

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

Special Meeting of June 27, 2017

The Board of Education of the Cleveland Heights-University Heights City School District, Cuyahoga County, held its Special meeting at Heights High School (Wiley Campus), 2181 Miramar Boulevard, University Heights, Ohio, on June 27, 2017, at 7:00 p.m.

Board President Ron Register called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present at Roll Call: Mr. Ron Register, President
Mr. Kal Zucker, Vice President
Mr. James Posch, Board Member
Mr. Eric Silverman, Board Member
Ms. Beverly Wright, Board Member

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

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Approval of Field Trip

It was recommended that the Board of Education approve the following field trip:

- Track & Field Students overnight field trip to Columbus, OH, to attend the State tournament, scheduled for June 1-3, 2017

No. 17-06-101 It was moved by Mr. Silverman, seconded by Mr. Zucker, that the above Field Trip be approved.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Mr. Posch, Mr. Register, Mr. Silverman,
Ms. Wright, Mr. Zucker

Nays: None

PERSONNEL

Approval of Retirement

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Date</u>
<u>Classified Staff</u>		
Cromartie, Regina	Staff Assistant -Transportation	8/1/2017
Smith, George	Assistant Custodian	8/1/2017

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>		
Frameli, Julia	Music Teacher	06/23/2017
<u>Classified Staff</u>		
Ware, Carrie	Special Education Aide- PS	6/22/2017

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>Certificated/Licensed Staff</u>		
Husain, Lisa Effective: 8/14/2017 Assignment: Districtwide	Gifted Intervention Specialist-N 192 days	\$43,011 Step 1 BA
Malone, Brianne Effective: 8/09/2017 Assignment: Oxford Elementary	School Psychologist-R 200 days	\$54,108 Step 1 MA+30
Rakow, Cynthia Effective: 8/14/2017 Assignment: Districtwide	Occupational Therapist-R 192 days	\$60,516 Step 6 MA
Rocco, Cynthia	School Nurse-R	\$52,473

Effective: 8/09/2017 200 days Step 4 BA+20
Assignment: Oxford Elementary/Fairfax Elementary

Young, Kayla Preschool Intervention Specialist-N \$43,512
Effective: 8/14/2017 192 days Step 1 BA
Assignment: Gearity Professional Development

Classified Staff

Niraj, Tanya General Office-Attend. \$10,893.18*/Year
Effective: 8/14/2017 3.75 Hours/Day; 205 Days/Year Step 1, GENO
Assignment: Roxboro Elementary School * (.5fte)
90-Day Probation Ends:1/8/2018

Supplemental Assignments- 2016-2017

Bergson, Ida Cooperating Teacher-half semester \$255.00
Malek, Sherri Cooperating Teacher-split \$255.00

Supplemental Assignments-Spring Coaches 2016-2017

Cleveland Heights High School

Wilson, Anthony Rashod AC Boys Track \$3,390

Roxboro Middle School

Adams, Jonathan HC Baseball \$2,712

Summer School Teacher - \$42.00/Hour

Walton, Cheryl Substitute

Summer Evaluation Team - \$42.00/Hour

Battle, Karen Intervention Specialist
Blazetic, Karen Intervention Specialist
Braun, Jenifer Intervention Specialist
Bruening, Marilyn Intervention Specialist
Buckley, Deborah Intervention Specialist
Cecconi, Michelle School Psychologist
Daniels, Malik Elementary Teacher
Dzurko, Holly Intervention Specialist
Francis, Maria Intervention Specialist
Gerber, Caitlin ELA Teacher
Goldberg, Erin Intervention Specialist
Goldberg, Joshua Intervention Specialist
Hesse, Emily Intervention Specialist
Melika, Karla Intervention Specialist
Onk, Joseph Intervention Specialist
Perse, Reeva Speech/Language Pathologist
Russell, Daniel Intervention Specialist
Willmitch, Karen Intervention Specialist

