

NORTH ROYALTON BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR

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1. **CALL TO ORDER:** President Heidi Dolezal called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:02 p.m., Monday, March 9, 2009, in the North Royalton High School Community Room.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.** President Dolezal requested all present to join in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
3. **ROLL CALL.** Present: President Heidi Dolezal, Vice President Cheryl Hannan, Leonard Reinhard, Anne Reinkober, and Barbara Zindroski. Also present were Superintendent Randy Boroff, Treasurer Richard McIntosh, Assistant Superintendent James Presot, Director of Personnel Greg Gurka, staff, media, and visitors.

Ms. Dolezal acknowledged that the evening's agenda items had been reviewed at a previous meeting. Any changes, additions, and/or deletions since that time were noted. She also explained the public participation procedures.

4. **RESOLUTION 2009-48: APPROVE MINUTES.** Resolve the Board of Education approve the minutes of the special meetings held February 5, 11, 17, 24, 2009 and the regular meeting held February 9, 2009. The February 11 special meeting minutes will be amended to include the statement read by Ms. Hannan.

Moved by Reinhard

Seconded by Reinkober

Voting Aye: Reinhard, Reinkober, Zindroski, Dolezal, Hannan

Motion Carried

5. **RECOGNITION OF GUESTS AND PRESENTATIONS.** Superintendent Boroff welcomed any guests present for the evening.

High School Principal Ms. Moehring introduced several of our high school seniors who were in attendance in recognition of their athletic accomplishments and acceptance at various colleges. The students told a little about themselves and introduced their parents.

Stephanie Cutlip introduced Kevin Rogers, the NRCS candidate for the Martin W. Essex School for Gifted. Kevin is a junior who plans to study engineering at Stanford University.

6. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION.** The public is invited to speak to any of the agenda items and other school topics at this time. Comments should be limited to five minutes. There were several speakers from the audience.

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Michael Pissini, 8400 Boston Road, North Royalton OH, addressed Board members Hannan and Zindroski. Mr. Pissini requested an explanation of their statements regarding the excessive compensation teachers receive for their regular duties and their supplemental duties that appeared in the Sun News. Ms. Hannan and Ms. Zindroski responded that they did not have enough information at the regular meeting in February to support a levy resolution but have since received additional information and are in support of the levy.

Adam Mendoza, 10021 Cedarwood Drive, North Royalton OH, addressed Mr. Boroff regarding the announcement that he will be taking the position of superintendent at Revere next year. Mr. Mendoza felt that the public perception is bad and will reflect negatively on the upcoming levy. Superintendent Boroff explained that his decision was a personal one. He also explained that he will be fully committed to North Royalton and the efforts to pass the levy until this contract year ends this summer.

Kimberley Danik, 5261 Royalwood, North Royalton OH, addressed the Board on the issue of school funding and the May levy. Treasurer Rich McIntosh responded to her questions as they were primarily financial issues.

Cathy Bican, 5990 Valley Parkway, North Royalton OH, addressed the issue of Supt. Boroff's plans to leave during the summer. Ms. Bican thanked Mr. Boroff for his service over the past six years, said that it is a compliment that other districts would want to hire him, and wished him well. She also said that she felt confident that the parents and community would rise the occasion to get the levy passed and continue the excellence of our school district.

Beverly Schultz, 15005 Bennett Road, North Royalton OH, addressed the Board in support of the levy. She explained that the public is getting a lot for their tax dollars; she, as well as many other teachers, gives many hours above what their scheduled work day requires. She said she is hurt by being accused of being overpaid and if the levy fails programs being cut. She appealed to everyone to work hard to pass the levy so that the district is not dismantled.

- 7. **ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION** Motion to adjourn to executive session to discuss employment of personnel at 8:33pm.

Moved by Reinhard Seconded by Hannan
 Voting Aye: Reinhard, Hannan, Reinkober, Zindroski, Dolezal
 Motion Carried

Mrs. Dolezal called the meeting back to order at 9:07 p.m.

8. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Curriculum – Mr. Reinhard gave the following report:
 Our gifted personnel completed its three part series on Parenting Your Gifted Child with approximately 75 parent attendees per session. They began their five part teacher professional development series on Thursday, March 5, 2009

Buildings are making plans for professional development that will be taking place on the Early Release Day, Wednesday, March 18, 2009.

