

LOVELAND CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Loveland Intermediate Media Center Loveland, OH August 19, 2008

The Loveland Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, August 19, 2008. Dr. Lorenz called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

Call to Order
ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Pennington	Present
Dr. Kolp	Present
Dr. Lorenz	Present
Dr. McClanahan	Present
Mrs. Olsen	Present

RESOLUTION NO. 08-79 ADOPTION OF BOARD AGENDA

Dr. McClanahan moved, seconded by Dr. Kolp to adopt the agenda for the August 19, 2008 Board of Education meeting as presented. Voting order and sequence will be rotated by the Treasurer.

Discussion
ROLL CALL VOTE:

Dr. Kolp	Yes
Dr. Lorenz	Yes
Dr. McClanahan	Yes
Mrs. Olsen	Yes
Mrs. Pennington	Yes

MOTION CARRIED.

Welcoming of Guests

Pledge of Allegiance

Recognitions & Presentations

- Introduction of new teachers
- Hou (Joyce) Jianjun, LHS guest teacher from China
- Introduction of Audit Committee members: Scott Bezjack, David Handler, Randal Sadler, Ken Schappell and Tim Taggart.

Hearing of the Public – Parent Nancy Worsham inquired about curriculum at the Middle School. Specifically, Mrs. Worsham questioned high school credit being awarded to the current foreign language, and soon to be math classes.

Board Member Committee Reports

- Mrs. Pennington – no report
- Dr. Kolp deferred to Mrs. Olsen.
- Mrs. Olsen reported that the Finance Committee met last Thursday August 14, 2008. They discussed fiscal year 08 finances and reviewed the SF3 report.
- Dr. McClanahan reported that the Policy Committee did not meet.
- Dr. Lorenz announced that the report for the Curriculum Committee meeting was provided to the Board in their packets. Dr. Lorenz reported that at the last Great Oaks Board meeting the final vote was made on a 2.7 mil replacement levy which will be placed on the November ballot.

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Superintendent’s Report and Recommendations

- Dr. Boys presented the Annual Report on Progress for the 2007-2008 school year.

RESOLUTION NO. 08-80 APPROVE THE RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN ANNEXATION PETITION SEEKING TO ANNEX THE LOVELAND HIGH SCHOOL PROPERTY TO THE CITY OF LOVELAND

Dr. Lorenz moved, seconded by Dr. McClanahan to approve the resolution authorizing the filing of an annexation petition seeking to annex the Loveland High School property to the City of Loveland.

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Loveland City School District previously agreed, at the request of the City of Loveland, to execute a petition requesting the annexation of the Loveland High School property to the City of Loveland and to sign any documents related to such annexation and support and testify in favor of such annexation; and

WHEREAS, the City of Loveland has now made such a request by letter from Tom Carroll, the City Manager of Loveland, to Kevin Boys, Superintendent of the School District, dated March 13, 2008; and

WHEREAS, the City of Loveland has initiated litigation against the Board of Education to compel the Board to execute a petition to proceed with the annexation of the Loveland High School property to the City of Loveland; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has determined to proceed with the action of executing the petition for annexation, as requested by the City, pursuant to the Board’s “special obligation” contained in a 1992 Agreement between the City and the Board related to the exchange of real property and the extension of City sanitary sewers to the Loveland High School site; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education’s decision to proceed with the execution of the annexation petition is contingent upon the City’s legally binding commitment to dismiss, with prejudice, the litigation currently pending in the Clermont County Court of Common Pleas, Case No. 2008 CVH 1069.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Loveland City School District as follows:

SECTION I

The President and Treasurer of the School District are directed to sign the attached annexation petition on the condition that the City agrees to sign a legally binding agreement dismissing, with prejudice, the aforementioned subject litigation. The petition is attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein.

SECTION II

The original of the executed annexation petition shall be delivered to Timothy M. Burke, the agent for the petitioner, who is authorized to file the annexation petition with the Board of County Commissioners of Hamilton County, Ohio.

SECTION III

It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning or related to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board, and all deliberations of this Board and any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were adopted in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all applicable requirements of the Ohio Revised Code.

Discussion

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Dr. Lorenz	Yes
Dr. McClanahan	Yes
Mrs. Olsen	Yes
Mrs. Pennington	Yes
Dr. Kolp	No

MOTION CARRIED.

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RESOLUTION NO. 08-81 APPROVE JOINDER FOR ALLIANCE FOR ADEQUATE SCHOOL FUNDING

Mrs. Pennington moved, seconded by Dr. Kolp to approve joinder for Alliance for Adequate School Funding.

