

**Board of Education Meeting
May 9, 2005**

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

President Rothery called the meeting to order. Present were: Mrs. Brown, Mr. Cavallero, Mr. Miserlian, Mrs. Rothery, Mr. Shrader, Superintendent Lotz and Treasurer Barnhart.

RECOGNITION OF STAFF

Cheryl Corron and Jill Mathewson were recognized for their successful grant proposal for the S.M.I.L.E.S. Program.

The Treasurer's Office was awarded "The Auditor's Award" for exceptional financial reporting.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

FEA President Dee Groman offered congratulations to the retirees on tonight's agenda; acknowledged grant writers and gifts from the community; asked board to consider allowing staff and community to meet final candidates for superintendent position, and stated that negotiations continue between the FEA and the District.

Two students addressed the Board of Education about the cell phone policy at Findlay High School.

Deanna Shank, parent, told the Board she was disappointed that parents and staff were not involved with the selection process for the principal at Glenwood Middle School.

Brandon McCall, teacher, thanked Mr. Alvarado and Mr. Weihrauch for the excellent job they did as interim principal and assistant principal at Glenwood. Also, Glenwood students raised approximately \$1000.00 for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial monument.

Tim Mattis, FHS Band Director, told the Board that Pantasia competed in Virginia Beach over the weekend. The group tied with The University of West Virginia for first place.

2005-05-007 Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Mrs. Brown, seconded by Mr. Shrader to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on April 25, 2005 and the special meeting April 27, 2005.

Roll call: Mrs. Brown, aye; Mr. Shrader, aye; Mr. Cavallero, aye; Mr. Miserlian, aye; Mrs. Rothery, aye. President Rothery declared the motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Susan Chesebro welcomed everyone to Whittier Primary. She highlighted the posters made by students to reflect on the 15 service projects completed this year by Whittier students.

Mr. Barnhart reported that school levies passed by 54%.

Mr. Miserlian shared a letter he had received earlier in the week.

CONSENT ITEMS

2005-05-008 Consent Items A-M

It was moved by Mr. Shrader, seconded by Mr. Cavallero to approve Consent Items A-M as follows:

CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

A. Retirement

The superintendent recommends that the retirement be granted for the following certificated personnel:

Beth Fox – FHS, Media Specialist	(32 years)
Reason: Retirement	6/30/05

B. Resignations

The superintendent recommends that the resignations be granted for the following certificated personnel:

Susie Beekman (Lincoln, Grade 1)	(3 years)
Reason: Personal	Eff: 8/28/05

Kellie Crosby (Lincoln, Kindergarten)	(2 years)
Reason: Relocation	Eff: 8/28/05

H. Appointments

The superintendent recommends approval of the following appointments, at salaries in accordance with the adopted salary schedules:

1. Substitute and/or Per Diem Employees
Dorothy Phillips – substitute bus driver @ \$11.50/hour
2. Facilities Secretary
Jane E. Foltz (initial assignment – Facilities, Secretary)
Salary: \$14.07/hour, Step 9
Eff: May 16, 2005
3. Summer FABSS Aide
Amanda Williams – Summer FABSS Aide
Salary: \$7.15/hour
Effective: June 6 – Aug. 26, 2005

I. Reclassifications (for salary purposes only)

The superintendent recommends that the following employees be reclassified on the salary schedule, as indicated:

Nicole Manley (Donnell, Teacher Aide)
FROM: Substitute Aide @ \$9.00/hour
TO: Substitute Aide, Step 1 @ \$10.66/hour
Effective: April 20, 2005

Libbie Merk (Central, Teacher Aide)
FROM: Substitute Aide @ \$9.00/hour
TO: Substitute Aide, Step 1 @ \$10.66/hour
Effective: April 20, 2005

J. Monthly Financial Report

The superintendent recommends that the Monthly Financial Report for April 2005, be accepted as presented by the treasurer. (EXHIBIT A)

K. Resolutions of Commendation

The superintendent recommends adoption of the Resolutions of Commendation for the following certificated and classified employees, who will soon retire:

<u>Dee Boyer</u>	<u>EXHIBIT B</u>
<u>Sally Elsea</u>	<u>EXHIBIT C</u>
<u>Deidre Foltz</u>	<u>EXHIBIT D</u>
<u>Beth Fox</u>	<u>EXHIBIT E</u>
<u>Janet Frech</u>	<u>EXHIBIT F</u>
<u>Diana Froning</u>	<u>EXHIBIT G</u>
<u>John Higgs</u>	<u>EXHIBIT H</u>
<u>Richard Kalmbach</u>	<u>EXHIBIT I</u>
<u>Barbara Kidwell</u>	<u>EXHIBIT J</u>
<u>Richard Kidwell</u>	<u>EXHIBIT K</u>
<u>Albert Laux</u>	<u>EXHIBIT L</u>
<u>Janet Selick</u>	<u>EXHIBIT M</u>
<u>Maria Shrider</u>	<u>EXHIBIT N</u>
<u>Volker (Rock) Snow</u>	<u>EXHIBIT O</u>
<u>David Wirt</u>	<u>EXHIBIT P</u>

Will Andrews

EXHIBIT Q

Mary M. Brater

EXHIBIT R

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: Six (6) Computer Monitors
TO: Millstream Career & Technology Center
FROM: United Way of Hancock County

M. Board Policies and Procedures, Section 8 – Instruction

The superintendent recommends adoption of the Board Policies and Procedures, Section 8 – Instruction, which were presented to the Board of Education at the April 25, board meeting.