All buildings are completing the OTELA tests for English Language Learners this week.

Education Foundation – Ms. Zindroski announced the Membership Reception is this Wednesday, March 11, at Carrie Cerinos from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m.

Ms. Zindroski issued a reminder for the Texas Hold-em Fundraiser on Friday March 20th at Sleepy Hollow Golf Course in Brecksville.

CVCC – Mrs. Zindroski gave the following report:
 Three CVCC students are participating in an exciting mission to the Dominican Republic that will take advantage of skills learned in the Construction Trade Program. The students selected to participate were from Independence and Brecksville. The students were invited to participate in the church sponsored mission to build a school.

Motorsports Memorabilia Auction will be held March 28. Over the years the group has awarded tens of thousands of dollars in scholarships to the CVCC student. This auction is great for any race fans.

2009 Summer Career Camp at CVCC will be held June 15 through 19 and June 22 through 26, Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Cost is \$135.00 per student. Students currently in the seventh eighth and ninth grades are eligible to register. Registration packets are available by calling 440-746-8115. Camps will be covering many of the different careers. Please contact CVCC for more information.

Students from the Computer Aided Design Program were involved with the Model Home Contest at the Home and Garden Show at the IX Center.

Student Job Fair is this Thursday from 4 to 7.

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CVCC is seeking candidates for its Distinguished Alumni Award for exemplary accomplishment in and contribution to industry, community and education. Nominations will be accepted until Feb. 27. Nomination forms are available on the CVCC Works website.

CVCC will be embarking on a permanent improvement project that will help the school become a little more green. This 2.6 million project will include:

Replacing old lighting, old drop ceilings, HVAC control systems, put automatic dimming lights in shops and include other efficient methods. The costs savings are estimated at \$193,120 a year.

Legislation & Policy – Ms. Hannan announced that The Ohio School Boards Association website has a new feature called "Bill Tracker." It tracks all bills that pertain to education. It prioritizes the legislation and gives information regarding the bill such as its history and summary, and link to the General Assembly website for the analysis and text for the entire bill.

According to the Bill Tracker, there are two priority bills: SB 1 State Budget and SB 6 the Special Education Scholarship Pilot Program and 17 bills that the Association is monitoring. The 17 bills are: SB 2 Federal Stimulus Funding; SB 12 All-day kindergarten; SB 19 School Funding; SB 24 School Nutrition; SB 39 School Athletics; SB 40: Teacher Tax Credit; HB 4: Distance Learning; SB 55 Sex Education; FIB 11: Sex Offender Registration; HB 13: Sex Offenders; HB 19: Dating Relationships; HB 21: School Transportation; HB 26: Corporal Punishment; HB 41: Lottery Profits; SB 59: Healthy Students; HB 60: School Nutrition; IM 59: School Athletics.

Public Records review. R.C. 149.43 address public records and the definition for a public record is found in R.C. 149.011(G): "Records' includes any document, device, or item, regardless of physical form or characteristic, including an electronic record as defined in section 1306.01 of the Revised Code, created or received by or coming under the jurisdiction of any public office of the state or its political subdivisions, *which serves to document the organization, functions, policies, decisions, procedures, operations, or other activities of the office.*" *State ex rel. Wilson-Simmons v. Lake County Sheriff's Dept.* (1998), 82 Ohio St.3d 37 is the lead Ohio Supreme Court discussing e-mails as public records. In that case, the Court held that racial slurs made by the employee's coworkers made on the public office (the Lake County Sheriff's Department) e-mail system were not public records because "they did not document the organization, functions, policies, decisions, procedures, operations, or other activities of the department." The Court's holding has been followed in other recent Ohio Supreme Court decisions. The last pronouncement from our state's highest court was as recently as December 2008 in the Ohio Supreme Court case of *State ex rel. Toledo Blade Co. v. Seneca County Bd. of Commissioners* (2008), 120 Ohio St.3d 372.

Our school public records policy incorporates the relevant statutory and case law. See Policy 8310, revised in October 8, 2007.

Student Achievement – Ms. Reinkober submitted the following Student Achievement Report:

Albion

Maddie Kenworthy, a third grader was featured as a Sun Star Student of the Week. Maddie was nominated by her teacher, Tracey Peterjohn, for being a dedicated, hard-working student every day and is always a friend to everyone. She was recognized to the student body by Mrs. Vojta and highlighted as being a model student of the "Albion Expectations".

