

**Highlights**  
**Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting**  
**Rocky River City School District**  
**Board of Education**  
**10/9/13**

**Committee Reports**

**Curriculum Committee – Mrs. Rounds**

- Mrs. Rounds extended hats off to Yvonne Morbitzer for the Lincoln Exhibit opening. From the student assembly, fantastic luncheon and the evening program, it was a huge success.
- Ms. Anderson, Mrs. Rounds and Dr. Fancher highlighted the October Curriculum Advisory Committee meeting that was held this afternoon. The CAC boarded a yellow school bus and took a tour of the construction areas of the district. The members of the CAC were impressed with the amount of technology on the school busses; the security of the buildings; the multi-handicap classrooms and many more areas of the construction district-wide.

**Facilities Committee – Mr. Milano**

- Mr. Milano reported that we are closing out of construction for Goldwood and Kensington schools. Construction at the high school continues and will be completed by the end of October. Landscaping has begun at the high school. Talk continues on the smoke stack removal.

**Finance Committee – Mr. Swartz**

- Mr. Markus updated the Board on the status of the recent property tax settlement. The settlement was \$183,000 less than anticipated. However, Mr. Markus noted that this appears to be a timing difference since the May 2013 settlement included a larger than normal advance of second half collections, and that this may very well be the case again in May 2014, bringing our total much closer to the annual estimate. He also reminded the Board about two recent tax valuation cases that netted the District \$200,000 that is technically not receipted as property tax revenue since it was paid outside of the County Fiscal Officer collection process. Considering this income as tax revenue would have brought us slightly above estimates.
- Mr. Markus also noted that the Citizens' Finance Committee is scheduled to meet on October 15 to review and discuss the District's draft five-year forecast prior to it being considered by the Board. This is for the forecast update due to the Ohio Department of Education by October 31. The Citizens Finance Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, 10.15.13 at 7:30am.
- The next Finance Committee meeting will be Thursday, 10.17.13 at 6:00pm.

**Policy and Legislation Committee – Dr. Fancher**

- A number of policies will be ready for the First Reading at next week's Regular Board of Education Meeting.

**School Community – Ms. Goepfert**

- Mrs. Goepfert reported that the high school Homecoming was a success. Over 600 students attended the dance Saturday night. Our own Food Service staff cooked the spaghetti dinner on Friday night and that was success as well.
- Mrs. Goepfert reported that the RRHS Girl's Soccer team is number 1 in the state and she believes the RRHS Boy's Soccer team is seated #2.

- The RRHS pool is open. The Lakeshore Swim Club will be holding a practice soon.
- Parks and Recreation meets next week. The hot tub at the Recreation Center has been down.
- Mrs. Rounds announced that Community Challenge/Recovery Resources will meet this Friday.
- Dr. Fancher reported that the Rocky River Education Foundation held their first meeting of the school year. This fall, the RREF will have \$36,678.00 to award towards grants. The RREF fundraising gala will be held on 3.22.14.

#### **Oral and Written Communications**

- The Board received notes from several staff members expressing thanks for flowers sent.

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