

James A. Garfield Local School District

Regular Meeting- October 8, 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, Patricia Brett, Gary Foy, David Vincent, and Deral White

President Pietra asked the assembly to remember Garfield graduates who are serving or have served in our armed forces both at home and overseas.

Also present: Staff Members, Superintendent and Treasurer

09-113 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy to accept and approve the Board Meeting Agenda for October 8, 2009, including the addendum.

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

President Guy V. Pietra dispensed with the President's report.

Patricia Brett distributed the Maplewood minutes.

David Vincent gave with the Legislative report.

Tracy Knauer gave with the Treasurer's report.

Charles Klamer gave the Superintendent's report.

Visitor Recognition and Public Comments

Board Member, Gary Foy, asked the Board to consider supporting the levy for the Portage County District Library. The Board discussed his request and asked the Treasurer to prepare a resolution for approval after the educational excellence presentation.

Mr. Malmisur, High School Principal, and Mr. Engelhart and Mrs. Scanlon, High School Teachers, discussed the Advanced Placement program.

Board Business

09-114 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by D. White to support the efforts of the Citizens for the Library campaign to promote the passage of the levy and endorse the 0.5 mill, 10 year operating levy sought by the Library on November 3, 2009- Issue 6.

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Educational Excellence

09-115 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by D. White to recognize H.S. students for their achievement on the Advanced Placement Tests; Mrs. Scanlon, Mr. Engelhart and Mr. Malmisur

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Treasurer's Recommendations

09-116 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by P. Brett to consolidate and approve the following recommendations: **A-C**

A. Approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of September 3, 2009.

B. Approve the financial reports for September 2009.

C. Accept donations:

D. Brocket \$100 to High School Athletics
Target \$86.43 to Elementary Principal's Account
Target \$108.96 to High School Principal's Account
Denette's Designs's \$150 to High School Pep Club for Tailgate Party
Anonymous donation \$50.28 for custodial fees
Anonymous donation \$500 for Freshman Orientation program
Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White
Nays: None
Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

- 09-117** Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by D. White to accept sealed bids for a Hobart commercial slicer (automatic arm does not work); tag #00596 to be opened at the Board offices at 3:00 p.m. Monday, October 26, 2009, as corrected.
Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White
Nays: None
Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Superintendent's Recommendations

- 09-118** Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by P. Brett to consolidate and approve the following superintendent's recommendations: **A-J**
- A.** Grant academic supplemental contracts for 2009/10:
Kristine Gilmer – Fine Arts Night/Displays (\$739.41)
Jackie Lovelace – Power of the Pen (\$739.41)
Lori Morgan – National Junior Beta Club (\$713.91)
Diana Kelly – Washington D.C. Trip (\$637.42)
- B.** Grant supplemental/personal service contracts for 2009/10:
Iva Walker – Quiz Bowl Advisor (\$1274.84)
- C.** Accept the following students for open enrollment for the 2009/10 school year:
Windham – Ty Wiley, Brittani Ironcloud, Derek Goff, Karley Grassick
Southeast – Katelyn Kirby
- D.** Approve substitute teachers for 2009/10: Jacqueline Futey, William Huber, Katie Hawes, Linda Hawes, Pamela Jakubec, Melinda Adams, Kathleen Prentice, Holly Lyon, Jennifer Smith, Kindra Beekman
- E.** Hire substitute classified staff for 2009/10: John Hecky, custodian; Anjanette Wolff, dietary aide; Christina Bates, inclusion aide
- F.** Approve a memorandum of understanding to participate in the 2009/10 H1N1 school-based vaccination program coordinated through the Portage County General Health District.
- G.** Approve overnight field trips:
Fifth Graders to Camp Fitch in PA, November 23-25, 2009
Spanish Club to Chicago, April 22-24, 2010
Sixth Graders to Washington D.C., May 27-28, 2010
Dance Team to Disney World in Florida, May 19-23, 2010
- H.** Approve a contract with Hiram College for the Community Service Work Study Program to provide Garfield students with tutoring by Hiram College students at no cost to the school district (federal funds).
- I.** Accepts bids for the 1984 truck (broken frame) and a snow plow with assembly and a salt spreader; to be opened at the Board offices at 3:00 p.m. Monday, October 26, 2009.
- J.** Approve payment in lieu of transportation for Brandon Gibson for the 2009/10 year as transportation would be impractical.

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

09-119 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy to consolidate and approve superintendent's recommendations: A-E

A. Hire Scott Miller as a substitute teacher for 2009/10.

B. Hire Christina Bates as a substitute secretary/clerk, dietary aide and custodian for 2009/10.

C. Hire David Winchell as a substitute custodian for 2009/10.

D. Approve an agreement with the Trumbull County ESC to provide services and personnel in the areas of Itinerant and Audiology, effective September 1, 2009.

E. Accept the resignation of Roger (Beau) Norton as H.S. Assistant Boys Basketball Coach for 2009/10.

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

09-120 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Pietra to grant Greg McDivitt (Jr.) a personal service contract as Freshmen Girls Basketball Coach for 2009/10, as corrected.

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by G. Foy to enter executive session for the purpose of the consideration of the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, compensation or investigation of charges or complaints in regard to public employees.

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Enter executive session at 8:01 p.m. Invited into executive session were the Superintendent and Treasurer; exited executive session at 8:29 p.m.

The Treasurer presented a request for intent from the Ohio School Facilities Commission.

09-121 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy declaring the District's intent to defer Ohio Schools Facility funding to a future year.

Ayes: Pietra, Brett, Foy, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

The Treasurer requested establishment of a Superintendent's committee for finance to review the five-year forecast. Board President Guy Pietra and Board Member Gary Foy elected to participate in this committee. A meeting will be scheduled for later in the month.

President Guy Pietra moved to adjourn, seconded by D. Vincent. All were in favor and this meeting adjourned at 8:32p.m.

Guy V. Pietra, President

Date

Tracy L. Knauer, Treasurer