

ROCKY RIVER CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Office of the Superintendent of Schools

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**

5:00 P.M., WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6, 2010

**BOARD ROOM
ROCKY RIVER BOARD OF EDUCATION
21600 CENTER RIDGE ROAD
ROCKY RIVER, OHIO 44116**

AGENDA

1. OATH OF OFFICE FOR NEWLY ELECTED BOARD MEMBERS

I, **Jon Fancher**, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Ohio, and that I will faithfully and impartially discharge my duties as a member of the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, to the best of my ability and in accordance with the laws now in effect and hereafter to be enacted during my continuance in said office and until my successor is chosen and qualified.

I, **Kathleen Goepfert**, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Ohio, and that I will faithfully and impartially discharge my duties as a member of the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, to the best of my ability and in accordance with the laws now in effect and hereafter to be enacted during my continuance in said office and until my successor is chosen and qualified.

I, **Jay Milano**, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Ohio, and that I will faithfully and impartially discharge my duties as a member of the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, to the best of my ability and in accordance with the laws now in effect and hereafter to be enacted during my continuance in said office and until my successor is chosen and qualified.

2. CALL TO ORDER

3. ROLL CALL

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

5. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District that it hereby adopts this Agenda, including any addendum attached hereto, for its Organizational Meeting, January 6, 2010.

6. ELECTION OF PRESIDENT OF BOARD OF EDUCATION

7. OATH OF OFFICE FOR PRESIDENT OF BOARD OF EDUCATION

I, Jean Rounds, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Ohio, and that I will faithfully and impartially discharge my duties as President of the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, to the best of my ability and in accordance with the laws now in effect and hereafter to be enacted during my continuance in said office and until my successor is chosen and qualified.

8. ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT OF BOARD OF EDUCATION

9. OATH OF OFFICE FOR VICE PRESIDENT OF BOARD OF EDUCATION

I, Scott Swartz, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Ohio, and that I will faithfully and impartially discharge my duties as Vice President of the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, to the best of my ability and in accordance with the laws now in effect and hereafter to be enacted during my continuance in said office and until my successor is chosen and qualified.

10. APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND OTHER APPOINTMENTS

- a. Curriculum Committee - Chair –Mrs. Rounds, Member – Dr. Fancher
- b. Facilities Committee - Chair – Mr. Milano, Member – Mr. Swartz
- c. Finance Committee - Chair – Mr. Swartz, Member – Ms. Goepfert
- d. Policy and Legislation Committee - Chair – Dr. Fancher, Member – Mr. Milano
- e. School-Community Relations Committee – Chair – Ms. Goepfert, Member – Mrs. Rounds
- f. Representatives to Curriculum Advisory Committee – Mrs. Rounds
- g. Representative to Community Challenge/Recovery Resources – Mrs. Rounds
- h. Student Achievement Liaison to Ohio School Boards Association – Mr. Milano
- i. Legislative Liaison to the Ohio School Boards Association – Dr. Fancher
- j. Representative to the Rocky River Education Foundation – Ms. Goepfert
- k. Representative to the Rocky River Parks and Recreation Commission – Ms. Goepfert
- l. Representative to Student Activities Council – Mr. Milano
- m. Representative to West Shore Boards of Education – Dr. Fancher
- n. Representative to the West Shore Career Education Advisory Committee – Mrs. Rounds

11. RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH TIME, PLACE, AND DATE OF BOARD MEETINGS

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code, Section 3313.15 requires that, at the time of the organizational meeting, each board of education will fix the time for holding its regular meeting(s), such meetings to be held a minimum of once every two months.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District will meet regularly to conduct committee meetings on the following dates at 5:00 p.m. in the Curriculum Library at the Board of Education located at 21600 Center Ridge Road, Rocky River, Ohio:

January 6, 2010	July 7, 2010
February 3, 2010	August 11, 2010
March 17, 2010	September 8, 2010
April 14, 2010	October 13, 2010
May 12, 2010	November 8, 2010
June 9, 2010	December 8, 2010

and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Finance Committee of the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District will meet regularly to discuss the finances of the district at 6:00 p.m. on the same dates listed below for the regular board meetings, except for the February 2010 meeting which will be held at 5:00 p.m.; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District will regularly meet to conduct business to come before it on the following dates at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room at the Rocky River Board of Education located at 21600 Center Ridge Road, Rocky River, Ohio:

January 14, 2010	July 15, 2010
February 11, 2010	August 19, 2010
March 25, 2010	September 16, 2010
April 22, 2010	October 21, 2010
May 20, 2010	November 18, 2010
June 17, 2010	December 16, 2010

and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the dates and times of the meetings of the Rocky River Board of Education will be posted on the district website.

12. RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE TRANSFER OF ACCOUNTS

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code, Section 5705.40, provides that excess funds appropriated to a certain classification within each fund may be transferred to any other appropriation classification within such fund; and

WHEREAS, Board Policy 6210 states that the Board may, by resolution, grant permission to the fiscal officer the right to transfer funds from one appropriation line item to another within limits prescribed by law; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Board to permit the transfer of excess funds appropriated to a certain classification within each fund to any other appropriation within such fund;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District that its fiscal officer be granted permission to transfer excess funds appropriated to a certain classification within each fund to any other appropriation classification within such fund as the need may arise.

13. RESOLUTION TO DISPENSE WITH LISTING OF WARRANTS

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code, Section 3313.18 provides that a board of education of a city school district, by a majority vote of its members may, by general resolution, dispense with the adoption of resolutions authorizing payment of bills for operation as specified in said section;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District hereby dispenses with the advance listing of warrants and approves those expenditures as provided in the adopted Appropriation Resolution or amended Appropriation Resolution.

14. RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE INVESTMENTS

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code permits boards of education to make investments;
and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District to invest funds not currently needed to meet operating costs in order to earn interest on these funds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District that the policy for investment of cash not needed to meet obligations for short periods of time of less than one year shall be one in which the cash balance remaining on active deposit will be as low as is consistent with good business practice, and the investment of cash not needed be at the highest rate permissible; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Treasurer is hereby authorized to determine the amounts of cash not needed to meet current obligations and to invest such sums in investments allowed under the Ohio Revised Code at the interest rates most advantageous to the Board of Education.

15. RESOLUTION TO ENTER INTO STANDARD AGREEMENTS

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District to provide the students of the District a comprehensive educational program in the most efficient manner, and

WHEREAS, the standard agreements listed below have been entered into on an annual basis in order to help achieve this.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Superintendent of the Rocky River City School District be authorized to enter into the following agreements during 2010, as permitted by the Ohio Revised Code and the District's adopted appropriation measure.

Agreements for Admission of Tuition Pupils –
Educational Services Center of Cuyahoga County
North Olmsted

Applewood Centers Inc.

Bellefaire Jewish Children's Bureau

Cleveland Clinic Foundation

Cooperative Purchasing Agreements -
Ohio Schools Council

Cuyahoga County Board of Health

Developmental Disabilities Agreement
Cuyahoga County Board of Mental Retardation

Easter Seals of Northeast Ohio

Educational Service Center of Cuyahoga County -
Interdistrict Service Area Contract

Internet Services Contract -
Lakeshore Northeast Ohio Computer Association

Julian & Grube, Inc. – Accounting/GAAP Conversion Services

NOTA

Ohio High School Athletic Association Membership

Ohio School Boards Association -
Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program
OSBA Memberships
OSBA Legal Assistance Fund

Ohio Schools Council
Lake Erie Educational Media Consortium

QuadStar

Standard Service Agreement -
Lakeshore Northeast Ohio Computer Association

WVIZ/Ideastream including State Supported Instructional Television Service –
Educational Television Association of Metropolitan Cleveland (ETAMC)

16. RESOLUTION TO APPOINT PURCHASING AGENT

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District that the Superintendent/designee be hereby appointed to serve as the purchasing agent for the Rocky River City School District.

17. RESOLUTION TO APPOINT REPRESENTATIVE TO APPLY FOR FEDERAL, STATE AND OTHER AGENCY FUNDS

WHEREAS, the Federal Government, the Ohio Department of Education and other agencies allocate various funds on a competitive and non-competitive basis for approved educational programs; and

WHEREAS, to request such Grants, an official representative must be designated;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District hereby authorizes the Superintendent/designee to apply for all federal, state and local grants deemed beneficial to the school district, including but not limited to the following:

- Early Childhood Special Education, IDEA
- ARRA Early Childhood Special Education, IDEA
- Special Education, Part B – IDEA
- ARRA Special Education, Part B - IDEA
- eTech Ohio K-12 Connectivity
- Title I - Prevention/Intervention
- ARRA Title 1
- Title II-A – Improving Teacher Quality
- Technology, Title II-D
- Immigrant, Title III
- LEP, Title III
- Safe and Drug Free Schools (SDFSC) – Title IV-A

and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent/designee serve as the authorized representative of the district in respect to applications and management of funds.

18. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF PROPERTY TAX COMPLAINTS, AGREEMENTS AND SETTLEMENTS

BE IT RESOLVED that for calendar year 2010, the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District hereby authorizes the Superintendent and Treasurer to direct authorized legal counsel to file original complaints against the valuation of commercial properties, to file counter-complaints against the valuation of commercial and residential properties, to present evidence relating to the value of such properties at hearing or trial, to appeal decisions of the Cuyahoga County Board of Revision and the Ohio Board of Tax Appeals, to participate in any other real property tax appeal, to enter into settlement agreements and stipulations of value regarding tax complaints and appeals, and to take such other actions are necessary to protect the best interests of the Rocky River City School District in matters of real property taxation, provided that the Superintendent and/or Treasurer give regular updates regarding such actions to the Board of Education.

19. RESOLUTION TO DISCARD, SELL AND/OR DONATE SURPLUS PROPERTY

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District that, in accordance with **Board Policy 7310 – Disposition of Surplus Property**, the treasurer can discard, sell or donate (non-profit organizations) surplus property without any restrictions or reservations as to the future use thereof.

20. RESOLUTION TO EMPLOY TEMPORARY PERSONNEL

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District that the Superintendent is hereby authorized to employ such temporary personnel as is deemed necessary for emergency situations. Such employment will be submitted to the Board of Education for official approval at a scheduled meeting.

21. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE ATTENDANCE AT PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District that the Superintendent/designee be hereby authorized to approve Applications for Attendance at Professional Conferences in accordance with the adopted Appropriation Resolutions.

22. RESOLUTION TO APPOINT A DESIGNEE TO ATTEND PUBLIC RECORDS ACCESS TRAINING

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District that the Board shall appoint Greg Markus, Treasurer, to attend public records access training required for Board members for each term of office under R.C. 109.43.

23. RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF EMPLOYEES

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District that the Treasurer be authorized and is hereby directed to pay salaries and to issue Salary Statements to employees in accordance with approved negotiated Agreements, the Leadership Development Plan, the Personnel Practices for Executive Secretaries, and the Personnel Practices for Support Staff and other resolutions adopted by the Board of Education.

24. RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH AND AUTHORIZE RECORDS COMMISSION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District that the President of the Board of Education, the Superintendent of Schools, and the Treasurer are hereby designated as members of the Records Commission of the Rocky River City School District; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a meeting of the Records Commission will be held, as necessary, during 2010.

25. RESOLUTION OF IMPRACTICALITY OF TRANSPORTATION

WHEREAS, Section 3327.01 of the Ohio Revised Code, provides for the transportation of eligible students; and

WHEREAS, a review has been made of existing bus routes, time schedules, student resident locations, school locations and available school conveyances, and it has been determined that it is impractical to provide transportation to the following schools:

Al Ihsan Islamic School	Our Lady of Mt. Carmel
Bethany Lutheran School	St. Raphael's School
Birchwood School	Urban Community School
Lakewood Catholic Academy	Westpark Community School
Menlo Park Academy	Westpark Lutheran School
Messiah Lutheran School	
Montessori Children's School	
Greater Cleveland Accelerated School for the Gifted	

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District that it declares it is impractical to provide transportation and hereby agrees to reimburse parents for providing such transportation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Treasurer of the Board of Education be authorized and is hereby directed to sign a Transportation Contract with the parents of students requesting reimbursement for transportation to the above schools for the amount authorized and reimbursed by the State of Ohio for providing such transportation service during 2010.

26. RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF ANY EMPLOYEE OF THE ROCKY RIVER CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District hereby authorizes the Superintendent to accept the resignation of any employee of Rocky River City School District by indicating his acceptance in writing on the employee's letter of resignation;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education determines that a resignation shall be final and irrevocable once the Superintendent has accepted it.

27. OTHER BUSINESS

28. RESOLUTION TO ADJOURN

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District that it hereby adjourn.