

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE ST. BERNARD-ELMWOOD PLACE BOARD OF EDUCATION ON SEPTEMBER 27, 2010

The St. Bernard-Elmwood Place Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, September 27, 2010, at 6:30 p.m. in the Board of Education Office, 105 Washington Avenue, St. Bernard, Ohio. The meeting was called to order by President Steven Rutemueller and was opened with the Pledge to the Flag.

Roll Call

Present: Steven Rutemueller, Tricia Hackney, Linda Radtke, Gabe Sanders, and Deborah Steidel

Also present: Dr. Mimi Webb, Bruce Helwagen, and Michael Mays

Visitors (who signed in): Janet Haarman and Becky Balzer

Public Participation

None

10-115 Executive Session

Mr. Sanders made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Hackney, to enter into Executive Session at 6:31 p.m. to discuss personnel matters. The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Yes – Mr. Rutemueller, Mrs. Hackney, Mrs. Radtke, Mr. Sanders, and Mrs. Steidel

10-116 Approve Minutes of Regular Meeting on September 27, 2010

Mrs. Radtke made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Steidel, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on September 27, 2010. The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Yes – Mr. Rutemueller, Mrs. Hackney, Mrs. Radtke, Mr. Sanders, and Mrs. Steidel

10-117 Financial Reports

Mrs. Radtke made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sanders, to approve the following:

<u>Financial Report for August 2010</u>	
<u>Investments for August 2010</u>	
<u>Investments as of 8/31/10</u>	\$ 3,652,916.25
<u>Investments Redeemed</u>	\$ -0-
<u>Investments Purchased</u>	\$ -0-
<u>Interest Income</u>	\$ 551.67

Donations

<u>Source</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>School/Club</u>
City of St Bernard	75.00	001 1890	General Fund
St. Bernard Eagles	2,689.47	001 1890	General Fund
St. Bernard Eagles	100.00	007 9084	Wheeler Scholarship
St. Bernard PTA	1,600.00	018 9011	HS Principals Fund
Neediest Kids of All	700.00	019 9811	HS NKOA
Neediest Kids of All	400.00	019 9831	EPE NKOA
St. Bernard Eagles	287.50	300 9301	Athletics
St. Bernard Eagles	87.50	300 9302	Music
St. Bernard Eagles	400.00	300 9303	Cheerleading
St. Bernard PTA	45.11	300 9303	Cheerleading

Invoices with Then and Now Certificates in Excess of \$3,000

Glencoe McGraw Hill	23,255.27
Hamilton County Educational Service Center	35,344.50
Hamilton County Juvenile Court	14,260.00
Ruth Mitchell	4,800.00
St Rita School For The Deaf	29,600.00
SWON Libraries	3,705.00
The Childrens Home of Cincinnati	5,040.00
Trane	14,569.80
Trane	14,060.80
Valley Janitor Supply Co	3,759.86

Appropriation Resolution for 2010-2011

Adopt Official Certificate of Estimated Resources

The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Yes – Mr. Rutemueller, Mrs. Hackney, Mrs. Radtke, Mr. Sanders, and Mrs. Steidel

10-117 Resolution Declaring it Necessary to Provide for the Substitution of Two Emergency Tax Levies in Excess of the Ten-Mill Limitation

Mr. Sanders made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Steidel, to approve the Resolution Declaring it Necessary to Provide for the Substitution of Two Emergency Tax Levies in Excess of the Ten-Mill Limitation. The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Yes – Mr. Rutemueller, Mrs. Hackney, Mrs. Radtke, Mr. Sanders, and Mrs. Steidel

10-118 Approval of Athletic Handbook Revisions

Mr. Sanders made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Radtke, to approve revisions to the Athletic Handbook with changes as noted. The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Yes – Mr. Rutemueller, Mrs. Hackney, Mrs. Radtke, Mr. Sanders, and Mrs. Steidel

10-119 Personnel

Mrs. Radtke made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sanders, to approve the following:

Tutors on As-Needed Basis

Kevin Hoover – Elmwood Place Elementary

Matthew Mulcahey – Elmwood Place Elementary

Classified Substitute on As-Needed Basis

Jenna Stidham

After-School Detentions on As-Needed Basis

Melissa Heitzman – Elmwood Place Elementary

Sheena Niehaus – Elmwood Place Elementary

Andrea Warren – Elmwood Place Elementary

Maggie Goller – Elmwood Place Elementary

Chris Anderson – Elmwood Place Elementary

Vivian Wright – Elmwood Place Elementary

Joe Olding – Elmwood Place Elementary

Tina Kovach – High School

Mike Osborne – High School

Leslie Pembaur – High School

Ross Shaw – High School

Joe Olding – High School

Diane Statt – High School

Shelly Rack – High School

Beverly Carr – St. Bernard Elementary

Michelle Kasselmann – St. Bernard Elementary

Paul Strotman – St. Bernard Elementary

Supplemental Contract for 2010-2011

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education of the St. Bernard-Elmwood Place School District hereby authorizes the employment of the person listed below under the designated supplemental contract, to be compensated in accordance with the Board-adopted salary schedule.