Roll call: Mr. Shrader, aye; Mr. Cavallero, aye; Mrs. Brown, aye; Mr. Miserlian, aye; Mrs. Rothey, aye. President Rothey declared the motion carried.

ACTION ITEMS

2005-05-009 Acceptance of Bid for Fire Alarm Replacement and Bid for Re-Roof Project on Jacobs Primary School

It was moved by Mr. Miserlian, seconded by Mr. Shrader to approve the superintendent's recommendation for acceptance of the low bid for the Jacobs, Jefferson and Whittier Schools fire alarm replacement by SimplexGrinnel, Maumee, Ohio in the amount of \$208,670.00 as explained in EXHIBIT V, and for the acceptance of the low bid for the Jacobs Primary School building in the amount of \$125,416.00 by Damschroder Construction, as explained in EXHIBIT W.

Roll call: Mr. Miserlian, aye; Mr. Shrader, aye; Mrs. Brown, aye; Mr. Cavallero, aye; Mrs. Rothey, aye. President Rothey declared the motion carried.

2005-05-010 Acceptance of The Martha Holden Jennings Grant

It was moved by Mr. Miserlian, seconded by Mrs. Brown to approve the superintendent's recommendation for acceptance of a Grant received from The Martha Holden Jennings Foundation to Jill Mathewson and Cheryl Corron, VOSE Coordinators at Millstream, South Campus in the amount of \$2,832.00 for their "S.M.I.L.E.S." Program (Students Mastering Independent Living & Employability Skills), as explained in EXHIBIT S.

Roll call: Mr. Miserlian, aye; Mrs. Brown, aye; Mr. Cavallero, aye; Mrs. Rothey, aye; Mr. Shrader, aye. President Rothey declared the motion carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Board Policies and Procedures, Section 9 – Students (Policies and Procedures from 9.01 to 9.14)

Mr. Lotz presented Board Policies and Procedures, Section 9 – Students.

B. 2005/2006 FABSS Parent Handbook

EXHIBIT T

Mr. Lotz presented the 2005/2006 FABSS Parent Handbook.

C. 2005/2006 Employee Handbook

EXHIBIT U

Mr. Lotz presented the 2005/2006 Employee Handbook.

D. Purchase of Owens Community College Davis Street Facility

Mr. Lotz discussed the purchase of the Owens Community College Davis Street Facility.

2005-05-011 Resolution to Discuss Purchase of the Owens Community College Davis Street Facility

It was moved by Mr. Shrader, seconded by Mrs. Brown to direct the superintendent to continue to investigate and bring back to the Board of Education an option or options to house Millstream Career & Technology Center on one campus.

Roll call: Mr. Shrader, aye; Mrs. Brown, aye; Mr. Cavallero, aye; Mr. Miserlian, aye; Mrs. Rothey, aye. President Rothey declared the motion carried.

REPORTS

A. Capital Improvement – Summer '05 Schedule

EXHIBIT X

Dennis McPheron presented the Capital Improvement – Summer '05 Schedule.

SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

Mr. Lotz reminded board members that the Rotary Golden Apple Dinner is Thursday, May 12 at the Findlay Country Club.

BOARD'S COMMENTS

Mrs. Brown thanked the students at Whittier School and the grant writers for their efforts; congratulated the treasurer's staff on receiving The Auditor's Award and those retiring from the district; congratulated Mr. Mattis and Pantasia for a successful year and thanked the students at Glenwood for their efforts to raise money for the Martin Luther King, Jr. memorial. She also thanked the students for presenting on the cell phone policy and said as a parent she understands the need for family communication after school.

Mr. Cavallero complimented the students for their well-prepared presentations to the Board of Education, and thanked the principals and staff at all schools that sponsor Right-to-Read Weeks.

Mrs. Rothery thanked the Glenwood parents and staff for attending the meeting and expressing their concerns and thoughts. She noted that Cabaret was awesome this past weekend. She congratulated the Washington staff on their award from CASA.

Mr. Shrader thanked the students for presenting their cell phone policies and asked for a joint recommendation from students and FHS administrators regarding a revised policy. He congratulated the retirees and acknowledged the loss of talent for FCS.

2005-05-012 ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mr. Shrader, seconded by Mrs. Brown to adjourn at 7:50 p.m.

Roll call: Mr. Shrader, aye; Mrs. Brown, aye; Mr. Cavallero, aye; Mr. Miserlian, aye; Mrs. Rothery, aye. President Rothery declared the motion carried.

President

Treasurer

Read and Approved May 23, 2005.