 1, 2013.

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

13-80 Motion by Mrs. Lillie, Seconded by Mrs. Meyer recommending the Board approve a one-year certified contract for Stephanie Ruark, Guidance Counselor, Big Walnut High School, MA step 5, effective the 2013/2014 school year.

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

13-81 Motion by Mrs. Meyer, Seconded by Mrs. Lillie recommending the Board approve a one-year certified contract for Lindsey DeLoss, Intervention Specialist, Big Walnut Middle School, BA+30 step 0, effective 2013/2014 school year.

Approve a one-year certified contract for Stephanie Pearlmutter, Intervention Specialist, Big Walnut Intermediate School, MA step 4, effective 2013/2014 school year.

Approve a 90-day probationary contract to the following classified employees:

Mary Cooper, 2nd shift Custodian, Big Walnut High School, step 3
Jeremy Evans, 2nd shift Custodian, Big Walnut High School, step 0

Approve a one-year contract to the following classified employees:

Dianne Hard	Laura Roberto
Jeffrey Aisel	Angela Snyder
Chris Holly	

Approve a two-year contract to the following classified employees:

Sally Lehman	Travis Dickson
Tammy Totten	Mike Hamilton
Annie Funk	Brandon Mason
Kim Schenz	Mauria Roy

Approve a continuing contract to the following classified employees:

Marvin Hunter
Gigi Thompson
Teresa White

Approve the following home school instruction tutors at the board-approved rate:

Stephanie Pearlmutter
Joe Evener

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

13-82 Motion by Mrs. Lillie, Seconded by Mrs. Hines recommending the Board approve the increase in the home instruction tutor rate from \$18 to \$20 per hour, effective July 1, 2013.

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

13-83 Motion by Mrs. Hines, Seconded by Mrs. Meyer recommending the Board approve Administrative I & II 260 day staff to sell half of the 2012/2013 accrued vacation days and carry over the remaining half to be used by October 31, 2013.

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

13-84 Motion by Mrs. Lillie, Seconded by Mrs. Hines recommending the Board approve the following extended field trip:

Big Walnut High School JV and Varsity Girls Basketball Teams, Cedarville College Team Camp, June 10-12, 2013

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

13-85 Motion by Mrs. Hines, Seconded by Mrs. Meyer recommending the Board accept the following donation: \$87.50, donation to Hylen Souders Elementary, donation from Morgan Stanley

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

13-86 Motion by Mrs. Lillie, Seconded by Mrs. Hines recommending the Board enter Executive Session to consider the employment of a public employee or official and to consider the purchase of property for public purposes.

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

Scheduling of Next Board Meeting:

Regular Board Meeting: Monday, July 8, 2013
6:30 P.M.
Big Walnut High School Media Center

13-87 Motion by Mr. Wecker, Seconded by Mrs. Hines recommending the Board exit Executive Session and the meeting adjourns.

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