Also upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education nonrenews the supplemental contract listed below, effective at the close of the 2010-2011 school year, and directs the Treasurer to serve written notice of nonrenewal, pursuant to Revised Code 3319.11(H)(1)(a), to the person listed, along with the contract of employment.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Step</u>
Megan McGarey	Resident Educator (Mentor)	3
Brenda Schildmeyer	Resident Educator Specialist	3

Brenda Schildmeyer	Resident Educator (Mentor)	3
Vivian Wright	Resident Educator (Mentor)	4

The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Yes – Mr. Rutemueller, Mrs. Hackney, Mrs. Radtke, Mr. Sanders, and Mrs. Steidel

10-120 Change in Salary Status

Mrs. Radtke made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Steidel, to approve the following changes in salary status:

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Christina Kowalski	B+30	M
Lindsay Magliano	B+30	M
Michael Meyer	M	M+15
Kristopher Niehaus	B	B+15
Michael Osborne	B	B+30
Bradley Webb	B+30	M+15
Laura Zimmerman	B+15	B+30

The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Yes – Mr. Rutemueller, Mrs. Hackney, Mrs. Radtke, Mr. Sanders, and Mrs. Steidel

10-121 Approval of Memorandum of Understanding for High Schools That Work

Mrs. Steidel made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Hackney, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding for High Schools That Work and Making Middle Grades Work Guidelines as presented. The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Yes – Mr. Rutemueller, Mrs. Hackney, Mr. Sanders, and Mrs. Steidel

Abstain – Mrs. Radtke

10-122 Revised Hazing and Bullying Policy and Procedures

Mrs. Hackney made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Radtke, to approve the Revised Hazing and Bullying Policy and Procedures as presented. The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Yes – Mr. Rutemueller, Mrs. Hackney, Mrs. Radtke, Mr. Sanders, and Mrs. Steidel

10-123 Facilities Usage Request

Mr. Sanders made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Radtke, to approve the following facilities usage request:

1. Elmwood Place Elementary Gymnasium, Monday Night Volleyball, Joyce Shadoan, Monday Night Volleyball, Mondays, September 13, 2010 through May 23, 2011, 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

2. Elmwood Place Elementary Cafeteria, Great Oaks Adult Basic Literacy Education Program, Jill Shuller, Tuesdays and Thursdays, September 7, 2010 through May 18, 2011, 5:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.
3. High School Pool, St. Bernard Recreation, Fitness Swimming, Paul Strotman, Tuesdays and Thursdays, September 7, 2010 through May 27, 2011, 6:00 a.m. – 7:00 a.m.
4. High School Pool, St. Bernard Recreation, Recreational Swim, Paul Strotman, Wednesday, October 6, 2010 through April 13, 2011, 6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.
5. High School Parking Lot, Boy Scouts #354, Steve Anneken and Tricia Hackney, Sunday, October 3, 2010, Noon - 4:00 p.m.

The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Yes – Mr. Rutemueller, Mrs. Hackney, Mrs. Radtke, Mr. Sanders, and Mrs. Steidel

Miscellaneous

The following committee members gave reports:

- a. Curriculum Council Representative – Deborah Steidel reported the district is working on new benchmarks and standards and Race to the Top.
- b. Student Achievement Representative – Deborah Steidel discussed an article about creating partnerships between schools and higher education institutions.
- c. Education Hall of Fame Committee Representatives – Tricia Hackney and Gabe Sanders – No report
- d. Alumni Association Representative – Steven Rutemueller announced the Alumni Association is meeting on October 4. The all-class reunion will be held on October 16. Over 500 postcards were mailed, but we received the most response from Facebook.
- e. Great Oaks Institute of Technology & Career Representative – Tricia Hackney announced copies of the Great Oaks Board meeting were available. Great Oaks' golf outing raised \$62,000.
- f. Legislative Liaison Representative – Linda Radtke reported the General Assembly is out until November 9. Some of the bills we are watching are House Bill 373 school nutrition, a special education scholarship bill, election fraud legislation, and an article in the school management news discusses concussion regulations for students that may require medical personnel be present at sporting events. There was an article in the paper that two of our largest districts, Lakota and Fairfield, had teacher contract settlements of 0% increase on the base. Cincinnati is still in negotiations. It's important to know what our largest school districts are doing now.
- g. President's Report – Steven Rutemueller – No report

- h. Superintendent's and Treasurer's Report - Dr. Mimi Webb reported all third and fifth graders were tested two week ago for the gifted program. Eight and tenth grades will be tested this week. Mr. Mays and Dr. Webb discussed open enrollment. Mr. Mays stated last year our enrollment was 975 students. Today our enrollment is 968 students, a decrease of 7 students. This year we have a total of over 160 open enrollment students. We added 100 new open enrollment students over last year but at the same time we lost over 100 students locally. Without open enrollment, we would be down 100 students. Mrs. Radtke asked are they at another school or are they just not in our population? We did exit interviews to tell us where they went and why. Dr. Webb then discussed the exit interviews. We have a list of all the students who left, redacted their names, and listed the reasons they left. Dr. Webb made copies available to board members. Most of the reasons have to do with financial and family issues, loss of housing, jobs, divorce, and bedbugs, just to name a few. We have a pretty good detail of where the kids went and why. Someone suggested that they left because of open enrollment. None of the students or families indicated they left because of open enrollment. Not one family or student said they were leaving because of the quality of our schools, they were not getting good service or they didn't have good teachers. Mrs. Radtke added it means we have less students living in the district. Many of the families or students said they did not want to leave and how much they like our schools. As you can see, some of the reasons are very sad. Mr. Sanders added this is showing us how important open enrollment is to our district because without it we would be down over 100 students. Mr. Mays added what's important is, with open enrollment, we are maintaining, and by maintaining students we can maintain staff. Mrs. Hackney stated we need to add more students. Dr. Webb said next year we need to begin the recruiting process sooner. Next we will be doing a study on how open enrollment is impacting our academics.

10-124 Adjournment

Mrs. Radtke made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sanders, to adjourn the meeting.

The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Yes – Mr. Rutemueller, Mrs. Hackney, Mrs. Radtke, Mr. Sanders, and Mrs. Steidel

Meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.