

ROCKY RIVER CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**  
**5:00 PM, Wednesday, January 8, 2014**  
**Fireside Room • 1101 Morewood Parkway**

**AGENDA**

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 4. Resolution to Adopt Agenda**
- 5. Oath of Office for Newly Elected Board Members**

I, (Jon Fancher, Kathleen Goepfert, 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.

- 6. Election of President of Board of Education**

- 7. Oath of Office for President of Board of Education**

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.

- 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—*Dr. Fancher*
- k. Representative to the Rocky River Parks and Recreation Commission—*Ms. Goepfert*
- l. Representative to the West Shore Career Education Advisory Committee—*Mrs. Rounds*

**11. Resolution to Adopt Rocky River City School District Tax Budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2014-June 30, 2015**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District hereby adopts the tax budget for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015 ([Exhibit A](#)) and authorizes the Treasurer to submit same to the County Auditor for consideration by the Budget Commission of Cuyahoga County, State of Ohio, pursuant to the requirements of law.

**12. Resolution to Establish Time, Place and Date of Board Meetings**

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 Fireside Room at the Board of Education located at 1101 Morewood Parkway, Rocky River, Ohio:

January 8, 2014	July 9, 2014
February 12, 2014	August 13, 2014
March 12, 2014	September 10, 2014
April 9, 2014	October 8, 2014
May 14, 2014	November 12, 2014
June 11, 2014	December 10, 2014

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 Monday preceding the dates below for the regular monthly business meetings of the board with the following exceptions: Thursday, January 16, 2014 and Monday, April 28, 2014.

**13.**

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 Fireside Room at the Rocky River Board of Education located at 1101 Morewood Parkway, Rocky River, Ohio:

January 16, 2014	July 17, 2014
February 20, 2014	August 21, 2014
March 20, 2014	September 18, 2014
April 17, 2014	October 16, 2014
May 22, 2014	November 20, 2014
June 19, 2014	December 18, 2014

**14. Resolution to Authorize Transfer of Accounts**

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.

**15. Resolution to Dispense with Listing of Warrants**

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.

**16. Resolution to Authorize Investments**

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;

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.

**17. Resolution to Enter Into Standard Agreements**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Superintendent of the Rocky River City School District is hereby authorized to enter into the following agreements during 2014, as permitted by the Ohio Revised Code and the District's adopted appropriation measure.

- ACT
- AESOP Automated Substitute Placement and Absence Management (Frontline Technologies)
- Applewood Centers Inc.
- Bailey Communications, Inc.
- Bellefaire Jewish Children's Bureau
- Berea City Schools - Tuition
- Blackboard Connect 5
- Boiler Specialists - Annual PM Work
- Boiler Specialists - Chemicals
- Bonefish Systems, LLC - Electronic Vendor Audit System
- CTB McGraw Hill
- Cleveland Clinic Foundation
- Collaborative Learning
- College Board
- College Now Greater Cleveland, Inc.
- ComDoc, Inc.
- Cooperative Purchasing Agreements - Ohio Schools Council
- Cuyahoga County Board of Health
- Developmental Disabilities Agreement Cuyahoga County Board of Mental Retardation
- Digital Security Systems, Inc.
- Easter Seals of Northeast Ohio
- Educational Services Center of Cuyahoga County
- ESM Solutions - eSchool Mail Service/Maintenance Agreement
- Gallup, Inc.
- Gardiner Trane
- Geauga County Educational Service Center Board of Education - Tuition
- Hastings Water Works, Inc.
- Infinite Cohesion - eSchoolView
- Julian & Grube, Inc. – Accounting/GAAP Conversion Services
- K12 School Consultants, LLC

- K12USA.com
- Lorain County ESC
- Lucid Data Corporation
- Max Teaching
- McKeon Education Group
- Lorene Mihalko - Psychologist/WISC Testing
- Music Therapy Enrichment Center, Inc.
- Naviance, Inc.
- North Coast Council (NCC)
  - Internet Services Contract
  - Standard Service Agreement
- North Coast Shared Services Alliance
- North Olmsted City Schools - Tuition
- North Ohio Technology Association NOTA
- Ohio High School Athletic Association Membership
- Ohio Office of Information Technology - MARCS Program (Treasurer, State of Ohio)
- Ohio School Boards Association
  - Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program
  - OSBA Memberships
  - OSBA Legal Assistance Fund
- Ohio Schools Council -
  - Lake Erie Educational Media Consortium
  - Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program
- Pearson
- Pestro Consulting
- Pitney Bowes, Inc.
- Public School Works
- QuadStar
- Rachel Wixey & Associates
- ReadyNurse Staffing Services
- Recovery Resources
- Rose-Mary Center
- SchoolDude
- Security Voice, Inc.
- Shindler Elevator - Elevator Operations
- Simplex-Grinnell - Fire Safety
- Strategic Management Solutions
- Wilson Language Training Corporation
- WVIZ/Ideastream including State Supported Instructional Television Service –
  - Educational Television Association of Metropolitan Cleveland (ETAMC)
- YPS Integrated Systems- Security Monitoring
- James G. Zupka, CPA - Audit Services

