

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

Regular Meeting of July 6, 2010

The Board of Education of the Cleveland Heights-University Heights City School District, Cuyahoga County, held its Regular meeting in the public meeting room of the Board Building at 2155 Miramar Boulevard, University Heights, Ohio, on July 6, 2010, at 7:00 p.m.

Ms. Nancy Pepler, President, called the Regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

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

Absent: Mr. Eric Coble, Board Member

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was recommended that the Board of Education approve the following minutes:

- Regular Meeting – May 4, 2010
- Special Meeting – May 18, 2010

No. 10-07-101 It was moved by Ms. Jones, seconded by Mr. Register, that the above Minutes be approved.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

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

Nays: None

AWARDS/RECOGNITIONS

Superintendent Doug Heuer introduced Ms. Denice Leddy, the new principal of Oxford Elementary School. Ms. Leddy comes to CH-UH CSD from the Kent City School District.

PUBLIC ADDRESS

Statements from Audience

<u>Name</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Kym Wallace	AVID
Al Jones	AVID
Regina Cross	AVID
Katura Simmons	AVID
Vivian Burns	AVID
Valerie Moreland	AVID
Vicky Knight	Millikin

Board Member Ron Register mentioned that Friends of Severance notified the District of its intention to establish pieces of equipment on the Millikin property. Mr. Register wanted to make sure Business Services was aware in case of a liability issue.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Approval of the Cleveland Heights High School Graduation Class of 2010

It was recommended that the Board of Education approve the Cleveland Heights High School Graduation Class of 2010 (see official minutes for list of graduates).

No. 10-07-102 It was moved by Mr. Zucker, seconded by Ms. Jones, that the Cleveland Heights High School Graduation Class of 2010 be approved.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Jones, Ms. Peppler, Mr. Register,
Mr. Zucker

Nays: None

Textbook Authorization Requests

It was recommended that the Board of Education approve the textbook and supplemental resources for use in the high school Clinical Health Careers course beginning in the 2010-2011 school year and the list of textbooks and supplementary material for use in the 7th and 8th grade Introduction to French and Introduction to Spanish courses offered within each middle school during the 2010-2011 school year.

No. 10-07-103

It was moved by Ms. Jones, seconded by Ms. Peppler, that the above Textbook Authorization Requests be approved.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Peppler, Mr. Register, Mr. Zucker,
Ms. Jones

Nays: None

Recommendation for the Removal of Retired Spanish Teacher's Name, Felisa Anthony, from the Cleveland Heights High School Spanish Field Trip Roster

It was recommended that Felisa Anthony's name be removed as a teacher-leader from the Board-approved field trip to Spain scheduled for June 25 through July 5, 2010. Ms. Anthony will not travel in any official capacity, volunteer or chaperone, on this trip. This is to be retroactive to the date of August 4, 2009.

No. 10-07-104

It was moved by Ms. Jones, seconded by Mr. Zucker, that the above Removal of Name from Field Trip Roster be approved.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Mr. Register, Mr. Zucker, Ms. Jones,
Ms. Peppler

Nays: None

Approval of Resolution Authorizing Continued Membership in the Ohio High School Athletic Association for the 2010-2011 School Year

It was recommended that the Board of Education approve the Resolution authorizing continued membership in the Ohio High School Athletic Association for the 2010-2011.

