

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

WARRENSVILLE HEIGHTS CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Meeting 02-21

REGULAR MEETING

BEAR GRAPHICS 800-325-8094 FORM NO. 10148

Held JANUARY 20, 20 21

The Regular Meeting of the Warrensville Heights Board of Education was held electronically on Wednesday, January 20, 2021, at 6:30 p.m., via Zoom conference pursuant to H.B. 404 extending the Board's ability to hold virtual public meetings into July 2021.

President Mitchell called the meeting to order and asked the Treasurer, Dr. Michael A. Rock to call the roll. The roll call revealed the following members present: Mr. Ray A. Freeman, Mrs. Millicent Gaiter, Ms. Traci Mitchell, Mrs. Barbara A. Mumin, Mr. Earl D. Roberts

Mr. Donald J. Jolly, II, Superintendent, also in attendance.

Pledge

President Mitchell requested all stand to recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Agenda

Moved by Mr. Freeman and seconded by Mrs. Gaiter to accept and approve the Agenda, dated January 20, 2021.

Vote:

Ayes – Mr. Roberts, Mrs. Gaiter, Mr. Freeman, Ms. Mitchell

Nays – None

Motion carried

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(Mrs. Mumin experienced technical difficulties and was unable to vote.)

Public Participation

Superintendent Jolly shared multiple public participation emails centered on the return to in-person school. Parents made comments such as: my child needs more contact; my children learn more in school; virtual learning is not for everyone; my child is falling behind; my child misses the involvement; and my son needs one on one instruction. Superintendent Jolly displayed each email for the Board to see in the meeting.

Presentation

Mrs. Lozar K-5 Curriculum Supervisor presented an update to the Board on the WHCSD Literacy Initiative with the goal of WHES to become the model school for Ohio. She described how the science of reading is applied to the program also explaining the simple view of reading and reading comprehension. She stated that teaching reading is guided by the science of reading. She continued by describing the various Literacy Initiatives including DLT meetings, Language Essentials Teachers of Reading and Spelling training, and Anita Archer professional development instruction. Board President Mitchell thanked Mrs. Lozar for a great program and report.

Facilities Update

Owners Representative Doug Myers and Steve Zanonni and CMR Shawn White from Infinity Construction presented a facilities update for Segment Two (Phase Two) of the Master Facilities Plan. Doug Myers from PMC presented an overall schedule for Segment Two including: HS GMP#2 April 2021, vacate MS May 2021, relocate the bus garage fall 2021, demo the MS and Bus Garage fall 2021, and design Athletic Complex, HS occupancy August 15, 2022. The relocation of the bus garage has a potential collaboration with the city of Warrensville that could save the District in costs and yet still provide a new bus garage location. Steve Zanonni stated that the District would need to invest \$5,000 - \$7,000 in architect and civil work to analyze the feasibility of the collaboration. Superintendent Jolly stated that he is asking for the Board to

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authorize the Superintendent and Treasurer to pursue the collaboration with the city of Warrensville for a shared bus garage location. All Board Members authorized the Superintendent and Treasurer to proceed.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Jolly stated that January is Board Recognition month, presenting each Board Member with a certificate of appreciation, while displaying each certificate for the Board to see. Mr. Jolly continued with an explanation on the Return to School Plan for students electing in person instruction returning to school January 25, 2021. He noted that there are online and in person instruction plans for various grades including the safety and cleaning measures for all school buildings. Superintendent Jolly continued with an update on the COVID 19 Vaccine partners in the District that will be Giant Eagle and Walgreens. Superintendent Jolly continued with an update on SB68 requiring student training on interactions with police.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Dr. Rock provided an update to the Board in regards to current Treasurer Office projects for the new uniform accounting system and change in banking, stating that the conversion to the new accounting system is complete and the change in banking is in process. Dr. Rock continued with an explanation on how funds are transferred between operational and investment accounts in order to provide cash flow and maximize investment revenue for the District. Dr. Rock provided an update on the current interest rate market and its impact on where the District investment funds are placed accordingly. Dr. Rock concluded with an explanation on a then and now that is on the agenda due to late billing by the vendor and substantial research required to verify the charges.

Treasurer's Financial Recommendations

Moved by Mr. Freeman and seconded by Mrs. Gaiter to approve the following consent agenda items 2.1-2.2:

- 2.1 Approve the Cash Reconciliation and Financial Reports for November 2020 and December 2020.
- 2.2 Approve a Then and Now for the Multi-County Juvenile Attention System invoice for court placed students from April 2020 to September 2020. A Then and Now is needed due to the late billing by Multi-County Juvenile Attention System and the extra time then needed to research and verify the students, services and per diem rates. This required correspondence from the Treasurer to the CFO at Multi-County Juvenile Attention System. The total invoice is \$12,083.56. Payable from General Fund.

Vote:

Ayes – Mrs. Mumin, Mr. Roberts, Mrs. Gaiter, Mr. Freeman, Ms. Mitchell

Nays – None

Motion carried

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Superintendent's Recommendations

Moved by Mrs. Gaiter and seconded by Mrs. Mumin to approve the following consent agenda items 3.1-3.3 (Certified):

- 3.1 Accept the resignation of Kyna Wright, Teacher, High School, effective January 15, 2021.
- 3.2 Offer employment to the following individuals for the Supplemental Contract listed, for a period of one (1) year, for the 2020-2021 school year, according to the negotiated supplemental contract. Payable from General Fund.

