

**James A. Garfield Local School District
Regular Meeting- April 23, 2009**

Opening The James A. Garfield Board of Education met in the Middle School Library at 7:00 p.m. for the regular meeting. Board President Guy Pietra called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

President Guy Pietra led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon roll call the following members were present: Guy Pietra, Gary Foy, David Vincent, and Deral White. Patricia Brett was not present.

President Pietra asked the assembly to observe a moment of silence to remember Mark Manlove, a longtime board member.

Also present were staff members, students, parents, community members, Superintendent and Treasurer

09-42 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to accept and approve the Board Meeting Agenda for April 23, 2009, including the addendum and corrections to Superintendent #1, items C & J.

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

President Guy V. Pietra gave the President's report.

Patricia Brett was not present for the Maplewood report.

David Vincent gave the legislative report.

Tracy Knauer gave the Treasurer's report.

Charles Klamer gave the Superintendent's report

Educational Excellence

Mr. Klamer recognized those present for educational excellence; pictures were taken. Mr. Pietra thanked everyone for attending.

09-43 Moved by D. White, seconded by D. Vincent to pass the following resolution recognizing staff:

James A. Garfield School District
Resolution Declaring Staff Appreciation Day
May 5, 2009

WHEREAS, the Board of Education salutes all the wonderful staff members of the James A. Garfield School District and recognizes that teachers, support staff and administrators demonstrate daily they enjoy preparing and working for our students, and

WHEREAS, each employee is dedicated to the well-being of our students and supports each member of our tightly knit school family, and

WHEREAS, appreciation is expressed by the Board to each staff member for the 'special touch' and extra care each provides doing their job, and

WHEREAS, the Board also notices the appreciation of students, parents and the community shown for the work each staff member does for our students,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on this twenty-third day of April in the year two thousand and nine that all staff members are duly recognized for all they do for our students not only on May 5, 2009 but throughout the entire year.

Guy V. Pietra, Board President

Charles C. Klamer, Superintendent

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

09-44 Moved by D. White, seconded by G. Foy to pass the following resolution recognizing Educational Excellence as corrected:

- Recognize **Nathan Hadzinsky**, Portage County Teen of the Month for March, 2009.
- Recognize **Ashley Mullins** for her acceptance at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point.
- Recognize **Kreg Smith** and **Elishah Wilthew** for qualifying for the National Chemistry Olympiad.
- Recognize **Patricia Scanlon** for being instrumental in the success of Kreg and Elishah by providing excellent teaching in the field of chemistry.
- Recognize those students who received all A's for the third grading period:
 - 12th MCC **Jordan Cain, Jeremy Stone**
 - 11th MCC **Stuart Dunn, Kayla McCullough, Chrystal Moss, Courtney Stocker**
 - 12th **Lindsay Boyle, Travis Macek, Caroline Mangan, Jonathon Sitosky, Kreg Smith, Brittany Thompson, Christine Wilthew**
 - 11th **Brandon Davis, William Gruszewski, Eric Juzkiw, Erica Marshall, Scott Smith**
 - 10th **Elizabeth Elium, Mitchell Hadzinsky, Tyler Heneghan, Maxxine Kasunick, Joshua Lawrence, Kendall Morrison**
 - 9th **Lisa DeRue, Molly Everett, Emily Hughes, Katelynn Kaiser, Porter Lyons, Kelli Mulhern, Jessie O'Bryan, Bethaney Pope, Darian Roberts**
 - 8th **Tyler Covey, Logan Dean, Kaleigh Gilmer, Hannah Kirk, Emily Rybak, Timothy Schwan, Brittany Sisson, Shiloh Van Oss**
 - 7th **Ziad Al-Noubani, Candace Glinski, Thomas Learn, Savannah Lorinchack, Nathan Pratt, Paul Rhodes, Laura Wilburn**
- Recognize **Eric Juzkiw** for scoring an amazing 30 on the ACT!
- Recognize Vince Fornes, James A. Garfield 9th Grade, received a varsity letter for ice hockey. The letter was presented by Mr. Lou Morocco, Head Coach for Mooney Ursuline Hockey.

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Visitor Recognition and Public Comments

Mr. Fornes, parent, expressed his appreciation to the Board for recognizing Vince and his accomplishments with Mooney Ursuline Hockey, discussed the program with the Board.

Mr. Smith, parent, thanked the District for helping Kreg achieve all that he has.

Mrs. Singelyn, GEA President, discussed Governor Strickland's education reform plan and concerns about how the Republican Senate will act on the plan. She encouraged everyone to contact their representatives in the House and Senate to tell them education is important.

