

**West Geauga Board of Education
Regular Meeting
Monday, February 25, 2008 7:30 p.m.
West Geauga Middle School Conference Area**

Roll Call

Board President Beers called the meeting to order with the following members present: Mr. Beers, Mrs. Gillmore, Mr. Kilroy, Mrs. Leavenworth and Mr. Patterson.

Approval of Minutes – January 28, 2008

2008-035

A motion was made by Mrs. Leavenworth, and was seconded by Mrs. Gillmore, to approve the minutes of the January 28, 2008 regular board meeting as presented.

Roll call: Yes: Mr. Beers, Mrs. Gillmore, Mr. Kilroy, Mrs. Leavenworth and Mr. Patterson.

Motion carried.

Commendations/Recognitions

- None

Standing Committee Report s

2008-036

Curriculum Committee

Mrs. Gillmore presented the minutes of the December 19, 2007 Committee minutes. The committee discussed the seven period school day, reading in content areas, AYP/value-added and Chagrin Falls Performing Arts Academy (see attached).

Finance Committee

Mr. Beers presented the minutes of the January 18, 2008 Finance Committee minutes. The committee discussed the five year forecast, borrowing costs, proposed policy language, transportation facility update, audit committee and miscellaneous (see attached).

Operations Committee

Mrs. Leavenworth presented the minutes of the December 17, 2007 Operations minutes. The committee discussed the transportation facility, baseball field update, high school auxiliary gym and high school roofing project (see attached).

Mrs. Leavenworth presented the minutes of the February 7, 2008 Operations minutes. The committee discussed the Bainbridge gas well meeting February 7, 2008, bus facility update, high school roof project update, liability coverage of authorized groups, energy for education proposal, baseball field renovation update, future projects and miscellaneous (see attached).

A motion was made by Mr. Patterson, and was seconded by Mrs. Gillmore, to approve minutes of the committee meetings as presented.

Roll call: Yes: Mr. Beers, Mrs. Gillmore, Mr. Kilroy, Mrs. Leavenworth and Mr. Patterson.

Motion carried.

Meeting dates for committees are scheduled as follows:

- Operations Committee Meeting March 4, 2008 at 8:00 a.m.
- Personnel Committee Meeting March 7, 2008 at 7:30 a.m.

Remarks of the Public

- Benjamin Pintabona of Chesterland, read a letter he wrote to Dean Patterson on January 3, 2008. The letter was in regards to Dr. Anthony Podojil (see attached).
- Bernard Mandel of Russell Township, commended music teachers Frank and Teresa Cosenza on the high school music concert. The job that the music teachers do

Treasurer's Report/Recommendations

Audit Committee Meeting Minutes

Insurance Committee Meeting Minutes

January 2008 – Financial Reports A-G

Treasurer Colling presented the Financial Reports A-G for January 2008 (see attached).

Warrants – January 2008**2008-037**

A motion was made by Mrs. Leavenworth, and was seconded by Mrs. Gillmore, to approve the warrants for the January 2008 check register (see attached).

Roll call: Yes: Mr. Beers, Mrs. Gillmore, Mr. Kilroy, Mrs. Leavenworth and Mr. Patterson.

Motion carried.

Now & Then Statements – January 2008**2008-038**

A motion was made by Mrs. Leavenworth, and was seconded by Mr. Kilroy, to approve the January 2008 now and then statements (see attached).

Roll call: Yes: Mr. Beers, Mrs. Gillmore, Mr. Kilroy, Mrs. Leavenworth and Mr. Patterson.

Motion carried.

Statement of Purpose and Budget – Grants/Other**2008-039**

A motion was made by Mrs. Leavenworth, and was seconded by Mr. Patterson, to approve the statement of purpose and budget for grants/other for fiscal year 07/08 (see attached).

Roll call: Yes: Mr. Beers, Mrs. Gillmore, Mr. Kilroy, Mrs. Leavenworth and Mr. Patterson.

Motion carried.

Statement of Purpose and Budget Student Activities**2008-040**

A motion was made by Mrs. Leavenworth, and was seconded by Mrs. Gillmore, to approve the statement of purpose and budget for student activities for fiscal year 07/08 (see attached).

Roll call: Yes: Mr. Beers, Mrs. Gillmore, Mr. Kilroy, Mrs. Leavenworth and Mr. Patterson.

Motion carried.

Calamity Days – February 1 and 11, 2008**2008-041**

A motion was made by Mrs. Gillmore, and was seconded by Mr. Patterson, to approve February 1 and 11, 2008 as calamity days. The reason for school closing was due to weather conditions. Employees will be paid in accordance with negotiated agreements and district policy as required.

Roll call: Yes: Mr. Beers, Mrs. Gillmore, Mr. Kilroy, Mrs. Leavenworth and Mr. Patterson.

Motion carried.