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>Classified Staff</u>		
Bryant, Kimberly Effective: 7/1/2017 Assignment: 45- Day Probation Ends:10/23/2017	Layoff	Special Education Aide 7.0 Hours/Day; 195 Days/Year Roxboro Middle School Step 2, \$15.80/Hour DEGR
Chmura, Shelley Effective: 8/14/2017 Assignment: 45- Day Probation Ends: 10/17/2017	General Office-Attend. 3.75 Hours/Day; 205 Days/Year Roxboro Middle School Step 2, \$11,339.06 p.r. GENO (.5fte)	General Office-Attend. 3.75 Hours/Day; 205 Days/Year Noble Elementary School Step 2, \$11,339.06 p.r.GENO(.5fte)
Hudson, Pamela Effective: 7/1/2017 Assignment: 45- Day Probation Ends:9/12/2017	IT Assistant 8.0 Hours/Day; 260 Days/Year Delisle Options Center Step 5, \$20.96/Hour IT-R	Staff Assistant- Student Services 7.5 Hours/Day; 260 Days/Year Board of Education Step 3, \$ 35,334/Year STFA
Mathews, Marty Effective: 7/1/2017 Assignment: <i>Recalled from RIF</i>	Layoff	Special Education Aide 5.25 Hours/Day; 195 Days/Year Roxboro Middle School Step 2, \$15.80/Hour DEGR
Smith, Janeatha Effective: 7/1/2017 Assignment: <i>Recalled from RIF</i>	Layoff	Kindergarten Aide 6.5 Hours/Day; 195 Days/Year Roxboro Elementary School Step 2, \$14.20/Hour NDEG

Approval of Extended Time

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position/Activity</u>	<u>Days</u>	<u>Rate</u>
<u>Certificated/Licensed Staff:</u>			
Vigh, Danielle	Summer Work	5	60% per diem

Approval of Name Change

<u>From:</u>	<u>To:</u>
Petko, Hannah	Young, Hannah

No. 17-06-102

It was moved by Mr. Silverman, seconded by Mr. Zucker, that the above Personnel Items be approved.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Mr. Register, Mr. Silverman, Ms. Wright,
Mr. Zucker, Mr. Posch

Nays: None

Resolution Adopting Tentative Agreement with the Ohio Association of Public School Employees (OAPSE) Local 102

Resolved, the Board adopts the tentative agreement reached with Ohio Association of Public School Employees (OAPSE) Local 102 on June 22 , 2017, for a period of two years for the period July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2019.

No. 17-06-103

It was moved by Mr. Silverman, seconded by Mr. Zucker, that the above Personnel Item be approved.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Mr. Silverman, Ms. Wright, Mr. Zucker,
Mr. Posch, Mr. Register

Nays: None

FINANCE

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

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the 2018 Alternative Tax Budget for the Cleveland Heights-University Heights Public Library (official minutes).

No. 17-06-104

It was moved by Mr. Silverman, seconded by Ms. Wright, that the above Public Library Tax Budget be approved.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Wright, Mr. Zucker, Mr. Posch,
Mr. Register, Mr. Silverman

Nays: None

Appropriation Adjustment Authority

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the resolution:

RESOLVED THAT WHEREAS, certain federal, state and other tax revenue funds must be closed and/or appropriations adjusted by June 30th, and

WHEREAS, certain funds, namely, auxiliary service funds, are subject to expenditure request from outside agencies, and

WHEREAS, funds that are not encumbered by June 30th may have to be returned to the state even though educational needs exist,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer is authorized to make appropriation adjustments for all funds through the year end, June 30, 2017.

Temporary Appropriations

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Temporary Appropriations for the school year ended June 30, 2018, as presented by the Chief Financial Officer (see attached).

This temporary appropriation will not be in effect on or after the first day of October 2017, and an Amended Official Certificate of Estimated Resources for the current year has been certified to the Board of Education under Section 5705.36 of the Revised Code.