WHEREAS, the Ohio Supreme Court has declared the State’s school funding system to be in violation of the State Constitution’s “thorough and efficient” clause, Article VI, Section 2, and

WHEREAS, this Board believes that:

1. Adequate school funding levels guaranteed by the State for basic aid, special education, vocational education and gifted education should be determined through an objective, cost-related methodology that is updated on a regular basis;
2. Local property tax duplicates should remain intact and that no state legislation or regulation should be adopted that would distribute the benefits of locally voted property taxes or local property valuations, either countywide, regionally or statewide, from one school district to another;
3. Adequacy in school funding should be achieved with additional state funds and/or through the earmarking of specific, reliable growing state revenue sources;
4. The State Board of Education and the State Department of Education should vigorously support the concepts of adequacy and objective, cost related funding levels;
5. Relief from the tax reduction provisions of H. B. 920 for all school districts is of paramount importance in any acceptable school funding plan;
6. Adequacy in education is based upon a wide variety of factors, not just the level of funding; and
7. School districts should be held accountable for student performance and sound fiscal management, but no mandates to achieve those ends should be imposed by the General Assembly or the State Board of Education without providing sufficient funds to offset the costs of such mandates; and

WHEREAS, significant efforts will be necessary to effectuate the beliefs of this Board through legislative initiatives, possible court action, and considerable interaction with the members of the Ohio General Assembly, members of the State Board of Education, the Governor and his staff, the Ohio Department of Education and other interested parties and organizations; and

WHEREAS, the Board and the students and residents of this District wish to work jointly with other districts to accomplish our common objectives;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

The Board hereby finds and determines that the following actions are necessary and appropriate to preserve and enhance the educational programs and opportunities available to the school, pupils of the District and other interests of the Board specifically:

A. The Board hereby authorizes this School District to join a regional council of governments of similarly situated school districts known as the Alliance for Adequate School Funding, and to participate through such Alliance to take those actions that may be necessary and appropriate to promote the interests and concerns of this District and other member districts of the Alliance regarding funding.

B. The Board authorizes the Treasurer to provide and pay reasonable dues and expenses to the Alliance for Adequate School Funding, it is being understood that the dues for districts joining the Alliance for the first time, shall be the then current annual dues apportioned, based upon the date of execution of the Resolution of Joinder, as follows:

For districts joining in the:

- 1st quarter of the fiscal year 100%
- 2nd quarter of the fiscal year 75%
- 3rd quarter of the fiscal year 50%
- 4th quarter of the fiscal year 25%

C. The Board hereby directs the President of the Board and the Treasurer to execute the Agreement with the Alliance for Adequate School Funding to demonstrate the Board’s commitment to the purposes and principles of the Alliance as specified therein.

Discussion

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Dr. McClanahan	Yes
Mrs. Olsen	Yes
Mrs. Pennington	Yes
Dr. Kolp	Yes

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Dr. Lorenz Yes

MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION NO. 08-82 APPOINT REPRESENTATIVES TO THE LOVELAND CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT AUDIT COMMITTEE

Dr. Lorenz moved, seconded by Mrs. Olsen to appoint Scott Beznak, David Handler, Randal Sadler, Ken Schappell, and Tim Taggart to the Loveland City School District Audit Committee.

Discussion

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Olsen Yes
Mrs. Pennington Yes
Dr. Kolp Yes
Dr. Lorenz Yes
Dr. McClanahan Yes

MOTION CARRIED.

Treasurer’s Report and Recommendations

- Mr. Griffith updated the Board on the tax advances received to date.

RESOLUTION NO. 08-83 APPROVE THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS

Dr. Kolp moved, seconded by Mrs. Pennington to approve the following resolutions:

- Approve the submitted financial reports, payment of invoices, transfers, investment of funds and appropriation adjustments.
- Approve reading and corrections of typographical and substantive changes to previous minutes for June 26 and August 5 not yet adopted and as printed in draft.
- Approve Linda Pennington as delegate to OSBA.
- Approve Christine Olsen as alternate delegate to OSBA.
- Authorize administration to enter into contracts with Hamilton County Educational Service Center, Clermont County Educational Service Center, Warren County Educational Service Center, Hamilton County MRDD, Clermont County MRDD, and Warren County MRDD for special education and professional development services.
- Authorize administration to enter into a contract with Langsford Center for special education services.
- Authorize administration to enter into a contract with Ohio Valley Voices Center for special education services.
- Approve The Schilling School for Gifted Children for 2007-2008 & 2008-2009 “Payment In Lieu of Transportation” as outlined in the Loveland City School District Board of Education Policy, after examination of existing school bus routes, time schedules, student resident location, school location, and available school conveyances and upon establishing that the private schools is within the thirty minute limit and is a chartered school in the state of Ohio, has declared that transportation by school conveyance is unnecessary, unreasonable or impractical. The Board of Education hereby agrees to pay the parent or guardian of said pupils in lieu of providing such transportation an amount which shall not exceed the state average cost to transport all pupils in the State of Ohio the preceding school year. This amount is payable at the conclusion of the school year in June.

