



Board Briefs

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Report from the Regular January 19, 2011 Board of Education meeting:

1. Administrative Reports

A. PTA Report – No report given this month.

B. Administrative Reports

- (1) **Mr. Hullman** – reviewed the financial statements for the period ending December 31, 2010.
- (2) **Mr. Lewis** – reported that: we have entered into an agreement with the National Center for School Leadership (NCSL) to conduct an employee engagement survey. Over the next couple of weeks we will be communicating with our employee groups to explain the purpose of the survey and the fact that an outside group will be handling the data collection. The tentative plan is to send out the link to the survey in early February and to have it completed by mid-February.
- (3) **Mr. Atkinson** – Transportation - reported that: bids will be accepted in March 2011 for the Fitch Road Railroad overpass with construction to begin this summer. The new bus was received but due to a minor electrical issue it was returned to Akron International for repair. It has since returned and inspected by the State Highway Patrol. All applicable people will be notified of the changes in bus numbers prior to putting the bus into service. Two school bus drivers (Nancy Chidsey and Mike Brady) will be retiring at the end of this school year. Since Nancy is one of two OBI's (on bus instructors), we are actively beginning to look for her replacement. In addition, Al Cantrell has informed us that he will be retiring at the conclusion of this school year. The State Highway Patrol conducted a spot school bus safety inspection on 1/12/11 and all eleven buses were in compliance. Six Fairview and five Olmsted Falls buses in all were inspected. Buildings and Grounds – All school building custodial staff returned our official first month (December) of preventative maintenance reporting forms. Currently that information is in the process of being entered into the database located at the Board Office. The HS concession stand project is about 95% complete. An additional electrical circuit for lighting must be added, a catch basin for drainage problems added and a rotted wood floor needs to be replaced with concrete. Monthly grounds meeting took place to discuss snow plowing, concession stand improvements/keys, spring projects related to athletics and equipment requests. Personnel - The replacement position for school bus driver Ann Stricklen was posted 1/5/11 through 1/11/11 and candidate interviews are being scheduled. Midyear staff appraisals in the Transportation and Custodial classifications are complete and went without issue. An OAPSE labor management meeting was scheduled for 1/18/11.

- (4) **Dr. Lloyd – Curriculum** – reported that: several publishing companies have sent their materials to the ECC and they will be working to break these into their respective grade level clusters so that the core ELA team can continue with their work. We have primarily provided release time by way of substitutes in order to conduct our curriculum work. I indicated to the core committee that there may be a time and place for a Curriculum Writing supplement/stipend and it would occur when I have requested them to conduct work that is outside the contracted day – this has not occurred yet. The stipend levels range from \$60 to \$480. **Instruction & Assessment** – Teachers continue to plan with one another. Under the leadership of our high school administrators along with Jeff VanArnhem and Donna Langenderfer, our high school math department has done considerable work here. Next phase of the Formative Assessment for Students and Teachers (FAST) will take place at the end of this month. The professional development consists of 4-5 days and focuses on the district’s curriculum, instruction and assessment priorities – making learning targets clearer, providing high quality feedback so that students better understand where they are in relationship to where they need to be and how they can go about closing the gap between what they currently know and what they need to know. This would include extending the opportunities for those who have already mastered what we want them to know and be able to do. At the end of the training for FAST Cohort 2, we will have locally “trained” 67 teachers in formative assessment techniques. In addition, 66 OFCS teachers have either completed or will complete the same staff development through the Greater Cleveland Professional Development Center (GCEDC). **Miscellaneous** – Last week the a.m. Kindergarten Field Trip to see Knuffle Bunny at the Play House was cancelled due to snow. I am working with the ECC/F-L PTA to secure an alternate field trip date.
- (5) **Dr. Hoadley** - Updated the Board of Education on discussions with the Olmsted Community Center regarding the possibility of providing ½ day care for kindergarten students who desire full day school experience. Also, shared with the Board of Education that 12 support staff members are presently going through Six Sigma training and that quality projects are taking place in the Transportation, Food Service, Technology, and Custodial/Maintenance areas. Shared with the Board of Education that the Ohio statehouse has rejected a proposal from the State Teachers Retirement System (STRS) for solving the retirement system’s solvency issue. The mandate from the Ohio Statehouse to STRS is to send a new proposal which does not include raising the contribution percentage level for Ohio school districts. Finally, complimented the members of the District’s Food Service Program for receiving the 2010 Stellar Award for Nutritional Best Practices and complimented the members of the District’s technology staff for all of their efforts during the recent construction projects at the new Olmsted Falls Intermediate School and Olmsted Falls Middle School.

2. **Honors and Acknowledgements**

- A. Denise Tabar and Food Service for receiving the 2010 Stellar Award for Excellent Nutrition Practices. This award recognizes their innovative use of best practices to promote a healthy school nutrition environment.

