

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

Regular Meeting of May 1, 2012

The Board of Education of the Cleveland Heights-University Heights City School District, Cuyahoga County, held its Regular meeting at Frank L. Wiley Middle School, 2181 Miramar Boulevard, University Heights, Ohio, on May 1, 2012, at 7:00 p.m.

Preceding the Regular meeting, a Tenure Reception was held at 6:30 p.m.

Ms. Karen Jones, President, called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

- Regular Meeting – February 7, 2012
- Special Meeting – February 21, 2012
- Special Meeting – February 29, 2012
- Regular Meeting – March 6, 2012

No. 12-05-055 It was moved by Ms. Peppler, seconded by Mr. Zucker, that the above Minutes be approved.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

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

Nays: None

AWARDS/RECOGNITIONS

Heights High Trio

Superintendent Doug Heuer recognized the Heights High Instrumental Department Trio for their performance during the Tenure Reception held before this meeting. The trio: **Kate Miller** – piano, **Alice Janigro** – cello, **Kelsey Ferguson** – violin. **Kelsey Ferguson** will be the featured senior solo performer at the Instrumental Music Concert on Friday, May 4, at 7:30 p.m.

Student Videographers

Superintendent Doug Heuer recognized Heights High students **Deja White, Elijah Rush,** and **Johnnie Benson** for their significant contributions assisting the Information Technology Department in the area of video production, taping of community facilities meetings, numerous sporting events, and senior awards night.

CHUH Boys Indoor Track Team

The CHUH Boys Indoor Track Team placed second in the state championships held in Akron on March 17, 2012. Board President Karen Jones presented Coach Nick Continenza and the team with a special plaque on behalf of the District. Staff and team members: **Carl Kimbrough, Eric Graham, Lorenzo Thomas, John Townsend, Dionte Saffo, Shelton Gibson, Marcus McShephard, Bryce Jones, Isaac Korb, Brandon Fields,** and **Dorien Hudson.**

Special Teacher Recognition

April is Autism Awareness Month. Superintendent Doug Heuer recognized teachers and educational aides who are making a positive difference in the lives of our students and families. Canterbury parent **Barbara Coyner** shared her family's experience relating to her ten-year old son. Staff members recognized: Judy Dell'Aquila, Debbie Finizia, Paula Lucas, Reeva Perse, Manyan Kollie, Julie Meese, Holly Etzkin, Rita Haag, Marilyn Phinizee, Amanda Geil, and Sabrina Kempson.

Exemplary Saver Award

Superintendent Doug Heuer acknowledged that under the sponsorship of State Representative Barbara Boyd, the Ohio House of Representatives has extended a special recognition to the CHUH School District on receiving an Exemplary Saver Award from the Ohio Schools Council for using cooperative purchasing to save school dollars. The District was recognized for its leadership in joint purchases of gas, electric, and supply products.

Continuing Contract Award Winners

Director of Human Resources, Dr. Nylajeon McDaniel, acknowledged educators who have earned continuing contract status. A total of 29 teachers received tenure.

Paige Baublitz-Watkins
Boulevard Elementary

Kate Berge
Canterbury Elementary

Andrea Briggs
Canterbury Elementary

Andrett Calloway
Heights High

Grace Chen
Roxboro Elementary

Jennifer Gareau
Fairfax Elementary

Brandi Hawkins
Monticello Middle

Dan Heim
Heights High

Julie Henry
Roxboro Middle

Kristen Kelly
Heights High

Carmen Kottha
Bellefaire

Rishona Lee
Oxford Elementary

Christy Lemanowicz
Wiley Middle

Rebecca McCalligan
Roxboro Elementary

Quarnitra McClinton
Wiley Middle

Ashley Newman
Wiley Middle

Raimo Perttu
Heights High

Lyndsay Peters
Roxboro Middle

Dusty Peterson
Oxford Elementary

Alla Pyatkovsky
Roxboro Schools

Cay Reilly
District

Laura Stuart-Lilley
Heights High

Chase Thomas
Bellefaire

Tiffany Underhile
Wiley Middle

Katie Uszak
Boulevard Elementary

Roseann Varcelli
District

Shawn Washington
Heights High

Nathan Williams
Heights High

Mary Wise
Boulevard Elementary

PUBLIC ADDRESS

Statements from the Audience

Name

Topic

Minister Charles Dominigue

CH-UH Master Plan

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Approval of Field Trips

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

- The Middle School Trip to Canada, Montreal/Quebec City, scheduled for May 18-22, 2012
- Gearity's Fourth Graders Field Trip to Put-In-Bay, Ohio, scheduled for May 29-30, 2012
- The Cleveland Heights High School's AP Literature Trip to London, England, scheduled for June 10-19, 2013

