

Board Meeting Update

Rocky River Board of Education

Jay Milano, President • Kathleen Goepfert, Vice President
Jean A. Rounds • James Schieda • Scott Swartz

The following is an overview of the August 20, 2009 Regular Meeting of the Board of Education.

Action

- The Board passed resolutions approving the June and July 2009 Financial Statement and Intrafund Transfers for General Accounting.
- The Board passed a resolution to approve the appointment of Megan Rose to Assistant Principal of Rocky River High School effective August 1, 2009.
- A resolution was passed to approve Dianna Foley, Ph.D. as the Coordinator of Communications and Technology effective August 1, 2009.
- A resolution was passed to employ Jennifer Norman as a consultant prior to August 1, 2009.
- The Board passed a resolution to approve the rate of pay for teachers conducting the summer Foreign Language Camp.
- A resolution was passed to approve payment to Peg Liberatore for extra days worked in preparing for the 2009-2010 school year.
- Resolutions were passed to approve the contract for the Employee Assistance Program, the Wingspan Care Group Agreement and the Recovery Resources/Community Challenge Agreement for the 2009-2010 school year.
- A resolution passed extending the Skate Park Use Agreement through July 31, 2010.
- The resolution for the Transportation of Developmentally Disabled Students was approved.
- A resolution was passed to approve Sean O'Rourke for graduation as he has completed the course requirements as specified by Board Policy.
- A list of retirements and resignations, certified staff, substitute teachers, tutors, instructors, and support personnel for the 2009-2010 school year was approved, as were supplemental duty appointments.
- A resolution was passed to appoint the Superintendent of Schools for the period from August 1, 2010 to July 31, 2015.
- The following donations were accepted by the Board:
 - **Goldwood Primary PTA:** A donation in the amount of \$1,410.21 for the Goldwood Garden.
 - **Goldwood Primary PTA:** A donation in the amount of \$5,680.87 for the Enrichment Program.
 - **Cahoon Nursery:** A donation of a flowering tree in memory of Derric Williams.
 - **Anonymous:** A donation in the amount of \$408.00 to be used for District Technology.

Reports

Superintendent's Update – Dr. Michael Shoaf

- Executive Director of Curriculum and Instruction Elizabeth Anderson announced that Rocky River City Schools met 29/30 Indicators. Rocky River also met the criteria for Value Added giving Rocky River a rating of Excellent with Distinction.
- ACT results from the spring showed that students maintained the same composite score as last year with 40 more students taking the test this year. The average composite score was 24.2. Mr. Milano emphasized how proud the board was of the work the staff and students accomplished last year.
- Coordinator of Communications and Technology Dianna Foley announced that the website would go live on 8/19/09. It will be a work in progress. Parents will be able to sign-up for email notification. Website inservices continue.
- Executive Director of Human Resources and Support Services Ted Blank announced that several tutors have been added to our staff. One tutor at Kensington, two at Middle School and one at the high school.
- Mr. Blank announced that many parents of students who attend Le Chaperone Rouge, Ruffing Montessori and Champions have not signed their children up for transportation. Several packets of information have gone home to the family, as well as being on our website, et cetera.
- Storage sheds filled with items needing storage are a concern for some residents. Anything flammable needs to be stored outside of the buildings. Discussion is ensuing regarding building one large facility to house these items.
- Superintendent Michael Shoaf announced that Elyria Catholic will be joining the WSC in two years. Elyria Catholic has solid teams and should add some good competition to the WSC league.

Community Challenge/Recovery Resources – Mrs. Rounds

- Mrs. Jean Rounds shared that Community Challenge's contract is on this evening's agenda. Mrs. Rounds noted that Ms. Brynn Jollay will be the new Community Challenge Intervention Specialist at the middle school.

Strategic Plan

- Mr. Milano expressed again the effort to advertise our new Strategic Plan is paying off. Many people are aware and noticed that many of the architect firms based their presentation on our Strategic Plan.
- Mr. Milano announced that Dr. Jim Schieda will be retiring at the end of this term in office. Mr. Milano wished him good luck.