The first grade classrooms of Mrs. McClain and Miss Jones have earned the "Golden Table Award" for excellent behavior in the cafeteria during lunch. This award is part of the incentive program attached to Albion's school-wide behavior plan. The tables were decorated with purple table cloths and gold and purple balloon bundles.

Royal View

Petty's Pal's students have been working with peers in Mrs. Petty's Multiple Disabilities classroom. They help with morning routines and tutor students on specific skills. The daily Petty's Pals are Steven Russell, Eden Wilkosz, Christopher Long, Callie Middlebrooks and Maddie Magalski. Occasional helpers are Gage Tranter, Jessica Schuller, Rachel Vansteenlandt and Erin Miller.

Valley Vista

The students at Valley Vista raised nearly \$3000 for Jump Rope for Heart to help fight heart disease. Rachel DiFrancisco jumped exactly 1,700 consecutive jumps on the long rope, which was twirled by Kayla Diffenbacher. In the 4 years that Valley Vista has participated, they have collected over \$10,000.

Middle School

The wrestling teams and the boys and girls basketball teams at the Middle School had very successful seasons. The eighth grade boys are the NOCMSL champions with a 17-1 record. Of the 116 total winter athletes, 81 athletes achieved a GPA of 3.0 or above.

On Thursday, March 12, Brett Eastburn will speak to all grade levels on the topic "No Arms, No Legs, No Handicaps." His message and belief is that success is a choice and you are handicapped only if you allow yourself to be.

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High School

The band and choir students will be participating in their district events this weekend.

The Boys and Girls Swim Teams had an outstanding season. State qualifiers included:
Brad Bielek- 50 Freestyle;
Girls 200 Freestyle Relay- Leah Lehotsky, Alyssa Kmet, Catie Gormley and Katey Brooks;
Boys 400 Freestyle Relay – Dan Fink Scott Brooks, Jake Jencson and Brad Bielek.

In addition to being state qualifiers, the following are also All Ohio swimmers:
Katey Brooks- 50 Freestyle and 100 Freestyle. She is a 4 year qualifier in both events.
Kara Oberdove and Troy Richert – Diving;
Boys Medley Relay-Dan Fink, Mike Craig, Brad Bielak and Scott Brooks.

Gifted Advisory Committee – Ms. Reinkober submitted the following report:
There are 1,591 students identified as gifted in one or more of the seven areas recognized by Ohio. This does not include transfer students or February data.

The Algebra Placement Test was administered to 211 sixth grade students and 163 seventh grade students on February 25. Placement letters are being sent home this week.

106 parents registered for the Parenting your Gifted Child sessions that were held in January and February. 17 classroom teachers have registered for the Teaching Your Gifted Students sessions to be held in March and April. Funds for these programs are part of the ODE Javits Grant Project: "I GET-GTEd".

The impact of the May levy on the gifted program was discussed.

The 2009 Research and Independent Study Extravaganza will be held tomorrow, March 10 from 4-5:30 at the Middle School.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 19 at 1:30 in the Community Room.

Finance – Ms. Reinkober announced The Financial Advisory Committee met on February 25. The group reviewed the reductions approved by the board should the levy be unsuccessful in May and the effects of those reductions on the five year forecast. The next meeting is scheduled for March 25 at 7:00 pm at the Board Office.

Building & Grounds – Ms. Dolezal gave the following report:
1. As part of the Federal and State Economic Stimulus Package, our school district has applied for a number of grants that range in size from \$24,000 for door replacement projects to entire building projects. We will wait to hear about the next step in the process if we are notified.
2. We are presently reviewing Permanent Improvement Projects that were received by the building administrators recently for upcoming renovation and repair jobs throughout the district. The projects are prioritized based on both the passage and failure of the operating levy in May.
3. As part of the roof warranty for a section of the middle school roof, we have received word that the manufacture is going to replace a section this upcoming summer and we have a pre-bid meeting later this week to select a contract. We have had a number of minor and major leaks over the years. Due to the roof being under warranty, this work will be done at no cost to the district.

Wellness – Ms. Dolezal gave the Wellness Committee Report. All buildings have turned in there Wellness Plans. A Standing Committee Meeting will be held in the near future.

