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Ashland City School District Board of Education –Regular Meeting
January 05, 2015

The Ashland City School District Board of Education met for the Regular meeting on Monday, January 26, 2015 at the Ashland High School Library, 1440 King Rd. Dr. James Wolfe, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

- I. **ROLL CALL** Mr. Rick Ewing, Mr. Bryan Lefelhoc, Mrs. Lindsey Saffle, and Dr. James Wolfe were present.
- II. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Dr. James Wolfe, Board President.
- III. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA 2015-01-016** Mr. Ewing made the motion, seconded by Mr. Gravitt to approve the agenda as presented. –Motion carried 5-0.

IV. **SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

- A. **Advanced Placement Honor Roll Award -**
Dr. Marrah commented on Advanced Placement.

B. **Coach Scott Valentine Award**

Dr. Wolfe announced the recognition for Coach Scott Valentine for achieving his 100th victory as the Head Football Coach for Ashland City Schools. He further discussed the appreciation and respect for Coach Valentine and his generous efforts and impacts he has made on many athletes lives.

Dr. Marrah presented the George Valentine Award to Coach Scott Valentine for lifetime achievement as the first recipient in the history of Ashland City Schools.

Mr. Scott Valentine thanked the Board of Education for receiving the award, and expressed his thankfulness from his family, the community, coaching staff, and athletes. He further commented his appreciation and how humbled he was for the recognition.

Dr. Marrah also thanked and congratulated Mr. Valentine.

- C. **Other** –No discussions took place.

V. **RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON AGENDA ITEMS**

Mr. Knabe thanked the custodial staff for their efforts with the buildings and snow removal during the inclement weather.

- VI. **FINANCIAL/BUSINESS REPORT 2015-01-017** Mr. Gravitt made the motion, seconded by Mr. Lefelhoc to approve the Treasurer’s consent calendar as presented.- Motion carried 5-0.

A. **Treasurer’s Consent Calendar**

Note: Items under the Treasurer’s Consent Calendar are considered routine and will be enacted under one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items prior to the time the Board votes unless a Board member requests an item be clarified or removed from the calendar for separate action.

The Treasurer recommends the following actions:

1. Financial Report
Approval of the Financial Reports (December 2014) as presented.
2. Minutes
Approval of the minutes of the following Board meeting(s) as presented by the Treasurer:

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3. Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources and Appropriations

Approve the FY15 Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources.
(EXHIBIT A)

4. Then and Now Certificate

Ohio Revised Code 5705.41 approve the authorization of a Then and Now Certificate as per Ohio Revised Code for purchase (purchase order 2151675) with Linda Williams, Occupational Therapist. Issuance determines funds were THEN available at the time of the allowable expense and the amounts of purchases are necessary to meet the obligation (at the time of the order or contract) and is NOW lawfully appropriated and available for such purpose.

5. Items Removed for Separate Consideration

VII. NEW BUSINESS 2015-01-018 Mrs. Saffle made the motion, seconded by Mr. Ewing to approve the Consent Calendar.-Motion carried 5-0.

A. Consent Calendar

Note: Items under the consent calendar are considered routine and will be enacted under one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items prior to the time the Board votes unless a Board member requests an item be clarified or removed from the calendar for separate action.

The Superintendent recommends the following actions:

1. Certificated/Licensed Personnel

Approve the personnel and/or contract recommendations detailed in the exhibit items listed below as per the dates, terms and other applicable conditions specified and pending completion of all state, local and district requirements.

- a. Certificated Retirement (EXHIBIT B)
- b. One-Year Non-Renew Contracts for the Remainder of the 2014-2015 School Year (EXHIBIT B)
- c. Substitute Teachers/Home Instructors for the 2014-2015 school year (EXHIBIT B)
- d. Supplemental Duty Contracts for 2014-2015 (EXHIBIT B)
- e. OAA Tutors for the 2014-2015 School Year (EXHIBIT B)

2. Support Staff

Approve the personnel and/or contract recommendations detailed in the exhibit items listed below as per the dates, terms and other applicable conditions specified and pending completion of all state, local and district requirements.

- a. Transfers (EXHIBIT C)

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- b. Classified Noon Duty Minimum Wage Adjustment (EXHIBIT C)
 - c. Volunteers for the Musical for the 2014-2015 School Year (EXHIBIT C)
 - d. Special Duty Contract for the 2014-2015 School Year (EXHIBIT C)
 - e. Volunteer Coach for the 2014-2015 School Year (EXHIBIT C)
 - f. Stipends for the 2014-2015 School Year (EXHIBIT C)
3. Approve entering into a contract with Ashland ENT Center to provide audiology services to Ashland City School District for the remainder of the 2014-2015 school year and for the 2015-2016 school year on an as-need basis. (EXHIBIT D)
4. Items Removed for Separate Consideration

- B. 2015-2016 School Calendar 2015-01-019** Mr. Gravitt made the motion, seconded by Mr. Ewing to approve the Ashland City School District 2015-2016 academic year calendar. (EXHIBIT E)-Motion carried 5-0.

Dr. Marrah commented on the calendar presented and recommended for approval based upon the feedback received from the community.

- C. Ashland High School Program of Studies 2015-01-020** Mr. Lefelhoc made the motion, seconded by Mr. Ewing to adopt of the Ashland High School Program of Studies for the 2015-2016 school year. (Available online at www.ashlandcityschools.org)

- D. Pledges and Outright Gifts 2015-01-021** Mr. Gravitt made the motion, seconded by Mr. Lefelhoc to approve the following pledges and outright gifts for the Auditorium Project:

- Ashland County Community Foundation \$35,000
- Rick and Kim Spreng Increase to \$ 5,000

-Motion carried 5-0.

