

## **Board of Education Regular Meeting**

August 5, 2013 6:00 PM

Cleveland Middle School Theatre

Attendance Taken at 6:00 PM.

Mr. Tom Cloud:	Present
Dr. Murl Dirksen:	Absent
Mr. George Meacham:	Present
Mr. Steve Morgan:	Present
Ms. Peggy Pesterfield:	Present
Ms. Dawn Robinson:	Present
Mr. Richard Shaw:	Present

### **1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

### **2. \*CONSENT AGENDA**

Mr. Cloud welcomed Samantha Douglas and Andrea Byerly to the Board meeting. Miss Douglas is the Cleveland High School Board representative this year, and Ms. Byerly is the new Administrative Assistant to the Board.

Motion to approve consent agenda Passed with a motion by Ms. Dawn Robinson and a second by Mr. Richard Shaw.

Mr. Tom Cloud:	Yes
Mr. George Meacham:	Yes
Mr. Steve Morgan:	Yes
Ms. Peggy Pesterfield:	Yes
Ms. Dawn Robinson:	Yes
Mr. Richard Shaw:	Yes

Yes: 6, No: 0

#### **2.A. \*APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA**

#### **2.B. \*APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR JUNE 20, 2013**

#### **2.C. \*APPROVAL OF BOARD OF EDUCATION SCHOOL VISIT SCHEDULE**

#### **2.D. \*APPROVAL OF DONATION TO CMS FOR GATOR**

#### **2.E. \*APPROVAL OF OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIP REQUEST**

#### **2.F. \*APPROVAL OF CHS ATHLETICS RENOVATION PLAN**

### **3. REGULAR AGENDA**

#### **3.A. SPOTLIGHT**

##### **3.A.1. RECOGNITION OF RETIRED EMPLOYEES**

Mr. Cloud welcomed retired teachers and staff to the Board meeting. He invited the school principals to give brief presentations to spotlight these dedicated educators. Mr. Doug Moore recognized Joy Beacham from E. L. Ross. Mr. Kelly Kiser recognized Ruthanna Goldston, Jennifer Nelson, and Patsy Plumley from Blythe-Bower. Ms. DeeDee Finison recognized Ethel Cooper from Mayfield Elementary. Mr. Randy Stephens recognized Jane Littlejohn and Pam Silver from Stuart Elementary. Ms. Brenda Carson recognized Audrea McBrayer from the AOB.

#### **3.B. DIRECTOR'S UPDATES**

Dr. Ringstaff updated the Board on the great things happening at CCS. 5400 students are projected to start tomorrow morning. There is a very positive atmosphere in the schools. Dr. Ringstaff pointed out the Administrator's Notebooks which the Board received. He thanked Mike Collier of CMS and Ms. Yvonne Newman of the CMS PTO for the lovely Retiree Reception. The construction at E. L. Ross and Blythe-Bower are complete, and these schools are ready for the first day. FM104.1 will be at CMS to kick-off the first day of school. Dr. Ringstaff will be talking live on the radio at 8:35 a.m. to all the schools. Samantha Douglas, CHS representative to the Board, said that seniors are ready for school to begin tomorrow; they have already had senior pictures. Progress reports go home in 4 weeks. She appreciates the support of the Board.

### 3.C. \*APPROVAL OF ADDITIONAL NEEDED STAFF DUE TO GROWTH

Dr. Ringstaff said additional teachers may be needed because of the projected growth at all levels. He is asking permission to hire new employees if needed before the next Board meeting in September. Dr. Ringstaff will try everything possible before hiring new teachers, but he expects to be 3 teachers short at each level if these projected numbers are correct.

Motion to give Dr. Ringstaff permission to hire what is required by law to fulfill the general education needs of the schools, then report back to the Board at the September meeting Passed with a motion by Ms. Dawn Robinson and a second by Ms. Peggy Pesterfield.

