

**REGULAR MEETING  
THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF  
YOUNGSTOWN CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO**

**20 West Wood Street**

**May 25, 2010**

The Youngstown Board of Education met in regular session at the I.L. Ward Building on May 25, 2010. President Anthony Catale called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence. Roll call was taken with the following board members in attendance:

Members present: Murphy, Atkinson, Beachum, Catale, Drennen, Hanni, Mahone  
Members absent: None

**STUDENT BOARD MEMBERS**

Members present: None  
Members absent: Bennett, Cook, Van Wright

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 5:40 p.m. Mr. Beachum moved, seconded by Mr. Murphy that board members adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussing: the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of an employee or the investigation of charges or complaints against an employee, official, licensee or student, unless the employee, official, licensee or student requests a public hearing. On roll call vote the results were as follows:

Ayes: Murphy, Atkinson, Beachum, Catale, Drennen, Hanni, Mahone  
Nays: None

Board members came out of executive session at 6:29 p.m.

The regular portion of the meeting was reconvened in the boardroom at 6:35 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

As the first item of business, Mr. Catale called for a motion approving the agenda Mr. Beachum moved that the agenda be approved with the addition of Resolution No. 95-10, superintendent search consultant. It was seconded by Ms. Drennen. On roll call vote the results were as follows:

Ayes: Murphy, Atkinson, Beachum, Catale, Drennen, Hanni, Mahone  
Nays: None

Motion carried, and the agenda was approved as amended.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mr. Beachum moved, seconded by Mr. Murphy that the minutes of the regular board meeting of May 11, 2010 along with the minutes of the special meeting of May 17, 2010 be approved as presented. On roll call vote the results were as follows:

Ayes: Murphy, Atkinson, Beachum, Catale, Drennen, Hanni, Mahone

Nays: None

Motion carried, and minutes were approved as presented.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

There were no oral or written communications.

## **CITIZEN PARTICIPATION**

President Catale called for citizen participation. Tom Anderson, Terrance Esarco, Hurndon Mitchell, Jr., Roxy Gurlea, Pamela Collins, Clarence Boles, and Louis Muhammad addressed the Board.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Rachel Hanni, Certificated Personnel/Community Relations Speakers Bureau Committee; Andrea Mahone, Legal/Legislative/Policy Richard Atkinson, Extra Curricular/Sports Committee; June Drennen, Curriculum/Career Tech Committee and Lock P. Beachum, Sr., Finance/Accounting/Investments Committee spoke to committee meeting information, recommended passage of resolutions pertaining to their committees and noted future committee meeting dates.

## **PRESENTATION**

Bill Johnson, treasurer, reviewed five-year forecast financial information in detail noting that this information is updated monthly on the district website.

## **FACILITIES REPORT**

Mr. DeNiro, assistant superintendent of school business affairs, noted that the rainy May weather hampered the completion of the demolition process of the West and Hillman sites. As weather permits, the final landscaping seeding will be completed. The Wilson building project is on schedule and should be completed by the end of June. Mr. DeNiro also stated that the treasurer's office and the business office are continuing to work together to complete the close out of the building project.

## **BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

President Catale addressed disparaging remarks regarding his personal integrity and character. He also addressed the following:

- Name of the new Wilson Middle School
- Racisim
- Neighborhood schools
- Urban education
- Superintendent search
- Community forums regarding the superintendent search
- Specialty schools

## **EXECUTIVE REPORTS**

Superintendent Webb noted the following events:

- May 26<sup>th</sup> East High School's first Evening of Excellence
- May 26<sup>th</sup> Title I Parent Transition Picnic
- May 27<sup>th</sup> Harding's Family Literacy Night

Dr. Webb noted her willingness to meet with any organization in the community or any gathering of 2/3 persons to discuss the Strategic Plan and the Transformation Plan. She further presented updated information regarding the Pathways to Advancement Plan.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Mr. Beachum offered a motion to place Resolution No. 90-10 through Resolution No. 95-10 on a Consent Agenda. Mr. Atkinson seconded the motion, and on roll call vote the results were as follows:

Ayes: Murphy, Atkinson, Beachum, Catale, Drennen, Hanni, Mahone

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Mr. Catale then entertained a motion to adopt the Consent Agenda. Mr. Beachum moved adoption of the Consent Agenda, seconded by Ms. Drennen which included Resolution No. 90-10 through Resolution No. 95-10 summarized as follows:

Ayes: Murphy, Atkinson, Beachum, Catale, Drennen, Hanni, Mahone

Nays: None

Motion carried.

**The Public Schools  
Youngstown, Ohio  
Office of the Treasurer**

**RESOLUTION NO. 90-10**

**FIVE-YEAR FORECAST  
FISCAL YEAR 2010**

**WHEREAS**, Ohio Revised Code requires that boards of education file five-year forecasts with the Department of Education on an annual basis; and

**WHEREAS**, five-year forecasts are mandated to be filed if the forecasts change in a material manner as to expenses, revenues or ending balances during the course of the year in which it is required to have been filed;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of Youngstown City School District approves the attached five-year forecast and approves it for filing with the Ohio Department of Education as required by law.

