

**LIBERTY UNION-THURSTON BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING**

October 12, 2009

7:00 P.M. - Liberty Union High School Library

ROLL CALL:

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| Art Brate | Absent |
| Joe Farmer | Present |
| Shaun Hochradel | Present |
| John Hutton | Arrived 7:44 pm |
| Mike Raver | Present_____ |

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

RECOGNITION

- A. STUDENTS OF THE MONTH: Ryan King & Evan Schaffner**
- B. TEACHER OF THE MONTH: Angie Linscott, Elementary Teacher**

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT BOARD MEETINGS

File: KD (Also BDDH)

REFRESHMENTS: Prepared by the Food Services Department

MINUTES

093-09 Motion by Shaun Hochradel, seconded by Mike Raver, to approve the minutes of the Liberty Union-Thurston Board of Education Regular Meeting held on September 14, 2009, as printed. Brate, **absent**; Farmer, yes; Hochradel, yes; Hutton, **absent**; Raver, yes. Motion carried.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

094-09 Motion by Joe Farmer, seconded by Shaun Hochradel, to approve monthly financial items A, B, C and D below: Farmer, yes; Hochradel, yes; Hutton, **absent**; Raver, yes; Brate, **absent**. Motion carried.

- A. TREASURER’S FINANCIAL REPORT**
 - 1. MONTHLY FUNDS BALANCE**
 - 2. RECEIPT OF FUNDS**
 - 3. STATUS OF APPROPRIATIONS**
 - 4. MONTHLY BANK RECONCILIATION**
- B. BILLS**
- C. STUDENT ACTIVITY MONTHLY APPROPRIATIONS**

| <u>FUND</u> | <u>AMOUNT</u> |
|----------------------|--------------------|
| 018 | \$ 3,355.76 |
| 200 | 15,138.92 |
| 300 | 31,423.66 |
| Total Changes | \$49,918.34 |

D. DONATIONS: (For information only)

| <u>Amount</u> | <u>Donor</u> | <u>Fund</u> |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------|
| \$129.42 | 5 th Grade Activity Acct | MS Principal |
| 241.68 | Target: Take Charge of Education | Elementary Principal |
| 41.16 | Target: Take Charge of Education | MS Principal |
| 146.55 | Target: Take Charge of Education | Renaissance |
| 100.00 | Ohio Poultry Assoc | FFA |
| 100.00 | Dedicated Mortgage: 5-K Race | Cross Country |
| 500.00 | Booster Bingo | MS Football |
| \$1,258.81 | Total | |

NEW BUSINESS: FINANCIAL

095-09 Motion by Shaun Hochradel, seconded by Mike Raver, to approve the New Business items listed below: Hochradel, yes; Hutton, **absent**; Raver, yes; Brate, **absent**; Farmer, yes. Motion carried.

- A. FIVE-YEAR FORECAST:** The Ohio Department of Education requires all public school districts to prepare a five-year financial forecast. The Treasurer and Superintendent have revised the forecast and have reviewed it with the Finance Committee.

Approved the five-year forecast as requested.

- B. TAX ABATEMENT REQUEST:** In April, 2008, the LU-T District supported the development of an "Agricultural Security Area" in Walnut Township. This provided the potential for farmers within that zone to receive tax abatement opportunities for reinvestment in equipment and facilities.

Resident, **Roger Wolfe**, has requested abatement for a proposed grain storage facility, at an estimated cost of \$60,000. The Fairfield Soil and Water Conservation District estimates that the amount of abatement would be \$200 per year, and request board approval for this abatement request.

Approved the abatement periods through April, 2018.

C. PURCHASED SERVICE AGREEMENTS:

- 1) Approved the following purchased service agreements is requested:

SERVICE PROVIDER: CompManagement, Inc.
 CONTRACT PERIOD: One Year
 SERVICE PROVIDED: Workers Compensation Cost-Containment Services
 COST: \$2,226 (This has already been paid to OSBA; CompMangaement is the new service provider selected by OSBA .)

- 2) SERVICE PROVIDER: Study Island
 CONTRACT PERIOD: 2009 / 2010 School Year
 SERVICE PROVIDED: 30 Software Site Licenses for Full OGT Remediation
 COST: \$783

NEW BUSINESS - PERSONNEL:

096-09 Motion by Mike Raver, seconded by Shaun Hochradel, to approve the New Business - Personnel items listed above. Hutton, **absent**; Raver, yes; Brate, **absent**; Farmer, yes; Hochradel, yes. Motion carried.

- A. RESIGNATION:** Accepted the resignation of Athletic Director, **Scott Williamson**, for retirement purposes, effective at the end of the 2009/2010 school year.
- B. TERMINATION:** Approved termination of Middle School Cheerleading Advisor, **Sirina Mirick**; 50% pay is approved.
- C. CHANGE OF CLASSIFICATION:** Rick Delynko, Building Services Supervisor, requests a change in classification for employee **Chad Kille**. **Chad** has been employed for one year as a "Cleaner", and is now recommended "Custodian."

