ELIDA BOARD OF EDUCATION

Elida High School Community Room at 7:00 P.M.       7-15     14

A G E N D A

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I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

Mr. Bowers          P          Mrs. Stocker          P
Mr. Christoff       P          Mrs. C. Ulrich        P
Mr. Schymanski      P

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. HONORS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

V. STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT LIAISON REPORT

VI. LEGISLATIVE LIAISON

Mr. Schymanski reported on the following:
I would like to discuss more about the facts and myths associated with the common core program. Let’s start with why I support the program.
1. Each of the last 4 Ohio Governors has had a different educational plan forcing the Ohio Department of Education to change curriculum for Ohio Public schools. This costs taxpayer dollars both at the local level as well as at the state level. By changing, teachers every 4 years, just as they are grasping, implementing and beginning to get feedback on one educational approach, we shift gears and start over. This is a waste of taxpayer dollars. We could be like the state of Massachusetts which has had the same plan (with continual improvements based on feedback) for the last 20 years. If Massachusetts were a country, its test results would be among the 10 ten nations in the world.
2. The common core is standards not curriculum designed to address the issues both businesses and colleges say are K-12 short-comings, that is, not enough understanding of the content. The common core raises the expectations of students and teachers to learn less content but learn the concepts presented in a greater depth, promoting a better understanding of the course content. As written
right now, the states and local school boards are responsible to develop the curriculum to meet these standards. More on this later, as this is part of the political backlash.

3. The common core requires teachers to look at their lesson plans every year and modify their plan to insure all students grasp and understand what is being taught. The era of once a lesson plan is developed and never changes are gone. The teacher now has to work with their peers, analyze student progress, each year and as a team work to improve the educational experience of each individual student.

There are some very strong arguments against the common core and these arguments do have many valid points worth analyzing. There are two main points of dispute, the educational issues and the political issues.

1. On the educational side, concern about the standards does appear to be justified. The common core standards seem to have been developed to allow our most gifted students compare their test scores to the top students in the world. But the standards are probably out of line for most students, that is: students going directly into work or military experiences, students with learning difficulties, special needs or from poor and/or non-English speaking families. Modification of the standards and test expectations seem to be in order. Another educational point is amount of testing required. The common core requires far more testing than most other nations including many nations that score higher than the U.S.A. Reduced testing and more time teaching would help improve our learning, especially at the younger grade levels.

2. The political side is quite interesting as both conservative groups as well as liberal groups; oppose the common core for basically the same reason. That reason is concern over the Govâ€™s taking control of the curriculum. I have not seen this but recent actions by the Secretary of Education do add validity to this concern. So getting both our state legislators and our federal legislators to remember that K-12 education is the responsibility of state and local school boards needs to continue to be pushed.

In summary, I think we have to stop this flavor of the month approach to education. Letâ€™s pick a plan and stick with it. Save our taxpayer dollars (these are the hidden dollars schools constantly refer to as \textit{UNFUNDED MANDATES}). We do need to look closely at the common core, find its weaknesses and improve those spots. But I believe, we need to give the program more time, more feedback and obviously more adjustments to make it viable. But I think we are on the right track, we just need time to fully implement and then adjust.

\textbf{VII. COMMUNITY RELATIONS REPORT}

Mr. Christoff reported that there were 12 people that attended the open board forum held from 6:00 p.m. ÷ 7:00 p.m. prior to the board meeting. He is hoping for a greater turnout at future forums. He also noted that he is investigating additional neighborhood community forums in Lima, Gomer, and other district communities in addition to those already being scheduled with LONA and Sherwood.
VIII. OPEN BOARD FORUM
Mr. Schymanski reported that he met with Mr. Nixon. He is working on making contacts in the Northand area in regards to locations for future forums.

The board member retreat with Dick Caster has been scheduled for July 30th & August 6th from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Mr. Christoff asked about summer work for students that did not pass the 3rd Grade Guarantee. Mr. Cox noted that a plan is being worked on for those students.

Mr. Christoff noted that the policy committee will meet next week.

IX. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION RELATED TO ACTION ITEMS

X. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT
• Bullying Report

XI. TREASURER REPORT
Mr. Parker reported on the following:
Year-end data:
* Real estate revenue increased only $37,496
* Purchase Service expense increased $295,395
* Ending cash balance $2,131,209

Discussed the following loss of revenue:

* Inventory Tax Loss $1,238,705 per year(loss over next 10 years-$12,387,050)
* State aid capped - $1,642,214 FY 13-14 and $1,031,230 FY 14-15

A levy is needed to:
* Build a 60 day carry-over
* Replace lost revenue
* Allow district to tackle inflation over the next 5 to 7 years

XII. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA ACTION ITEMS

XIII. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND ACTION ITEMS
Brenda Stocker moved and Pat Schymanski seconded that the Agenda for the July 15, 2014, meeting of the Elida Board of Education be adopted.