- B. Certificates of Appreciation to Joseph Bertrand, Rhonda McCrone, Frank Pedicini, Michelle Theriot and James Weisbarth for their exemplary leadership and service to Olmsted Falls City Schools.
 - C. Joe Magrey, and technology staff, for all of their efforts during the recently completed construction project.
3. **Donations**
- A. From Kiwanis Club of Olmsted Falls – 8472 Brentwood Drive, Olmsted Falls, Ohio 44138 generously donated \$400.00 to the Middle School Builders Club for t-shirts for the students.
4. **Minutes**
- Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 15, 2010, Special Meeting of December 22, 2010 and Organizational Meeting/Work Session of January 6, 2011.
5. **Recommendations of the Treasurer**
- A. Approve Financial Report for the Period Ending December 31, 2010 and any Cash Advances and Transfers
 - B. Approve 5-Year Forecast Analysis
 - C. Approve Analysis of Intermediate/Middle School Project
 - D. Increase June 30, 2010 audit fee in the amount of \$1,146.00 due to the necessity of additional audit work
6. **Recommendations of the Superintendent**
- A. Approve Annual Memberships with OSBA: Annual Membership dues in the amount of \$6,754.00; Annual Briefcase Subscription (*Electronic Copy – free*); Annual School Management News (*Electronic Copy*) in the amount of \$150.00; and the Legal Assistance Fund Membership in the amount of \$250.00 for the period January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011
 - B. Two-Year Waiver to Ohio Department of Education regarding all-day kindergarten for school years 2011/2012 and 2012/2013
 - C. Approve High School Program of Studies for 2011-2012 School Year
 - D. Adopt Resolution Expressing the Approval of the Olmsted Falls Board of Education for Continued Discussions Regarding a Joint Recreation Initiative Between the City of Olmsted Falls, Olmsted Township and the Olmsted Falls City School District.
 - E. Approve a Memorandum of Understanding with OAPSE, Local 361 extending the terms and conditions of the Collective Bargaining Agreement, with modifications, through June 30, 2012.
7. **Personnel** Items (as shown below)
8. **Hearing of the Public on Agenda Items** (None)

9. **For the Board's Discussion**
 - A. The next meeting will be held at Olmsted Falls Primary School (26450 Bagley Road, Olmsted Falls, Ohio 44138) in the Media Center on February 17, 2011
 - B. Discuss 2.8 mill drop-off
 - C. Adopt Resolution submitting to the Electors of the Olmsted Falls City School District the question of an Additional Tax Levy (2.8 Mill Permanent Improvement) for the purpose of General Permanent Improvements, pursuant to Section 5705.21 of the Revised Code
10. **Adjournment into Executive Session to Discuss the Preparation for Negotiation and Employment and Evaluation of Personnel**
11. **Reconvene into Regular Session**
12. **Summation of Decisions Made (not by resolution)**
13. **Adjournment**

6-Personnel

Resignations:

Stricklen, Ann – Bus Driver, effective December 31, 2010

Certified Personnel:**For 2010-2011 School Year**

Frawley, Alice – To be hired as a long term substitute teacher for Jennifer Call, effective December 14, 2010 through or around February 8, 2011

Lees, Tracie – 3 year contract – Assistant Principal, effective August 1, 2011 through and including July 31, 2014

Sheets, Brady – 3 year contract – Assistant Principal, effective August 1, 2011 through and including July 31, 2014

Von Gunten, Michael J. – 3 year contract – Assistant Principal, effective August 1, 2011 through and including July 31, 2014

Metrick, Mary Lou – Hired for Home Instruction and Extended School Year (ESY) effective December 1, 2010 through August 31, 2011

Reese, Christine - Hired for Home Instruction and Extended School Year (ESY) effective December 1, 2010 through August 31, 2011

Support Personnel:**For 2010-2011 School Year**

Duffy, Timothy – Approval of a disability benefit through SERS Disability Retirement Board effective December 1, 2010 up to 36 months (through November 13, 2013)

Support Staff Substitute List “G”

Supplementals/Stipends:**For 2010-2011 School Year**

Arnold, Katie – Asst. Ski Club Advisor – Vol./Aux.

Barber, Katherine – Asst. Ski Club Advisor - Aux.

Hallock, William – Asst. Ski Club Advisor – Aux.

Hoslar, Andrew – 9th Grade Baseball Coach (.80)

Kleinhenz, Jared – Asst. Ski Club Advisor – Vol./Aux.

Ostmann, Kristin – Asst. Ski Club Advisor – Vol./Aux.

Reimer, Charles C. – 9th Grade Baseball Coach (.20)

Sagermann, Gregory – Asst. Baseball Coach-Aux.

Simon, Martin – Weight Room Supervisor – Spring – Vol./Aux.

Stahlberg, Kyle – Baseball Coach – Aux.

Stipends:

None