

**Board of Education Meeting  
April 12, 2010**

The Board of Education of the Findlay City Schools met in regular session at 6:00 p.m. in the Library at Bigelow Hill Intermediate School.

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

**CELEBRATIONS**

Principal Pam Hamlin welcomed the Board to Bigelow Hill Intermediate School. She celebrated her afterschool Olympic program to help students prepare for the upcoming testing. She let the Board know that 38 students were helped during this program; this year's theme for testing week is Going for the Gold. She also invited all the board members to Mr. Zaras' retirement party on May 19<sup>th</sup>.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

FEA President Gary Kapostasy thanked Mrs. Hamlin and the staff at Bigelow Hill for all their hard work and dedication to students, and wished them good luck on the grant for data coaches; wished good luck to the teachers retiring and leaving the district, and congratulated Heather Welty on her grant for iPod touches for the students at Wilson Vance.

**2010-04-001 Approval of Minutes**

It was moved by Mr. Shrader, seconded by Mr. Pochard to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on March 22, 2010.

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

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Dr. Wittwer shared an invitation to attend a neighborhood meeting to discuss the new middle school being built on the Donnell site. It was hand delivered to homes surrounding Donnell Middle School.

**CONSENT ITEMS**

**2010-04-002 Consent Items A-S**

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

**CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL**

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

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

Gera Durbin (Millstream East, Childhood Education & Care)  
Effective: 3/8/2010 – 5/2/2010  
Reason: FMLA

Julia Lammers (Washington, Special Ed)  
Effective: 3/22/2010 – 5/1/2010  
Reason: FMLA

Summer Thomas (Glenwood, Health)  
Effective: 2/22/2010 – 4/4/2010  
Reason: FMLA

Lorie Bishop (Washington, Grade 4)  
Effective: 3/8/2010 – 4/5/2010  
Reason: FMLA

Heather Bryan (FHS, Science)  
Effective: 4/1/2010 – 4/9/2010  
Reason: FMLA

B. Leave of Absence

The superintendent recommends that a leave of absence, without pay, be granted to the following certificated personnel:

Summer Thomas (Glenwood, Health)  
Effective: 4/5/2010 – 4/23/2010  
Reason: FMLA

C. 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. Mentors for Entry Year Teachers @ \$500.00  
(Acct. #440-1100-111-9010-000000-000-16-000)

Becky Bucher (2 mentees @ \$500.00 each)	Julie Miller
Laurie Collert	Chris Ring
Kim Fillhart	Elsa Shrader
Shelly Gilbert	Deborah Stall (2 mentees @ \$500.00 each)
Janine Gilts	Margie Wien
Arika Hatch	

2. Mentor Coordinator for Entry Year Teachers @ \$1,000.00  
(Acct. #440-1100-111-9010-000000-000-16-000)

Lori Faeth

3. FHS Musical Stipend (paid from F-MUSIC Account)

Debbie Benson – tickets @ \$799.97  
Marvin Miller – additional set work @ \$690.88  
Tami Wallace – costumes @ \$1,599.94

D. Resignations

The superintendent recommends that the following resignations be accepted:

Natalie Cubbon (FHS, Science)	(2 years)
Reason: Personal	Eff: 6/15/2010
Theresa Foley-Reed – from Leave of Absence (Washington, Grade 4)	(5 years)
Reason: Personal	Eff: 5/28/2010
Kevin Shoup (FHS, Science)	(3 years)
Reason: Other employment	Eff: 8/19/2010

E. Retirements

The superintendent recommends that the following retirements be accepted:

Barbara Bormuth (FHS, English)	(36 years)
Reason: Retirement	Eff: 5/31/2010
Kay Hochstettler (FHS, English)	(29 years)
Reason: Retirement	Eff: 5/29/2010
Laura Reinhart (FHS, Special Ed)	(25 years)
Reason: Retirement	Eff: 5/31/2010

**CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL**

F. Leaves of Absence (will use sick, vacation and personal time until no longer available)

The superintendent recommends that a leave of absence, with pay, be granted to the following classified personnel:

Sue Leddy (FHS, Secretary)  
Effective: 3/11/2010 – 4/6/2010  
Reason: FMLA

Carolyn Clevenger (FHS, Student Attendance Case Manager)  
Effective: 2/26/2010 – 3/28/2010  
Reason: FMLA

Michael Hough (Central, Lead Custodian)  
Effective: 4/2/2010 – 5/2/2010  
Reason: FMLA

Scott Williams (Transportation, Mechanic)  
Effective: 4/12/2010 – 4/18/2010  
Reason: FMLA

G. 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 B.C.I. which is not inconsistent with the applicant's answers on the employment application:

1. Volunteers

Bill Bare – Drumline equipment driver @ Volunteer  
Kevin Karhoff – Drumline equipment driver @ Volunteer  
Scott McCormick – Drumline equipment driver @ Volunteer  
Byron Montgomery – Drumline equipment driver @ Volunteer  
Mark Polelle – Adult Education Volunteer

H. Retirement

The superintendent recommends that the following retirement be accepted:

Don Brooker (Maintenance)	(13 years)
Reason: Retirement	Eff: 6/30/2010

I. Monthly Financial Report

The treasurer recommends that the Monthly Financial Report for March 2010, be accepted as presented in EXHIBIT A.