Approved **Chad Kille** "Custodian" effective October 19, 2009.

- D. EMPLOY CLASSROOM AIDE:** Approved for employment, the following candidate, as recommended by the elementary school principal:

Name: **Krystal Washburn**
 Position: Third-Grade Teacher Aide
 Hours: 6 ¾ Hours Daily When School is in Session
 Compensation: \$13.51 per hour - Step 0
 Starting Date: October 19, 2009

E. SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACT POSITIONS: Approved the following candidates for supplemental positions as listed, contingent upon obtaining “Pupil Activity Validation Permits” issued by the Ohio Department of Education.

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Position</u> | <u>Level</u> | <u>Step</u> | <u>Salary</u> |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------|-------------|----------------|
| Susan Steffen | MS Cheerlead Advisor (2009 FB) | 7 | 11+ | (50%) 629.65 |
| Chuck Bauer | Asst Football (2009) | 3 | 7 | 2,729.50 |
| Kevin Burns | HS Boys Basketball | - | - | Volunteer |
| Matt Altiers | Co-8 th Gr Boys Basketball | 4 | 0 | (50%) 620.34 |
| Brian Arnold | Co-8 th Gr Boys Basketball | 4 | 0 | (50%) 620.34 |
| Christopher Staten | 7 th Gr Boys Basketball | 4 | 0 | 1,240.68 |
| David May | Head Girls Varsity Basketball | 1-A | 8 | 5,148.83 |
| Mark Chapman | HS Girls Basktball | - | - | Volunteer |
| Bill Moore | HS Girls Basketball | - | - | Volunteer |
| Justin Myers | JV Girls Basketball | 3 | 0 | 1,861.02 |
| Kelley Savage | 8 th Gr Girls Basketball | 4 | 3 | 1,643.90 |
| Mark McEvoy | MS Girls Basketball | - | - | Volunteer |
| James Peck | 7 th Gr Girls Basketball | 4 | 7 | 2,047.12 |
| Tony Caito | MS Girls Basketball | - | - | Volunteer |
| Julie Mirick | Var Basket Cheerleading | 4 | 0 | 1,240.68 |
| Julie Mirick | JV Basket Cheerleading | 5 | 0 | 1,023.56 |
| Brett Bressler | Head Varsity Wrestling | 2 | 11 | 5,272.89 |
| Miles Haines | HS Wrestling | - | - | Volunteer |
| Curtis Milan | MS Wrestling | - | - | Volunteer |
| Brian Doner | Var Swimming | - | - | Volunteer |
| Kelly Doner | Var Swimming | - | - | Volunteer |
| Jared Stewart | Var Baseball | 2 | 5 | 3,908.14 |
| Christopher Staten | Baseball | - | - | Volunteer |
| Michael Schmidt | JV Baseball | 3 | 8 | 3,163.74 |
| Bill Putnam | Var Softball | 2 | 11+ | 5,272.89 |
| Doug Mix | Softball | - | - | Volunteer |
| Jennifer Lauvray | JV Softball | 3 | 2 | 2,295.26 |
| Krista Azeltine | Head Boys Track | 2 | 11 | 5,272.89 |
| Jon Morris | Head Girls Track | 2 | 11 | 5,272.89 |
| Tim Smith | Co-Asst Track | 3 | 2 | (50%) 1,147.63 |
| Jacob Kemmerer | Co-Asst Track | 3 | 1 | (50%) 930.51 |
| Ashleigh Miller | Asst Track | 3 | 4 | 2,295.26 |
| Jeff Smolewski | Track | - | - | Volunteer |
| Susan Steffen | MS Girls Track | 4 | 8 | 2,450.34 |
| Renee Mangette | MS Boys Track | 4 | 7 | 2,047.12 |
| Ed Miller | HS Student Council Advisor | 8 | 0 | 349.19 |

F. CERTIFIED SUBSTITUTE LIST: Approved the substitute teacher list for October, 2009, as nominated by the Fairfield County Superintendent.

NEW BUSINESS: OTHER

097-09 Motion by Shaun Hochradel, seconded by Joe Farmer, to approve the Other New Business items listed below: Raver, yes; Brate, **absent**; Farmer, yes; Hochradel, yes; Hutton, **absent**. Motion carried.

A. CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENT REVIEW: Approved the Construction Document as required by The Ohio School Facilities Commission.

The high school “construction document” phase submittals have been completed, which represent the final design drawings.