Mr. Beachum moved, seconded by Ms. Drennen that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Ayes: Murphy, Atkinson, Beachum, Catale, Drennen, Hanni, Mahone

Nays: None

Motion carried.

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**The Public Schools  
Youngstown, Ohio  
Office of the Treasurer**

**RESOLUTION NO. 91-10**

**CASH FUND STATEMENT AND FIVE (5) YEAR MODEL  
APRIL 2010**

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with maintaining an accurate picture of all the funds of Youngstown City School District monthly cash fund statements and five (5) year model are prepared;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of Youngstown City School District hereby accepts and approves the April 2010, Cash Fund Statement and Five (5) Year Model.

Mr. Beachum moved, seconded by Ms. Drennen that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Ayes: Murphy, Atkinson, Beachum, Catale, Drennen, Hanni, Mahone

Nays: None

Motion carried.

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**DEPARTMENT OF CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION**

**The Public Schools  
Youngstown, Ohio  
Office of the Superintendent**

**RESOLUTION NO. 92-10**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MEMBERSHIP IN  
THE OHIO HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION**

**WHEREAS**, Article 3, Section 1, Paragraph 3 of the Constitution of the Ohio High School Athletic Association requires, as a condition of continuing membership, a board of education to adopt a resolution authorizing membership for the schools under its jurisdiction; and

**WHEREAS**, schools eligible for membership are those that include one or more grades at the 7-12 grade level; and

**WHEREAS**, schools must conduct their athletes in accordance with the constitution, by-laws, regulations, interpretations and decisions of the Ohio High School Athletic Association; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education of the Youngstown City School District desires to maintain the membership of its schools in the Ohio High School Athletic Association for the 2010-2011 school year.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board of Education of the Youngstown City School District hereby authorizes membership for all the schools under its jurisdiction which are eligible for membership in the Ohio High School Athletic Association for the 2010-2011 school year, and commits those schools to conducting their athletes in accordance with the constitution, by-laws- regulations, interpretations, and decisions of the Ohio High School Athletic Association. The Youngstown Schools so authorized for membership are:

P. Ross Berry Middle School  
Volney Rogers Middle School

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a certified copy of this resolution shall be delivered by the treasurer of this Board of Education to the Ohio High School Athletic Association and to each of the above-named schools.

Mr. Beachum moved, seconded by Ms. Drennen that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Ayes: Murphy, Atkinson, Beachum, Catale, Drennen, Hanni, Mahone  
Nays: None

Motion carried.

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**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES**

**The Public Schools  
Youngstown, Ohio  
Office of the Superintendent**

**RESOLUTION NO. 93-10**

**CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL  
APPOINTMENT AND RETIREMENTS**

**RESOLVED**, based upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent of the Human Resources, the following appointment and retirements was being accepted for the 2009-10 school year:

**APPOINTMENT**

Substitute Teacher (Fund 001) – To be used on an “as needed basis” as follows:

- \$70.00 a day or from day 1 to day 10 if in the same position
- \$75.00 a day from day 11 to day 60 if in the same position
- \$157.64 a day from day 61 to day 184 if in the same position

Stephanie M. Oyster

**RETIREMENTS**

Superintendent

Dr. Wendy E. Webb	Retirement	Eff. 01/01/11
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Teacher

Robert Posey	Retirement	Eff. 07/01/10
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Mr. Beachum moved, seconded by Ms. Drennen that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Ayes: Murphy, Atkinson, Beachum, Catale, Drennen, Hanni, Mahone

Nays: None

Motion carried.

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**The Public Schools  
Youngstown, Ohio  
Office of the Superintendent**

**RESOLUTION NO. 94-10**

**CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL  
LEAVES OF ABSENCE AND RETIREMENTS**

**RESOLVED**, based upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, the following leaves of absence and retirements are being accepted for the 2009-10 school year:

**LEAVES OF ABSENCE**

LPN

Marva Stubbs	Medical Leave of Absence	Eff. 5/11/10 thru 06/11/10
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Monitorial Aide

Jessie T. Maxwell	Medical Leave of Absence	Eff. 05/17/10 thru 06/11/10
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**RETIREMENTS**

Secretary

Lillian Navarra	Retirement	Eff. 08/31/10
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Bus Driver

Lawrence L. Bush	Retirement	Eff. 07/01/10
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Mr. Beachum moved, seconded by Ms. Drennen that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Ayes: Murphy, Atkinson, Beachum, Catale, Drennen, Hanni, Mahone

Nays: None

Motion carried.