No. 10-07-105

It was moved by Mr. Zucker, seconded by Ms. Jones, that the above 2010-2011 Ohio High School Athletic Association Resolution be approved.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

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

Nays: None

Approval of Grants

It was recommended that the Board of Education approve the following Grants:

- *Get Healthy Get smART: An Interdisciplinary Approach to Fitness*, to HP EdTech Innovators Award - **\$40,000.00 (in HP equipment)**
- *Adult Basic and Literacy Education (ABLE) and English Literacy and Civics Education (EL Civics)*, to the Ohio Board of Regents through the ODE CCIP - **\$240,629.00 – ABLE, \$23,475.00 – EL Civics**
- *Career-Technical and Adult Education*, to the Ohio Department of Education - **\$274,153.62**
- *Moving School from a Noun to a Verb*, to the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Innovation and Improvement - **\$4,653,471.00 (over three years)**

No. 10-07-106

It was moved by Ms. Jones, seconded by Ms. Pepler, that the above Grants be approved.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

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

Nays: None

Recommendation that the Board Adopt Board of Education Policy Section 2000, and through adoption of these policies, the Board hereby Rescinds and Repeals the Current Middle School and High School Eligibility Policies; 5129.1 and 5129.2 – Third Reading and Adoption of Policy

It was recommended that the Board of Education adopt Board of Education Policy Section 2000, and through adoption of these Policies, the Board hereby rescinds and repeals the current Middle School and High School Eligibility Policies; 5129.1 and 5129.2.

No. 10-07-107 It was moved by Mr. Zucker, seconded by Ms. Pepler, that the above Policy Section 2000 be approved.

No. 10-07-108 It was moved by Mr. Zucker, seconded by Ms. Jones, that Policy Section 2000 be amended to **TABLE** Policy 2415 on Tutoring.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

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

Nays: None

No. 10-07-107 It was moved by Mr. Zucker, seconded by Ms. Pepler, that the above amended Policy Section 2000 be approved.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

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

Nays: None

Dr. Joseph Micheller, Director of Special Programs/Compliance, responded to comments made during the Public Address regarding the AVID Program. A comprehensive review of the AVID Program was conducted measuring our AVID Program to what the national standards say a good program should have. Our program was found to be lacking. Changes have been put in place to take effect in the 2010-2011 school year. A more formal presentation on the AVID Program will be brought before the Board in September.

Update on Chinese Partnerships and Teaching

Dr. Joe Micheller and Assistant Superintendent Jeff Talbert provided the Board with an update on their recent trip to China. CH-UH CSD was invited to this education delegation because of the innovative nature of our District. Our partnership with Cleveland State University and China provides immediate and long-term benefits for our students to have a quality education and succeed in a global economy. In the summer of 2011, teachers in three participating cities working through the Confucius Institute of Cleveland State University, will participate in a Teacher Emersion Opportunity where they will spend six weeks in China teaching English to Chinese teachers and principals.

Update on Ohio Achievement Assessments and Ohio Graduation Tests Results

Assistant Superintendent Jeff Talbert provided preliminary data on Ohio Achievement assessments and Ohio Graduation Test results. Mr. Talbert stated that official results would not be available until August 24th. Areas of concern at this point include Science and Math at all grade levels, and Reading at most grade levels. At the regular Board meeting in September, a report will be given to the Board with an overall review of our data and our plans to address the issues that are found.

PERSONNEL

Approval of Resignation

It was recommended that the resignation of the following named personnel be accepted, effective on the date indicated:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Date</u>
<u>Certificated/Licensed Staff:</u>		
Seda, Christine	Math	6/21/2010
Vokic, Heather	Art	6/18/2010

Approval of Appointments

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>		
Leddy, Denice Effective 7/1/10-6/30/12 Assignment: Oxford Elementary School	Elementary Principal-R 220 Days	\$103,203 Step 3 +4,308
<u>Certificated/Licensed Staff</u>		
Cloud, Ntianu Effective 8/30/10 Assignment: Heights High School	APEX Lab Teacher-N 190 Days	\$62,200 6M+40
Cocchetto, Ashley Effective 8/30/10 Assignment: Roxboro Middle School	Science – Grade 6-R 190 Days	\$40,500 1B
Cotton, Channon Effective 8/30/10 Assignment: Noble Elementary School	Child Services Specialist-R 200 Days	\$47,630 1Mx1.1
Craig, Kathryn Effective 8/30/10 Assignment: Fairfax Elementary School	Gifted Intervention Specialist-R 190 Days	\$59,300 6M+20
Fiutem, Jessica Effective 8/30/10 Assignment: District	Physical Therapist-R 190 Days – 3/5 Time	\$34,200 6M, p.r.
Friedman, Stacey Effective 8/30/10 Assignment: Monticello Middle School	Intervention Specialist-R 190 Days	\$41,000 1B+500
Goldberg, Joshua Effective 8/30/10 Assignment: Roxboro Middle School	Intervention Specialist-R 190 Days	\$43,800 1M+500
Holland, Claude Effective 9/1/10 Assignment: Heights High School	APEX Lab Teacher-R 190 Days (<i>Rehire</i>)	\$51,700 6B+20