Discussion

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Pennington Yes
Dr. Kolp Yes
Dr. Lorenz Yes
Dr. McClanahan Yes
Mrs. Olsen Yes

MOTION CARRIED.

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RESOLUTION NO. 08-84 DETERMINING TO PROCEED TO LEVY A TAX IN EXCESS OF THE TEN-MILL LIMITATION

Dr. Kolp moved, seconded by Dr. McClanahan to approve a resolution determining to proceed to levy a tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Section 5705.21 of the Ohio Revised Code, this board has determined the necessity to levy a tax in excess of such ten-mill limitation for the purpose of current expenses at the rate not exceeding three and five-tenths (3.5) mills for each one dollar (\$1.00) of valuation, which amounts to thirty-five cents (\$.35) for each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of valuation, for a continuing period of time; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 5705.03 of the Ohio Revised Code, this Board of Education has heretofore certified to the County Auditor a Resolution requesting the County Auditor to certify to this Board of Education the total current tax valuation of this School District and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by three and five-tenths (3.5) mills per year as specified in such Resolution, and this Board of Education has received the certification of the County Auditor that such total current tax valuation is \$743,902,726, and that such dollar amount of revenue is \$2,603,660 per year (a copy of such certification is attached hereto as Exhibit A);

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Loveland City School District (herein the "School District"), Counties of Hamilton, Clermont and Warren, Ohio, two-thirds of all the members elected thereto concurring:

SECTION 1. That the board of education hereby determines to proceed with the levy and the question of the adoption of said tax shall be submitted to the electors of the School District at the election to be held on November 4, 2008, and if said tax is approved by a majority of said electors such tax levy shall first be placed upon the 2008 tax list and duplicate, for first collection in calendar year 2009.

SECTION 2. That the form of the ballot to be used at said election shall be substantially as follows:

PROPOSED TAX LEVY

LOVELAND CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

A majority affirmative vote is
NECESSARY FOR PASSAGE

A tax for the benefit of the Loveland City School District **FOR THE PURPOSE OF CURRENT EXPENSES** at a rate not exceeding three and five-tenths (3.5) mills for each one dollar (\$1.00) of valuation, which amounts to thirty-five cents (\$.35) for each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of valuation, for a continuing period of time, commencing in 2008, first due in calendar year 2009.

	FOR THE TAX LEVY
	AGAINST THE TAX LEVY

SECTION 3. That the treasurer of this board of education be and is hereby directed to certify a copy of this resolution to the board of elections, not later than four o'clock (4:00) p.m. of the seventy-fifth (75th) day before the date of

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said election and to notify said board of elections to cause notice of the election on the question of levying said tax to be given as required by law.

SECTION 4. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this board of education concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this board of education; and that all deliberations of this board of education and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Discussion

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Dr. Lorenz	Yes
Dr. McClanahan	Yes
Mrs. Olsen	Yes
Mrs. Pennington	No
Dr. Kolp	Yes

MOTION CARRIED.

Assistant Superintendent, Teaching and Learning

RESOLUTION NO. 08-85 APPROVE MIDDLE SCHOOL ALGEBRA I AND GEOMETRY COURSES

Dr. McClanahan moved, seconded by Mrs. Pennington to approve Algebra I and Geometry taken at Loveland Middle School as comparable courses to Algebra I and Geometry for the purpose of granting high school credit commencing with students successfully completing these courses at the end of the 2008-2009 school year.

Discussion

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Olsen	Yes
Mrs. Pennington	Yes
Dr. Kolp	Yes
Dr. Lorenz	Yes
Dr. McClanahan	Yes

MOTION CARRIED.

Executive Session

Mrs. Olsen moved, seconded by Dr. Kolp to enter into Executive Session to consider compensation of a public employee and to confer with an attorney for the Board of Education concerning disputes involving the Board of Education that are the subject of pending or imminent court action.

Discussion

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mrs. Pennington	Yes
Dr. Kolp	Yes
Dr. Lorenz	Yes
Dr. McClanahan	Yes
Mrs. Olsen	Yes

The Board entered into Executive Session at 8:18 p.m.
The Board came out of Executive Session at 9:36 p.m.

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RESOLUTION NO. 08-86 APPROVE RESIGNATIONS AND EMPLOYMENT OF CERTIFIED, CLASSIFIED, HOMEBOUND, SUBSTITUTE AND SUPPLEMENTAL POSITIONS FOR THE 2008-2009 SCHOOL YEAR

Mrs. Olsen moved, seconded by Mrs. Pennington to approve resignations and employment of certified, classified, homebound, substitute and supplemental positions for the 2008-2009 school year.

