



Board Briefs

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Report from the Regular October 20, 2011 Board of Education meeting:

A. Administrative Reports

1. PTA Report – No report this month.
2. **Mr. Hullman** – Approval of financial statements for the period ending September 30, 2011 and the five year forecast.
3. **Mr. Lewis** – No report.
4. **Mr. Atkinson - Transportation:** In the process of preparing the T-1 headcount and mileage report for submittal to the ODE by November 1. National School Bus Safety Week is October 17 – 21. Heath was contacted by our new Trooper Fide and a MVI (motor vehicle inspector) team member. They have selected Olmsted Falls to ride an AM and midday school bus and then be visible throughout the district on Thursday, October 20th by driving a State Highway Patrol cruiser around our district during our PM routes. Our selection for this exposure can be viewed as an honor. Met with Dr. Hoadley, Mark Hullman and Heath to initially discuss the Superintendent goal of reducing transportation costs by 5% for FY 13. The Lakewood schools K-3 safety program, conducted by our staff, is still in process and anticipated to be completed by the end of October. The underground fuel storage tanks at the Bus Garage were tested for “tightness” compliance on September 28, 2011. This also includes testing of all associated alarms and visible plumbing. These are all part of the annual inspection requirements as established by law and BUSTR. Collins Equipment, who maintains our fuel pumping equipment, conducted this inspection. The overall results were favorable in the fact that we were in compliance with all regulations regarding our UST’s.

Buildings and Grounds:

Processes are underway with Kurtz Brothers to begin dismantling and preparing to move the mobile classrooms from the Early Childhood Center. Property to the rear of the High school has been donated to the Alumni Association from the Horvath’s of Nuevo, California. The Alumni Association, at its’ October 7th annual meeting, voted to donate this parcel (263-08-008) to the Board of Education. I am in the process of determining and ultimately notifying the remaining parcel owners, behind the High school, north of the Ohio Turnpike, to see if they would have interest in donating their land locked land to the Board in return for a letter with market values applied to be used for their tax purposes. Fence enclosures located at the Middle school and High school around a dust collector and electrical transformers will be enhanced to deter and prevent roof access similar to what occurred at the Middle school in August when the school was broken into. This additional security will cost \$3,050.00 at the Middle school and \$1,923.00 at the High school. Conducted a Grounds meeting on October 11, 2011. We discussed closing activities associated with our baseball fields and our athletic fields related to football and soccer.

The goal posts for the Middle school football field, which were removed prior to Olmsted Falls Intermediate School construction, will be reinstalled this Fall. Conducted a Head Custodian meeting on October 13, 2011. Numerous topics were reviewed and/or discussed. Topics included ADT, Five year maintenance plan, preventive maintenance, summer staff appraisals, budget, custodial supply usage, winter recess activities, November P.I. Levy and snow removal plans. Met with Denise Tabar and Justin Husher, owner of Green Urban Enterprises, LLC, whom Denise has dealt with to provide vegetables and other organic foods for our Food Service program. Our meeting was specifically designed for Justin to look at the property we own west of Falls-Lenox, which was donated to us in 2007, for use to grow his foods that would be utilized by our Food Service Department. This land totals about 2.93 acres and he was thrilled with the possibility that this area could work. I instructed Denise as to the contacts that would need to be made and the processes we would need to follow to seek approval from the City of Olmsted Falls. Denise indicates that everything is currently falling into place. We will keep you informed of the progress with this endeavor. Met with Republic Services (Allied Waste) representatives on October 13, 2011 to discuss a three year extension to our waste removal contract. We agreed upon holding costs for FY 12 at FY 11 prices and reducing the percentage of possible increase in FY 13 and FY 14 from 6% to 5%. All maintenance for the compactors and regular containers is included in our costs and the fees associated with fuel, environmental and state regulatory compliance have been waived for all three years of the contract. They also agreed to continue offering a \$500.00 scholarship in each of the three years, to a graduating senior interested in environmental sciences from Olmsted Falls High School.

