Minutes of

Special

Meeting

Held

October 26

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COPLEY-FAIRLAWN CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Special Meeting Board of Education Conference Room October 26, 2021 3:00 p.m.

Steve Coon, President called the meeting to order at 3:07 p.m.

John Wheadon, Treasurer, called the roll and the following were present:

Jim Borchik

Paul Cevasco

Steve Coon

Steve Doss

Paula Lynn

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A. Agenda

It was moved by Mr. Borchik, seconded by Mr. Cevasco, to adopt the agenda for the October 26, 2021 special meeting, as presented.

AYES: Borchik, Cevasco, Lynn, Doss, Coon

NAYS: None

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B. Executive Session

It was moved by Mrs. Lynn, seconded by Mr. Cevasco, to go into executive session pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1). The board shall consider the employment/compensation of employees or officials of the school district at 3:08 p.m.

AYES: Lynn, Cevasco, Doss, Borchik, Coon

NAYS: None

The Board returned to public session at 3:51 p.m.

C. Topics

1. Lease Agreement with Copley Township

Discussion occurred about a lease agreement received from Copley
Township regarding the middle school property and constructing a parking
lot. Revisions were made to the agreement and forwarded back to the
township for consideration.

2. Cooperative Agreement with Crystal Clinic

Crystal Clinic has approached the school district regarding advertising on the high school property/stadium in exchange for scholarships and or monetary donations. Future meetings are planned between Crystal Clinic administration and school district administration.

3. Future Board Meeting Dates

The regular December meeting was scheduled for December 21, 2021 which is during the holiday break. The meeting will be rescheduled for December 14, 2021. Based on the regular meeting being moved to an early date, the work session scheduled for December 16, 2021 will be cancelled.

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In addition, the work session scheduled for November 11, 2021 will be cancelled.

4. ODE Report Card Review

School district report cards were released by the Ohio Department of Education (ODE) earlier this month. As ODE explained on their website, the education community experienced unprecedented disruptions during the 2020/2021 school year due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The report cards look significantly different than previous years. Per ODE, "Even though a lot of data is available, it would not be fair to rate schools based on the data". There are no grades or ratings on the report cards per Ohio law. The districts performance index was 94.9.

5. COVID Updated Rules

The State of Ohio updated rules on quarantines for school aged children. The new rules are "mask to stay" and "test to play". The new Ohio Department of Health guidelines will be posted on the school district website.

6. Property Tax Appeals

The district is experiencing higher than normal property tax appeals. If it makes financial sense to challenge the appeals, then they will be challenged. Legal fees and appraisal costs are sometimes more costly than the amount that would be gained in taxes.

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D. Adjournment

It was moved by Mr. Borchik, seconded by Mr. Doss, to adjourn the meeting (4:20 p.m.)

AYES: Borchik, Doss, Cevasco, Lynn, Coon

NAYS: None

President

Treasurer