Mr. Tom Cloud:	Yes
Mr. George Meacham:	Yes
Mr. Steve Morgan:	Yes
Ms. Peggy Pesterfield:	Yes
Ms. Dawn Robinson:	Yes
Mr. Richard Shaw:	Yes
Yes: 6, No: 0	

### 3.D. \*ROOF REPLACEMENT DONATION TO GEORGE R. STUART HANDI-PARK RESTROOM FACILITY

Dr. Ringstaff reported that Mr. David Parris of Parris Roofing noticed that new shingles are needed on the Stuart Handi-Park restroom. He is offering to donate the materials and labor to complete the roof replacement.

Motion to accept the offer of Parris Roofing to replace the roof on the George R. Stuart Handi-Park Restroom Facility Passed with a motion by Ms. Dawn Robinson and a second by Mr. Richard Shaw.

Mr. Tom Cloud:	Yes
Mr. George Meacham:	Yes
Mr. Steve Morgan:	Yes
Ms. Peggy Pesterfield:	Yes
Ms. Dawn Robinson:	Yes
Mr. Richard Shaw:	Yes
Yes: 6, No: 0	

### 3.E. TRANSPORTATION REPORT

Paul Ramsey thanked the Board for the purchase 2 new buses. Transportation was able to eliminate all but one of the split runs at the schools. With the anticipation of increased enrollment, more buses will be needed soon too. A new discipline program will begin this year; the bus drivers were trained on these procedures. Routes were not changed this year, but will be reviewed

next year. Mr. Hal Taylor reported that the diesel fuel tanks are located on site now; this should be a big cost savings. Maintenance and Transportation is working to bring more repairs back in house such as air conditioning repair, engine work, and transition repairs. Mr. Taylor answered questions from Board members. The fuel tanks are above ground. Mr. Taylor said that they are able to make these changes with the same staff. He reported that they have enough bus drivers to begin school tomorrow, but this is an ongoing process. The Board thanked Transportation and Maintenance for all the good work that they have done. Mr. Taylor thanked the Board and Administration for the continued support.

3.F. \*APPROVAL OF FIRST READING OF BOARD POLICY 6.200 ATTENDANCE

Mr. Paul Ramsey presented the Policy 6.200 Attendance. The change in policy is recommended by TSBA to comply with state law.

Motion to approve the First and Second Reading of Policy 6.200

Attendance Passed with a motion by Ms. Peggy Pesterfield and a second by Ms. Dawn Robinson.

Mr. Tom Cloud: Yes

Mr. George Meacham: Yes

Mr. Steve Morgan: Yes

Ms. Peggy Pesterfield: Yes

Ms. Dawn Robinson: Yes

Mr. Richard Shaw: Yes

Yes: 6, No: 0

3.G. \*APPROVAL OF ARCHITECTURAL PLANS FOR PROPOSED NEW ELEMENATARY SCHOOL

Mr. Brian Templeton of Upland Design Group presented his Architectural Space Program for the proposed new elementary school. The proposed exterior space includes: covered drop-off/pick-up area, 3 playground areas, outdoor learning areas, walking track. The proposed interior of the building includes: Administration areas, library with capacity for 1400 books, testing rooms, mobile technology storage areas, adequate cafeteria space, five classrooms for each grade level with 2 pre-k classes, Jack and Jill restrooms for lower grades, harden storage and safe room inside every classroom, ESL and Special Ed classrooms, 2 computer labs, larger art and music classrooms, science classroom, gymnasium which seats all 700 students, multipurpose room, 3 teacher workrooms. The estimated cost is \$140/square foot. Net square footage is just over 83,000. Total gross area is 116,228 square feet which is 168 square feet per student. The normal space for a school this size is 150 square feet per student. Ms. Robinson appreciated the teacher workrooms placed in several areas throughout the building. Mr. Cloud appreciates all the collaborative space for teachers in the building such as the science area. Ms. Robinson stated that we need to build rooms based on the needs of the teachers and students. She supports this design and 168 square feet per student. She said it is the job of the Board to convince the community that this is an important project. Mr. Shaw said that he does not have children in the schools, but he wants an educated community. Ms. Robinson questioned why only 2 computer labs were included with the online testing we are doing. Dr. Ringstaff said that laptops and mobile technology is the focus now. Schools do not test every student at one time. Andrew Phillips said that we are already integrating iPad carts, Nooks and BYOT (Bring Your Own Technology) at CMS and other schools. A big chunk of the state PARCC money will be used to purchase 2 more iPad carts. Mr. Phillips said that the infrastructure is the hardest part, but the schools are in good shape. We are receiving \$277,000 from PARCC. Ms. Pesterfield