Personnel:

Attempting to encourage applicants for the position for school bus driver. We are desperately in need of well qualified substitute drivers to fulfill our needs.

5. **Dr. Lloyd – Curriculum & Instruction:**

Our English-Language Arts Adoption—Dr. Denise Morgan, Professor of Literacy for KSU and our consultant for the reading adoption is concluding her 2nd session with OFCS teachers in grades 4 through 8. The ELA Core Committee is receiving feedback from their colleagues and we will be making plans for the on-going professional development that will need to occur in order to bring about a successful adoption. We are still working on establishing consensus around the Readers Workshop method.

Improving the OAA Performance of Our Subgroups—As you know, one of the district's goals is for our targeted AYP subgroups (Economically Disadvantaged and Students with Disabilities) to make a 5% increase in proficiency passage in the areas of reading and math for this school year. In order to help the district make this level of progress several things have occurred.

- Each building principal has a goal related to the specific progress of these subgroups coupled with action steps and strategies.
- I have disaggregated grade level data for the principals and have created reports so that they are better able to understand the magnitude of this improvement endeavor.

- Principals have the OAA performances of the specific students that are in these subgroups.
- We have devoted resources towards having reports generated to demonstrate any weaknesses in relationship to the academic content standards that may be prominent in these subgroups. For instance, each classroom teacher will have a re-rostered report containing the students in his/her classes with specific strengths or weaknesses related to any area assessed by the OAA.
- The building principals are conducting data team meetings with the various grade level groups to talk about and act on achievement and value-added data.

Reaching Out to Our Parents and Community—At the last PTA Executive Council meeting I engaged them in a discussion about how I might be able to help address specific topics of interest that their respective constituent groups might want to know more about. The idea would be to gather enough questions and discussion items so that I could coordinate a PTA Presentation on topics of interest. I am currently working with Linda Parkowski on solidifying specific discussion items for the next ECC/Falls-Lenox PTA meeting.

Assessment:

As I emailed to you on October 18, 2011, the following Olmsted Falls Educators had work that has appeared in the 2nd edition of Classroom Assessment for Student Learning (2011):

- Jessica Barylski—4th grade
- Michelle Buck—6th grade
- Kelly Dye—6th grade
- Audrey Eckert—4th grade
- Robyn Eidam—4th grade
- Jim Lloyd—Central Office
- Sierra Swanson—4th grade
- Kim Urban—6th grade

6. **Dr. Hoadley – Superintendent Report:**
- A. School Board Meeting Admin Reports – Monthly Goal Updates
 - 1. Improve District Culture
 - 2. PI Levy Campaign
 - 3. Achievement Gap
 - 4. Capital Plan
 - 5. Admin Reorganization
 - 6. Transportation Costs
 - B. Improve District Culture
 - 1. Handout
 - 2. 5 minutes at each meeting spent on this New Conversation
 - 3. Anecdotal results show we are off to a great start
 - 4. Follow-up survey in Spring 2012 to gauge progress
 - C. Thank you from ECC students
 - 1. Sale of ECC trailers. Money for new ECC playground equipment

B. Donations

1. Bob Kress, 26944 Adele Lane, Olmsted Falls, OH 44138 generously donated a big tub full of office supplies.
2. From Olmsted Falls Alumni Association, property recorded as Permanent Parcel number 263-08-008, located behind the high school up to the turnpike (**Exhibit 1**)

C. Minutes

1. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 29, 2011.

D. Recommendations of the Treasurer

1. Approved Reports for the Period Ending September 30, 2011 (**Exhibit 2**)
 - (a) Receipts (**Exhibit 2-a**)
 - (b) Expenditures (**Exhibit 2-b**)
 - (c) Financial Bank Reconciliations (**Exhibit 2-c**)
2. Approved 5-Year Forecast Analysis (**Exhibit 3**)
 - (a) Supplemental Schedule (**Exhibit 3-a**)
3. Approved Analysis of New Intermediate School/Middle School Project (**Exhibit 4**)
4. Approved October 2011 5-Year Forecast (**Exhibit 5**)
5. Approved Return of Advances (**Exhibit 6**)
6. Approved Interfund Transfer (**Exhibit 7**)
7. Approved Amended Appropriations and 412 Certificate for FY 2012 (**Exhibit 8**)
8. Approved New 403(b) Annuity Company – Security Financial Resources. (**Exhibit 9**)

