

MAPLEWOOD CAREER CENTER
Board Meeting Notes
Regular Meeting
May 16, 2019

Convened: 5:00 p.m.

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Board Member Brian Violi.

Moment of silence.

Roll call: All were present.

Featured Program: Masonry

Superintendent, Randy Griffith, reviewed Mr. Robert Pavkov's history and comments and escorted the Board to the Masonry lab where he introduced instructor, Robert Pavkov. Mr. Pavkov gave a presentation highlighting the Masonry program.

Acceptance and approval of Board meeting agenda for May 16, 2019, as presented on BoardPaq.

Acceptance and approval of the minutes for April 18, 2019, regular meeting as presented.

The following visitors were received: Mr. Stephen Smith, MCCEA President.
Present: Mr. Randy Griffith, Superintendent; Mrs. Michelle Seckman, Treasurer

Board President, Jay Kelsey, reported on the following:

- Jay Kelsey congratulated Field Schools for their successful passage of their new and renewal levies, Rootstown Schools for their successful passage of their renewal levy, and Streetsboro Schools for their successful passage of their new levy.
- Mr. Kelsey congratulated Melissa Roubic for her success in the primary election for Portage County Municipal Court Judge.

Legislative Liaison, Mary Kaley, reported on the following:

- Mary Kaley reported that she has attended the OSBA Board Leadership Institute in April. She attended a session presented by Jennifer Hogue from OSBA. Jennifer Hogue gave a legislative update and reported that the Cupp-Patterson Fair Funding Model was on hold for the next 24 months. Legislators were concerned that the funding distribution was unfair and believe more research must be done.
- The House passed House Bill (HB) 166 by a vote of 85-9. The bill makes appropriations for the state operating budget for FY2020 and FY2021, including the school-funding formula. The House made many changes to the bill. School districts would be guaranteed to receive the aggregate amount of funding received in FY2019. Student Wellness and Success funds would be increased to \$275 million in FY2020 and 400 million in FY2021. \$20 million would be provided for school bus purchases. \$50 million would be provided for industry-recognized credentials. House Bill (HB) 154 was incorporated into the bill and would dissolve all current academic distress commissions, repeal the laws regarding academic distress commissions and require school districts to assemble an improvement team and create an improvement plan for low-performing school buildings. House Bill (HB) 75 was incorporated into the bill and would require school boards to pass a resolution approving a property valuation complaint or counter-complaint prior to filing that complaint and send written notice to property owners indicating intent to file complaints. House Bill (HB) 149 was incorporated into the bill and would exempt from property tax the increased value of unimproved land that has been subdivided for residential development for eight years or until construction begins or the land is sold. House Bill (HB) 187 was incorporated into the bill and would prohibit tax levy items from appearing on the August special election ballot. The bill would maintain the overall report card grade for EdChoice Scholarship Program eligibility and challenge

school district designations, despite the bill's changes to report cards. It would permit a school district that has already participated in the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission Classroom Facilities Assistance Program and has divided its project into segments to participate in the Expedited Local Partnership Program. It would increase the state's minimum teacher salary from \$20,000 to \$30,000. It would require public schools with at least 70% of students eligible for free or reduced meals to participate in the federal school breakfast program and would reduce the threshold to 60% the second year and 50% the third year. It would prohibit school districts from reducing the transportation they opted to provide students after the first day of a school year. It would permit ESCs to participate in the Ohio Medicaid Plan. It would authorize districts to drop off students at private and community schools up to 30 minutes before the start of the day and pick up students up to 30 minutes after the end of the school day. It would permit districts to use two full seasons of show choir to fulfill high school physical education requirements. It would allow school districts proposing a safety and security levy to share the proceeds with private schools located within the boundaries of the district. House Bill (HB) 166 now goes to the Senate for consideration.

- The Senate passed Senate Bill (SB) 26 by a vote of 32-0. The bill would permit teachers to deduct from their state income taxes up to \$250 for out-of-pocket expenses for classroom supplies and professional development. It now goes to the House for consideration.
- The Senate passed Senate Bill (SB) 1 by a vote of 24-8. It would require the Ohio Department of Education and other State agencies to reduce regulatory restrictions by 30% by 2022. It now goes to the House for consideration.
- The House Primary and Secondary Education Committee passed Senate Bill (SB) 4. It would add \$100 million to the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission budget for eight districts with shovel ready projects. It now goes to the House for a full vote.
- The Senate Education Committee conducted a third hearing on Senate Bill (SB) 89. It would revise the law regarding career-technical education and joint vocational school districts. OSBA, the Buckeye Association of School Administrators and the Ohio Association of School Business Officials testified in support of the bill.
- The Senate Education Committee conducted a fifth hearing on Senate Bill (SB) 34. It would revise school employment policies and revise procedures regarding educator licensure and conduct.
- Mrs. Kaley attended an event at the ESC of Northeast Ohio titled *Disrupting Poverty Network of Ohio Presents Trauma-Informed Education*. The presenter, Meryl Johnson, is a former teacher and current State Board of Education member. She gave information on how trauma affects children in kindergarten through third grade. She showed brain scans of children who had suffered trauma and those that had not to explain the physical effects of trauma on the brain. She said that children are more traumatized by neglect than they are by physical abuse.

Student Achievement Liaison, Chelli Yoho, reported on the following:

- OSBA's *Student Success* student achievement in depth – *Report lists skills needed by the class of 2030*: Today's kindergartners are the class of 2030. A study conducted by Microsoft suggests that the current education system needs overhauled and refreshed. To prepare the class of 2030, it urges the overhaul of the education system to include unprecedented opportunities for collaboration, the progressive automation of lower-skilled jobs, employers' demands for workers with more well-rounded skills, and students' desire and expectation to operate with autonomy and choice.