NR Recreation Board – Ms. Dolezal gave the follow report:
Men’s softball will start the end of April.
Ed Swim reported the lighting on the new Field #8 is on target. Golf lessons and tennis lessons will happen again this year. Summer fun program is in place, too.
City and schools will have a meeting regarding the sharing and use of baseball and softball fields for school and city teams.
May 9th will be the grand opening of the Walking Park on Route 82.
Next meeting is March 24.

9. **REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TREASURER.** Treasurer McIntosh distributed copies of the February Financial Report and the February Suburban Health Financial Report.

10. **RESOLUTION 2009-49: APPROVE APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT.** Resolve the Board of Education approve the following 2008-09 appropriation adjustment:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Increase/ Decrease</u>
401 Aux. Services	\$884,579.06	\$828,513.56	\$56,065.50

Moved by Reinkober
Voting Aye: Reinkober, Dolezal, Reinhard, Zindroski, Hannan
Motion Carried

Seconded by Dolezal

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11. **REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT.** Superintendent Boroff restated the importance of passing the May 5th levy to maintain our level of excellence. He discussed preparation for the OGT and OAT. He also announced our graduation rate of 97.4%. This is well above the state benchmark and that of similar districts across Ohio. Thanks were extended to Sharon Zimmer and Matthew Frantz for their efforts in securing laptops for the district from Sherwin Williams.

12. **RESOLUTION 2009-50: RENEW CONTRACTS-ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF.** Resolve the Board of Education renew the following administrative contracts, salary on schedule:

Michael Broadwater/ H. S. Assistant Principal, eff. 8/1/2009 through 7/31/2012
 Julianne Goshe/ M. S. Assistant Principal, eff. 8/1/2009 through 7/31/2012
 Lucy Iemmolo/ M. S. Assistant Principal, eff. 8/1/2009 through 7/31/2012
 James Presot/ Asst. Superintendent, eff. 8/1/2009 through 7/31/2012
 Edward Vittardi/ M. S. Principal, eff. 8/1/2009 through 7/31/2012
 Susan Welch/Director of Pupil Services, eff. 8/1/2009 through 7/31/2012

Moved by Reinhard Seconded by Hannan
 Voting Aye: Reinhard, Hannan, Reinkober, Zindroski, Dolezal
 Motion Carried

13. **RESOLUTION 2009-51: ACCEPT RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS.** Resolve the Board of Education accept the following resignations/retirements:

Retirement
 Irene Trangoni/effective March 13, 2009

Moved by Reinkober Seconded by Dolezal
 Voting Aye: Reinkober, Dolezal, Reinhard, Zindroski, Hannan
 Motion Carried

14. **RESOLUTION 2009-52: APPROVE LEAVE OF ABSENCE.** Resolve the Board of Education approve leave of absence for the following:

Lauren Ksiazka/effective March 6, 2009 through March 31, 2009

Moved by Hannan Seconded by Dolezal
 Voting Aye: Hannan, Dolezal, Zindroski, Reinkober, Reinhard
 Motion Carried

15. **RESOLUTION 2009-53: RESOLUTION REINSTATING EMPLOYEE.** Resolve that the Board of Education reinstates, effective March 13, 2009, the contract of the following employee, previously suspended pursuant to the reduction in force.

Heather Fabish/Cleaner/Albion

Moved by Zindroski Seconded by Reinhard
 Voting Aye: Zindroski, Reinhard, Hannan, Reinkober, Dolezal
 Motion Carried

16. **RESOLUTION 2009-54: APPROVE/AMEND APPOINTMENTS - CERTIFICATED/LICENSED AND CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES.** Resolve the Board of Education approve/amend the following appointments to the staff of the North Royalton City Schools be confirmed with the understanding that such persons are subject to all provisions of law pertaining to the employment of said persons; and said employment is contingent upon subsequent receipt by the Board of a report from the Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation which is not inconsistent with the applicants' answers on the employment application. The said appointees shall be subject to assignment by the Superintendent of Schools according to the needs and interests of the schools, salary on schedule, effective 2008-09 school year or as indicated:

Classified Substitutes
 David Bernard/Bus Driver
 Jeffrey Dunn/Bus Driver

Moved by Reinkober Seconded by Hannan
 Voting Aye: Reinkober, Hannan, Reinhard, Dolezal, Zindroski
 Motion Carried