Laskarides, John Effective 8/30/10 Assignment: Fairfax Elementary School	Physical Education-R 190 Days – 3/5 Time	\$34,200 6M, p.r.
McClinton, Quarnitra Effective 8/30/10 Assignment: Wiley Middle School	Social Studies-Grade 8-R 190 Days	\$41,500 1M
Russell, Ma.Marquiza Effective 8/30/10 Assignment: Wiley Middle School	Science-Grade 7-N 190 Days	\$51,700 6B+20
Smrdel, Christine Effective 8/30/10 Assignment: Roxboro Middle School	Math-R 190 Days	\$51,000 5M+10
Smith, Mitchell Effective 8/30/10 Assignment: Roxboro Middle School	English/Language Arts-R 190 Days	\$44,700 2M
Spaulding, Elizabeth Effective 8/30/10 Assignment: Heights High-REAL School	Intervention Specialist-R 190 Days	\$42,900 3B+500
Sutton, Christopher Effective 8/30/10 Assignment: Heights High-Mosaic School	Intervention Specialist-R 190 Days	\$44,200 3B+20

Classified Staff

Kempson, Sabrina Effective 8/31/2010 Assignment: Roxboro Elementary 90 Day Probation Ends 1/10/2011	Kindergarten Parapro-R 195 Day	\$13.51/hr. Step 1
Spencer, Michael Effective 8/31/2010 Assignment: Roxboro Elementary 90 Day Probation Ends 1/10/2011	Kindergarten Parapro-R 195 Day	\$15.26/hr.

Approval of Summer School Staff

It was recommended that the appointment of staff for the summer school of 2010, pending enrollment, be approved as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
<u>Teaching Staff-\$40.00/hour</u>	
Lipowski, Joe	Middle School Math
Ward-Price, Wendy	Middle School Math

Approval of Change of Status

It was recommended that the following change be made in the contract status of the following personnel:

<u>Name:</u>	<u>From:</u>	<u>To:</u>
<u>Certificated/Licensed Staff</u>		
Sullivan, Sean	Grade 5	Elementary Science-N
Effective 8/30/10	Oxford	Oxford/Noble
Taylor, Jacqueline	Grade 5	Elementary Science-N
Effective 8/30/10	Oxford	Boulevard/Canterbury
Turner, Lorraine	\$86,300 (14M4)	\$94,510 (14Mx1.1+\$4,200)
Effective 8/23/10	190 Days	200 Days
Assignment: Program Specialist-Science-N		

Approval of Leave of Absence

<u>Name</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Baublitz-Watkins, Paige	Professional Study Leave
Effective 8/30/10-6/10/11	

Approval of Extended Time

It was recommended that the Board of Education approve to compensate the following personnel at the following rte up to the indicated number of days for extended time:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u># Days / Rate</u>
Leddy, Denice	Elementary Principal-Oxford	10 85% per diem

No. 10-07-109 It was moved by Mr. Register, seconded by Ms. Jones, that the above Personnel Items be approved.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Mr. Register, Mr. Zucker, Ms. Jones,
Ms. Peppler

Nays: None

BUSINESS

Recommendation to Approve the June 17, 2010 Bid for the Wireless Clock System Project (#10C-010-009)

It was recommended that the Board of Education approve the June 17, 2010 bid for the Cleveland Heights High School Wireless Clock System Project (#10C-010-009) and award a contract (see official minutes).