No. 12-05-056

It was moved by Ms. Pepler, seconded by Mr. Coble, that the above Field Trips be approved.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

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

Nays: None

Approval of Grants

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

- *Multimedia Mashup*, to the McCarthy Dressman Education Foundation - **\$14,843 over two years**
- *Safe and Drug Free Schools (SDFS) Sustainability Plus Grant*, to the Ohio Department of Education - **\$50,000**
- *Alternative Education Challenge*, to the Ohio Department of Education - **\$88,492**

No. 12-05-057

It was moved by Mr. Coble, seconded by Mr. Zucker, that the above Grants be approved.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

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

Nays: None

RttT Monthly Update – Joseph Micheller

Dr. Joseph Micheller, Director of Special Programs/Compliance, indicated that a report to the Board on the results of the second year in Race to the Top will be brought before the Board in July. Planning is currently underway for the third year of this four-year grant. Our goal is to make our students college and career ready.

Second Reading of the NEOLA Policy Review

Dr. Joseph Micheller, Director of Special Programs/Compliance, provided information, updates and modifications for the second reading of the NEOLA policies. The third reading and adoption of policies will occur in June.

Facilities Information

Stephen Shergalis, Director of Business Services, responded to questions posed at the last Board meeting regarding the District's facilities plans. Detailed discussion regarding facilities will take place at the May work session.

BUSINESS

Recommendation to Approve Quarterly Contracts

It was recommended that the Board of Education approve the quarterly contracts for January 1, 2012 through March 31, 2012.

No. 12-05-058

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

Vote on the motion was as follows:

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

Nays: None

Resolution to Advertise and Receive Bids for Waste and Recycling Services

It was recommended that the Board of Education approve the resolution authorizing Ohio Schools Council Cooperative advertising and receiving bids for waste recycling services.

No. 12-05-059

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

Vote on the motion was as follows:

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

Nays: None

FINANCE

Appointment of Trustee for the Cleveland Heights-University Heights Public Library Board

It was recommended that the Board of Education appoint Rob Fischer to the vacancy as Cleveland Heights-University Heights Public Library Board Trustee left by CarDala Carter who accepted a job out of state. The term expires on December 31, 2015.

No. 12-05-060

It was moved by Ms. Pepler, seconded by Mr. Coble, that the above Library Board Trustee Appointment be approved.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

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

Nays: None

Financial Reports

It was recommended that the Board of Education approve the Summary of Cash Balances by Fund and the CH-UH Budget Transfers for March 2012 (see official minutes).

Five-Year Forecast

It was recommended that the Board of Education approve the Five-Year Forecast for fiscal years ending June 30, 2012 through June 30, 2016 (see official minutes).

No. 12-05-061

It was moved by Mr. Zucker, seconded by Mr. Coble, that the above Finance items be approved.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

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

Nays: None

A. Scott Gainer, Chief Financial Officer, provided an overview of the five-year forecast and its assumptions.

BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Board President Karen Jones announced that the University Heights and Cleveland Heights City Councils and the CH-UH CSD Board will be holding a joint boards meeting to discuss the master facilities plan and to open the lines of communication on Monday, May 14, 2012 at the Cleveland Heights Community Center at 7:30 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

Board President Karen Jones requested that the Board be provided with an overview on the direction of the Career Tech program at an upcoming meeting.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Board Member Kal Zucker announced that the Alumni Foundation's Hall of Fame will be Thursday, May 3, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. at Landerhaven.

Board Member Kal Zucker attended the Urban Commission meeting in Columbus. He mentioned an interesting speaker from Ohio State's Kerwin Institute discussed segregation of neighborhoods in Ohio. Mr. Zucker will provide the Board with material from the presentation.

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)(2) for the purpose of considering the sale of property at competitive bidding since disclosure at this time would give an unfair competitive or bargaining advantage to person(s) whose personal, private interest is adverse to the general public interest.

No. 12-05-062

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

Vote on the motion was as follows:

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

Nays: None

The Board moved into Executive Session at 8:35 p.m.

The Executive Session ended at 9:47 p.m. The Board reconvened in public session at 9:49 p.m. with all members present.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Monday, May 14, 2012 – Joint Boards Meeting
Tuesday, May 15, 2012 – Special Board Meeting
Tuesday, June 5, 2012 – Regular Board Meeting

MOTION TO ADJOURN

It was recommended that the meeting be adjourned.

No. 12-05-063

It was moved by Ms. Pepler, seconded by Mr. Register, 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 9:50 p.m.

Karen Jones, President

Scott Gainer, Chief Financial Officer