Treasurer's Recommendations

09-45 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to consolidate and approve the following recommendations, **A-C**

A. Approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of March 12, 2009.

B. Approve the financial reports for March, 2009.

C. Accept donations:

Target Donation to High School Principal's Account	\$131.20
Target Donation to High School Principal's Account	\$112.62
Target Donation to Elementary Principal's Account	\$77.18
All Sports Boosters to Class of 2010	\$213.00
All Sports Booster to Athletics/Spring Sports	\$2,000.00
Anonymous Donation for Café Fees/Friends of Melana Dinner	\$209.20
Rachel & Jane Radar to Elementary Principal's Account/Fundraiser	\$50.00
Various donations to the Mark Manlove scholarship fund	\$1,470.00
Erica Yoxall donation of 10 copies of <i>Unlocking the Clubhouse</i> and	

10 copies of *Failing at Fairness*

Anonymous Donations:

22" Samsung Monitor \$179.84

3x4 Whiteboard (quantity 2) \$29.98

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

09-46 Moved by D. White, seconded by G. Foy to establish fund 200 9303 for Middle School Power of the Pen.

The Middle School has requested the Power of the Pen team have a separate account; there is sufficient revenue and expenditure to warrant removing the program from the Middle School Principal's account.

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

09-47 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to approve the following amended official certificate of resources- tax adjustment only- per the Portage County Auditor's Office

	INITIAL	PREVIOUS	CURRENT	CERTIFICATION
FUND CLASSIFICATION	BUDGET	AMENDMENT	AMENDMENT	TO
FUND NAME	CERTIFICATION	REQUESTS	REQUEST	DATE
General Fund	13,630,334.83	321,284.00	17,325.00	13,968,943.83
		-		-
Special Revenue		-		
007 Special Trust	1,821.96	1,419.00	-	3,240.96
016 Emergency Levy	926,650.00	-	4,186.00	930,836.00
018 Public Support	107,091.98	32,385.00		139,476.98
031 Underground Storage	11,000.00	-		11,000.00
300 District Managed Act	120,067.78	36,892.00		156,959.78
432 Management Info System	5,400.00	-		5,400.00
440 Entry Year Programs	4,000.00	-		4,000.00
451 Network Connectivity	12,000.00	-		12,000.00
452 School Net Prof. Devel.	2,700.00	(270.00)		2,430.00
499 Misc. State Grants	15,501.04	(11,579.78)		3,921.26
516 Title VI-B	382,000.92	(75,748.65)		306,252.27
572 Title I-TA	123,237.60	45,977.01		169,214.61
573 Title V Innov.	2,424.00	241.22		2,665.22
584 Title VI SDFSC	4,425.00	(795.65)		3,629.35
587 Preschool	7,500.00	-		7,500.00
590 Title II-A	82,670.31	(1,319.71)		81,350.60
599 Title II-D / Misc. Federal	1,280.24	416.67		1,696.91
		-		
Debt Service		-		
002 Bond Retirement-Building	714,932.23	-	1,766.00	716,698.23

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Capital Projects			-	
			-	
Enterprise			-	
006 Lunchroom	523,282.28	4,050.00		527,332.28
009 Uniform Supplies	35,610.63	1,500.00		37,110.63
			-	
Fiduciary			-	
022 District Agency	91,498.56	19,150.00		110,648.56
200 Student Activities	98,898.29	31,479.00	-	130,377.29
			-	-
Agency			-	-
007 Private Purpose Fund	14,999.14	210.56		15,209.70
	16,919,326.79	405,290.67	23,277.00	17,347,894.46

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to enter executive session for the purpose of the consideration of employment of public employees.

Enter executive session at 7:58 p.m. Invited into executive session were the Superintendent and Treasurer; exited executive session at 8:07 p.m.

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Superintendent's Recommendations

09-48 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. White to consolidate and approve the following superintendent's recommendations, as corrected: **A-K**

A. Grant certified teaching contracts for 2009/10:

Jennifer Alvim – continuing	Sherry Makowski – 1 year
Heidi Atkin – continuing	Erin Miller – 1 year
Tom Bartz – 1 year	Elaine Mills – 1 year
Susan Beach – 3 year	Matthew Minnick – continuing
Katie Bockmuller – 3 year	Michael Moser – 1 year
David Caldoro – 3 year	Nancy Mulligan – 5 year
Renee Chlysta – 3 year	Lisa Naftzger – 3 year
Susan Folio – 3 year	Michael Paes – 1 year
Joseph Gaither – 1 year	Missy Petrie – 3 year
Dawnell Gernentz – 3 year	Tiffany Rado – continuing
Aaron Gilbert – 1 year	Megan Robinette – 3 year
Kathleen Gilbert – 1 year	Shelby Scirocco – 1 year
Stephanie Hale – 1 year	Robin Sweigert – 1 year
Kathy Hughes – 1 year	Kyle Wadkins – 3 year