No. 10-07-110 It was moved by Ms. Jones, seconded by Mr. Zucker, that the above Business Item be approved.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

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

Nays: None

Recommendation to Approve the Purchase of Five (5) Seventy-One Passenger School Buses for the 2010-2011 School Year

It was recommended that the Board of Education approve the purchase of five (5) seventy-one passenger school buses. The new buses will replace five buses purchased in 1997 and 1998. The purchase of these vehicles is in conjunction with the Ohio Schools Council bus purchasing program, which has been competitively bid (see official minutes).

No. 10-07-111 It was moved by Mr. Zucker, seconded by Ms. Pepler, that the above Business Item be approved.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

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

Nays: None

Recommendation to Approve Quarterly Contracts

It was recommended that the Board of Education approve the listing of contracts for the period of April 1, 2010 through June 30, 2010 (see official minutes).

No. 10-07-112

It was moved by Ms. Jones, seconded by Mr. Zucker, that the above Business Item be approved.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

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

Nays: None

Recommendation to Accept Donations

It was recommended that the Board of Education accept the following donations:

- \$100.00 to the Jason D. West Scholarship Fund from a Cleveland Heights business.
- A Pfretzschner Violin to the Instrumental Music Department at Roxboro Middle School from Dr. Alison Hall.

No. 10-07-113

It was moved by Ms. Jones, seconded by Ms. Pepler, that the above Donations be approved.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

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

Nays: None

FINANCE

Financial Reports

It was recommended that the Board of Education confirm the Cash Position Reports and Budget Transfers for April 1, 2010 through May 31, 2010 and Final Appropriations for FYE June 30, 2010 (see official minutes).

No. 10-07-114

It was moved by Mr. Zucker, seconded by Ms. Jones, that the above Finance Item be approved.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

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

Nays: None

Cleveland Heights-University Heights Public Library's Alternative Tax Budget

It was recommended that the Board of Education approve the 2010 Alternative Tax Budget for the Cleveland Heights-University Heights Public Library (see official minutes).

No. 10-07-115

It was moved by Ms. Jones, seconded by Ms. Pepler, that the above Library Tax Budget be approved.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

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

Nays: None

BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Board President Nancy Pepler restated that the Ohio School Facilities Commission report did not include any recommendations regarding our District facilities; it simply included examples to help the Board understand possible budget implications should a decision be made to move forward with any facilities renovation or replacement.

CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kal Zucker, Board Vice President, commended the Heights High Class of 2010 and said the graduation ceremony was a wonderful event.

MOTION TO MOVE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was recommended that the Board move into Executive Session pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(3) for the purpose of discussing disputes involving the Board and/or the School District that are the subject of pending or imminent court action.

No. 10-07-116

It was moved by Ms. Jones, seconded by Mr. Zucker, that the Board move into Executive Session.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

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

Nays: None

The Board moved into Executive Session at 8:50 p.m. with the following members present:

Present: Ms. Nancy Pepler, President
Mr. Kal Zucker, Vice President
Ms. Karen Jones, Board Member
Mr. Ron Register, Board Member

Also Present: Mr. Douglas Heuer, Superintendent
Mr. Scott Gainer, Chief Financial Officer

The Executive Session ended at 9:33 p.m.

The Board reconvened in public session at with all members listed above present.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Thursday, August 3 2010 – Regular Board Meeting

MOTION TO ADJOURN

It was recommended that the meeting be adjourned.

No. 10-07-117

It was moved by Ms. Jones, 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

Nays: None

The meeting was adjourned at 9:34 p.m.

Nancy Pepler, President

Scott Gainer, Chief Financial Officer