Upon the call of the roll, the vote was recorded as follows:

Mr. Bowers     Y     Mrs. Stocker     Y
Mr. Christoff   Y     Mrs. C. Ulrich Y
Mr. Schymanski Y

Action Items:
1. Approve Previous Minutes (7-14-1)
The "Record of Proceedings" for the June 24, 2014 meeting of the Elida Board of
Education having been previously distributed, was found to be correct.

Pat Schymanski moved and Jeff Christoff seconded that the "Record of Proceedings" for the June 24, 2014 meeting of the Elida Board of Education be approved.

Upon the call of the roll, the vote was recorded as follows:

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2. **Financial Reports (7-14-2)**

It is recommended that the Board acknowledge the financial reports submitted by the Treasurer.

Brenda Stocker moved and Jason Bowers seconded that the above recommendation be approved.

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3. **Resignations (7-14-3)**

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education accept the following resignations:

**Administrative:**
Brad Mendenhall, High School Principal, effective August 1, 2014
Michelle Knodell, High School English, effective August 21, 2014

**Certified:**
Marcia Koch, Middle School Band Director, effective August 21, 2014

**Non-Certified:**
Jennifer Olson, Elida Elementary Library Aide, effective August 21, 2014

**Supplemental:**
Nikki Adcock, Tuesday School Monitor

Pat Schymanski moved and Jeff Christoff seconded that the above recommendation be approved.

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4. **Employment (7-14-4)**
It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education approve the following personnel for employment pending criminal investigation check for full-time personnel, part-time personnel and for teaching personnel meeting certification requirements as determined by the Ohio Department of Education, per salary schedule in effect.

**Certified:**
Hillary Crawford, Gr. 7 Social Studies, Effective August 22, 2014

**Non-Certified:**
Nathan Sanford, Custodian at Elida Elementary School, effective July 16, 2014
Sylvia Hullinger, Custodian at Elida High School, effective July 16, 2014
Adam Mistic, Custodian at Elida High School, effective July 16, 2014
Janelle Duffy, Cook at Elida Elementary, effective August 22, 2014

Brenda Stocker moved and Pat Schymanski seconded that the above recommendation be approved.

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5. **Volunteers (7-14-5)**
It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education approve the following personnel as volunteers. Volunteering will be pending filing all necessary paperwork in the central office and following the School Volunteer Policy guidelines.

**Class I – Band Camp**
Gary Blosser          Matt Blymyer
Ed Brinkman           Dan Burden
Mike Freed             Bridgette Huffer
Virginia Kirtland     Bob Line
Jim Line              Karen Ramon
Bob Rhodes             Cassie Saum
Ellen Stotts          Kim Watkins
Bruce Watkins

Pat Schymanski moved and Jason Bowers seconded that the above recommendation be approved.

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6. **2014-2015 School Fees (7-14-6)**

   It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education approve the following school fees for the 2014-2015 school year:

   **ELIDA MIDDLE SCHOOL**

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   Pat Schymanski moved and Brenda Stocker seconded that the above recommendation be approved.

   Upon the call of the roll, the vote was recorded as follows:
7. **Participate in Federal and State Programs (7-14-7)**

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education approve participation in all federal and state programs for the school year 2014-2015, including Title 1 Services (Reading Intervention), Title IIA (Improving Teaching Quality) and Part B IDEA (Special Education).

It is further recommended that in the spirit of good education and the intent of federal and state legislators that no fundraisers be permitted within these programs.

Jason Bowers moved and Pat Schymanski seconded that the above recommendation be approved.

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8. **Appropriation Modifications (7-14-8)**

It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education approve the modifications of the following appropriations:

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Brenda Stocker moved and Pat Schymanski seconded that the above recommendation be approved.

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9. **Purchase of Dairy Products (7-14-9)**

It is recommended that Prairie Farms be approved as the vendor to supply dairy products to Elida School's food service program for the 2014-15 school year.

Pat Schymanski moved and Jeff Christoff seconded that the above recommendation be approved.

Upon the call of the roll, the vote was recorded as follows:

- Mr. Bowers: Y
- Mrs. Stocker: Y
- Mr. Christoff: Y
- Mrs. C. Ulrich: Y
- Mr. Schymanski: Y

10. **Purchase of Bread Products (7-14-10)**

It is recommended that Aunt Millies be approved as the vendor to supply bread products to Elida School's food service program for the 2014-15 school year.

Jason Bowers moved and Jeff Christoff seconded that the above recommendation be approved.

Upon the call of the roll, the vote was recorded as follows:

- Mr. Bowers: Y
- Mrs. Stocker: Y
- Mr. Christoff: Y
- Mrs. C. Ulrich: Y
- Mr. Schymanski: Y


It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education employ the following substitutes who have met the certification requirements and have on file a satisfactory criminal record check.