Dr. Marrah thanked sponsors for their generous donations.

- E. OAPSE Memorandum of Understanding 2015-01-022** Mr. Ewing made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Saffle to approve an OAPSE Memorandum of Understanding. (EXHIBIT F) –Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Knabe explained the memorandum of understanding, and the process involved with the healthcare committee to include items such as, fitness, tobacco use, and employee wellness. He thanked the committee, O.A.P.S.E., and Dr. Wolfe for their efforts.

Mr. Lefelhoc asked if the memorandum was for O.A.P.S.E. only, or was the teacher’s association included? Dr. Wolfe explained the information and process.

- F. Review Elementary Attendance Zone Change –**

Mr. Phillip McNaull presented and discussed the attendance zones and realignment for the newly constructed buildings and reconfigurations.

Mr. Ewing thanked Mr. McNaull for his efforts, and time spent with the realignment process. He also commented on the need to begin the process on the selection of naming the new elementary building.

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Mr. Lefelhoc commented on his appreciation for the efforts with the results of the reconfiguration. He further discussed his support for the realignment and the opportunity for input from community members; however, he understood the plan presented would be the template for the realignment. He welcomed input at the next work session for input from the community.

Dr. Marrah commented on the need for community input; furthermore, he wanted communications to be clear of the statistical information brought forth with the enrollment data. He also thanked Mr. McNaull for his efforts and countless hours of input with the alignment data.

VIII. DISCUSSION

IX. BOARD REPORTS

A. Facilities Committee

Mr. Ewing commented on the progress of the construction projects.

Dr. Marrah commented on the design build process for the future site of the transportation facilities, and central office. He further commented on the transition with the preschool program, and opportunities for the future location of the preschool facilities. He continued in discussion with the potential to add additional classroom space to the current new elementary structure due to the capability of the co-funding with the Ohio Facility Construction Commission.

Mr. Ewing commented the preschool space would be within the budget and co-funded from the O.F.C.C. division.

Mr. Lefelhoc commented on the excitement of the opening of the new facilities.

Dr. Marrah commented on the need to review, and possibly upgrade the current Little Theater.

X. COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

A. Public -

B. Board Members

Dr. Wolfe expressed his gratitude for Mr. Lefelhoc serving on the Board as the Vice-President; he further offered appreciation for Mr. Ewing's expertise. He also thanked Mrs. Saffle and Mr. Gravitt for their leadership, and offered joint leadership with Mr. Gravitt to direct the future meetings at all Board of Education meetings. He further commented on his appreciation and trust in all board members.

Mrs. Saffle commented on her excitement for the construction and changes within the district.

Mr. Gravitt commented on his excitement and appreciation for the realignment of the district.

Mr. Lefelhoc thanked Coach Valentine and all teachers for their efforts. He wanted them to know the huge impact they leave in a student's life.

Mr. Ewing thanked the support staff for their efforts with the facilities during the inclement weather.

Dr. Wolfe made closing comments on the positive climate for the district, and the need to provide the best education/deliverance for the students. He discussed

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the success of previously approved financial decisions, goals, and strategies for the future for Ashland City Schools.

He further commented on the right-sizing of the district, and the need for upgrades to the high school. Dr. Wolfe expressed the focus on the greatest asset of the district being the students and faculty; and the need to work with them to achieve long term goals for financial security, and success for the future of Ashland City Schools.

- XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION 2015-01-023** Mrs. Saffle made the motion, seconded by Mr. Gravitt to enter into executive session. –Motion carried 5-0.

Whereas, as a public board of education may hold an executive session only after a majority of a quorum of this board determines by a roll call vote to hold such a session and only at a regular or special meeting for the sole purpose of the consideration of any of the following matters:

- A.** To consider one or more, as applicable, of the checkmarked items with respect to a public employee or official:
 - 1. Appointment
 - 2. Employment
 - 3. Dismissal
 - 4. Discipline
 - 5. Promotion
 - 6. Demotion
 - 7. Compensation
 - 8. Investigation of charges/complaints (unless public hearing requested).
- B.** To consider the purchase of property for the public purposes or for the sale of property at competitive bidding.
- C.** Conferences with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action.
- D.** Preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment.
- E.** Matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or rules or state statutes.
- F.** Specialized details of security arrangements where disclosure of the matters discussed might reveal information that could be used for the purpose of committing or avoid prosecution for a violation of the law.

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the Ashland City School Board of Education, by a majority of the quorum present at this meeting, does hereby declare its intention to hold an executive session on item(s) A2, B, C, D, E as listed above.

The Board of Education, Dr. Marrah, Mr. Knabe, Mrs. Deppert, and Mr. Marquette entered into executive session at 7:55 p.m.

Mr. Marquette left executive session at 8:33 p.m.

Executive session concluded at 9:14 p.m.

- XII. ADJOURNMENT 2015-01-024** Mr. Gravitt made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Saffle to adjourn the January 26, 2015 regular meeting. –Motion carried 5-0.

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It is hereby certified that the Ashland City School District Board of Education, Ashland County, Ohio, has sufficient funds to meet the contract agreement, obligation, payment or expenditure for the above, and has in effect for the remainder of the fiscal year and succeeding fiscal year the authorization to levy taxes which, when combined with the estimated revenue from all other sources available to the district at the time of certification, are sufficient to provide operating revenues necessary to enable the district to operate an adequate educational program on all days set forth in its adopted school calendar for the current fiscal year and for a number of days in the succeeding fiscal year equal to the number of days instruction was or is scheduled for the current fiscal year.

1/26/2015

Treasurer

Superintendent of Schools

President, Board of Education

Dr. Wolfe, President

Gina Deppert, Treasurer