# Highlights Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting Rocky River City School District Board of Education 11/12/14

# **Committee Reports**

Curriculum Committee – Mrs. Rounds

- Science course of study review is underway. The next science course of study writing day is scheduled for December 2.
- Rocky River Middle School students were each provided with a copy of the book, *Drums, Girls, and Dangerous Pie*, by Jordan Sonnenblick. The book, which was an all-school read, was paid for with a grant from The Maltz Museum of Jewish Heritage.
- The traveling Anne Frank exhibit is on display in the RRMS media center through December 11. It, too, is due in to the grant from The Maltz Museum.
- Ms. Anderson shared clarification on the new graduation requirements with the Board. The Class of 2018 and beyond will have three prongs to their graduation requirement:
  - Course requirement: 21 credits to graduate from RRHS (this is unchanged)
  - Assessment requirement: OGT is gone. This class, and all subsequent classes, must participate in the new suite of 7 high school end-of-course exams: English 1, English 2, Algebra 1, Geometry, American History, American Government, and Physical Science.
  - College and Career Ready requirements: this can be demonstrated in 1 of 3 ways:
    - Earn 18 points on the end-of-course assessments
    - Earn a remediation-free score on a national college admission test. Both the test and the score have not yet been determined by ODE.
    - Earn an approved industry-recognized credential and achieve a workforce-readiness score on a related job skills assessment.

# Facilities Committee – Mr. Milano

• Dr. Shoaf reported that the HVAC system is working, the construction crew has removed the debris from the courtyard and is getting ready to frame it and pour the concrete, and the median in the High School parking lot will soon have an ADA complaint walkway built into it, to make it safer for pedestrians to cross through the parking lot.

#### Finance Committee – Mr. Swartz

- Mr. Swartz advised the group that the Finance Committee would next Thursday, November 20, 2014, before the Board of Education Meeting.
- Mr. Markus reported that the bond refunding is moving along and three companies have been selected: PNC Capital, RBC Capital, and Stifel, Nicolaus & Company.

## Policy and Legislation Committee – Dr. Fancher

• Dr. Fancher reported that a first reading of new and revised policies would be included in the November business meeting agenda.

## School Community – Ms. Goepfert

- Mrs. Rounds attended the PTA Council meeting on November 4, where Principal Todd Murphy presented; they also discussed the West Shore Town Hall Meeting.
- Mrs. Rounds reported that the Coalition for Youth Asset Development meets on November 13 at 8 AM.
- Mrs. Rounds reminded the group that Wednesday, December 3 is the annual Photos with Santa event at Goldwood Primary School.