B. Grant classified contracts for 2009/10:

Judi Gyulai, lunchroom aide – 2 year	Brenda Hill, secretary – 2 year
Tim Kelly, head mechanic – 2 year	Mary Leigh, head custodian – 1 year
Lynn Ruff, clerk – 2 year	Myrna Seiler, dietary aide - continuing
Nelson Seiler, bus driver – continuing	Glenna Spaur, custodian – continuing

Kristine Miller, secretary – 1 year

C. Grant supplemental/personal service contracts for 2009/10:

Art Club – Libby Frato-Sweeney

H.S. Assistant Athletic Manager – John Bennett

Band Director – Theo Cebulla

Band Director, Summer – Theo Cebulla

Pep Band Director – Theo Cebulla

Band Director, Assistant – Joe Gaither

Band Director, Summer, Assistant – Joe Gaither

H.S. Head Boys Basketball Coach/Summer Fitness – Mark Rado (2 year contract)

H.S. Assistant Boys Basketball Coach – Roger Norton, Nate Peters, Shawn Pincombe

H.S. Head Girls Basketball Coach/Summer Fitness – Aaron Gilbert (2 year contract)

H.S. Assistant Girls Basketball Coach – Kathleen Gilbert, Dennis Downing

7th Grade Boys Basketball Coach – Ian McGuire

8th Grade Boys Basketball Coach – Tom Bartz

7th Grade Girls Basketball Coach – Taylor Butler

8th Grade Girls Basketball Coach – Lauren Molnar

H.S. Head Bowling Coach – Howard Moore

H.S. Assistant Bowling Coach – Joe Brigham

H.S. Head Cheerleading Advisor – Erin Miller

9th Cheerleading Advisor – Ashley Huntington

M.S. Cheerleading Advisor – Wendy Petersen

H.S. Computer Tech – Tom Bartz

M.S. Computer Tech – Aaron Gilbert

I.S. Computer Tech – Shawn Cozad

E.S. Computer Tech – Rob Wright

H.S. Head Cross Country Coach – John Bennett (2 year contract)

M.S. Cross Country Coach – Jessica Crookham

H.S. Dance Team Advisor – Sherry Makowski

H.S. Drama Club – Don King

H.S. Drama Production – Don King

M.S. Drama Production – Don King

M.S. Drama Production (musical) – Joe Gaither

H.S. Head Football Coach/Summer Fitness – Steve Wyllie (2 year contract)

H.S. Assistant Football Coach – Jacob Der, Matt Massey, Mike Moser, Nate Peters, ~~John Culp~~, Chris Taylor

M.S. Football Coach – Mark Apple, David Caldoro, Mike Paes

H.S. French Club – Renee Chlysta

Freshmen Class Advisor – Pat Wetzel

H.S. Home Economics Club – Pat Wetzel

IAT Coach – Sue Widener, Karen Ziarko

H.S. Interact Club Advisor – Missy Petrie

H.S. Intramurals – Jacob Der

M.S. Intramurals – Sue Rossi

H.S. Jaguar Advisor – Erin Miller

LPDC Chairperson – Nancy Mulligan

LPDC Members – Jane DeVol, Robert Wright, Keri Dornack, Jennifer Mulhern

Math Tournament Co-Coordinator – Kristina Cupples and Lisa Naftzger

5th Grade Math Team Co-Coaches – Larry Kuhlman and Pat Singelyn

6th Grade Math Team Coach – Diana Kelly

7th Grade Math Team Coach – Sue Rossi

8th Grade Math Team Coach – Lori Morgan

H.S. National Honor Society Advisor – Pat Scanlon

Outdoor Club Advisor – Chris Forgacs

H.S. Pep Club Advisor – Sherry Makowski

Senior Class Advisor – Missy Petrie

H.S. Girls Soccer Coach/Summer Fitness – Joe Denzinger

H.S. Ski Club Advisor – Mary Nelson

Sophomore Class Advisor – Robin Sweigert

H.S. Spanish Club Advisor – Anna Stamolis
 M.S. Student Council Advisor – Kathleen Gilbert
 I.S. Student Council Advisor – Shawn Cozad
 E.S. Student Council Advisor – Lisa Porter
 H.S. United Nations Club – Roger Norton
 Vocal Music – Ken Fox
 H.S. Head Volleyball Coach/Summer Fitness – Ali Roach
 H.S. Assistant Volleyball Coach – Sherry Makowski, Dave Opfer
 7th Grade Volleyball Coach – Heather Porter
 8th Grade Volleyball Coach – Michelle Horbaly
 H.S. Weightlifting Advisor – Steve Wyllie (2 year contract)
 H.S. Head Wrestling/Summer Fitness – Alan Harbert
 H.S. Assistant Wrestling Coach – David Graf
 M.S. Wrestling – Rich Yonker
 M.S. Yearbook Advisor – Kristine Gilmer

