Minutes of Garaway Local Board of Education

ORGANIZATIONAL Meeting

1-01-21

ROLL CALL

The Garaway Local Board of Education met in special session on Monday, January 11, 2021, at 6:00 P.M. in the High School Library. Treasurer Sheryl Hardesty opened the meeting. Other members present were April Beachy, Bob Eckert, Dick Marshall, John Shrock and Mike Warkall.

1-02-21

ELECTION OF PRESIDENT

Mr. Warkall nominated April Beachy as Board President. Mr. Marshall seconded the nomination. Nominations were closed. Mr. Warkall moved the election of April Beachy as Board President. Mr. Marshall seconded the motion.

Roll call on motion: Ayes: Eckert, Marshall, Shrock, and Warkall Abstain: Beachy

1-03-21

ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT

Mrs. Beachy nominated Dick Marshall as Board Vice-President. Mr. Shrock seconded the nomination. Nominations were closed. Mrs. Beachy moved the election of Dick Marshall as Board Vice-President. Mr. Shrock seconded the motion.

Roll call on motion: Ayes: Beachy, Eckert, Shrock, and Warkall Abstain: Marshall

1-04-21

RE-ORGANIZATION

Mr. Marshall moved and Mr. Warkall seconded the motion approving the following items:

- 1. Regular Monthly Meetings The Board of Education will hold its regular monthly meetings on the following Mondays at 6:00 O'clock P.M. in the High School Library or other locations as announced; February 8, March 15, April 19, May 17, June 21, July 19, August 16, September 20, October 18, November 15, December 13, 2021, and January 10, 2022.
- 2. Establish Board Service Fund A service fund in the amount of \$2,500 is to be appropriated from the general fund and allocated to meet expenses of the Board of Education members or their appointed representatives pursuant to O.R.C.3315.15.
- 3. Advance Draw of Taxes Authorization is given to the Treasurer to request advance draws on tax settlements during the year 2021 as the monies are collected and available from the county auditor.
- 4. Investment of Interim Funds The Treasurer is authorized to invest interim funds at the most productive interest rate consistent with State Law and Board Policy.
- 5. Temporary Personnel Authorization is given to the Superintendent to employ temporary personnel as needed with such employment to be reported to the Board of Education at the next regular meeting.
- 6. Resignations Authorization is given to the Superintendent to accept resignations with such resignations to be reported to the Board of Education at the next regular meeting.
- 7. Personnel Authorization is given to the Superintendent to employ personnel as needed with such employment to be reported to the Board of Education at the next regular meeting.
- 8. Assignment of personnel to designated responsibilities:

James Millet – School Safety Coordinator

James Meek - School Maintenance and Grounds Coordinator

Jeffery Williams – Special Education Coordinator and Compliance Officer for all Federal Programs and Initiatives

Sheryl Hardesty – Public Records Officer and Training Designee

Roll call on motion: Ayes: Beachy, Eckert, Marshall, Shrock, and Warkall

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PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENTS

President April Beachy appointed Board members to their respective positions during the year 2021 as follows:

Legislative Liaison – April Beachy

Curriculum, Instruction, Testing and Technology Committee - Mike Warkall

Athletic Sub Committee - Bob Eckert

Policy Sub Committee – John Shrock

Building & Grounds Committee - Dick Marshall

Insurance Committee - April Beachy

Tuscarawas County Tax Incentive Review Council Representative – April Beachy

Buckeye Career Center Representative – Dick Marshall

Finance & Audit Committee - Mike Warkall and Bob Eckert

1-06-21

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Warkall moved and Mr. Marshall seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. Roll call on motion: Ayes: Beachy, Eckert, Marshall, Shrock, and Warkall

ATTEST Sherry Hardesty
Treasurer

SPECIAL

Meeting

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01-07-21

ROLL CALL

The Garaway Local Board of Education met in special session on Monday, January 11, 2021, at 6:15 O'Clock P.M. in the High School Library. President April Beachy opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Other members present were Bob Eckert, John Shrock, Dick Marshall, and Mike Warkall.

01-08-21

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Warkall moved and Mr. Shrock seconded the motion to approve this meeting's agenda and items as presented by the Superintendent.

Roll call on motion: Ayes: Eckert, Marshall, Shrock, Warkall, and Beachy

01-09-21

RECOGNITION OF COMMENDATIONS

November High School Student of the Month – Laiken Wallick November Middle School Student of the Month – Deegan Yoder November Fine Arts Student of the Month – Caleb R. Miller November Athletes of the Month – Liza Holcomb and Jake Braun

01-10-21

DONATIONS

Mr. Warkall moved and Mr. Marshall seconded the motion to approve the following donation:

1. Anonymous donation of \$40.00 to the Industrial Arts Club. Roll call on motion: Ayes: Eckert, Marshall, Shrock, Warkall, and Beachy

01-11-21

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Warkall moved and Mr. Marshall seconded the motion to approve the Treasurer's report as follows:

- 1. Approval of Minutes Minutes from the December 14, 2020, Special Meeting as recorded dispensing of reading pursuant to O.R.C. 3313.
- 2. Approval of bills as presented for December and payment of bills with "Then and Now" certificates.
- 3. Approval of financial reports for the month ended December 31, 2020.
- 4. Approval of Quarterly Investments Report as of December 31, 2020.
- 5. Approval of Annual Credit Card Rewards Report \$0.00 received. Roll call on motion: Ayes: Eckert, Marshall, Shrock, Warkall, and Beachy

01-12-21

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Eckert moved and Mr. Marshall seconded the motion to approve the following items of new business:

- 1. Contract with Tri-S Controls for maintenance of security system through February 28, 2021, at a cost of \$450.00.
- 2. Contract with Midland Brightwood for the replacement of two (2) sets of exterior double doors at Dundee Elementary at a cost of \$7,200.00.
- 3. Disposal of worn library books at Miller Ave. Elementary; non-working, outdated Student Services printer, tag #1713; and attached list of tools from Industrial Tech to be disposed of in the most efficient manner.
- 4. Approved the purchase of a 2022 International IC gasoline powered school bus for \$81,846 and the trade of Bus #1, a 2011 International IC for \$2,000.
- 5. Memorandum of Understanding between Garaway Local Schools and Kent State University pertaining to College Credit Plus for the 2021/2022 school year.

