

**MINUTES OF THE CLEVELAND HEIGHTS-UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Special Meeting of January 19, 2010

The Board of Education of the Cleveland Heights-University Heights City School District, Cuyahoga County, held its special meeting in the public meeting room of the Board Building at 2155 Miramar Boulevard, University Heights, Ohio, on January 19, 2010, at 7:00 p.m.

Ms. Nancy Pepler, President, called the Regular meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Present at Roll Call: Ms. Nancy Pepler, President
Mr. Kal Zucker, Vice President
Mr. Eric Coble, Board Member
Ms. Karen Jones, Board Member
Mr. Ron Register, Board Member

Also Present: Mr. Douglas Heuer, Superintendent
Mr. Scott Gainer, Chief Financial Officer
Mr. John Britton, District Legal Counsel
Members of the Central Office Staff
Patrons of the School District
Representatives of the News Media

WORK SESSION – TOPIC: Eight Period High School Day

Superintendent Doug Heuer recapped the evolution of the concept of increasing instructional time for students at the high school, which began in October 2007 and has progressed to the present.

The following representatives worked on the committee to develop the new high school schedule and presented information to the Board:

Marc Aden, Principal – R.E.A.L.
Marc Engoglia, Principal – Legacy
Karen Kastor, Teacher Leader – Legacy
Jane Simeri, Teacher & PLC Coordinator – Renaissance
Dr. Joseph Micheller, Interim Assistant Superintendent

The primary reason to move to an eight period day is to increase student achievement by increasing the Principal-Counselor-Teacher relationship with common students. All students

would use the entire eight period day, and the teacher workday would remain the same (8:15 a.m. – 3:45 p.m.).

Superintendent Heuer said the more significant goals expected from this change would be a collective increase in the overall grade point average of students and a decrease in the number of sophomores repeating freshman-level classes.

Dr. Micheller indicated that Board action on the eight period high school day was expected to occur at this meeting. However, it is now the subject of a grievance issued by the Teachers' Union. In order that conversations can continue to take place with the Teachers' Union on this subject, Dr. Micheller asked the Board to postpone action until February 2, 2010.

Approval of High School A Cappella Choir and Singers' Spring Tour

It was recommended that the Board of Education approve the High School A Cappella Choir and Singers' Tour to Charleston, SC scheduled for March 19-24, 2010.

No. 10-01-015 It was moved by Mr. Coble, seconded by Ms. Jones, that the above Spring Tour be approved.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Mr. Coble, Ms. Jones, Ms. Pepler,
Mr. Register, Mr. Zucker

Nays: None

Approval of Appointment for Administrative Staff

It was recommended that the Board of Education offer employment pursuant to ORC Section 3319.02 to the following individuals, for the positions listed, for the period of time identified, and at the rate of pay specified. It was recommended that the following appointments to the staff of the Cleveland Heights-University Heights City Schools be approved, pending successful completion of the pre-employment procedures including criminal history checks, effective on the dates indicated, with limited contracts and with the understanding that such personnel are subject to all the rules and regulations of the Board of Education and to all of the provisions of law pertaining to their employment.

If the pre-employment procedures are not successfully completed, it was understood that, pursuant to Board policy, the Board of Education may immediately release the employee from employment and rescind a conditional offer of employment.

Key: N=New R=Replacement T=Transfer

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>
<u>Administrative Staff</u>		
Harris, Jacqueline Effective 1/19/2010 Assignment: Heights High – 110 Days	Coord. of Advanced Studies/ Student Activities	\$46,860

No. 10-01-016 It was moved by Ms. Jones, seconded by Mr. Coble, that the above Personnel item be approved.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Jones, Ms. Pepler, Mr. Register,
Mr. Zucker, Mr. Coble

Nays: None

High School Eight Period Day

It was recommended that the Board of Education TABLE action on the high school eight period day until February 2, 2010.

No. 10-01-017 It was moved by Mr. Coble, seconded by Mr. Zucker, that the above Eight-Period Day proposal be TABLED.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Pepler, Mr. Register, Mr. Zucker,
Mr. Coble, Ms. Jones

Nays: None

Adoption of Board Policy Section 5000

It was recommended that the Board of Education adopt Board of Education Policy Section 5000:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that through the adoption of these policies, the Board hereby rescinds and repeals any and all other prior Board policies and/or adopted guidelines addressing the regulation of students and/or any of the other specific areas set forth in these newly adopted policies.

Approval of the Interim Student/Parent Handbook

It was recommended that the Board of Education approve the Interim Student/Parent Handbook.

Adoption of Board of Education Updated Policies

It was recommended that the Board of Education approve and adopt the following updated policies:

7530	Lending of Board Owned Equipment
7540.02	District Web Page
7540.03	Student Network and Internet Acceptable Use and Safety
7540.04	Staff Network and Internet Acceptable Use and Safety

No. 10-01-018

It was moved by Mr. Coble, seconded by Ms. Jones, that the above policies and Interim Handbook be approved.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Mr. Register, Mr. Zucker, Mr. Coble,
Ms. Jones, Ms. Pepler

Nays: None

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Tuesday, February 2, 2010 – Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, February 16, 2010 – Special Board Meeting

MOTION TO ADJOURN

It was recommended that the meeting be adjourned.

No. 10-01-019

It was moved by Mr. Coble, seconded by Mr. Zucker, that the meeting be adjourned.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Jones, Ms. Pepler, Mr. Register,
Mr. Zucker, Mr. Coble

Nays: None

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Nancy Pepler, President

Scott Gainer, Chief Financial Officer