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17. **RESOLUTION 2009-55: APPROVE/AMEND APPOINTMENT-SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS.** Resolve the Board of Education approve/amend the following for Supplemental Contracts for the 2008-09 school year:

Assistant Track Coach
Randal Radtke (1/2 contract)
Douglas Steiger (1/2 contract)

7th Gr. Track Coach
Jessica Yappel

Moved by Hannan
Voting Aye: Hannan, Dolezal, Reinkober, Reinhard, Zindroski
Motion Carried

Seconded by Dolezal

18. **RESOLUTION 2009-56: APPROVE APPOINTMENTS-PERSONAL SERVICE CONTRACTS.** Resolve the Board of Education approve the following appointment of interscholastic officials for Personal Service Contracts for the 2008-09 school year, as needed, salary on schedule:

Officials

Bartholomew, Jeffrey	Edie, Robert
Callahan, Thomas	Frederick, Cathy
Carmigiano, John	Galaska, Edward

Moved by Reinhard
Voting Aye: Reinhard, Reinkober, Zindroski, Dolezal, Hannan
Motion Carried

Seconded by Reinkober

19. **RESOLUTION 2009-57: APPROVE SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH SOUTHWEST GENERAL HEALTH CENTER.** Resolve the Board of Education approve a service agreement with Southwest General Health Center for the services of a certified, licensed athletic trainer for the 2009-2010 school year and for additional athletic trainer services during the fall season, in the amount of \$10,500.00.

Moved by Zindroski
Voting Aye: Zindroski, Hannan, Reinkober, Dolezal, Reinhard
Motion Carried

Seconded by Hannan

20. **RESOLUTION 2009-58: APPROVE THE EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY SERVICE AGREEMENT.** Resolve the Board of Education enter into a County Service Agreement, City and Exempted Village School Districts, ORC 33313.843, for the 2009-10 school year, for any of the following services: Supervision (Special Education, General Education, and Gifted & Talented), Professional Development, Research and Development, and Placement of Children with Disabilities.

Moved by Dolezal
Voting Aye: Dolezal, Hannan, Zindroski, Reinkober, Reinhard
Motion Carried

Seconded by Hannan

21. **RESOLUTION 2009-59: APPROVE EXTENDED TRIP PROPOSAL.** Resolve the Board of Education approve the following trip proposal:

High School Volleyball
Trip to Youngstown State (July 10-12, 2009)

Moved by Reinhard
Voting Aye: Reinhard, Zindroski, Reinkober, Hannan, Dolezal
Motion Carried

Seconded by Zindroski

22. **RESOLUTION 2009-60: ACCEPT GIFTS/DONATIONS.** Resolve the Board of Education accept the following gifts/donations:

- Various books to North Royalton Middle School from Friends of the CCPLibrary
- One Cable Nelson upright piano to Royal View from Vince & Jodi Ferrini
- Four IBM T-41 Laptop PCs (23747JU) and Two IBM T-41 Laptop PCs (23749U1) to North Royalton Middle School from The Sherwin-Williams Company

Moved by Zindroski
Voting Aye: Zindroski, Reinhard, Hannan, Dolezal, Reinkober
Motion Carried

Seconded by Reinhard

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23. UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS

Transportation Appeals Comte.	Mar. 16, 2009	9:30 am at Board Office Conf. Rm
Educ. Foundation Mtg	Mar. 24, 2009	3:15 pm at Board Office Conf. Rm
Recreation Board Mtg	Mar. 24, 2009	6:00 pm at N. Royalton City Hall
Special Board Meeting	Mar. 24, 2009	6:00 pm at Board Office Conf. Rm
Financial Adv. Comte.	Mar. 25, 2009	7:00 pm at Board Office Conf. Rm
Special Board Meeting	April 2, 2009	6:00 pm at Board Office Conf. Rm
April Special Meeting	April 6, 2009**	7:00 pm at NRHS Community Rm
Curriculum Adv. Comte.	May 19, 2009	1:30 pm at NRHS Community Rm

**Replaces April 13 regular meeting

24. ADJOURN. The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Moved by Reinhard Seconded by Hannan
Voting Aye: Reinhard, Hannan, Reinkober, Zindroski, Dolezal
Motion Carried

ATTEST:

TREASURER

BOARD PRESIDENT

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