

**BUCKEYE LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
SUMMARY**

The Buckeye Local Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, September 28, 2009, at 6:00 p.m. at Buckeye Local Administrative Offices. In attendance were Mrs. Kolkedy, Mr. DeLuca, Mr. Moore, and Mr. Zelek. Also present were Mr. Miller, Ms. Prebeg, Mrs. Vargo, Mr. Kalman and Mrs. Hicks. Mrs. Kolkedy gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance. She welcomed all those in attendance.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Roger Warren addressed the Board in regard to the recent bond issue. He stated he did not understand the apathy of voters who did not vote either for or against an educational issue. He asked what the Board intended to do now. Mr. Miller stated that we have looked at a number of things. We did not get to choose the timing for the bond issue, the State dictated. However the economy is very unsettled therefore putting the issue back on the ballot is questionable. Our first and primary responsibility is to make sure the District is fiscally sound. Our two unions have signed contract which reflect no raises and we have made no major improvements or textbook purchases. However this cost cutting strategy cannot continue indefinitely. Hard decisions need to be made and changes implemented in order to avoid deficit spending which would mean the State would take control of our District.

Mr. Zelek stated that he has always been against increasing taxes but when the state offered to matching funds it is hard to say no. However even with the matching funds it does not look hopeful to get a levy passed in light of the present economic conditions.

EDUCATIONAL REPORTS

Mrs. Schooler gave the Board a brief overview of the new \$800,000 21st Century Grant. This is a five year grant, first three years being 100% funded, year four funded at 75% and the last year funded at 50%. This grant provides after school programs at two sites, five days a week, from 3:30 to 6:30. 80 students have pre registered and classes are scheduled to begin Monday, October 5th provided State Route 150 reopens to traffic.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Miller reported that the Athletic Council conducted a number of Softball Coach interviews.

Mr. Miller introduced Bobbie Spence and his family. Bobbie was recently featured in the national Sports Illustrated Magazine. The High School will have the article incorporated into a plaque which will be presented to Bobbie at a later date. Mr. Miller and the Board congratulated him on his accomplishments.

TREASURER'S REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Approved the minutes, bills, financial statement, reconciliation statement and checks for the months of August, 2009.
2. Approved the transfer of funds from football to volleyball in the amount of \$2,000.
3. Approved permanent appropriations Measure for FY 2010 as presented.
4. Adopted a resolution to approve the HB 412 Method of calculating set aside requirements for Textbook/Instructional materials and Capital Improvements for fiscal year 2010.

OLD BUSINESS

5. Approved the second reading of Board Policy 2464, Gifted Education and Identification.

NEW BUSINESS

Curriculum and Instruction

6. Approved the Drivers Education Agreement with Ameridrive by Stark for the 2009/2010 school year.

Personnel

7. Adjourned to executive session at 7:28 to consider the investigation of charges against an employee and to discuss negotiations. Reconvened at 8:10.
8. Accepted the resignation of Constance Zerla as a teacher effective July 1, 2009 for the purposes of retirement.

9. Accepted the resignation of Russell Reed, Assistant EMIS Coordinator, effective September 21, 2009.
10. Accepted the resignation of Margaret Otto, Clerk, effective September 14, 2009.
11. Accepted the resignation of Stacey Raber, Educational Aide at Bright Promise, effective July 29, 2009.
12. Accepted the resignation of Karen Vargo as Title I Parent Coordinator effective September 18, 2009.
13. Employed the following as a Long Term Subs on a one year limited contract effective August 25, 2009:

Patricia Romestan	2nd Grade	North Elem
Steven Hicks	English	BLHS
14. Employed Kylene Kuzma as a Classroom Reduction Teacher one year non-renewable certified contract.
15. Employed Jelene Moffo as a visually impaired aide on a six month limited contract effective August 25, 2009. Continued employment is contingent upon continued enrollment of this visually impaired student.
16. Employed Dorothy Olenick and Audrey Rubright as Site Coordinators on one year limited contracts through the 21st Century Grant.
17. Issued a continuing classified contract to Dan Mayhugh at the conclusion of his one year limited contract.
18. Approved paid maternity leave to Melanie Cunningham from September 23, 2009 to November 4, 2009.
19. Employed Connie Zerla as Intervention Specialist on a one year administrative contract effective September 3, 2009. Funding for this position will be provided by federal stimulus money.
20. Employed the following substitutes for the 09/10 school year contingent upon satisfactory fingerprint check:

<u>Substitute Cook</u>	<u>Substitute Bus Drivers</u>
Leigh Hopkins	Sam Agostini
	Ronald Hamilton
	DiAnn Jobko
	David Toto
<u>Substitute Custodian</u>	<u>Substitute Secretary/Aide</u>
Cristina Crawford	Deloris Quinn
Jamie Wallace	Kerri Bobish
Dave Harris	
21. Accepted the following supplemental contracts for the 2009-10 school year:

BLHS	Ass't Volleyball Coach	Willie Luther
	Ass't Volleyball Coach	Miranda Ronevich
	9th Gr Boys Basketball Coach	Andy Long
	Volunteer Ass't Wrestling Coach	William Gooch
	Ass't Basketball Coach - Girls	Tom Figurski
NM	8th Gr Boys Basketball Coach	Ed Nest
SWM	Intramural Coach	George Bell
	7th Gr. Basketball Coach - Girls	Mike McKeegan
	8th Gr. Basketball Coach - Girls	Co Bob Czuchran
	7th Gr. Basketball Coach - Boys	Rob Hennebert
	8th Gr. Basketball Coach - Boys	Sam Jokovich
22. Employed Carrie Whitehead as Head Varsity Softball Coach for the 2010 season.

Miscellaneous

23. Ratified Buckeye CTA Agreement for the period September 2, 2009 through August 31, 2011.

24. Approved a quit claim deed for two pieces of property located in Warren Township, Section 8, Twp 5, Range, 2, transferring ownership to Henry Yater. All expenses related to the transfer to be paid by Mr. Yater.
25. Designated Friday, October 30th varsity football game vs Weirton as All Sports Recognition Night.
26. Authorized the Treasurer to advertise for bids for the purpose of two handicap accessible buses and one conventional bus in accordance with specifications developed by the Transportation Department.

SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMUNICATION

- 1) Start of School Year - already in 6th week
- 2) End of First Nine Weeks, Friday, October 30th.
- 3) Parent/Teacher conference, Thursday, November 5, from 5-8 pm.
- 4) Awarded Certificate of Merit to Russell Armstrong in recognition of his 50th year of serving children in education.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING WILL BE HELD ON OCTOBER 26, 2009, 7:00 PM AT THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES, DILLONVALE. MEETING BEGINS AT 7:00 PM.