

NORTON BOARD OF EDUCATION – 09-17
Committee of the Whole – September 14, 2009

President Farmer called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. in the Administration Conference Room.

Those present:

Mrs. Diane Farmer, President
Mrs. Elisa Worthington, Vice President
Mr. Jim Bennett, Member
Mrs. Laura Leonti, Member
Mrs. Cindy Webel, Member
Mr. David Dunn, Superintendent
Mrs. Stephanie Hagenbush, Treasurer

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Transportation Committee – Paul Stoneking discussed the importance to the Transportation Committee and understands it is now encompassed with the Operations Committee. He asked for a meeting to be scheduled to discuss letters he has received about bus stop issues. The elimination of the St. Augustine’s run went well, only a few problems and Paul tried to help them with a solution. Route 20 was extended to help capacity of other routes. Vocational route is back to the original run of 1 ½ hours per day and this route was also made larger to help other routes. Bus route bidding will be end on September 24th. Diesel retrofit – one bus is completed. There were a few problems dealing with early arrival for Breakfast Program but they have been handled.
- B. Special Education – Valerie Riedthaler passed out a Medicaid Reimbursement Viability Study – possible reimbursement of \$138,754 over a three year period. Response to Intervention (RTI) –all buildings have teams and are working on professional development to teach interventions. There were several issues last year with parents but they have been resolved with the movement of teachers. Darla Ruff’s class will once again be doing an assortment of small jobs.
- C. Finance Committee – The Five Year Forecast was discussed along with the impacts of the new Ohio Evidence Based Model (OEBM) of school funding. We will receive a decrease of 1% in foundation funding this year and a 2% decrease next year. There are still many unanswered questions about how the OEBM will work and if waivers will be available for any areas.
- D. Technology & Instruction – The following was completed over the summer; servers updated, email changed, back-up is running, refreshed Progress Book, and a spring computer purchase. We lost \$5,000 in funding for connectivity, e-tech funding is gone, and Title II-D has been cut. Training for Smart Boards and Mimios has been taking place. Alert Now is almost ready to begin. Working on Ashland brochure and putting October staff development day together.
- E. Operations – Breakfast Program going well. At least fifty students in each building are taking advantage of this program. Masonry work on parking lot at the Middle school will cost \$1,500 plus materials for the class. Will meet with the short list of Construction Managers this week, but OSFC will make the final decision on the CM.

- F. Policy – More Students are signing up for sports possible due to the new Physical Education policy. The Policy Committee will schedule a meeting.

SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACT

CW-09-20 Mrs. Leonti moved that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approve the following supplemental contracts:

Thomas Chiera	Band Director
Charles Kaufman	Assistant Band Director

Mrs. Webel seconded the motion.

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

ADJOURNMENT

CW-9-21 Mrs. Leonti moved that the Board of Education adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting at 7:15 p.m.

Mr. Bennett seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs.Farmer,Mrs.Leonti,Mrs.Webel,Mrs.Worthington,Mr.Bennett
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.”

Diane Farmer, President

Stephanie Hagenbush, Treasurer