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Name	Position	Salary
David Williams	MS Basketball Coach	\$3,184.00
Derrick Paster	HS Basketball Coach	\$4,245.00

- 3.3 Offer employment to the following individual for the Supplemental Contract listed, for a period of one (1) year, for the 2020-2021 school year, according to the negotiated supplemental contract. Payable from General Fund.

Name	Position	Salary
Elizabeth Couture	HS Technology Liaison	\$531.00

Vote:

Ayes – Mr. Freeman, Mr. Roberts, Mrs. Mumin, Mrs. Gaiter, Ms. Mitchell

Nays – None

Motion carried

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Moved by Mr. Freeman and seconded by Mrs. Gaiter to approve the following consent agenda items 4.1-4.3 (Classified):

- 4.1 Approve the re-classification of Darrell Mclin, as a Cook/Cashier, at the rate of \$12.54 per hour, effective January 25, 2021. Payable from General Fund.

Name	Reclassification-Position	Step	Salary
Darrell Mclin	From Substitute Food Service to Cook/Cashier	Q-2	\$12.54/per hr.

- 4.2 Approve the re-classification of Delina Macon, as a Head Cook, at the rate of \$14.50 per hour, effective January 21, 2021. Payable from General Fund.

Name	Reclassification-Position	Step	Salary
Delina Macon	From Cook/Cashier to Head Cook	R-4	\$14.50/per hr.

- 4.3 Offer employment to the following individual, as a Substitute Food Service employee as needed for the 2020-2021 school year at the established rate of \$9.00 per hour.

Name	Position	Rate of Pay
Jennifer Warren	Substitute Food Service	\$9.00/per hr.

Vote:

Ayes – Mrs. Mumin, Mr. Roberts, Mrs. Gaiter, Mr. Freeman, Ms. Mitchell

Nays – None

Motion carried

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Non-Personnel and Program Resolutions

5.1 The Board members discussed the Return to School Plan presented by Superintendent Jolly. Board members commented on thanking students and staff for being brave to come in and for staying home if they are uncomfortable. Board members commented on their confidence in the leadership of the District and the safe and clean buildings for the students. Board members stated that the entire discussion is all valid points and that the District owes it to the scholars to try to open in person. The Board members thanked all educators for going above and beyond of the school community and stated that Mr. Jolly will ensure that the students are safe for the comeback.

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Superintendent Jolly thanked the Board for all of their concerns and stated that students are falling behind, of which the in person option is definitely necessary for scholar success.

5.1 Moved by Mr. Freeman and seconded by Mrs. Gaiter to approve the following Resolution Regarding Return to In-Person Instruction:

Whereas, presently, the students of the District are receiving their education through the delivery of remote instruction provided pursuant to the District's Remote Learning Plan; and

Whereas, the Board believes that by following relevant protocols and precautions established by the Centers for Disease Control and other public health agencies, the District may safely return to providing in-person instruction to its students.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by the Board of Education of the Warrensville Heights City School District, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, that:

Section 1: Effective January 25, 2021, students enrolled in the District shall have the option of returning to in-person instruction. A student's parents/guardians (or the student, if an adult) must notify the District in writing on or before January 15, 2021 of their selection of either in-person instruction or remote instruction, for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year. The selection made for or by the student shall be continuous for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year, unless a change is determined appropriate by the District Administration. Should a student's parent/guardians (or the student, if an adult) fail to notify the District of a selection for in-person instruction or remote instruction, the default option shall be in-person instruction.

Section 2: To prevent the spread of COVID-19, employees, students, and community members in the District's school buildings shall follow relevant protocols and precautions established by the Centers for Disease Control and other public health agencies, as determined by the Superintendent/designee and building principals.

Section 3: It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of the Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were in meetings opening to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code and Section 12 of H.B. 197 and any amendments thereto.

Vote:

Ayes – Mrs. Mumin, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Freeman, Ms. Mitchell

Nays – Mrs. Gaiter

Motion carried

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Moved by Mrs. Gaiter and seconded by Mrs. Mumin to approve the following consent agenda items 5.2-5.3:

- 5.2 Approve the High School 2020-2021 Course of Study.
- 5.3 Approve the agreement with College Now MOU for WHHS 2020-2021. College Now will increase college attainment through access and success advising, financial aid counseling and scholarship services for the 2020-2021 school year. At a cost not to exceed \$13,500.00. Payable from General Fund.

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Vote:

Ayes – Mr. Freeman, Mr. Roberts, Mrs. Mumin, Mrs. Gaiter, Ms. Mitchell

Nays – None

Motion carried

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New Business

- 7.1 School Negotiations Workshop.

7.1 Moved by Mrs. Gaiter and seconded by Mr. Roberts to approve board members or attendance at the School Negotiations Workshop, to be held on January 21, 2021, January 25, 2021, and February 25, 2021; via webinar.

Vote:

Ayes – Mr. Freeman, Mrs. Mumin, Mr. Roberts, Mrs. Gaiter, Ms. Mitchell

Nays – None

Motion carried

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Adjournment

Moved by Mrs. Gaiter and seconded by Mrs. Mumin that the board adjourn the meeting.

Vote:

Ayes – Mr. Freeman, Mr. Roberts, Mrs. Mumin, Mrs. Gaiter, Ms. Mitchell

Nays – None

Motion carried

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Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

3/3/21
DATE

[Signature]
PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

[Signature]
TREASURER