

**REGULAR MEETING
THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF
YOUNGSTOWN CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO**

20 West Wood Street

October 25, 2011

The Youngstown Board of Education met in regular session at the I.L. Ward Building on October 25, 2011. President Lock P. Beachum, Sr. called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence. Roll call was taken with the following board members in attendance:

Members present: Mahone, Murphy, Atkinson, Beachum, Catale, Drennen, Hanni
Members absent: None

Board members discussed agenda items.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 5:41 p.m. Mr. Murphy moved, seconded by Ms. Hanni that board members adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussing: the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of an employee or the investigation of charges or complaints against an employee, official, licensee or student, unless the employee, official, licensee or student requests a public hearing; and preparing for, conducting or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with employees. On roll call vote the results were as follows:

Ayes: Mahone, Murphy, Atkinson, Beachum, Catale, Drennen, Hanni
Nays: None

Board members came out of executive session.

The regular portion of the meeting reconvened at 6:07 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

As the first item of business, Mr. Beachum called for a motion approving the agenda. Mr. Murphy moved that the agenda be approved as amended with the deletion of Resolution No. 226-11, Cash Fund Statement. It was seconded by Mr. Atkinson. On roll call vote the results were as follows:

Ayes: Mahone, Murphy, Atkinson, Beachum, Catale, Drennen, Hanni
Nays: None

Motion carried, and the agenda was approved as amended.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Murphy moved, seconded by Ms. Drennen that the minutes of the regular board meetings of September 27, 2011 and October 11, 2011 along with the special meeting of September 21, 2011 be approved as presented. On roll call vote the results were as follows:

Ayes: Mahone, Murphy, Atkinson, Beachum, Catale, Drennen, Hanni

Nays: None

Motion carried, and minutes were approved as presented.

COMMUNICATIONS

There were no oral or written communications.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

President Beachum called for citizen participation. Tom Anderson commended Cheryl Vanatsky for her dedicated work as a special needs pre-school teacher at McGuffey Elementary School. Ms. Vanatsky also addressed the Board.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Anthony Catale, Finance/Accounting/Investments Committee; Rachel Hanni, Curriculum/Career Tech Committee; Andrea Mahone, Legal/ Legislative/Policy Committee; Michael Murphy, Business/Non-Instructional/Non-Certified Committee; Richard Atkinson, Extra Curricular/Sports Committee and June Drennen, Certificated Personnel/Community Relations/Speakers Bureau Committee spoke to committee meeting information, recommended passage of resolutions pertaining to their committees and noted future committee meeting dates.

FACILITIES REPORT

Harry Evans, chief of maintenance, had no report at this time.

BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Beachum reported on his attendance at the 44th Annual CUBE (Council of Urban Boards of Education) Conference focusing on the use of data throughout the District. Ms. Mahone also attended the conference.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS

Mr. Johnson, treasurer, had no report at this time.

Superintendent Hathorn noted his appreciation to the staff of East High School and Harding Elementary School for their level report presentations at the October 18, 2011 special board meeting.

PRESENTATION

Nora McDevitt, Volney Rogers science teacher, was honored with a Chevrolet GREEN Educator Award from Earth Force and the General Motors Foundation. The award recognizes those who bring environmental education into school and community programs. Ms. McDevitt is one of five educators who will be rewarded each month in order to find the best "GREEN" educators in the nation.

NEW BUSINESS

CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Murphy offered a motion to place Resolution No. 225-11 through 233-11 on a Consent Agenda (Resolution No. 226-11 was deleted from the agenda). Mr. Atkinson seconded the motion, and on roll call vote the results were as follows:

Ayes: Mahone, Murphy, Atkinson, Beachum, Catale, Drennen, Hanni

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Mr. Beachum then entertained a motion to adopt the Consent Agenda. Mr. Murphy moved adoption of the Consent Agenda, seconded by Ms. Hanni which included Resolution No. 225-11 through Resolution No. 233-11 summarized as follows:

Ayes: Mahone, Murphy, Atkinson, Beachum, Catale, Drennen, Hanni

Nays: None

Motion carried.

