

December 21, 2015

The Board of Education of the Northridge Local School District met in a Regular Session on Monday, December 21, 2015 at 6:30 PM, in the Northridge High School Media Center in Johnstown, Ohio with the following individuals present: Mrs. Jayma Bammerlin, Mr. Rick Burkholder, Mr. Doug Hart, Mr. Chris Pokorny*, Mr. Jeffrey Schrock, Board Members; Dr. Chris Briggs, Local Superintendent; Mrs. Rowena Kyle, Assistant Treasurer/Payroll; Building Administrators and other interested citizens and employees. Mr. Britt Lewis, Treasurer, absent.

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 P.M. by Mr. Doug Hart, Board President followed by roll call for attendance and the pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call: Mrs. Bammerlin, present; Mr. Burkholder, present; Mr. Pokorny, absent*; Mr. Schrock, present; Mr. Hart, present.

*Mr. Pokorny entered the meeting at 6:32PM.

Vision, Mission, and Viking Values Statements

Vision Statement: *Our Vision is to ensure that every student reaches their fullest potential.*

Mission Statement: *Our Mission is to empower all students with the knowledge and skills necessary to be college and career ready.*

Viking Values: *Trust, Communication, Leadership, Collaboration, Respect, Integrity, Accountability*

Approve Minutes

15-103 It was moved by Mr. Pokorny and seconded by Mrs. Bammerlin to approve the minutes of the Regular Session, Monday, November 16, 2015, as submitted on December 11, 2015.

Roll Call: Mr. Schrock, aye; Mr. Pokorny, aye; Mr. Hart, aye; Mr. Burkholder, aye; Mrs. Bammerlin, aye.

The President declared the motion carried. 5-0.

Adoption of the Agenda

- A. Overview of Consent Agenda Items
- B. Changes to the Agenda
- C. Approval of the Agenda

15-104 It was moved by Mr. Schrock and seconded by Mrs. Bammerlin to approve the agenda as presented. The president declared the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Scheduled Visitors:

-High School OMUN Presentation – 3 teams representing South Africa, Australia (vocal), and Greece (dance). Police corruption, human rights violations, and bio-gas violations. Each team preformed a short excerpt of their talent presentation, South Africa team won the overall talent performance – performing a rubber boot dance which was a predecessor to our present day stomp dance technique.

-7/8th Grade IT/Career Connections Presentation - Mr. Justin Riley, MS Career Connections teacher showcased several experts of projects students completed in the first semester. Mr. Riley highlighted how he had incorporated other teacher’s recommendations for applying physics and math to his classroom curriculum illustrating a collaborative team effort. Mr. Riley ended with being asked a question as to what his classroom needed. He responded a uniform access to ipads for entire class and a three D printer. Our student representative Aili Barbee commented that she has previously never desired to return to middle school but after this she wishes she could.

Discussion Items:

- Treasurer
 1. Finance Committee – discussed by Dr. Briggs
 2. Facilities Committee discussed by Dr. Briggs
 3. Transportation – No current update available
 4. Maintenance Report

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5. Plan for Progress Update discussed by Dr. Briggs
- Superintendent
 1. Plan for Progress Update – Dr. Briggs discussed the special work session December 9th, direction of a Pre-K – 6 building as a general consistence. There is a need to internal/external key communicators groups to communicate - build our levy committee, we have been informed that most constituents are being reached thought the District newsletter, so we want to ramp up that distribution. We will continue with the coffee chats and internal/external key communicators meetings to help communicate our needs and direction.

Mr. Hart asked if we have a time line - Dr. Briggs stated we have until July to create the bond and to have a workable road map up to the July deadline and beyond.
 2. What to expect for 2015 District Report Card – Dr. Briggs – the preliminary report will address the K-3 literacy, graduation rate, and prepare for success. We as a district have already address areas that we knew needed additional support. Presently we feel very confident in our 3rd grade because we were ranked 2nd in Licking and Franklin counties. Our graduation rate is Excellent, prepare for success is a new category that we will be reviewing. 4th grade there are changes in standards and could be the hardest in testing. ODE says the goal is for testing results to be in by the end of June.
 - Student
 1. Student Update – High School play – Children of Eden, new approach to the book of Genesis. The high school leadership group has completed 2 fund raisers – vote for a teacher to kiss a pig and won by Mr. Elliot Wentz and a dodgeball tourney with the proceeds going to local families’ in-need. The group decorated teacher’s doors for holiday spirit. All of the winter sports are doing well. Student newspaper did not do a December print, but can be viewed online.
 - Board
 1. Music Booster Donation – Mrs. Bammerlin wanted to comment that at the MS/HS musical concert, that all of the select choir groups were wearing new uniforms donated by the music booster group.