Resolution to Advance Funds

It is recommended that the Board of Education authorize the Treasurer to make the following fund advances:

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
001-0000 General	006 Cafeteria	900,000.00
001-0000 General	021 Intra-District Services	60,000.00
001-0000 General	401 Auxiliary Services	30,000.00
001-0000 General	500 Federal Funds	850,000.00

Resolution to Transfer Funds

It is recommended that that Board of Education authorize the Treasurer to make the following fund transfers:

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
022-9014 Boys Basketball Tournament	001 General	362.50
022-9024 Girls Lacrosse Tournament	001 General	550.00
001-0000 General	300 Student Activities	150,000.00

Resolution to Transfer Funds and Close Fund

It is recommended that the Board of Education authorize the Treasurer to make the following fund transfer and close fund:

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
001-0000 General	013 Before/After	Up to 1,600,000.00

Resolution to Increase Expected Revenue

It is recommended that the Board of Education authorize the Treasurer to increase the following expected revenue:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
013 Before/After	1,800,000.00	2,200,000.00

Resolution to Increase Appropriations

It is recommended that the Board of Education Authorize the Treasurer to increase the following appropriation:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
013 Before/After	1,800,000.00	2,200,000.00

Resolution to Void Stale Dated Checks

It is recommended that the Board of Education authorize the Treasurer to void the following outstanding accounts payable checks and receipt those funds to the general fund:

<u>Check No.</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
41559	10/07/16	Amanda Blazetic	15.17
42347	11/10/16	Isaiah Baker	9.00
42400	11/10/16	Dominique Moore	3.24
42424	11/10/16	Montee Roberts	18.00
42442	11/10/16	Gasia Thomas	63.00

42738	11/30/16	Sarah Schlafer	34.66
42952	12/19/16	Eula Watson-Horton	5.94
42970	12/19/16	Andrea Lang	5.94
42985	12/19/16	Keiarra Nelson	6.48
42992	12/19/16	Sabrina Ollie	4.86

No. 17-06-105 It was moved by Mr. Silverman, seconded by Ms. Wright, that the above Finance Items be approved.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Mr. Zucker, Mr. Posch, Mr. Register,
Mr. Silverman, Ms. Wright

Nays: None

WORK SESSION

Middle School Facilities Update

Superintendent Dr. Talisa Dixon introduced the presentation given by District administration regarding the current status of Phase 1 of the District’s Master Facilities Plan. The Board wanted to ensure due diligence on the middle school project as well as the best use of the community’s resources. Information discussed included: current status, factors that led to this point, current path for middle school renovations, alternative paths for middle school renovations, and next steps for the project. It was pointed out that while discussions have been held by the Board and administration on various scenarios and alternative options for the middle school project, no decisions have been made outside of the decisions passed by voters in 2013. Due to unforeseen issues at the Wiley campus and the high school, more money has been spent on Phase 1 of the project than was anticipated. This results in only \$30 million remaining for the hard costs to modestly renovate both middle schools. A decision on these modest renovations must be confirmed prior to the July 11 regular Board meeting. Community members were encouraged to send their feedback to Board members prior to the next regular meeting. The Board and District administration continues to acknowledge their deep commitment to educational equity and to providing an excellent 21st century education for all our students in every one of our schools.

Educational Services team members shared educational approaches for Grades 5-6 and Grades 7-8 configurations. The team discussed the budget: hard costs (direct construction expenses) and soft costs (anything not a direct construction cost, including architectural and engineering, permits, insurance, etc.). Pat O’Brien, PMC/Regency, discussed the design process of the middle school renovations. Some of the work required in the renovations will need to be included in the permanent improvement budget, managed by Director of Business Services George Petkac.

The presentation left this decision before the Board: Do we remain on our current path for renovating the middle schools or do we explore an alternate path? If the current path is the choice (2 modestly renovated 6-7-8 middle school buildings), there is a deadline of July 11 to confirm. If the Board chooses an alternate path, the specific path can be determined after July 11, and a community engagement process will begin to determine the new path, and the decision deadline is December 5, 2017.

The Board asked questions and discussed the presentation.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Wednesday, May 17, 2017 – Special Joint Board Meeting (City of UH)
Tuesday, June 6, 2017 - Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, June 27, 2017 - Special Board Meeting

MOTION TO ADJOURN

It was recommended that the meeting be adjourned.

No. 17-06-106 It was moved by Mr. Silverman, seconded by Ms. Wright,
that the meeting be adjourned.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Mr. Posch, Mr. Register, Mr. Silverman,
Ms. Wright, Mr. Zucker

Nays: None

The meeting was adjourned at 9:01 p.m.

Ron Register, President

Scott Gainer, Chief Financial Officer