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**The Public Schools  
Youngstown, Ohio  
Office of the Treasurer**

**RESOLUTION NO. 95-10**

**RESOLUTION SELECTING A  
SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH CONSULTANT**

**WHEREAS**, Superintendent Webb has advised the Board of Education that she will resign her superintendence effective January 1, 2011; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education wishes to conduct a national search for a successor in order to secure the best pool of candidates possible; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to conduct such a search the Board of Education wishes to secure the services of a consultant with experience in this area;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOVED**, that the Board selects Ohio School Boards Association as consultants to act on behalf of the Board of Education in conducting the superintendent search in accordance with the proposal presented at a base cost of \$6,400 plus out of pocket expenses; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board authorizes the President and Treasurer to sign said contract on its behalf.

Mr. Beachum moved, seconded by Ms. Drennen that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Ayes: Murphy, Atkinson, Beachum, Catale, Drennen, Hanni, Mahone

Nays: None

Motion carried.

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**The Public Schools  
Youngstown, Ohio  
Office of the Superintendent**

To: Board of Education

Subject: Recommendation on Appeal Hearing for Suspension

In accordance with Ohio Revised Code 3313.66 and 3313.661 and the Youngstown Board of Education Policy 5610, an appeal hearing was held Tuesday, May 4, 2010 at 11:00 a.m. for student Quincy Boone.

Kate Good, the designee of the President of the Board of Education, served as the appeal officer. After reviewing all documentation, the hearing officer believes the student, Quincy Boone, was given due process in the ten (10) day suspension. The ten (10) day suspension of student, Quincy Boone, should be upheld.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anthony Catale, President  
Youngstown Board of Education

Mr. Catale moved, seconded by Mr. Beachum that the foregoing recommendation be adopted.

Ayes: Murphy, Atkinson, Beachum, Catale, Drennen, Hanni, Mahone

Nays: None

Motion carried.

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**The Public Schools  
Youngstown, Ohio  
Office of the Superintendent**

To: Board of Education

Subject: Recommendation on Appeal Hearing for Suspension

In accordance with Ohio Revised Code 3313.66 and 3313.661 and the Youngstown Board of Education Policy 5610, an appeal hearing was held Thursday, April 29, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. for student Edward Brown.

Kate Good, the designee of the President of the Board of Education, served as the appeal officer. After reviewing all documentation, the hearing officer believes the suspension of student, Edward Brown, should be modified to read "School Disruption" instead of "Dangerous Weapon". Because this is his first suspension this year, it should be reduced to three (3) days in keeping with the Student Code of Conduct and Board Policy.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anthony Catale, President  
Youngstown Board of Education

Mr. Catale moved, seconded by Mr. Beachum that the foregoing recommendation be adopted.

Ayes: Murphy, Atkinson, Beachum, Catale, Drennen, Hanni, Mahone

Nays: None

Motion carried.

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**The Public Schools  
Youngstown, Ohio  
Office of the Superintendent**

To: Board of Education

Subject: Recommendation on Appeal Hearing for Suspension

In accordance with Ohio Revised Code 3313.66 and 3313.661 and the Youngstown Board of Education Policy 5610, an appeal hearing was held Monday, May 3, 2010 at 1:30 p.m. for student Bobby Hayes.

Kate Good, the designee of the President of the Board of Education, served as the appeal officer. After reviewing all documentation, the hearing officer believes the suspension of student, Bobby Hayes, was given due process. The three (3) day suspension of student, Bobby Hayes, should be upheld.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anthony Catale, President  
Youngstown Board of Education

Mr. Catale moved, seconded Mr. Beachum by that the foregoing recommendation be adopted.

Ayes: Murphy, Atkinson, Beachum, Catale, Drennen, Hanni, Mahone

Nays: None

Motion carried.

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**The Public Schools  
Youngstown, Ohio  
Office of the Superintendent**

To: Board of Education

Subject: Recommendation on Appeal Hearing for Suspension

In accordance with Ohio Revised Code 3313.66 and 3313.661 and the Youngstown Board of Education Policy 5610, an appeal hearing was held Tuesday, May 4, 2010 at 10:15 a.m. for student Amberlynn Miller.

Kate Good, the designee of the President of the Board of Education, served as the appeal officer. After reviewing all documentation, the hearing officer believes the student, Amberlynn Miller, was given due process in the three (3) day suspension. The three (3) day suspension of student, Amberlynn Miller, should be upheld.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anthony Catale, President  
Youngstown Board of Education

Mr. Catale moved, seconded by Mr. Beachum that the foregoing recommendation be adopted.

Ayes: Murphy, Atkinson, Beachum, Catale, Drennen, Hanni, Mahone

Nays: None

Motion carried.

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## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business requiring board action at this time, Mr. Beachum moved that the meeting adjourn. Mr. Murphy seconded the motion, and upon voice vote all board members voted yes. Mr. Catale announced the meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

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President

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Treasurer