D. Hire Ashley Daily, Alisha Bostic, John Benedik and Charles Moorhouse as substitute teachers for 2008/09.

E. Approve a 3-day early release for seniors; their last day will be May 29, 2009.

F. Hire before/after school intervention tutors for 2008/09: Stephanie Byrne, Shawn Cozad, Jane DeVol, Larry Kuhlman, Mary Nelson, Kyle Wadkins, Belinda Gaves, Karen Ziarko, Bruce Traycoff, Sarah Carley, Belinda Balazs, Milissa Davis, Pat Singelyn, Dee White

G. Approve the Open Enrollment program for the 2009/10 school year; Exhibit A.

H. Accept the resignation of teacher Michael Hagans due to retirement, effective July 1, 2009.

I. Approve an unpaid leave of absence for the 2009/10 school year for Theresa Combs for child care.

J. Approve volunteers: Track – Shawn Cozad, Bonnie Paine, Kyle Phelps, ~~Alex Macek~~, Ray Bohn, Matt Pflieger; Baseball – Jeff Sheehan, Lance Townsend; Softball – Dennis Downing, Alan Knight

K. Accept the resignation of head dietary aide Linda Macek due to disability retirement, effective May 1, 2009.

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

09-49 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by D. White to approve fees for 2009/10, **A-B:**

A. High School Fees	
Accounting	\$19
Art I, II, III, IV	\$30
Art History	\$15
Environmental Biology	\$10 *
Biology II	\$25
AP Biology	\$25
Chemistry	\$26
AP Chemistry	\$20
Computer Art I, II	\$15
Computer Applications I, II	\$5
Crafts I, II	\$35
Web Design, Intro	\$5
Web Design, Advanced	\$5
Foods for Fitness	\$20
Gen. Maintenance IA, IB	\$10
Gourmet Foods I, II, III	\$25
Home Economics	\$15
Industrial Arts I, II, III	\$20

Instrumental Music	\$45
Photography	\$35 *
Physics	\$10
Spanish I, II, III	\$14
Spanish IV	\$16

* Denotes a change from 2008/09.

B. Middle School Fee: \$10 for Band

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

09-50 Moved by D. White, seconded by D. Vincent to act on the employment contract of Daniel Molnar, Maintenance, passing by the following resolution that rehabilitation requirements have been met. Whereas, in accordance with Ohio law, the board was required to obtain a criminal records check on Dan C. Molnar, which it did;

Whereas, as a result of that check, the board must determine whether Mr. Molnar meets the rehabilitation standards adopted by the Ohio department of education; and

Whereas, the board has reviewed those standards in light of the written evidence Mr. Molnar has submitted and finds that he meets those standards.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the board finds that Dan C. Molnar, employed by the board as of August 29, 2007, as a non-licensed, classified position, meets the rehabilitation standards set forth in Ohio Administrative Code § 3301-20-01(E) as applied through Ohio Revised Code § 3319.391(C) and § 3319.39(E); therefore, Mr. Molnar shall not be released from his employment with the district.

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

09-51 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. White to grant a 1-year limited tutor contract to Cindy Vincent for 2009/10.

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, White

Abstain: Vincent

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

09-52 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy to approve a music instrument rental contract and fees effective for the 2009/10 year. A fee is charged for one instrument, no additional charge for students playing more than one instrument; charge of \$60 per year or \$30 per semester; will be reduced, \$30 per year or \$15 per semester, or waived for economically disadvantaged students based on qualification for the free/reduced meal program; Exhibit B

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

09-53 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy to consolidate and approve superintendent's recommendations, A-B

A. Grant a personal service contract to Michael Coney as H.S. Boys Soccer Coach/Summer Fitness for 2009/10 (\$3758.76 / \$626.46).

B. Approve Payton Justham as an open enrollment student for the balance of the 2008/09 school year; she recently moved out of the Garfield District.

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to enter executive session for the purpose of the consideration of preparing for, conducting or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees

concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment.

The meeting moved to the Orson E. Ott Administrative Offices.

Enter executive session at 8:15 p.m. Invited into executive session were the Superintendent, Treasurer and Attorney Leigh Herington; exited executive session at 9:32 p.m.

Ayes: Pietra, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

President Guy Pietra asked for motion to adjourn, moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent. All were in favor and this meeting adjourned at 9:32 p.m.

Guy V. Pietra, President

Date

Tracy L. Knauer, Treasurer