- A. Retirement/Resignation/Leave of Absence
 - 1. Lawrence Smiglewski, Resignation, LHS Drama Director (Fall/Spring), effective 7/14/08
 - 2. Kristen Rutter, Resignation, LHS Asst. Drama Director (Fall/Spring), effective 7/4/08
 - 3. Mary Touts, Resignation, LHS 2 ½ hr Cashier, effective 8/21/08
 - 4. Renee Shinkle, Resignation, Bus Driver, effective 8/12/08
 - 5. Theresa Moermond, Resignation, Bus Driver, effective 8/10/08

- B. Employment of Certified positions effective 2008-2009 School Year
 - 1. Certified
 - a. Tina Brandalik, LECC Reading Teacher (.5), BA150, exp. 8 yrs.
 - b. Summer Mangano, LES 4th grade Teacher, MA, exp. 6 yrs.
 - c. Elizabeth Weber, ESL Tutor, MA, exp. 5 yrs.

 - 2. Substitutes
 - a. Stacey Moore, effective 7/10/08

- C. Supplemental Positions effective 2008-2009 School Year
 - 1. Team Leader –one day prior to school start only
 - a. Katie Rose 8th grade

 - 2. Team Leader –full supplemental and one day after school ends.
 - a. Jayson Bruce 8th grade exp. 1 yr.

 - 3. Supplementals
 - a. Carol Hadley LHS Drama Director exp. 5 yrs.
 - b. Jennifer Ramage Asst. Director of Show Choirs exp. 0 yrs.

 - 4. Athletic Supplementals
 - a. Revise May 2008 agenda, item B., 13., x. Erin Ceddia*, Co-JV Girls Soccer Coach, exp. 1 yr.
 - b. Christine Weable*, Co-JV Girls Soccer Coach exp. 1 yr.
 - c. Erin Ceddia* JV Girls Soccer Coach exp. 1 yr.
 - d. Christine Weable* JV Girls Soccer Coach VOLUNTEER

- D. Employment of 2008 Summer School Staff
 - 1. Reading Intervention - Summer School Teachers, paid at a rate of \$25.00 per hour, up to 2.5 hours per day, for 8 days, August 11 - 21, 2008, for students retaking the Ohio Reading Achievement Test.
 - a. Danielle Mayer
 - b. Laura Johnstone

- E. Extended School Year services to students per their IEPs
 - 1. Katrina Scott, Student grade level PreK, 11 hours, \$20 per hour; change from 5 ½ hrs, reference June 2008 BOE agenda, H. 20.
 - 2. Stacey Moore, Bobbie Fairfax Student, 8/1/08 – 8/26/08, \$25 per hour.

- F. Employment of Classified Employees for the 2008-2009 School Year
 - 1. Secretaries/Aides/Monitors
 - a. Karen Puchta, LES Special Education Aide, Step 4

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- b. Christine Weable, LMS Special Education Aide, Step 1
 - c. Jennifer Timmerman, LMS Special Education Aide, Step 1
 - d. Nichole Sartain, LPS Secretary, 260 day contract, Step 4, effective 8/21/08
2. Food Service
- a. Bonnie Wergers, LHS 4 hr. Food Service Worker, Step 1, effective 8/22/08
 - b. Mark Hopkins, LIS/LMS 1hr. Food Service Worker, Current Step, effective 8/22/08
 - c. Patricia Mitchell, LHS 1 hr. Cook/Cashier, current step, effective 8/22/08
 - d. Shirley Parchman, LHS 5 ½ hr Food Service Worker, current step, effective 8/22/08
 - e. Tina Warden, LHS Cook, Step 1, effective 8/22/08
- G. Employment of Classified Substitute Employees for the 2008-2009 School Year
1. Secretaries/Aides/Monitors
 - a. Laurel Tipton
 - b. Daneen Carter
 - c. Linda Becker
 - d. Janet Stanley
 2. Custodial
 - a. Phil McDaniel, effective 8/11/08
- H. Approve Superintendent Evaluation

Discussion

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Dr. Kolp	Yes
Dr. Lorenz	Yes
Dr. McClanahan	Yes
Mrs. Olsen	Yes
Mrs. Pennington	Yes

MOTION CARRIED.

Future Topics of Discussion

- Board Retreat
- Legal Representation
- State of school presentation

Adjournment

Mrs. Pennington moved, seconded by Dr. Kolp to adjourn the meeting.

Discussion

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Dr. Lorenz	Yes
Dr. McClanahan	Yes
Mrs. Olsen	Yes
Mrs. Pennington	Yes
Dr. Kolp	Yes

Dr. Lorenz adjourned the meeting at 9:52 p.m.

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Treasurer

President

BOARD OF EDUCATION WORK SESSION

September 2, 2008

Loveland Board of Education Office

6:30 p.m.

BOARD OF EDUCATION BUSINESS MEETING

September 16, 2008

Loveland Intermediate School Media Center

6:30 p.m.