-Mrs. Bammerlin commented that the music boosters organizes the concession stands and this past fall the Board as a group had volunteered to work one night. She recommended that they do this again during the basketball season, which was supported by the rest of the BOE.

-Mr. Pokorny commented that he had visited all the buildings today and was great to see all the children. He commented he was recently asked while sub teaching at another school in the county where are the nicest kids? He considered and truly felt that Northridge does have the most pleasant and polite children in the county.

Consent Agenda

Treasurer’s Report and Recommendations

Recommendation # 1 - Approve Monthly Financial Reports

Recommendation to approve the Monthly Financial Reports as approved by Finance Committee as submitted on December 9, 2015.

Recommendation # 2– Approve Membership to OSBA Legal Assistance Fund for 2016

Recommendation to approve membership to OSBA Legal Assistance Fund (LAF) for the calendar year 2016 and authorizes the Treasurer/CFO to pay LAF \$250.

Recommendation # 3 – Approve RFQ Request

Recommendation to approve Treasurer/CFO/Director of Business Services and Transportation to proceed at no cost to the district an exploratory RFQ (Request of Qualifications) Plan for Progress new building and renovation process to begin January 2016.

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Recommendation # 4 – Approve to Prepare for Potential Bond Levy

Recommendation to approve Treasurer/CFO/Director of Business Services and Transportation to proceed at no cost to the district an exploratory Bond Council (Dinsmore), Bond Underwriting (Stiefel) for the purpose to prepare for a potential bond levy beginning January 2016.

Recommendation # 5 – Approve to Prepare Potential Swing-Space

Recommendation to approve Treasurer/CFO/Director of Business Services and Transportation to proceed to engage at no cost to the district an exploratory potential process of insuring swing-space to be shovel-ready beginning January 2016.

Recommendation # 6 - Approve Alexandria Library Trustee

Recommendation to appoint Mrs. Kathleen Kiebel as Alexandria Public Library Trustee. The term will be effective January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2022. (Mrs. Kiebel will assume Mrs. Pamala BeVier’s position which expires December 31, 2015. Mrs. BeVier has served as library trustee for the past 17 years.)

Recommendation # 7 – Approve Donations

Recommendation to approve the following donations:

- Licking Memorial Health Systems – Emergency Medical Supplies, Unknown Value
- Lowes-Mt. Vernon – 100 5 Gallon Buckets with Lids, Value of \$500.00

Superintendent’s Recommendation

Recommendation # 1 – Approve Fund Raisers

Recommendation to approve the following Fund Raisers for the 2015-2016 school year:

- MS – Cutest Pet Picture Contest – Jan-Mar 2016; all proceeds donated to LC Animal Shelter
- MS Student Council–Dodgeball For Charity–Dec 22, 2015; all proceeds to local families in need
- MS – Yearbook Sale – January 2016 – proceeds to yearbook activity fund
- HS – Music Boosters – Schwan’s Food Sales – January-December 2016, supports Music Department

Recommendation # 2 – Approve Corrected Certified Contract Amount

Recommendation to approve corrected pay rate for Ryan El-Khoury, Intermediate School Teacher, at BA150 on Step 5 at \$39,784.00. (Original pay rate from May 18, 2015 Regular meeting – BA)

Recommendation # 3 – Approve Supplemental Step Correction

Recommendation to approve step correction for Patrick Swickard, HS Winter Game Day Coordinator (Split), Step 0 - \$1,502.00. (Original step 1 was approved on November 16, 2015 Regular meeting)

Recommendation # 4 - Approve Athletic Supplemental Positions

Recommendation to approve the following Athletic Supplemental positions for the 2015-2016 school year pending a favorable report on the content of the BCI and/or FBI check and meeting all other employment requirements.

First Name	Last Name	Position	Step	Rate of Pay
C. Denney	Morris	MS Spring Game Day Coordinator	2	\$3,125.00
John	Smith	HS Spring Game Day Coordinator	1	\$3,064.00

Recommendation # 5 – Approve Additional Hours for Cafeteria Staff

Recommendation to approve additional hours for mandatory training of first aide, hand washing, nutrition, etc for the following cafeteria staff not to exceed 12 hours for the 2015-2016 school year:

Patty Barnhard, Jean Davis, Susie Endicott, Neda Haines, Julie Holbrook, Janet LaRue, Anne Patti, Joanne Roberts, Tara Yutzy.