**18. 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.

**19. Resolution to Appoint Representative to Apply for Federal, State and Other Agency**

## **Funds**

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
- Special Education, Part B - IDEA
- eTech Ohio K-12 Connectivity
- Title I - Prevention/Intervention
- Title II-A – Improving Teacher Quality
- Immigrant, Title III
- LEP, Title III

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

### **20. Resolution Authorizing Approval of Property Tax Complaints, Agreements and Settlements**

BE IT RESOLVED that for calendar year 2014, 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 as 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.

### **21. 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.

### **22. 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 ratification no later than the next regular meeting of the Board of Education.

### **23. 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 is hereby authorized to approve applications for attendance at professional conferences in accordance with the adopted appropriation resolutions.

### **24. Resolution to Authorize Payment of Employees**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District that the

Treasurer is hereby authorized and 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 applicable resolutions adopted by the Board of Education.

**25. Resolution to Approve Board Member Compensation**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Rocky River School District shall be compensated at the rate of \$125.00 per Regular and Special Board meeting held to a maximum annual payment of \$2,500.00 per Board Member for calendar year 2014.

**26. 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 training required for Board members by applicable law, namely, R.C. 109.43.

**27. 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;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a meeting of the Records Commission will be held, as necessary, during 2014.

**28. Resolution Authorizing the Superintendent/Treasurer to Utilize Legal Counsel as Appropriate**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Rocky River School District that the Superintendent and Treasurer are authorized to utilize legal counsel on behalf of the District as necessary regarding various areas of concern.

**29. Resolution of Impracticality of Transportation ([Exhibit B](#))**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District, by and through responsible administrators, reviewed the time and distance required to provide the transportation, the number of pupils to be transported, the cost of equipment, maintenance personnel, and administration essential for the transportation, similarity or equivalence of services provided to other pupils eligible for transportation, whether and to what extent the additional service unavoidably disrupts transportation schedules and whether other reimbursable types of transportation are available regarding these schools.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District that it declares it is impractical to provide transportation to these schools due to the time and distance required to provide the transportation, the number of pupils to be transported, the cost of equipment, maintenance, personnel, and administration essential for the transportation, similarity or equivalence of services provided to other pupils eligible for transportation, the additional service unavoidably disrupts current transportation schedules, and/or the availability of other reimbursement types of transportation and hereby agrees to provide compensation to parents in lieu providing such transportation;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Treasurer of the Board of Education is hereby authorized and directed to sign a transportation contract with parents of students requesting

reimbursement for transportation to these schools for the amount authorized and reimbursed by the State of Ohio for providing such transportation service during 2014.

**30. Ohio Schools Council Cooperative Advertising and Receiving Bids for School Bus Chassis and Bodies**

Whereas, the Rocky River City Schools Board of Education wishes to advertise and receive bids for the purchase of an unspecified number of unitized conventional school bus chassis and bodies. The 2014-15 Cooperative School Bus Purchasing Program fee is expected to be \$325.00.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Rocky River City Schools Board of Education wishes to participate and authorizes the Ohio Schools Council to advertise and receive bids on behalf of said Board as per the specifications submitted for the cooperative purchase of an unspecified number of unitized conventional school bus chassis and bodies. This Board agrees to pay \$325.00 to Ohio Schools Council for school district membership as a service fee for this purpose.

**31. Resolution For Rocky River Boosters**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District recognizes that the Rocky River Boosters serve and support the Rocky River City School District's athletic community through sponsorship of awards, scholarships, and/or donations, and accordingly the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Rocky River Boosters to include free admittance to all Rocky River High School "home" sporting events as a benefit of membership in its organization.

**32. 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 or his designee to accept the resignation of any employee of Rocky River City School District by indicating acceptance in writing on the employee's written or printed resignation statement;

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

**33. Other Business**

**34. Resolution to Adjourn**