**The Public Schools
Youngstown, Ohio
Office of the Treasurer**

RESOLUTION NO. 225-11

FIVE-YEAR FORECAST FISCAL YEAR 2012

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code requires that boards of education file five-year forecasts with the Department of Education on an annual basis; and

WHEREAS, five-year forecast are mandated to be filed if the forecasts change in a material manner as to expenses, revenues or ending balances during the course of the year in which it is required to have been filed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of Youngstown City School District approves the attached five-year forecast and approves it for filing with the Ohio Department of Education as required by law.

Mr. Murphy moved, seconded by Ms. Hanni that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Ayes: Mahone, Murphy, Atkinson, Beachum, Catale, Drennen, Hanni

Nays: None

Motion carried.

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**The Public Schools
Youngstown, Ohio
Office of the Superintendent**

RESOLUTION NO. 227-11

**RESOLUTION DESIGNATING ATTORNEY GARY C. JOHNSON
AS THE OFFICIAL BOARD'S CHIEF NEGOTIATOR**

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has determined through its policies to designate an attorney to provide legal services and represent the district in negotiations and;

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has determined that Attorney Gary Johnson will represent the district as the Chief Negotiator;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that *Attorney Gary C. Johnson* be designated as the official chief legal negotiator of the district upon mutual agreement between both parties regarding financial and contractual obligations.

Mr. Murphy moved, seconded by Ms. Hanni that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Ayes: Mahone, Murphy, Atkinson, Beachum, Catale, Drennen, Hanni

Nays: None

Motion carried.

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DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AFFAIRS

**The Public Schools
Youngstown, Ohio
Office of the Superintendent**

RESOLUTION NO. 228-11

**RESOLUTION DECLARING IMPRACTICALITY
OF TRANSPORTATION AND OFFERING
PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TRANSPORTATION**

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Youngstown City School District (the “Board”) has determined that transportation of the students named herein between home and school is impracticable, even though the students are eligible for such transportation by the Board; and

WHEREAS, prior to determining such impracticality, the Board considered the following factors:

1. The time and the distance required to provide the transportation,
2. The number of students to be transported,
3. The cost of providing transportation in terms of equipment, maintenance, personnel, and administration,
4. Whether similar or equivalent services are provided to other students eligible for transportation,
5. Whether and to what extent the additional service unavoidably disrupts current transportation schedules, and
6. Whether other reimbursable types of transportation are available.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Youngstown City School District, based on its consideration of the six (6) factors listed above as required by R.C. 3327.02(A), declares the impracticality of transporting the following named students:

Cancel, Loren
Congemi, Cody
Congemi, Dustin
Jones, Shantrelle M.
Williams, Turei

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the reason for the impracticality of transporting such students is the number of students to be transported, and the cost of

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providing transportation in terms of equipment, maintenance, personnel, and administration;
and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this Resolution shall be sent by the Treasurer, of the Board to the State Board of Education in the manner determined by the State Board; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board, through its Superintendent and Treasurer; shall offer to provide payment in lieu of transportation by doing the following:

1. In accordance with the guidelines established by the Department of Education, the Board shall inform the parent, guardian, or other person in charge of the students named herein of this Resolution of the Board and the right of the parent, guardian, or other person in charge of each student(s) to accept the offer of payment in lieu of transportation or to reject the offer and instead request the Ohio Department of Education to initiate mediation procedures.
2. The Board shall issue to the parent, guardian, or other person in charge of the students named herein a contract or other form on which the parent, guardian, or other person in charge of each student is given the option to accept or reject the Board's offer of payment in lieu of transportation.

Mr. Murphy moved, seconded by Ms. Hanni that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Ayes: Mahone, Murphy, Atkinson, Beachum, Catale, Drennen, Hanni

Nays: None

Motion carried.