Superintendent, Randy Griffith, reported on the following:

- The Streetsboro press boxes are complete. Mr. Griffith will send a letter to the Streetsboro Board of Education thanking them for the opportunities they have given Maplewood students to experience on-site construction.
- The Carpentry students have built a 12 foot by 15 foot building for the Portage County Health Board at the Randolph Fairgrounds over the past two weeks. The building includes a 4 foot porch with a metal overhang and can lights. The Electricity students have been involved in the wiring and installation of lights.
- There have been a couple of construction meetings the past few weeks. Submittals are coming in and the subcontractors are showing up for the meetings. Hummel Construction appears organized. So far, things appear to be going well, however, the problems do not usually arrive until construction phase.

- Mr. Griffith presented the day school report. 345 incoming juniors are enrolled for the 2019-2020 school year. 21 students were recognized at the All Year Perfect Attendance Breakfast held on May 15, 2019. April students of the month are Junior, Heaven Mills, COS-G, Garfield, and Senior, Michaela Borowski, COS-G, Ravenna.
- Mr. Griffith presented the Supervisor of Business Affairs Report in Mr. Lenzo's absence. Maplewood hosted the Portage County Business Directors' meeting on Wednesday, May 15, 2019. The recycling program has been reinstated thanks to the HSC students, Mrs. Jody Russell, Mrs. Cynthia Simmons, and Mrs. Linda Hunter. The base and the stone are installed for the digital sign installation and it is ready for the sign company to finish the aluminized portions and install the displays. Mr. Lenzo attended and enjoyed the SkillsUSA recognition, the FFA recognition, the Option 4 recognition, ECE preschool graduation, and the Perfect Attendance Breakfast. The Maplewood auction will be May 23, 2019 at 3:00 p.m. at the bus barn. New curtains have been installed in the cafeteria.
- The Board packet included the following: four *Record-Courier* articles, "*Maplewood students head to nationals*", "*BREAKING DOWN DOORS – Maplewood students build training prop for Ravenna Twp. Fire Department*", "*Maplewood NHS welcomes inductees*", and "*Amazing Teachers – Melissa Cutright, Math, Maplewood Career Center, 14 years experience*"; High School Equivalency Recognition Invitation. Mr. Griffith invited the Board members to attend the GED Graduation taking place on Thursday, June 6, 2019, at 7:00 p.m.

Supervisor of Business Affairs: Mr. Griffith gave Mr. Lenzo's report during his report.

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 April, 2019.
- The expenditures were approved for the month of April, 2019.
- The investments were ratified for the month of April, 2019.
- The bank reconciliations were ratified for the month of April, 2019.
- Accepted the Restricted Indirect Cost Rate Agreement for FY2020 at the Ohio Department of Education approved rate of 6.03%.
- Approved a \$22,000 advance to the Adult Education Fund.

Informational Items: Records Commission Meeting, May 16, 2019, 4:45 p.m.; Finance and Audit Committee Meeting, June 20, 2019, 4:45 p.m.; Ohio ACTE 2019 Connections to Education Conference, Hilton Easton, July 29-31, 2019.

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

- Accepted the resignations of Ashley Brindle, Marketing and Management Instructor, effective June 30, 2019; Joseph Niederst, Auto Service Technology Instructor, effective end of the day, May 8, 2019; Laura Ridley, Animal Science Instructor, effective July 31, 2019.
- Approved the course/program/position/personnel list per the Maplewood Career Center Education Association Negotiated Agreement.
- Re-employed administrators on 2-year contracts: Doug Daugherty, Joseph Hinton, Ted Slankard, and Jennifer Smith.
- Re-employed certificated/licensed teachers on one-year contracts for the 2019-2020 school year.
- Re-employed certificated/licensed tutors on one-year contracts for the 2019-2020 school year.
- Granted certificated/licensed teachers supplemental contracts for the 2019-2020 school year.
- Re-employed certificated/licensed substitute teachers for the 2019-2020 school year.
- Re-employed classified substitutes for the 2019-2020 school year.
- Re-employed classified personnel on a two-year contract: Alyssa Brown, Jeremy DeWitt, Catherine Frances, Jennifer Mejia, Richard Mejia, Chris Simyak, and Elizabeth Slater.
- Approved personnel salary notices for the 2019-2020 school and/or contract year.
- Approved moving the following employee on the classified negotiated agreement wage schedule: Nikole Swansiger.

- Approved employment for the following substitute instructors in the specific positions on an as needed basis, for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year: David Makin, Substitute Auto Service Technology and John Cale, Substitute Marketing and Management Teacher.
- Employed part-time Adult Education and/or ASPIRE personnel.
- Accepted six donations.

Other Recommendations:

- Reviewed the Maplewood Preschool Handbook.
- Approved the student program fees for the 2019-2020 school year.
- Reviewed the textbook list for the 2019-2020 school year.
- Reviewed the Courses of Study for the following programs: Criminal Justice and Robotics and Computer Technologies.
- Approved an overnight field trip for Welding students, Aedyn Langstaff, Ryan Stevens, Karsyn Reider, and their advisor, Britt Palmer, to attend the SkillsUSA National Competition on June 24-28, 2019, in Louisville, Kentucky.

Executive Session: (5:48 p.m. to 6:11 p.m.)

Employment or appointment of public employees

Adjourned: 6:11 p.m.