

**Board of Education Meeting
January 24, 2011**

The Board of Education of the Findlay City Schools met in regular session at 5:30 p.m. in the Cafeteria at Glenwood Middle School.

CELEBRATIONS

Glenwood Principal, David Alvarado, gave a presentation to the board celebrating Glenwood's excellent rating on their report card. He shared that this year's theme is "The Eagle Has Landed." The Glenwood technology team including: Sue Becker, Tonya Bruni, Eric Dysert, Kyle Lacy and Mark Shively gave a presentation on how the students were using the new technology purchased by the \$250,000 grant that Glenwood was awarded from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Title II-D Round 2 Competitive Grants for the 2010-11 school year. Each board member received a DVD made by the students thanking them for their dedication to Findlay City Schools.

Six master teachers were honored including: Angela Dittman, Amber Elliott, Laura Davis, Kathy Beier, Jenna Potteiger and Rebecca Biesiada. Congratulations on all of your hard work!

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

FEA President Gary Kapostasy congratulated David Alvarado and his staff on how far Glenwood Middle School has come in one year and congratulated them on their Excellent rating; congratulated all the new master teachers who were honored at the meeting; and thanked Dr. Wittwer for the insurance meeting conversations and said he looks forward to the FEA insurance meeting in February.

2011-01-010 Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Mr. Shrader, seconded by Mrs. Lockard to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on January 3, 2011, and the special meeting on January 19, 2011.

Roll call: Mr. Shrader, aye; Mrs. Lockard, aye; Mrs. Dysinger, aye; Mr. Hoffman, aye; Mr. Pochard, aye. President Hoffman declared the motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Mrs. Lockard mentioned an email that was received by all board members regarding the exchange student program at the high school. Dr. Wittwer indicated there are no plans to end the program although careful consideration will be given to which sponsor organizations may participate and their requirements.

Mr. Barnhart shared information regarding the Point of Purchase program which was presented to the board at a previous board meeting.

CONSENT ITEMS

2011-01-011 Consent Items A-I

It was moved by Mr. Pochard, seconded by Mrs. Dysinger to approve Consent Items A-I as follows:

CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

A. Leaves of Absence (will use sick time until no longer available)

The superintendent recommends that leaves of absence, with pay, be granted to the following certificated personnel:

Krista Miller (Jefferson, Kindergarten)
Effective: 11/30/10 – 1/10/2011
Reason: FMLA

Margret Wien (FHS, Special Education)
Effective: 12/20/10 – 1/6/2011
Reason: FMLA

Mary Jo Young (Donnell, Grade 7)
Effective: 12/1/10 – 1/2/11
Reason: FMLA

Rebecca Solomon (Jacobs, Grade 1)
Effective: 12/6, 12/7, 12/15, 12/16, and 12/17/10 (Intermittent – Half Days) and 12/8/10 – 12/14/10 and 1/3/11 – 2/7/11 (Full Leave)
Reason: FMLA

Rebecca Solomon (Jacobs, Grade 1) (will use personal days)
Effective: 2/8/11 – 2/10/11
Reason: Medical Leave

B. Appointments

The superintendent recommends approval of the following appointments, at salaries in accordance with the adopted salary schedules; and contingent upon subsequent receipt by the Board of a report B.C.I. which is not inconsistent with the applicant's answers on the employment application:

1. Adult Education Instructor, Step 0 @ \$21.09/hour
Jan Miller
2. Clinical Training for Nursing Students @ \$21.25/hour for 12 hours (Millstream General Fund)
Carol Treece
3. Curriculum Writing @ \$21.25/hour for 3 hours (Acct. # 001-1100-111-16)
Carrie Allsop
Kim Betts
Jenna Potteiger
4. Findlay Digital Academy Instructional Coach, Step 0 @ \$21.25/hour
Wendy Farrow
5. Resident Teacher Program Coordinator Stipend (Acct. # 001-1100-111-16)
Lori Faeth - \$1,000
6. Resident Teacher Program Mentor Stipends (Acct. # 001-1100-111-16)
Becky Bucher - \$1,000 (2 trainees)
Kim Fillhart - \$500
Ryan Lindahl - \$500
Beth Maurer - \$500
Deborah Stahl - \$500
Barb Tardibuono - \$500
7. Supplemental Duty Assignments – Certificated Personnel for 2010-2011 School Year
Blake Blackburn – Glenwood, Head Middle School Track Coach @ \$2,159.40
Aaron Davis – Glenwood, Assistant 7th & 8th Grade Girls' Track Coach @ \$1,829.72
Ryan Imke – Glenwood, Assistant 7th & 8th Grade Boys' Track Coach @ \$1,829.72

C. Retirements

The superintendent recommends the following retirements be accepted:

Susan Busey (Donnell, Special Ed.) Reason: Retirement	(26 years) Eff: 5/31/2011
Teresa Lambert (Donnell, Gifted Intervention Specialist) Reason: Retirement	(25 years) Eff: 5/31/2011

CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL

D. Appointments

The superintendent recommends approval of the following appointments, at salaries in accordance with the adopted salary schedules, and contingent upon subsequent receipt by the Board of a report from B.C.I. which is not inconsistent with the applicant's answers on the employment application:

1. Substitute and/or Per Diem Employees
Kathy Radabaugh – substitute noon hour monitor @ \$9.09/hour
2. Supplemental Duty Assignments – Non-Certificated Personnel

