

**Board of Education Meeting
October 12, 2009**

The Board of Education of the Findlay City Schools met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. in the Gymnasium at Donnell Middle School.

President Dysinger called the meeting to order. Present were: Mrs. Dysinger, Mrs. Lockard, Mr. Pochard, Mr. Shrader, Superintendent Wittwer and Treasurer Barnhart. Absent was: Mr. Hoffman.

CELEBRATIONS

Mrs. Lockard celebrated the Findlay High School Academic Team for winning their second Whiz Quiz Tournament Title.

Mrs. Dysinger congratulated the staff at Findlay City Schools for generous donations to United Way.

Dr. Wittwer celebrated the wonderful in-service that happened on October 12th. He thanked Stephanie Roth and Nancy Allison for all their hard work to make this happen and the teachers who presented at the in-service sessions.

Mr. Barnhart celebrated that Findlay City Schools has been awarded a Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008. The award comes from the Government Finance Officers Association and this is the 18th consecutive year that Findlay City Schools has been recognized by this association.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

FEA President Gary Kapostasy congratulated the many staff members who worked so hard to make the in-service day such a big success; congratulated Mr. Barnhart and his staff for their continued excellence in financial reporting; thanked Dr. Wittwer for the preparation for the calendar meeting; thanked the class size committee for their hard work; thanked Pam Hamlin and Barb Shick for their leadership in the United Way campaign; and he also thanked the curriculum committee members for all their hard work.

CORRESPONDENCE

Mrs. Dysinger shared more correspondence about economics at Findlay High School.

Dr. Wittwer received correspondence from the calendar committee regarding the common calendar.

ACTION ITEMS

2009-10-001 Signature Resolution

It was moved by Mr. Shrader, seconded by Mrs. Lockard to approve the Board of Education's recommendation for approval of the Signature Resolution which authorizes the President and/or Treasurer of the Board on behalf of the Board of Education, Findlay City School District to sign any and all contracts, deeds or other documents pertaining to the sale of real estate at 701 North Main Street, Findlay, Ohio 45840 aka Washington School, as shown in EXHIBIT A.

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

2009-10-002 Approval of Lease Agreement

It was moved by Mr. Shrader, seconded by Mr. Pochard to approve the superintendent's recommendation for approval of the lease agreement between Findlay City Schools and TLB Corporate Center, LLC for the lease of Suites 102, 103 and 206 located at 1219 W. Main Cross St., Findlay, as shown in EXHIBIT B.

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

COMMUNITY FORUM – QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Questions and answers:

Is the two year lease with the option for an additional two year lease at the Marcyn Building at a locked in rate?

Dr. Wittwer answered that the two year extension of the lease would be at a lower rate than the initial two years on the new lease.

What is the new square footage rate for the leased space at the Marcyn Building?

Dr. Wittwer explained that it would cost \$12.00 per square foot.

What do you take into consideration for the new school year calendar?

Dr. Wittwer explained that the entire county would meet about the calendar and that the Millstream Cooperative was a big consideration since they have to coordinate bus schedules. He also stated that if the school year is to end at Memorial Day and there will continue to be a long spring break and Christmas break that school must begin in August.

Pam Hamlin and Susan Chesebro commented that the teachers are pleased with the extra time they have to prepare for testing with earlier school start dates. By October the school year is well under way and the students already feel completely engaged.

Will there be more levy signs:

Mr. Shrader explained that we have 18 large signs up around the community and the yard signs should be available by the end of the week.

SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

Dr. Wittwer thanked the staff for their United Way contributions. He also stated that closed lunch for the freshmen was going very well.

BOARD'S COMMENTS

Mrs. Dysinger thanked all the walkers who came out Sunday to support the walking campaign for the bond issue.

Mr. Pochard stated that the disbandment of smoker's corner has been a huge success. He thanked the staff at Findlay High School for their effort in making that successful.

2009-10-003 ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mr. Pochard, seconded by Mr. Shrader to adjourn at 7:32 p.m.

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

President

Treasurer

Read and approved October 26, 2009.