

NORTON BOARD OF EDUCATION – 11-21
Committee of the Whole Meeting of October 10, 2011

President Bennett called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Administration Conference Room and called the roll:

Mr. Jim Bennett, President – Present
Mrs. Laura Leonti, Vice President - Present
Mrs. Diane Farmer, Member – Present
Mrs. Cindy Webel, Member - Present
Mrs. Elisa Worthington, Member – Present

Also present were:
Mr. David Dunn, Superintendent
Mrs. Stephanie Hagenbush, Treasurer

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. **Technology & Instruction** –Sharon Herchik has set up an appointment with a representative from Akron University regarding the corrosion program.
- B. **Operations**- The district has received another letter regarding a busing issue; Dave will follow up with Ken Caldwell. The athletic department is looking into adding bowling. It will be run as a club sport, but under the OHSAA guidelines therefore the participants will be eligible for tournaments.
- C. **Policy**– Administrators met once with OSBA to begin the review of new policies and will meet a number of times to work on the new policies. After complete, a comprehensive review will be done before all the policies will be approved.
- D. **Finance**–Stephanie Hagenbush gave a presentation on the five year forecast to be approved at the Regular Meeting. The district has a positive cash balance for three years, but is in deficit spending. Revenues continue to decrease both from real estate taxes and from the state foundation program. The district has implemented reductions amounting to \$600,000 this year.
- E. **Community Engagement** – “Hot Topic” will be discussed after the Regular Board Meeting. Notices will be sent via email to invite everyone to come to the meeting to discuss the permanent improvement renewal levy.

PERSONNEL – CLASSIFIED (Pending Background Check)

11-209

Mrs. Leonti moved that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approve Lisa Wells, Cook at the Middle School.

Mrs. Farmer seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mr.Bennett,Mrs.Farmer,Mrs.Leonti,Mrs.Webel,Mrs.Worthington
NAYS: None – Motion Carries – 5-0

REINSTATE POSITION

11-210 **Mrs. Webel** moved that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approve the reinstatement of the 5.5 hour per day Secretary/Office Assistant position at the Norton High School as soon as possible.

Mrs. Farmer seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs.Farmer,Mrs.Leonti,Mrs.Webel,Mrs.Worthington,Mr.Bennett
NAYS: None – Motion Carries – 5-0

EXECUTIVE SESSION

11-211 **Mrs. Worthington** moved that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent enter Executive Session at 6:46 p.m. to discuss the employment of personnel.

Mrs. Leonti seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs.Leonti,Mrs.Webel,Mrs.Worthington,Mr.Bennett,Mrs.Farmer
NAYS: None – Motion Carries – 5-0

Invited into Executive Session were David Dunn and Stephanie Hagenbush. Mr. Dunn left at 6:50 p.m. and Mrs. Hagenbush left at 7:05 p.m.

President Bennett called the meeting back to public session at 7:17 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

11-212 **Mrs. Leonti** moved that the Board of Education adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting at 7:25 p.m.

Mrs. Webel seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs.Webel,Mrs.Worthington,Mr.Bennett,Mrs.Farmer,Mrs.Leonti
NAYS: None – Motion Carries – 5-0

“Notice of this meeting was given in accordance with the provisions of Policy and Regulations of the Board of Education which was adopted in accordance with §121.11 of the Ohio Revised Code and the Ohio Administrative Procedures Act.”

Jim Bennett, President

Stephanie Hagenbush, Treasurer