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6. Resolution authorizing refund the remaining deposit balances, \$8,187 in total, for the Washington D.C. Trip and the transfer of non-tax money from the General Fund to the Washington D.C. Trip Fund.

WHEREAS, on August 22, 2019, the District contracted with Main Street Tours, Inc. ("Main Street Tours") for travel and booking services for the Garaway Middle School's 8th grade trip to Washington, D.C. on May 6 through May 8, 2020 ("D.C. Trip"); and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the contract, the District collected \$16,000 from students and parents (collectively "families,") and paid Main Street Tours on behalf of the families; and

WHEREAS, citing the COVID-19 pandemic, Main Street Tours failed to provide services or issue refunds, resulting in the D.C. Trip being cancelled, in addition to families missing the educational benefit associated with the D.C. Trip and incurring out-of-pocket expenses; and

WHEREAS, on October 6, 2020, Main Street Tours filed a petition for bankruptcy in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Ohio; and

WHEREAS, on November 19, 2020, the District was able to recover a \$4,760 deposit directly from a hotel, which had since been reimbursed to the families; and

WHEREAS, the District has identified sources of non-tax dollars and desires to reimburse the families, using such non-tax dollars and in a manner consistent with Ohio law, for their remaining out-of-pocket expenses associated with the D.C. Trip.

NOW, THEREFORE, BIT IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Garaway Local School District, Tuscarawas County, Ohio, that:

Section 1: Determination of Public Purpose. Ohio law requires expenditures of public funds made by the Board of Education to be in furtherance of a valid public purpose. The Board is provided with broad discretion in determining what constitutes a public purpose. This Board hereby determines that expenditures of funds to reimburse families for the D.C. Trip serves a valid public purpose of the District – as the expenditures relate to the District's contractual agreement with Main Street Tours, and are reasonably related to the operation of the District and the general good of all of the inhabitants of the District. Moreover, the Board notes that on January 4, 2020, the Ohio Auditor of State advised the District that the use of non-tax dollars for this purpose is permitted.

Section 2: Authorization of Reimbursement. The Board authorizes the Treasurer to expend up to \$8,187, using non-tax dollars, to reimburse families for the payments they made for the D.C. Trip. Families are eligible for reimbursement based on evidence of an actual payment made and upon verifying that they have not recovered and are unable to recover out-of-pocket expenses associated with the D.C. Trip through travel insurance or other means. By this action, the Board authorizes and directs the Treasurer to encumber and pay any funds necessary for the enforcement and enactment of any aspect of this resolution.

<u>Section 3: Funds Recovered Through Bankruptcy Proceedings</u>. Any funds which may be recovered by the Board through Main Street Tours' bankruptcy proceedings shall become the property of the Board, shall be credited to the General Fund, and shall not be further reimbursed to the families.

Section 4: Compliance with Public Meetings Law. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of the Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code and Section 12 of H.B. 197 and any amendments thereto.

- 7. License Agreement with Broadway on Demand, LLC, for streaming services of the Fall Play, "Check Please".
- 8. Ohio School Boards Association membership renewal for calendar year 2021. Roll call on motion: Ayes: Eckert, Marshall, Shrock, Warkall, and Beachy

01-13-21 <u>EMPLOYMENT/PERSONNEL</u>

Mr. Marshall moved and Mr. Shrock seconded the motion approving the Superintendent's recommendation regarding the following personnel matters:

- 1. Resignation of Bradley Nyholm as Varsity Boys Golf Coach effective January 5, 2021.
- 2. Supplemental Contracts 2020/2021
 - a. Kevin Roberts as On Board Instructor (OBI) at the rate of \$24.90 per hour.
 - b. Pay rate of \$10 per hour for Garaway 7-12 Crossing Guard
- 3. Volunteer 2020/2021
 - a. Drexel Weber, Wrestling

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JANUARY 11 20 21 Held 4. Medical Leave **Carol Ball** Sarah Holcomb Julie Rest **Tammy Berger** Amber Immel Jessica Schwartz **Sherry Bichsel** Luke Immel **Leslie Seats** MacKenzie Dietz R. Bruce Kettlewell Gail Vaughn Michelle Wright Cindy Kettlewell Ginger Elmore **David Yoder Sheryl Hardesty Kathy Maurer** Roll call on motion: Ayes: Eckert, Marshall, Shrock, Warkall, and Beachy EMPLOYMENT/PERSONNEL 01-14-21 Mr. Marshall moved and Mr. Shrock seconded the motion approving the Superintendent's recommendation regarding the following personnel matter: 1. Medical Leave for Luke Warkall Roll call on motion: Ayes: Eckert, Marshall, Shrock, and Beachy Abstain: Warkall 01-15-21 **ADJOURNMENT** Mr. Marshall moved and Mr. Warkall seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. Roll call on motion: Ayes: Eckert, Marshall, Shrock, Warkall, and Beachy ATTEST

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