E. Recommendations of the Superintendent

1. Adoption of Resolution Entitled “Resolution in Support of the Proclamation of Declaring November 13-19, 2011, as American Education Week.” (**Exhibit 10**)
2. Approved recommendations to allow the creation of the following clubs at Olmsted Falls High School: Film Club, Student Ambassador Club and American Sign Language Club. (**Exhibits 11, 12 and 13**)
3. Approved Contract for Handicapped Pupils – Agreement for Admission for Tuition Pupils between the Berea City School District Board of Education and the Olmsted Falls Board of Education for the 2011-2012 SY. (**Exhibit 14**)
4. Approved overnight boys’ basketball trip from December 22nd and 23rd, 2011. The junior varsity and varsity players along with four high school coaches will depart for Columbus on December 22nd where they will play in a doubleheader. The team will stay at a nearby hotel and then travel to Dublin Coffman the following day for another doubleheader. (**Exhibit 15**)
5. Declaration of the Impracticability of the Transportation of Resident Pupils in the Olmsted Falls City School District to Chartered Non-Public Schools Located Outside the Olmsted Falls City School District Due to Limited Enrollment (**Exhibit 16**)
6. First Reading and Adoption of New/Revised/Replacement Policies of the Board of Education. (**Exhibit 17**)
7. Approved Resolution wherein the Olmsted Falls Board of Education expresses its opposition to HB 136 School Choice. (**Exhibit 18**)

F. Personnel Items (as shown below)**G. For the Board’s Discussion**

1. Regular Meeting – November 17, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. – Falls Lenox Primary School – Media Center, 26450 Bagley Road, Ohio 44138.

H. Adjournment**Personnel**

<p><u>Resignations:</u> CANTRELL, NICOLE – 9th Grade Girls Basketball Coach (.50), effective 2011-2012 school year</p> <p><u>Certificated Staff:</u> <u>For 2011-2012 School Year</u></p> <p>JAMA, ERICA – Extend unpaid parenting leave of absence from October 31, 2011 through November 11, 2011</p> <p>JOHN, ANN – To be hired as an Ohio Achievement Test Tutor on an as-needed basis beginning October 3, 2011 and paid at the approved regular substitute rate</p> <p>KURZ, MARK EDWIN – 3 year contract – Principal, effective August 1, 2012 through and including July 1, 2015</p> <p>MAGREY, JOSEPH A. – 3 year contract – District Technology Director effective August 1, 2012 through and including July 31, 2015</p>	<p><u>For 2011-2012 School Year:</u> <u>OWA Students:</u></p> <p>Effective with the 2011-2012 school year, to be paid according to class arrangement (not to exceed \$6.10 per hour) as follows:</p> <p>Eric Gordon – Primary School Shawn Buescher – High School</p> <p>Support Staff Substitute List “D” (Attached)</p> <p><u>For 2011-2012 School Year:</u> <u>Supplementals:</u></p> <p>Cantrell, Nicole – Assistant Girls Basketball Coach (.50) Gerycz, Paul – Assistant Girls Basketball Coach Insley, Brian – National Honor Society Advisor Kelley, James – 7th-8th Grade Basketball Coach (Girls) Ludwig, Carl – Assistant Girls Basketball Coach (.50) McClain, Walter – Assistant Hockey Coach (.50) Obugene, Sarah – Head Gymnastics Coach Slater, Bradley – 7th-8th Grade Wrestling Coach – Aux. Walsh, Patrick – Assistant Hockey Coach (.50) Warning, Jack – 7th-8th Grade Basketball Coach – Aux. Yurmanovich, Michael – 9th Grade Girls Basketball Coach (.50)</p> <p><u>Stipends:</u> None</p>
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