

**Ashland City School District Board of Education – Work Session/Special Meeting Monday, August 10, 2015**

The Ashland City School District Board of Education met for a work session/special meeting on Monday, August 10, 2015, at the Ashland High School Library, 1440 King Road, Dr. James Wolfe, President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

- I. ROLL CALL** Mr. Rick Ewing, Mr. Bryan Lefelhoc, Mr. William Gravitt, Mrs. Lindsay Saffle, and Dr. James Wolfe were present.
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Gravitt, Board Vice President.
- III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA 2015-08-123** Mr. Gravitt made the motion, seconded by Mr. Ewing to approve the agenda as presented. – Motion carried 5-0
- IV. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Hotel Tax Abatement 2015-08-124** Mr. Gravitt motioned; second by Mr. Lefelhoc to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation of a 12 year 60% abatement for the construction of a Hampton Inn. Motion carried 4-0, Dr. Wolfe voted no.

Dr. Wolfe indicated the work session discussion topics would be conducted under the special meeting.

**V. DISCUSSION**

**A. Construction Update**

Dr. Marrah gave an update on the construction projects. All construction is on time. Opening is scheduled for September 8, 2015. The occupancy approvals are as follows:

- Reagan Elementary 8-17-15
- Middle School 8-25-15
- Pre-K Classrooms 8-28-15

**B. Elementary Fees K-5**

Dr. Marrah shared that the student fees for kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade will be eliminated for the 2015-2016 school year.

**C. Open House Schedule:**

<b>Middle School:</b>	<b>8<sup>th</sup> grade</b>	<b>September 1, 5:30-7 p.m.</b>
	<b>7<sup>th</sup> grade</b>	<b>September 2, 5:50-7 p.m.</b>
	<b>6<sup>th</sup> grade</b>	<b>September 3, 5:30-7 p.m.</b>

<b>Elementary:</b>	<b>Reagan</b>	<b>September 3, 5:30-7:30 p.m.</b>
	<b>Edison</b>	<b>September 3, 6-7 p.m.</b>
	<b>Taft</b>	<b>September 3, 7:15-8:15 p.m.</b>

**D. Dates for Dedication of Elementary and Middle School**

Dr. Wolfe suggested combining the September Work Session with the elementary dedication. The Work Session/Dedication will be at Reagan Elementary on September 16, 2015. Work Session will start at 5:00 p.m. and the Dedication will start at 5:30 p.m.

The Middle School Dedication be held in conjunction with the Board Meeting on September 30, 2015. The Board Meeting will start at 5:00 p.m. and the Middle School Dedication will follow.

- E. TESTING UPDATE** – Dr. Marrah reviewed the State testing window for the 2015-2016 school year. (ATTACHMENT)
- F. CHANNEL 72 UPDATE** – The programming for Channel 72 will include a new look; schedule of events, daily activities and a link to “google calendars”.
- G. AUCTION UPDATE** – Mr. Knabe shared information about the auctions previously held at Montgomery and Osborn, and the upcoming auctions
  - August 18 – Lincoln Elementary
  - September 1 – Middle School
  - October 6 – Montgomery Land
- H. ATHLETIC VAN PURCHASE** – A replacement van is needed for the High School athletic department. The district is obtaining pricing through the “state term contract” or quotes from local vendors.
- I. OTHER** – Dr. Wolfe gave an update on the Health Care change from Medical Mutual of Ohio to Anthem.

Mayor Glen Stewart and Mr. Patel thanked the Board for passing the tax abatement.

**VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION 2015-08-125** Mr. Lefelhoc motioned; second 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) B, D as listed above.

The Board, Dr. Marrah, and Mr. Knabe entered into executive session at 7:50 p.m.

Executive session concluded at 8:34 p.m.

**VII. ADJOURNMENT 2015-08-126** Mr. Lefelhoc motioned; second by Mr. Gravitt to adjourn the August 10, 2015 Work Session/Special Meeting. Motion carried 5-0.

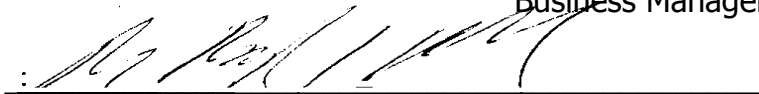
Certificate Section 5705.412, Revised Code

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.

8/10/2015



Business Manager



Superintendent of Schools

President, Board of Education

Dr. Wolfe, President



Robert Knabe, Business Manager

**Reminder:** Aug 24<sup>th</sup> – Regular Meeting  
Sept 2<sup>nd</sup> – First Teacher Day/Convocation Day in Afternoon  
Sept 8<sup>th</sup> – First Day for Students