- Christy Broshes
- Gary Evans
- Kim Howard
- Pat Komarek
- Deb Oberhaus
- John Roth
- Lvera Sprague
- Deb Vine
- Jackie O'Connor
- April Rex
- David Schimmoeller
- Sandra Suever
- Taylor Anthony
- Linda Mann
- Emily McClendon
- Randy Boratko
- Tyler Burkland
- Nancy Carter
- Linda Holman
- Dottie Jennell
- Mary Jean Miller
- Bill Oleson
- Evalynne Smith
- Alix Stout
- Dave Wollenhaupt
- Deborah Metzger
- Philip Schey
- Susan Mormon
- Timothy Surfield
- Calvin Lindo
- Cathy Mart
- Debra Berg-Simon
- James Brandt
- Amy Vorst
Upon the call of the roll, the vote was recorded as follows:

Mr. Bowers    Y    Mrs. Stocker    Y
Mr. Christoff Y    Mrs. C. Ulrich Y
Mr. Schymanski Y

12. Agreement with North Central Ohio Educational Service Center  
    (7-14-12)
It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education approve entering into an agreement with the North Central Ohio Educational Service Center to provide audiology services as needed. The agreement is effective August 1, 2014 through July 31, 2015.

Jeff Christoff moved and Pat Schymanski seconded that the above recommendation be approved.

Upon the call of the roll, the vote was recorded as follows:

Mr. Bowers    Y    Mrs. Stocker    Y
Mr. Christoff Y    Mrs. C. Ulrich Y
Mr. Schymanski Y

13. RESOLUTION DECLARING INTENT TO PROCEED WITH ELECTION OF THE QUESTION OF AN EMERGENCY TAX LEVY  
    (Ohio Revised Code Sections 5705.194 – 5705.197)
WHEREAS, on June 24, 2014, the Board passed a resolution (the "Resolution of Necessity") declaring the necessity, in order to provide for the emergency requirements of the School District, to levy a tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation to raise the amount of $2,096,616 for each year that said levy is in effect, for a period of five years; and

WHEREAS, the Allen County Auditor has certified to the Board that an estimated annual levy of 5.90 mills for each one dollar of valuation, which is $0.59 for each one hundred dollars of valuation, will be required to produce the annual amount set forth in the Resolution of Necessity.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Elida Local School District, Allen County, Ohio, a majority of the members thereof concurring, that:

Section 1. The Board desires to proceed with the submission of the question of such emergency tax levy (the "Emergency Levy") to the electors of the School District.

Section 2. The question of the Emergency Levy shall be submitted to the electors of the School District at the election to be held on November 4, 2014 (the "Election Date").

Section 3. The form of the ballot to be used at said election shall be substantially as follows:

Shall a levy be imposed by the Elida Local School District for the purpose of providing for the emergency requirements of the School District in the sum of $2,096,616 and a levy of taxes to be made outside of the ten-mill limitation estimated by the county auditor to average 5.90 mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to fifty-nine cents ($0.59) for each one hundred dollars of valuation, for a period of five (5) years, commencing in 2014, first due in calendar year 2015?

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Section 4. The Treasurer of the Board is hereby directed and shall certify, not later than August 6, 2014 (which date is not less than 90 days prior to the Election Date), to the Allen County Board of Elections a copy of the Resolution of Necessity and a copy of this Resolution together with the amount of the average tax levy, expressed in dollars and cents for each one hundred dollars of valuation, as well as in mills for each one dollar of valuation, as estimated by the Allen County Auditor.

Section 5. The Treasurer of the Board is hereby directed and shall simultaneously certify to the Allen County Board of Elections that the Emergency Levy will run for five years and that the Emergency Levy will include a levy on the 2014 tax list (2015 collection year) if approved by a majority of the electors voting thereon.
Section 6. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22.

Pat Schymanski moved and Brenda Stocker seconded that the above recommendation be approved.

Upon the call of the roll, the vote was recorded as follows:

Mr. Bowers       Y       Mrs. Stocker       Y
Mr. Christoff    Y       Mrs. C. Ulrich     Y
Mr. Schymanski  Y

XIV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – OTHER

14. Executive Session (7-14-14)
   It is recommended that the Elida Board of Education enter into executive session at 8:20 p.m. to discuss specialized details of security arrangements or emergency response and the appointment/employment of an employee. Executive Session ended at 9:59 p.m.

Jason Bowers moved and Jeff Christoff seconded that the above recommendation be approved.

Upon the call of the roll, the vote was recorded as follows:

Mr. Bowers       Y       Mrs. Stocker       Y
Mr. Christoff    Y       Mrs. C. Ulrich     Y
Mr. Schymanski  Y

XV. ADJOURNMENT

Pat Schymanski moved and Brenda Stocker seconded that the July 15, 2014 meeting of the Elida Board of Education be adjourned at 9:59 P.M.

Upon the call of the roll, the vote was recorded as follows:

Mr. Bowers       Y       Mrs. Stocker       Y
Mr. Christoff    Y       Mrs. C. Ulrich     Y
Mr. Schymanski  Y

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President

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Treasurer