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Recommendation # 6 – Approve Additional Hours for Cafeteria Staff

Recommendation to approve additional hours for Joanne Roberts, HS Head Cook not to exceed 8 hours for the 2015-2016 school year.

Recommendation # 7 – Approve High School Wrestling Trips

Recommendation to approve the following High School Wrestling team trips for the 2015-2016 school year:

- Maumee Bay Classic in Toledo, Ohio; January 15-16, 2016
- Cameron Invite in Cameron, West Virginia; January 1-2, 2016

Recommendation # 8 - Approve Volunteers

Recommendation to approve the following as a volunteer for the 2015-2016 school year pending a favorable report on the content of the BCI and/or FBI check and meeting all other volunteer requirements.

First Name	Last Name
Alex	Arnold (athletics)
Camden	Belli (athletics)
Kevin	Reeves (athletics)
Sonya	Schmid
John	Shepherd (athletics)
Storm	Strout (athletics)
Rebekah	VanWinkle
Andrew	Westbrook (athletics)

Recommendation # 9 – Approve Classified Substitutes for the 2015-2016 School Year

Recommendation to approve the following substitute personnel on an as-needed basis at the hourly rate determined by Board approved sub pay rates per position for the 2015-2016 school year pending favorable reports of the content of the BCI/FBI check and meeting all other employment requirements.

Johnston, Sheryl

15-105 It was moved by Mr. Schrock and seconded by Mr. Burkholder to approve the above consent recommendations.

Roll Call: Mr. Schrock, aye; Mr. Pokorny, aye; Mr. Hart, aye; Mr. Burkholder, aye; Mrs. Bammerlin, aye.

The President declared the motion carried. 5-0.

Business Initiated by Members of the Board

-Mr. Schrock brought a mailing to the meeting tonight from OSBA regarding Transportation for Mr. Lewis.

-Mrs. Bammerlin commented that it is very exciting to be starting our RFQ process. Mr. Hart expressed that even though items Treasurer’s Recommendations 3-5 are at no cost to the district, there has been a lot of work completed to get to this point and those efforts are appreciated.

Need to understand that we need to communicate to the community that we are headed in a specific direction. Mr. Pokorny recommended open forums for the community regarding time line and community ability to have input.

-Mr. Hart stressed the process is important and that we are heading the right direction.

-Mr. Pokorny wanted to thank Mrs. BeVier for her time as Alexandria Library Trustee. Good to see Mr. Swickard as High School Co-Game Day Coordinator.

-Mr. Hart also wanted to thank the Mt. Vernon Lowes and Licking Memorial Health System for their donations.

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-HS Guidance Counselor, Jenifer Rauchenstein, has sent out a mailer to senior students with information on how to complete the FASFA financial forms when applying to colleges. Thanked her for her efforts. Student Representative Aili Barbee commented on a great job Mrs. Rauchenstein has done this year. Mrs. Rauchenstein had gone the extra mile to set up a field trip for her and another student to the James Cancer Center and McConnell Health at Riverside Hospital.

Announcements

- Mr. Pokorny commented that there is a discrepancy between our student calendar and C-Tec calendar regarding graduation date and additional student days.
- Mrs. Bammerlin expressed that she had heard per family feedback that the short professional days were not the preferred by the parents of the district.
- Dr. Briggs stated they were looking at a 2 year academic calendar.
- Christmas break will begin December 23, 2015.
- Mr. Schrock wished everyone a merry and safe Christmas. He also expressed thanks for the gift.

Reaffirm Time and Place of Next Board of Education Meeting(s):

Organizational Date: Wednesday, January 6, 2016 Time: 6:30PM Location: High School Media Center

Reaffirm Time and Place of Next Treasurer/CFO Meetings:

Finance Date: Wednesday, January 13, 2016 Time: 6:00PM Location: District Office
Facilities Date: Wednesday, January 20, 2016 Time: 6:00PM Location: District Office

Adjourn Meeting

15-106 Mr. Schrock’s motion to adjourn the meeting passed by unanimous voice vote. The president declared the meeting adjourned at 8:03PM.

_____ Board President
 _____ Treasurer

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