J. 2009/2010 Third Quarter Fringe Benefit Report, Financial Report, and Investment Report

The treasurer recommends that the 2009/2010 Third Quarter Fringe Benefit Report, Financial Report, and Investment Report presented by the treasurer be accepted, as shown in EXHIBIT B.

K. Legal Counsel

The superintendent recommends the use of Rich & Gillis Law Group as one of the District's legal counsel firms.

L. Acceptance of Gift

The superintendent recommends the acceptance and written expression of appreciation for the gift, listed below, which has been given to the Findlay City School District:

GIFT:	\$15.00
FROM:	LCBA (Loyal Christian Benefit Association)
TO:	Findlay City Schools for the Deaf

M. Adoption of Board Policies

The superintendent recommends the adoption of the board policies, listed below, which were presented by the policy committee to the Board of Education at the February 22, 2010 board meeting:

Board Policy 9.06b – Hazing, Dating Violence, and Bullying EXHIBIT C

Board Policy 10.05 – Public Solicitation, Advertising, Distribution of Materials, and Commercial Messages in Schools EXHIBIT D

N. Adoption of Blueprint Reading Course of Study

The superintendent recommends the adoption of the Blueprint Reading course of study which was presented to the Board of Education at the March 22, 2010 board meeting as Exhibit I.

O. Adoption of Engineering Drafting and Design Course of Study

The superintendent recommends the adoption of the Engineering Drafting and Design course of study which was presented to the Board of Education at the March 22, 2010 board meeting as Exhibit J.

P. Adoption of Industrial Arts Basic Course of Study

The superintendent recommends the adoption of the Industrial Arts Basic course of study which was presented to the Board of Education at the March 22, 2010 board meeting as Exhibit K.

Q. Adoption of Introduction to Computer-Aided Drafting Course of Study

The superintendent recommends the adoption of the Introduction to Computer-Aided Drafting course of study which was presented to the Board of Education at the March 22, 2010 board meeting as Exhibit L.

R. Adoption of Basic American Government #420 Course of Study

The superintendent recommends the adoption of the Basic American Government #420 course of study which was presented to the Board of Education at the March 22, 2010 board meeting as Exhibit M.

S. Adoption of Basic American Government #420 Textbook

The superintendent recommends the adoption of the Basic American Government #420 textbook which was presented to the Board of Education at the March 22, 2010 board meeting as Exhibit N.

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

**ACTION ITEMS**

**2010-04-003 Adoption of the Resolution for Millstream Career and Technology Agreement**

It was moved by Mr. Shrader, seconded by Mr. Pochard to approve the superintendent's recommendation for the adoption of the Resolution for Millstream Career and Technology Agreement as presented 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.

**2010-04-004 Adoption of the School Transition Plan**

It was moved by Mr. Shrader, seconded by Mrs. Lockard to approve the superintendent's recommendation for the adoption of the School Transition Plan as presented to the Board of Education at the March 22, 2010 board meeting as shown in EXHIBIT F.

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

**2010-04-005 Acceptance of the Martha Holden Jennings Foundation Grant**

It was moved by Mr. Shrader, seconded by Mrs. Dysinger to approve the superintendent's recommendation for the acceptance of the Martha Holden Jennings Foundation Grant to Mrs. Heather Welty, ESL teacher at Wilson Vance Intermediate School for Findlay City School District, in the amount of \$1,835.00 to purchase iPod Touches and audio books for the purpose of the iPods for ESL Learners project as shown in EXHIBIT G.

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

**2010-04-006 Resolution Accepting Consultants to Provide Services for the ENP Project**

It was moved by Mrs. Dysinger, seconded by Mr. Shrader to approve the superintendent's recommendation for the approval of the Resolution Accepting Consultants to Provide Services for the ENP Project. The approved consultants are CTL and Bowser-Morner.

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

**REPORT TO THE BOARD**

A. Preparing the Grant Process/Partners Working Together

Betsy Bowe from Malcolm Pirnie gave a presentation of the grant process/Partners Working Together.

**REPORTS FROM THE BOARD**

A. Curriculum Information

Mrs. Lockard presented information regarding curriculum.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

There was none.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS**

Dr. Wittwer thanked Mr. Brian Hurt, City Engineer, for all the help the city has provided to the school during the building project. He also reminded parents to be sure their students get plenty of rest and have a good breakfast especially during testing week.

**BOARD'S COMMENTS**

Mr. Shrader suggested that the core team review information received by board members during this design phase of the building project. He also suggested we put the answers to those questions on building updates on the Findlay City School website.

Mrs. Lockard shared that she attended the Washington Luau for Volunteers this week. She commented on how change was a great thing for Washington and how pleased they are with their new location.

Mrs. Dysinger stated she will attend the Roundtable in April.

**2010-04-007 Executive Session**

It was moved by Mr. Shrader, seconded by Mr. Pochard to go into executive session to discuss employment of personnel and the purchase of land at 7:33 p.m.

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

The Board of Education returned to regular session at 8:29 p.m.

**2010-04-008 ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by Mr. Hoffman, seconded by Mrs. Lockard to adjourn at 8:30 p.m.

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

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President

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Treasurer

Read and approved April 26, 2010.