Superintendent's Report/Recommendations**District Communication Committee Meeting Minutes – February 20, 2008**

Superintendent Podojil presented the minutes of the District Communication Committee meeting minutes for February 20, 2008 (see attached).

West Geauga Community Joint Recreation District September 12, October 10, and November 14, 2007 and January 16, 2008

Superintendent Podojil presented the minutes of the West Geauga Community Joint Recreation District (see attached).

Introduction to Appreciative Inquiry

Superintendent Podojil presented the introduction to appreciative inquiry. The introduction to appreciative inquiry is a positive approach to communicating.

Personnel**2008-042**

A motion was made by Mrs. Gillmore, and was seconded by Mrs. Leavenworth, to approve personnel and retirements as presented (see attached).

Roll call: Yes: Mr. Beers, Mrs. Gillmore, Mr. Kilroy, Mrs. Leavenworth and Mr. Patterson.

Motion carried.

2008-2009 School Calendar**2008-043**

A motion was made by Mrs. Leavenworth, and was seconded by Mr. Patterson, to approve the 2008-2009 school calendar (see attached).

Roll call: Yes: Mr. Beers, Mrs. Gillmore, Mr. Kilroy, Mrs. Leavenworth and Mr. Patterson.

Motion carried.

Donations to District**2008-044**

A motion was made by Mrs. Leavenworth, and was seconded by Mr. Patterson, to approve donations from: Mr. Nick Martin for a Hoveround MPV4 personal mobility vehicle; Mr. & Mrs. Skip Stern for one HP DeskJet 1220C professional series color printer, three boxes of file folders and one box of business envelopes and poster board; Albino Enterprise, Inc. – DBA Guido’s Pizza Haven \$100.00; Mr. & Mrs. Doug Finnick for a laptop cart and efforts in helping to seek grant funding; and Mr. Dan Reich for a scanner (see attached).

Roll call: Yes: Mr. Beers, Mrs. Gillmore, Mr. Kilroy, Mrs. Leavenworth and Mr. Patterson.

Motion carried.

2008-2009 High School Parent-Student Handbook**2008-045**

A motion was made by Mrs. Leavenworth, and was seconded by Mrs. Gillmore, to approve the 2008-2009 high school parent-student handbook (see attached).

Roll call: Yes: Mr. Beers, Mrs. Gillmore, Mr. Kilroy, Mrs. Leavenworth and Mr. Patterson.

Motion carried.

Contracts**America’s Best Transportation****2008-046**

A motion was made by Mrs. Gillmore, and was seconded by Mrs. Leavenworth, to approve America’s Best Transportation contract for the 07/08 school year (see attached).

Roll call: Yes: Mr. Beers, Mrs. Gillmore, Mr. Kilroy, Mrs. Leavenworth and Mr. Patterson.

Motion carried.

Policies**The following policies had a first reading**

1240.01 Administration – Non-Reemployment of the Superintendent

1340 Administration – Non-Reemployment of the Treasurer

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1541 Administration – Termination and Resignation

8141 Operations – Mandatory Reporting of Misconduct by Licensed Employees

9800 Relations – High School Diplomas to World War II, Korean Conflict, and Vietnam Conflict Veterans

The following policies had a second reading

9211 Relations – District Support Organizations

The following policies had a third reading

9700 Relations – Relations with Special Interest Groups

9700.01 Relations – Advertising and Commercial Activities

A motion was made by Mr. Patterson, and was seconded by Mrs. Gillmore, to approve the policies as presented.

Roll call: Yes: Mr. Beers, Mrs. Gillmore, Mr. Kilroy, Mrs. Leavenworth and Mr. Patterson.

Motion carried.

Miscellaneous Recommendations

- None

Executive Session**2008-047**

A motion was made by Mr. Patterson, and was seconded by Mrs. Gillmore, to go into executive session to discuss ORC 121.22G1 compensation of employee: Superintendent.

Roll call: Yes: Mr. Beers, Mrs. Gillmore, Mr. Kilroy, Mrs. Leavenworth and Mr. Patterson.

Motion carried. 8:55 p.m.

Reconvened 10:15 p.m.

Superintendent Contract**2008-048**

A motion was made by Mr. Patterson and was seconded by Mrs. Gillmore, to offer Dr. Anthony Podojil an additional five year contract beginning August 1, 2009.

Roll call: Yes: Mr. Beers, Mrs. Gillmore, Mrs. Leavenworth and Mr. Patterson.

No: Mr. Kilroy

New Business Discussion

- None

Adjournment

A motion was made by Mrs. Gillmore, and was seconded by Mr. Patterson, to adjourn the meeting.

Roll call: Yes: Mr. Beers, Mrs. Gillmore, Mr. Kilroy, Mrs. Leavenworth and Mr. Patterson.

Motion carried. 10:35 p.m.

Board President

Treasurer