

**GOOCHLAND COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD  
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
JUNE 14, 2011  
GOOCHLAND HIGH SCHOOL**

**MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Ivan O. Mattox, Sr., Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Present were:**

Ivan O. Mattox, Sr., Chairman  
James L. Haskell, Vice Chairman  
Mr. Maxwell G. Cisne  
Mr. Raymond A. Miller  
Mr. Andrew A. Meng, III  
Dr. Linda A. Underwood, Superintendent

**Also attending were:**

Peter M. Gretz, Assistant Superintendent  
Thomas DeWeerd, Director of Secondary Education  
Ernie McLeod, Director of Finance and Operations  
Betty Thurston, Supervisor of Transportation  
Sonny Turner, Supervisor of Maintenance  
Lisa Landrum, Nutrition Supervisor  
Francie Ball, Principal, Goochland High School  
Johnette Burdette, Principal, Goochland Middle School  
Andrea Erard, Legal Counsel  
Diane Bennett, School Board Clerk

**The Media was represented by:**

Jim Fields, *The Goochland Gazette*

**MOMENT OF SILENCE**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/CHANGES TO AGENDA**

Dr. Underwood presented additions/deletions/changes to agenda.

**FIRST PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

None.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/REMINDERS**

- A. Regular Monthly Workshop: Tuesday, June 28, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. at Goochland High School
- B. Central Office Summer hours are now in effect. The Board was given a schedule of hours.

**CONSENT ITEMS**  
**MINUTES**  
**BILLS/PAYROLL**

The following Consent Agenda items were presented for approval:  
May 10, 2011 regular meeting minutes, May 24, 2011 and the reconvened meeting of  
May 24, 2011 minutes, and Bills and Payroll for May.

**Appointments:**

Andrew Meiller, GES  
Keisha Carroll, GMS, Secretary/Bookkeeper  
Alison Gooding, GES

**Probationary Contract:**

Cynthia Edmonds, RES, Art

**Summer School Appointments:**

Jamie-Ellen Spessard, Elementary Principal  
Christin Ashman, Middle School Principal  
Matt Covington, High School Principal  
Karen Scott, High School Principal

**Elementary Teachers:**

Donna Dickerson  
Amanda Brownson  
Lucia Kuykendall  
Kamesha Smith  
Terri Nunes  
Renaë Townsend  
Zarina Singh  
Laura Hatcher  
Shelliotte Lawson

Bethany Gordon  
John Driscoll  
Megan Donovan  
Erin Casey  
Nicole Carter  
Kelly Burton  
Krystle Battistelli  
Patrick Gill

**Middle School Teachers:**

Khadijah Johnson  
Karen Harden  
Tiffany Ray  
Rebecca Wallace

Julia Norris  
Patrick Gordon  
Leslie Deitterick  
Courtney Rodgers

**High School Teachers:**

Elizabeth Kuhns

Patrick Brook

**Instructional Assistants:**

Sally Hodges  
Cecilla Randolph  
Tandra Harris

Ann DeArras  
Jacqueline Hamilton

## **Resignations:**

Angela Allen, Bus Driver  
Alice Fruth, GES, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade  
Fay Hall, Secretary-Guidance, GHS  
Karen McTamaney, GES, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade  
Matthew Wilson, GHS, Math/Science  
Jamie Winfield, GMS, Social Studies

Mr. Cisne made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Meng, to approve the Consent Items as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

### **ACTION ITEMS:**

#### **TITLE II, PART D, EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY APPLICATION APPROVAL**

Dr. Underwood presented the 2010-2011 Title II, Part D, Educational Technology Application in the amount of \$2,186.34 for approval.

Mr. Meng made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Haskell, to approve the Title II, Part D, Educational Technology Application as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

#### **RESOLUTION UNDER ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION ACT (ESEA)**

Dr. Underwood presented a Resolution under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). The resolution is as follows:

### **RESOLUTION CONCERNING REGULATORY RELIEF FOR AMERICA'S SCHOOLS JUNE 14, 2011**

WHEREAS, the Elementary and Secondary Education ACT (ESEA), currently known as "No Child Left Behind," is more than three years overdue for reauthorization;

WHEREAS, the current law is widely recognized as flawed and in need of improvement;

WHEREAS, the current accountability requirements will result in more than three-quarters of America's public schools being labeled as "failing" in the coming year;

WHEREAS, such a drastic misrepresentation of the accomplishments of America's public schools does more harm than good and undermines the hard work of millions of educators and students across the nation every day;

WHEREAS, America's public schools and the students they serve deserve relief from the onerous regulations that are widely acknowledged to be both unfair and overly burdensome;

WHEREAS, in facing the challenge of implementing these complex regulations, school districts across the nation struggle with the rigidity of regulation and are forced to spend resources, both financial and human, on compliance rather than on teaching and learning; and

WHEREAS it is increasingly unlikely that Congress will be able to complete full reauthorization before the 2011-2012 school year and alleviate pressure from both current law and its related regulations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Goochland County School Board, supports reauthorization of the outdated ESEA legislation. With this resolution, we therefore:

Urge – absent Congressional reauthorization – immediate regulatory relief for the 2011-2012 school year, and any efforts to rescind or modify current regulations and alleviate undue pressure on the nation's schools;

Urge the Department of Education to exercise their regulatory authority to relieve school districts from the constraints of current statutes, keeping schools from being held hostage while Congress moves forward with complete reauthorization;

Request that this relief be straight regulatory relief, not waivers. Schools deserve straight regulatory relief, and not the additional requirements or conditions that often come with waivers; and

Specifically support suspension of additional sanctions under current AYP requirements effective for the 2011-2012 school year. (Schools currently facing sanctions would remain frozen; no new schools would be labeled as 'In Need of Improvement' or subject to new or additional sanctions.)

Mr. Haskell made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Cisne, to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

#### HEALTH INSURANCE – CONTRIBUTION STRATEGY

Ernie McLeod presented the health insurance contribution strategy and made recommendations for a realignment of the employer contribution for full-time and part-time employees. Mr. Mattox asked for a consensus of the Board regarding the contribution for part-time employees. The Board decided on 55%.

Dr. Underwood recommended that the Board approve the full-time rates as presented.

Mr. Miller made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Meng, to approve the Health Insurance Contribution Strategy for full-time employees as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

Dr. Underwood recommended that the Board approve the rates for part-time employees reflecting a 55% employer contribution.

Mr. Haskell made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Cisne, to approve the Health Insurance Contribution Strategy for part-time employees reflecting a 55% employer contribution. The motion was approved unanimously.

#### HEALTH INSURANCE – RETIREE HEALTHCARE

Ernie McLeod presented information regarding retiree health insurance. Mr. McLeod made a recommendation to revise the procedures the employees hired on or after July 1, 2011 not have access to the schools' retirement healthcare.

Mr. Haskell made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Cisne, to approve the health insurance recommendation as presented. Board members were polled: Meng – Abstain; Miller – Abstain; Mattox – Nay; Cisne – Aye; Haskell – Aye. The motion failed.

#### MEETING CALENDAR REVISION

Dr. Underwood presented information regarding a modification to the Board meeting calendar. A suggestion was made that the workshop for June be canceled and the workshop for July be rescheduled for July 12, 2011 at 5:00 p.m. immediately preceding the regular board meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Meng made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Cisne, to accept the modification to the Board meeting calendar as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

#### INFORMATION ITEMS:

##### SCHOOL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD REPORT

Marti Van Epps presented the School Health Advisory Board (SHAB) Report

### AUDIT AND CAFR INFORMATION

Ernie McLeod presented information on other counties' use of a separate CAFR. 86% are using a combined CAFR. It was recommended that this item be brought back to the July meeting.

### RECOMMENDED FEES FOR SY 2011-2012

Dr. Underwood presented the proposed fees for SY 2011-2012. The fees will be brought back on July 12, 2011 for approval.

### ENERGY PLAN

Sonny Turner presented information on the energy plan and potential savings. The Board reached a consensus to move forward with a consultant on what could further be done.

### DONATION FROM HOFFMAN COMMUNICATIONS

Dr. Underwood presented a report regarding a donation from Hoffman Communications.

### TITLE I, DISTRICT-WIDE, PARENT INVOLVEMENT POLICY/REGULATION

Revisions to the Title I Elementary Parental Involvement Regulations (IGBC-R) were presented for first reading. The regulation will be brought back at the July meeting for approval.

### OLD BUSINESS

- Mr. Miller presented a point of clarification, referring to a publication in the news, i.e., "Miller Proposes Closing School." He read his own email from the minutes of the March 8 meeting and added that nowhere in his writing was there a proposal to close a school.

### NEW BUSINESS

None.

### SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

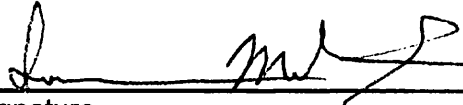
- John Wright asked the Board to give consideration to a CAFR as it may be of some service. He offered kudos to Board for not addressing the retiree healthcare resolution as presented, in that it is the first time he has heard a nay vote. Mr. Wright said that some items he thought the Board would want to know is what number is expected to be hired on July 1, 2011 immediately following this decision; the average hired over the last five years; the total liability as it is for the 09-10, 10-11 years; and the idea of knowing what the liability would be if they adopted this resolution.
- Jane Christie asked for clarification on two points:
  1. Andy Meiller was hired at GES in what position?
  2. What constitutes two classes at J. Sarge for dual enrollment?Ms. Christie also stated that there is very little difference in the money the School Board received last year and this year, yet an administrator was hired and cuts were made in a similar amount to French, music, art and books. She said it looks like one was cut to pay the other.

Mr. Mattox stated there would be no meeting on June 28, 2011. The next meeting will be on July 12, 2011 at 5:00 p.m.

CLOSED MEETING  
None.


ADJOURNMENT  
The meeting was adjourned by the Chairman.

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