

MAPLEWOOD CAREER CENTER
Board Meeting Notes
Regular Meeting
August 21, 2014

Convened: 7:36 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Board President, Jay Kelsey.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Board Member, Bonnie Lovejoy.

Moment of silence.

Roll call: Donna Karg, Joanne Newhauser, and Dianne Whittlesey were absent.

Featured Program: None

Acceptance and approval of Board meeting agenda for August 21, 2014 as presented.

Acceptance and approval of the minutes for July 17, 2014 regular meeting, as presented.

The following visitors were received:

None were present

Present: Randy Griffith, Superintendent; Michelle Seckman, Treasurer

Board President, Jay Kelsey, reported on the following:

- Mr. Kelsey had nothing to report.

Legislative Liaison, Mary Kaley, reported on the following:

- HB597: This proposed legislation would eliminate and prohibit Ohio's use of the Common Core State Standards (CCSS). It was accepted by the House Rules and Reference Committee on Monday, August 18, 2014. Proponent testimony has been heard this week and additional testimony will continue next week. OSBA is urging its members to prepare testimony in opposition of the bill.

Student Achievement Liaison, Melissa Roubic, reported on the following:

- OSBA's *Student Success* Student achievement article – *STEM program takes Ohio middle schoolers onto Lake Erie*: Lake County school districts middle school students learn about environmental challenges facing Lake Erie.
- OSBA's *Student Success* Student achievement article – *Access a free directory of online colleges and universities*: Colleges and universities are offering online options.
- OSBA's *Student Success* Student achievement research brief – *New research report says education spending works*: In 28 States that responded to large gaps between richer and poorer school districts by substantially increasing their spending as the result of court-ordered changes in school finance, low-income children were significantly more likely to graduate from high school, earn livable wages, and avoid poverty in adulthood. Districts that increased their spending by 20%, saw increased graduation rates of 23%, increased average individual incomes of 25%, and increased average family incomes of 52%.

Superintendent, Randy Griffith, reported on the following:

- The Animal Science construction project is 99% complete. Fire shutters are still missing and some punch list items are left. Because the fire shutters are not in, Maplewood has applied for a temporary occupancy permit from the city and was granted the permit last week. As a precaution, two battery operated smoke detectors were also installed. The fire shutters will hopefully be installed next week. The project end date was August 8, 2014. Liquidated damages were included in the project specifications at \$500 per calendar day. Extra time for cleaning and other expenses caused by the length of the project will be considered. Details will be worked out before the next Board meeting.
- The clock, PA, and bell system replacement project is nearly complete. The bells are still being tested and staff is awaiting training. Also, the bell tones are a little loud and changes are being requested. A few bells are not ringing as planned; however, further issues will be identified when school starts next week. Hopefully, the project will be wrapped up by the end of next week.

- As announced at the previous Board meeting, Mr. Griffith invited all of Maplewood's associate school superintendents for a breakfast, tour, and discussion of professional development opportunities to be held at Maplewood on September 25, 2014, from 8:30 a.m. to 10:40 a.m. Every associate school superintendent has confirmed their attendance at this event.
- Program research is ongoing. Mr. Griffith will likely announce at least one program to market this year at the next Board meeting.
- The Board packet included the following: Correspondence from Douglas Orahoad, CPM, State Fire/Testing Coordinator, Ohio Department of Public Safety; Maplewood 2014-2015 Calendar Magnet; two *The Board* brochures.

The following recommendations were made by the Treasurer and motions were acted on by the Board:

- The District Financial Report was approved and filed for audit for the month of July 2014.
- The expenditures were approved for the month of July 2014.
- The investments were ratified for the month of July 2014.
- The bank reconciliations were ratified for the month of July 2014.
- Change and Petty Cash Funds FY2015.
- Restricted Indirect Cost Rate Agreement FY2015.
- FY2015 Set Asides
- Authorized the Treasurer to provide written consent to the assignment of Maplewood's Investment Management Agreement with Baird Public Investment Advisors to Red Tree Investment Group.
- Informational items: Fiscal Year 2014 GAAP Conversion and Fiscal Year 2014 Financial Audit; OSBA Capital Conference Registrations and Hotel Reservations; OSBA Treasurers' Clinic, Friday, September 5, 2014, Northeast Ohio Medical University, Rootstown; OSBA Northeast Region Fall Conference, Wednesday, October 1, 2014, The Galaxy Restaurant, Wadsworth; Pepple & Waggoner School Law Update Seminars, Thursday, September 18, 2014, Glenmoor Country Club, Canton, and Thursday, October 9, 2014, Double Tree Hotel, Independence.

The following recommendations were made by the Superintendent and motions were acted on by the Board:

- Accepted the resignations of Kathleen Hugus and Douglas Miller.
- Employed part-time Adult Education and/or ABLE personnel.
- Employed certificated/licensed personnel Michelle Jacobs, Math instructor, on a one-year teaching contract for the 2014-2015 school year.
- Employed certificated/licensed personnel Ashley Roche, Special Needs Tutor, on a one-year teaching contract for the 2014-2015 school year.
- Moved certificated/licensed personnel, Stacey Heitkamp, on the teachers' salary schedule due to acquiring her master degree.
- Approved the grant applications.
- Accepted one donation.

New Business

None

Unfinished Business

None

Executive Session (7:58 p.m. to 8:07 p.m.)

Employment of personnel

Adjourned: 8:08 p.m.