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provision of the Ohio Revised Code 3313.53, the duly appointed representatives of the Findlay Board of Education have offered the following extra-duty positions, listed below, to the certificated employees of the district and have advertised the positions to certificated personnel not employed by the district, and

WHEREAS, no qualified certificated individuals have been found for these positions,

NOW BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Findlay Board of Education hereby deems it appropriate to employ non-certificated personnel for the specified positions for a period not to exceed one (1) year and that the compensation shall be according to the adopted salary schedule for said position(s):

Jessica Knoll – FHS, Freshman Cheerleading Coach (Basketball) @ \$1,483.56

3. Volunteers – 2010-2011 School Year Classified Club Advisors/Helpers

Dale “Gene” Bridenstine – FFE, equipment truck driver @ Volunteer
Mike Noggle – FFE, equipment truck driver @ Volunteer
Cullen Rasmussen – Volunteer Hockey Coach

E. Monthly Financial Report

The treasurer recommends that the monthly financial report for December 2010 be accepted as presented by the treasurer as shown in EXHIBIT A.

F. 2010-2011 Second Quarter Fringe Benefit Report, Financial Report, and Investment Report

The treasurer recommends that the 2010-2011 Second Quarter Fringe Benefit Report, Financial Report, and Investment Report presented by the treasurer, be accepted as shown in EXHIBIT B.

G. Findlay Digital Academy Liaison

The superintendent recommends the appointment of a Findlay City School representative to independently review Findlay Digital Academy financial reports – Craig Kupferberg, Assistant Superintendent.

H. Correction to October 25, 2010 Minutes

The superintendent recommends the minutes of the October 25, 2010 Board of Education meeting be corrected as shown:

Adult Education Instructors (Classified)
Ellen Bugay
From: Step 0 @ \$20.68/hour
To: Step 0 @ \$21.09/hour

Gregory Cornette
From: Step 2 @ \$21.24/hour
To: Step 2 @ \$21.66/hour

I. Correction to December 13, 2010 Minutes

The superintendent recommends the minutes of the December 13, 2010 Board of Education meeting be corrected as shown:

Adult Education Instructor (Certified)
Karen Minto
From: Step 2 @ \$21.24/hour
To: Step 2 @ \$21.66/hour

Roll call: Mr. Pochard, aye; Mrs. Dysinger, aye; Mr. Hoffman, aye; Mrs. Lockard, aye; Mr. Shrader, aye. President Hoffman declared the motion carried.

ACTION ITEMS

2011-01-012 Change in Calendar for In-service Day

It was moved by Mrs. Lockard, seconded by Mr. Shrader to approve the superintendent’s recommendation for the approval of the change in the calendar for the in-service day from October 10, 2011 to September 15, 2011 as shown in EXHIBIT C.

Roll call: Mrs. Lockard, aye; Mr. Shrader, aye; Mrs. Dysinger, aye; Mr. Hoffman, aye; Mr. Pochard, aye. President Hoffman declared the motion carried.

2011-01-013 Resolution to Approve the Design Development (DD) Phase for the New Millstream Career and Tech Center

It was moved by Mrs. Dysinger, seconded by Mr. Pochard to approve the superintendent’s recommendation for the approval of the resolution to adopt the design development phase for the new Millstream Career and Tech Center as shown in EXHIBIT D.

Roll call: Mrs. Dysinger, aye; Mr. Pochard, aye; Mr. Hoffman, aye; Mrs. Lockard, aye; Mr. Shrader, aye. President Hoffman declared the motion carried.

2011-01-014 Extra-Curricular Transition Team

It was moved by Mr. Shrader, seconded by Mr. Pochard to accept the superintendent's recommendation for the support of the Middle School Extra-Curricular Transition Team Recommendation as explained and shown in EXHIBIT E.

Roll call: Mr. Shrader, aye; Mr. Pochard, aye; Mrs. Dysinger, aye; Mr. Hoffman, aye; Mrs. Lockard, aye. President Hoffman declared the motion carried.

REPORTS TO THE BOARD

A. Six Month Interest Report – EXHIBIT F

Mr. Barnhart presented the six month interest report.

B. Findlay North Middle School (Glenwood) Redevelopment Project

Dennis McPherson reported on the project as bid out by the city and paid for with EPA grant money.

C. Technology Update

Martin White gave a technology update.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Ground-breaking Dates

Barb Shick presented the board with several possible dates for the groundbreaking at Glenwood and Donnell Middle School sites and the new Millstream Career and Technology Center site.

SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

Dr. Wittwer shared that the high school has no intention of discontinuing the exchange student program. They will be looking closely at setting policies and procedures in place to assure that we are prioritizing the non-profit organizations' exchange student programs. He also congratulated the high school on a very successful eighth grade orientation. He informed the board the Mrs. Swartz and Mr. Weihrauch will be presenting information on extra-curricular drug testing at the next board meeting. Dr. Wittwer spoke about staffing for the transition years. He thanked the board for their patience, and recognized that there will be many financial challenges ahead.

BOARD'S COMMENTS

Mr. Pochard asked if the transition team was looking at the supplemental coaching positions during the transition phase for the middle schools.

2011-01-15 ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mr. Pochard, seconded by Mrs. Lockard to adjourn at 7:24 p.m.

Roll call: Mr. Pochard, aye; Mrs. Lockard, aye; Mrs. Dysinger, aye; Mr. Hoffman, aye; Mr. Shrader, aye. President Hoffman declared the motion carried.

President

Treasurer

Read and approved February 7, 2011.