**RESOLUTION NO. 097-09
 APPROVING CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS DESIGN PHASE SUBMISSION
 FOR THE HIGH SCHOOL RENOVATIONS PROJECT AND APPROVING
 THE PLACEMENT OF ADVERTISEMENTS TO SOLICIT BIDS FOR THE WORK**

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Liberty Union-Thurston Local School District (the “District”) is a participant in the Ohio School Facilities Commission’s Classroom Facilities Assistance Program and through that program is constructing a new middle school building and renovating the existing high school building (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, Feinknopf Macioce Schappa Architects, the Board’s Architect for the Project, prepared the construction documents design phase drawings and related documents for the high school renovations

included in the Project, based upon the design development design phase documents approved by the Board in April 2009, and Smoot Construction, the Construction Manager for the Project, reviewed the drawings and other documents prepared by the Architect and provided comments for conformity with the OSFC design phase submission requirements; and

WHEREAS, all of the comments have been reviewed and resolved with respect to the construction documents design phase drawings and documents, and the Construction Manager has assembled a construction documents design phase submission notebook for the Project, following the OSFC phase submission requirements, which includes an updated estimate of construction cost compared to the budget included in the OSFC Master Plan, the proposed Project Schedule prepared by the Construction Manager for the work required for the Project, the LFI MOU document describing the improvements that are outside the scope of the co-funded project, and other required documents; and

WHEREAS, following approval of the construction documents design phase by the Core Team, including the OSFC Project Administrator, the advertisement to solicit bids for the high school renovations work was placed in the Lancaster Eagle Gazette, with the first advertisement appearing on September 5, 2009, and bids were received for the work on October 2, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to give its formal approval of the construction documents design phase submission notebook for the Project, as presented by the Construction Manager, and approve the action taken to place the advertisements to solicit bids for the work;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of Liberty Union-Thurston Local School District as follows:

1. The construction documents design phase submission for the Project, which includes the construction documents design phase drawings and related documents prepared by the Architect and other required documents, all of which has been assembled by the Construction Manager, is approved by the Board.
2. The placement of the advertisements to solicit bids for the high school renovations work is approved, with the understanding that two advertisements were placed as required by the Ohio Revised Code for public school construction projects and bids were received on October 2, 2009, for the work and are currently being evaluated.
3. The Superintendent and Treasurer are authorized to sign the LFI MOU document describing the locally funded initiative improvements included in the high school renovations work for the construction documents design phase.

B. HIGH SCHOOL MODEL UNITED NATIONS: Approved the request for high school student participation in a Model United Nations program.

Dates: January 10 - 12, 2010
 Location: Hyatt Regency Hotel - Columbus, Ohio
 Transportation: Parent Transportation
 Chaperones: Parents and Advisor
 Student Cost: Approximately \$250

C. MIDDLE SCHOOL MODEL UNITED NATIONS: Approved the request for middle school participation in a Model United Nations program.

Dates: March 21 - 23, 2009
 Location: Hyatt Regency Hotel - Columbus, Ohio
 Transportation: School Buses
 Chaperones: Parents and Advisor
 Student Cost: Approximately \$200 per Student

EXECUTIVE SESSION: An executive session was requested, in order to discuss labor negotiations.

GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

098-09 Motion by Mike Raver, seconded by Joe Farmer, to go into Executive Session at 7:44 p.m. Brate, **absent**; Farmer, yes; Hochradel, yes; Hutton (**arrived at 7:44 pm**), yes; Raver, yes. Motion carried.

Shaun Hochradel excused himself during this discussion due to his wife being a teacher and a member of the LU-TEA.

RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

099-09 Motion by John Hutton, seconded by Mike Raver, to return from Executive Session at 8:00 p.m. Farmer, yes; Hochradel, yes; Hutton, yes; Raver, yes; Brate, **absent**.

NEGOTIATED CONTRACT: A tentative agreement with LUTEA for a negotiated contract, retro-active, July 1, 2009, through June 30, 2010, has been reached. The Board of Education approved the contract, as outlined in the tentative agreement.

100-09 Motion by Joe Farmer, seconded by John Hutton, to approve the LUTEA negotiated contract. Hochradel, **abstain**; Hutton, yes; Raver, yes; Brate, **absent**; Farmer, yes. Motion carried.

INFORMATION: CONSTRUCTION PROJECT UPDATE

TAX LEVY DISCUSSION: The half-percent income tax levy which passed by local voters in 2005, will expire in 2010. The Strategic Planning Committee and Finance Committee have looked at options.

The full Board of Education used this opportunity for discussion **ONLY** regarding tax levy options.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: The next regular meeting of the Liberty Union-Thurston Board of Education will be held on Monday, November 9, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. in the high school library.

ADJOURN:

101-09 Motion by Shaun Hochradel, seconded by John Hutton, to adjourn at 8:12 p.m. Hutton, yes; Raver, yes; Brate, **absent**; Farmer, yes; Hochradel, yes. Motion carried.

President

Attest