asked about the possibility of adding additional classrooms to this proposed building later. Mr. Templeton said that he has not gotten to that point yet. Dr. Ringstaff said that Yates Primary was the last new school that was not built as a replacement school. The Board minutes in 1993 indicated that the Board expected to build a school on the west side of the interstate in 5-6 years; we are now 20 years later. Dr. Ringstaff said the growth is not forecasted, it is here now. Mr. Templeton said that the next step is to approve this program for the building, then he will begin the design process. Ms. Robinson said that the Board should take this proposal to the City Council. Dr. Ringstaff will request to be placed on the August 12th City Council agenda. Mr. Templeton added that he did speak with the engineer who said that they are 80% complete which is better than he thought at the Site Committee meeting. There is an abundance of topsoil. The engineer says they are 3 weeks away from us taking ownership of the site. The engineer will give us a possible date for transition. Mr. Templeton would like to leave the building pad exposed if the project will proceed. The Board supports this Architectural Proposal presented by Brian Templeton of Upland Design Group. Mr. Templeton will not proceed with the design work until after the City Council meeting.

Motion to present this proposal to the Cleveland City Council to give them an opportunity to make suggestions Passed with a motion by Ms. Peggy Pesterfield and a second by Mr. Richard Shaw.

Mr. Tom Cloud: Yes

Mr. George Meacham: Yes

Mr. Steve Morgan: Yes

Ms. Peggy Pesterfield: Yes

Ms. Dawn Robinson: Yes

Mr. Richard Shaw: Yes

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### 3.H. TLN REPORT

Ms. Robinson has no report except to say that the County Commission is voting tonight on the tax increase to pay for Lake Forest Middle School. If this passes CCS will receive money as well. She hopes we have encouraged our County Commissioners to support this increase.

### 3.I. \*SET DATE FOR SEPTEMBER BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Since the first Monday of September is Labor Day, Mr. Cloud suggested Thursday, September 5th at Stuart for the next Board meeting. We will also have a reception for new teachers prior to the meeting.

Motion to move the September Board meeting to Thursday, September 5th at 5:30 p.m. Passed with a motion by Mr. Steve Morgan and a second by Ms. Peggy Pesterfield.

Mr. Tom Cloud: Yes

Mr. George Meacham: Yes

Mr. Steve Morgan: Yes

Ms. Peggy Pesterfield: Yes

Ms. Dawn Robinson: Yes

Mr. Richard Shaw: Yes

Yes: 6, No: 0

### 3.J. PLAN ATTENDANCE TO TSBA FALL DISTRICT MEETING

Mr. Cloud announced that the TSBA Fall District meeting is at Bradley Central High School on Thursday, September 26th. Ms. Byerly will make

reservations for all Board members to attend. Mr. Cloud announced that Peggy Pesterfield is attending the TSBA Board Policy and Operations Academy in Knoxville on August 15th. If anyone is interested in attending, let him know.

**4. "B" AGENDA**

4.A. FINANCIAL REPORT

4.B. PERSONNEL UPDATES

4.C. SPORT SCHEDULES

4.D. DATES TO REMEMBER

4.E. LETTER FROM BRADLEY CLEVELAND PUBLIC EDUCATION FOUNDATION

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Chairperson

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Superintendent