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**The Public Schools
Youngstown, Ohio
Office of the Superintendent**

RESOLUTION NO. 229-11

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT
FOR PROFESSIONAL DESIGN SERVICES BETWEEN
THIS BOARD OF EDUCATION AND ms consultants, inc.
RELATING TO THE DISTRICT'S
THE RAYEN STADIUM RENOVATION PROJECT**

WHEREAS, Statements of Qualifications were received from the following 11 (eleven) architectural firms for The Rayen Stadium Renovation Project:

BSHM Architects (Balog, Steines, Hedricks, Manchester)
Eckles Architecture (New Castle, PA)
GPD (Glaus, Pyle, Schomer, Burns & DeHaven), Inc.
HHSDR Architects/Engineers (Sharon, PA)
Moody-Nolan, Inc.
ms consultants, inc.
MSA Architects (Cincinnati, OH)
Olsavsky Jaminet Architects, Inc.
Osborn Sports & Recreation Architecture (Cleveland, OH)
PSA, Inc. (Phillips/Sekanick) Architects, Inc. (Cincinnati, OH)
Team 8e Architecture

WHEREAS, this Board has reviewed those Statements of Qualifications and determined, after the interview process, that ms consultants, inc. has been selected to provide professional design services for The Rayen Stadium Renovation Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Youngstown City School District, Mahoning County, Ohio, that the Chief of Operations in the Office of Business Affairs is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with ms consultants, inc. for the professional design service for The Rayen Stadium Renovation Project.

Mr. Murphy moved, seconded by Ms. Hanni that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Ayes: Mahone, Murphy, Atkinson, Beachum, Catale, Drennen, Hanni
Nays: None

Motion carried.

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DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES

**The Public Schools
Youngstown, Ohio
Office of the Superintendent**

RESOLUTION NO. 230-11

**CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL
APPOINTMENTS OF SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS**

RESOLVED, based upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, the following appointments of substitute teachers are being recommended for the 2011-12 school year:

APPOINTMENTS

Substitute Teachers (Fund 001) - To be used on an “as needed basis” as follows:

- \$ 70.00 a day or from day 1 to day 10 if in the same position
- \$ 75.00 a day from day 11 to day 60 if in the same position
- \$157.64 a day from day 61 to day 184 if in the same position

Tanisha Franklin
Joselyn Parker
Davanzo Tate

Wilda Saunders
Brenda Scott
Joyce Wiggins

Mr. Murphy moved, seconded by Ms. Hanni that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Ayes: Mahone, Murphy, Atkinson, Beachum, Catale, Drennen, Hanni
Nays: None

Motion carried.

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**The Public Schools
Youngstown, Ohio
Office of the Superintendent**

RESOLUTION NO. 231-11

**CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL
APPOINTMENTS, LEAVES OF ABSENCE AND RETIREMENTS**

RESOLVED, based upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, the following appointments, leaves of absence and retirements are being accepted for the 2011-12 school year:

APPOINTMENTS

MDSAT Teacher Leaders Fund 001 - 6.5% of teacher base salary per YEA agreement.

Bernadine Becker	Martha King
Lori Bullen	Wendy Lyden
Katherine Buonavolonta	Dennis Mamone
Jolyn Bush	Manfred Michalski
Melissa DellaGatta	Rachel Seelye
Mary Hardin	Paula Valentini
Crystal Henderson	Barbara Vargo

Bridge Formula Model (Parity) Fund 001 - **Williamson Elementary School** - \$22.35 per hour for YEA members, not to exceed 25 hours per week:

Laurie Lamancusa	Beth Ripple
Patricia Musolino	

Bridge Formula Model (Parity) Fund 001 - **M.L. King Elementary School** - \$22.35 per hour for YEA members, not to exceed 25 hours per week:

Denise Gorman

Ohio Graduation Make-up Testing Sessions Fund 019 - **Chaney & East High Schools** - \$22.35 per hour for YEA teachers and \$26.55 per hour for counselors; 2 1/2 hrs per day, not to exceed 10 hours per week:

Bernadine Becker	Kim Moore
Sallie Dutton	Lori Sakacs

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Youngstown City Resident Educator Program Fund 590 - \$750.00 per year:

Kenneth Andrews
Carol Childers

Janice Ross

Youngstown Christian After-School Tutoring Program Fund 572 - \$22.35 per hour for YEA members, \$15.50 per hour for Non-YEA members, not to exceed 4 hours per week:

Christine Cornell
Joyce Hillman
Kara Pecchia

Glenda West
Petroula Yargo
Brittany Zetts

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Administration

Dorothy B. Davis	FMLA	Eff. 10/03/11 thru 10/28/11
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Teacher

James R. Cassidy	Medical Leave	Eff. 10/13/11 thru 01/31/12
Jennifer N. Griffith	Medical Leave	Eff. 11/14/11 thru 01/06/12
Jennifer N. Griffith	Unpaid FMLA	Eff. 01/09/12 thru 02/07/12
Keith M. Oswald II	Medical Leave	Eff. 10/06/11 thru 06/04/12
Elizabeth M. Schumann	Medical Leave	Eff. 09/27/11 thru 11/18/11
Erica L. Sofranko	Ext. Medical Leave	Eff. 10/18/11 thru 11/11/11

RETIREMENTS

Teachers

William D. Barron	Retirement	Eff. 01/31/12
Ramona C. Douglas	Retirement	Eff. 12/31/11

Mr. Murphy moved, seconded by Ms. Hanni that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Ayes: Mahone, Murphy, Atkinson, Beachum, Catale, Drennen, Hanni

Nays: None

Motion carried.

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**The Public Schools
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Office of the Superintendent**

RESOLUTION NO. 232-11

CONTINUING CONTRACT

WHEREAS, the person whose name is listed below has served as a teacher in the Youngstown City School District for at least three of the last five years, including the school year 2010-2011; and

WHEREAS, this teacher hold a five year license, professional or permanent certificate valid for the school year 2011-2012; and

WHEREAS, this teacher is, therefore, eligible for a continuing contract in accordance with Section 3319.11 R.C.; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that this teacher be re-employed for the school year 2011-2012;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this teacher be granted a continuing contract for the school year 2011-2012 as indicated and in accordance with the provision of the salary schedule:

Volney Middle School

Mary Scali

NOTE: The foregoing listing of schools for programs is not intended to assure any teacher the same assignment.

Mr. Murphy moved, seconded by Ms. Hanni that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Ayes: Mahone, Murphy, Atkinson, Beachum, Catale, Drennen, Hanni

Nays: None

Motion carried.

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**The Public Schools
Youngstown, Ohio
Office of the Superintendent**

RESOLUTION NO. 233-11

CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL

APPOINTMENTS, LEAVE OF ABSENCE AND RETIREMENT

RESOLVED, based upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, the following appointments, leave of absence and resignation are being accepted for the 2011-12 school year:

APPOINTMENTS

Substitute Custodial Helpers - (Fund 001) - \$7.48 per hour; to be used on an "as needed" basis; not to exceed 35 hours per week:

Diane M. LaBerto

William A. Morvay

Parent Volunteer - (Fund 019) - \$5.00 per hour; (Stipend); to be used on an "as needed" basis; not to exceed more than 24 hours per week:

Britney Thornton

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Educational Assistant

Margaret Chrystal

Medical

Eff. 10/17/11 thru 01/03/12

RESIGNATION

License Helper

David R. Harris

Other Employment

Eff. 11/01/11

Mr. Murphy moved, seconded by Ms. Hanni that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Ayes: Mahone, Murphy, Atkinson, Beachum, Catale, Drennen, Hanni

Nays: None

Motion carried.

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COMMENTS

President Beachum noted that the next regular meeting will change from November 8th due to Election Day to Wednesday, November 9th.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business requiring board action at this time, Mr. Murphy moved that the meeting adjourn. Ms. Hanni seconded the motion, and upon voice vote all board members voted yes. Mr. Beachum announced the meeting adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

President

Treasurer

