

**West Geauga Board of Education  
Organizational Meeting  
Monday, January 12, 2009 7:30 p.m.  
West Geauga Middle School Conference Area**

**Roll Call**

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

**ELECTION OF BOARD PRESIDENT**

Mrs. Gillmore nominated Mr. Beers for Board President.

Roll call for Mr. Beers: Yes: Mr. Beers, Mrs. Gillmore, Mr. Kilroy, Mrs. Leavenworth and Mr. Patterson.  
Mr. Beers was elected as President.

**ELECTION OF BOARD VICE-PRESIDENT**

Mrs. Gillmore nominated Mr. Patterson for Board Vice-President.

Roll call for Mr. Patterson: Yes: Mr. Beers, Mrs. Gillmore, Mr. Kilroy, Mrs. Leavenworth and Mr. Patterson.  
Mr. Patterson was elected as Vice-President.

**ESTABLISHMENT OF SERVICE FUND**

**2009-001**

A motion was made by Mrs. Gillmore and seconded by Mrs. Leavenworth, to establish a service fund in accordance with O.R.C. 3315.15.

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

**2009 BOARD MEETING DATES**

**2009-002**

A motion was made by Mrs. Leavenworth and seconded by Mr. Patterson, to set the meeting schedule for 2009 as follows:

January 12	July 13
January 26	August 10
February 9	August 24
February 23	September 14
March 9	September 28
March 23	October 12
April 27	October 26
May 18	November 16
June 8	December 14
June 22	

A motion was made by Mr. Kilroy and seconded by Mrs. Leavenworth to amend the motion to exclude the February 23, 2009 meeting date.

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

**2009 BOARD MEETING DATES**

**2009-003**

A motion was made by Mr. Kilroy and seconded by Mrs. Leavenworth to set the meeting schedule for 2009 as amended:

January 12	July 13
January 26	August 10
February 9	August 24
March 9	September 14
March 23	September 28
April 27	October 12
May 18	October 26
June 8	November 16
June 22	December 14

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

All meetings are scheduled for Monday evenings at 7:30 p.m. in the Middle School Conference Area.

**2009 APPOINTMENT OF OSBA LEGISLATIVE LIAISON** **2009-004**

A motion was made by Mrs. Gillmore and seconded by Mr. Patterson to appoint Mrs. Leavenworth to continue as the Ohio School Boards Association Legislative Liaison.

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

Motion carried

**2009 APPOINTMENT OF OSBA STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT LIAISON** **2009-005**

A motion was made by Mrs. Leavenworth and seconded by Mr. Patterson to appoint Mrs. Gillmore to continue as the Ohio School Boards Association Student Achievement Liaison.

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

Motion carried

**2009 APPOINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

The following committee appointments were made by President Beers:

Advocacy – Mr. Kilroy

Curriculum/Technology – Mrs. Gillmore

Finance – Mr. Beers

Operations – Mrs. Leavenworth

Personnel – Mr. Patterson

Policy – Mrs. Leavenworth

Meeting dates for committees are scheduled as follows:

Finance Committee – February 6, 2009 at 7:30 a.m.

**2009 CURRENT YEAR COMMITTEES** **2009-006**

Mrs. Gillmore moved and Mr. Patterson seconded the establishment of the following committees for 2009:

Audit Committee

District Communications Committee

District Insurance Committee

School Safety Task Force

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

Motion carried

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES – December 9, 2008** **2009-007**

A motion was made by Mrs. Leavenworth, and seconded by Mrs. Gillmore, to approve the minutes of the December 9, 2008 regular board meeting as presented.

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

Motion carried.

**REMARKS OF THE PUBLIC**

None

**TREASURER'S REPORT/RECOMMENDATIONS**

**2009 STANDING AUTHORIZATIONS**

**2009-008**

A motion was made by Mrs. Leavenworth and seconded by Mr. Patterson, to approve the following standing authorizations:

- A. The Treasurer shall be authorized to forward resolutions to request advances on first and second half tax collections from the Geauga County Auditor.

- B. The Treasurer shall be authorized to forward a resolution to the Geauga County Treasurer requesting direct wire transfer of tax funds from the Geauga County Treasury to Star Ohio or any other depository with a Designation of Depository resolution on file with the Treasurer.
- C. The Treasurer shall be authorized to make payment of all bills and invoices when due. A monthly listing certified by the Treasurer shall be presented to the Board for approval at the regularly scheduled meeting.
- D. The Treasurer shall be authorized to invest inactive funds of the school district. Monthly reports of investments shall be presented to the Board.
- E. The Treasurer shall be authorized to make appropriation modifications, as necessary.
- F. The Superintendent shall be authorized to make application for all Federal and State grants and programs on behalf of the district. The Treasurer is authorized to accept funds from all approved grants and programs. A monthly report shall be submitted to the Board listing all grants and programs approved during the year.
- G. Public reading of Board of Education minutes is waived for all meetings during the year. Each member of the Board shall receive copies of the minutes from the previous meeting in advance of the next regular meeting.
- H. The Treasurer shall be authorized to make adjustments, transfers and additional modifications to budget, revenue and appropriation accounts, as necessary to update and close fiscal year.

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

**2009 DESIGNATION OF DEPOSITORIES**

**2009-009**

A motion was made by Mrs. Gillmore, and seconded by Mrs. Leavenworth to approve the following depositories for 2009: Star Ohio, Huntington National Bank and Charter One.

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

**2009 DESIGNATION OF NEWSPAPERS**

**2009-010**

A motion was made by Mrs. Leavenworth, and seconded by Mrs. Gillmore to approve the following newspapers for meeting notices:

- News Herald – Geauga County Edition
- Plain Dealer – Geauga County Edition
- Chagrin Valley Times
- Chesterland News
- Sun Newspapers
- Gauga County Maple Leaf.

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

**FISCAL YEAR 2010 TAX BUDGET**

**2009-011**

Treasurer Tullai presented the tax budget (see attached) for fiscal year 09/10 for public discussion. Public Notice of the meeting to discuss the budget was made on December 18, 2008 in the Geauga County Maple Leaf.

A motion was made by Mrs. Gillmore, and seconded by Mrs. Leavenworth to approve the Fiscal Year 09/10 tax budget as presented.

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

**2009 APPOINTMENT OF LEGAL COUNSEL**

**2009-012**

A motion was made by Mr. Patterson and seconded by Mrs. Leavenworth, to appoint John A. Podgurski, 9155 Chillicothe Road, Kirtland, Ohio 44094 as special legal counsel for the Board for 2009. Mr. Podgurski will be compensated at the rate of \$160.00 per billable hour.

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

Motion carried.

**Adjournment**

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

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

Motion carried: 7:55 p.m.

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Board President

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Treasurer