

FINNEYTOWN LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regular Meeting, January 19, 2021

Zoom Remote Meeting

Open Forum 7:00pm

Regular Meeting 7:30pm

The Finneytown Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, January 19, 2021, via video conference from remote locations, while under the declared COVID-19 pandemic health emergency, as authorized by Ohio House Bill 197, and extended by Amended House Bill 404. Mr. Engleman, Mr. Gast, Ms. Johnson, Ms. Mamphey and Mrs. Rebman were present. Administrative staff and members of the viewing public were also present. The President called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.

09-21 Ms. Johnson moved, seconded by Mrs. Rebman, that the Board approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting of December 14, 2020, and the Organizational Meeting and Budget Hearing of January 8, 2021. The President declared the motion passed.

District Update

Mrs. Theresa Noe, Superintendent – discussed the following:

- Business Advisory Council – Rules have been modified to require the appointment of career leaders to increase local business future career exposure for students of all ages. Finneytown has advertised and received some initial responses for these positions.
- Instructional Update – Conversations are taking place with teachers about how grading and assessment practices can be improved under the remote learning scenario. Some great ideas have been put forward.
- Building Project – The construction crew will be closing a southbound lane on Winton Road at Cherryblossom to complete the sanitary lateral tie-in. The lane closure will be daily from about 9am to 4pm, from Monday January 25th to Friday the 29th.
- COVID Vaccines – School district personal will be given priority in the distribution of vaccines in Ohio. Finneytown has filed its request and is awaiting notification on delivery timing. Vaccines will be administered in two doses, two to three weeks apart.
- Administrative Team – Consolidation of Brent Elementary and Whitaker Elementary into a single elementary building opening in August 2022 will necessitate the realignment of administrative staff. Ms. Baker will become the Principal, Ms. Thigpen the Assistant Principal and Mr. Anderson will be added to the district administrative office team.
- Equity – The district's equity team continues to meet and make progress. Next month a rollout to the community will take place. The team's goal is to become an inclusive, equitable and anti-racist district.
- I continue to attend numerous local and out-of-town superintendent meetings virtually via Zoom.

- Auditors are onsite this week for their annual audit of the district's financial statements.

Public Address

None

Board Coordination Matters

Mr. Gast, discussed the following items:

- Elementary PTA - I attended this meeting and explained the state's revised staff and student quarantine rules.

Ms. Johnson, discussed the following items:

- Safety Committee – I attended this meeting. Discussion included: the new cleaning contractor's regular and COVID cleaning procedures, communication processes with the cleaning company, and student presence on campus during inappropriate days and hours. The next meeting will be January 20th at noon.
- Secondary PTA – The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 26th. I plan to attend.

Ms. Mamphey, discussed the following items:

- Finneytown Athletic Boosters – I attended this meeting. Concessions were discussed, as were the appropriateness of Helwig Park for baseball and softball practices and games, the lack of dugouts and scoreboards, and the division of upkeep duties. The responsibility for football uniform purchases was also discussed.

Mrs. Rebman, discussed the following items:

- Finneytown Music Parents Association (FMPA) – I attended this meeting. The latest newsletter includes links to virtual music concerts for a limited time. Concert band, a second semester Unity video and annual budget adjustments were discussed. FMPA was reminded that this is a SWOT support organization analysis and meeting year.
- Finneytown Schools Educational Foundation – This meeting was rescheduled.
- Facilities – The Core Team met earlier today. Preliminary bidding numbers look reasonable. The ground at the elementary building site is saturated. A change order is being proposed by Skanska to dry the site so that work can proceed. It is recommended that the Board discuss and adopt a change order procedure for the elementary construction project.

Mr. Engleman, discussed the following items:

- Springfield Township – Attended the January 12th meeting. It was short. The township sold a piece of property on Thunderbird Avenue. No other action of significance to the district was taken.

- Budget Hearing – The Board of Education adopted a tax budget at its January 8th Budget Hearing. The presentation included an update on the district’s five year forecast.
- Facilities Committee – Internal district facility meetings are anticipated this month as early site work progresses, a change order is considered and bids for the elementary project are being received, reviewed and recommended by the district’s construction management team.

Elementary Construction Project Change Order Approval Process Discussion

Board representatives on the superintendent’s facilities committee discussed the Core Team’s recommendation that the Board consider and adopt its own process for handling change orders for the elementary building project. Estimates concerning the volume of change orders that could be anticipated on a project of this size, delegating authority to administration to keep the project moving and a threshold at which specific Board approval was desired were shared.

10-21 Mr. Engleman moved, seconded by Mrs. Rebman, that the Board adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUPERINTENDENT CHANGE ORDER APPROVAL AUTHORITY UP TO \$50,000

Be it Resolved that the Superintendent or designee is authorized on behalf of the Finneytown Local School District Board of Education to approve all change orders for the K-6 Elementary construction project, which are not in excess of \$50,000, provided that all such change orders are within budget, within the scope of the project to which they are related, and are approved by the architect engineering construction manager.

Resolved further, change orders which are in excess of \$50,000 shall be subject to separate action by the Board of Education,

Resolved further if the net aggregate change orders exceeds 1.5% of the total project budget then all change orders thereafter shall be subject to separate action by the Board of Education.

RC: Ms. Johnson, yes; Mr. Gast, yes; Ms. Mamphey, yes; Mr. Engleman, yes; Mrs. Rebman, yes. The president declared the motion passed.

11-21 Mr. Engleman moved, seconded by Ms. Rebman, that the Board adopt the “Consent Calendar” as follows:

Action by the Board of Education in adoption of the “Consent Calendar” at this point of the agenda means that all items appearing with an asterisk (*) after the title constitute the “Consent Calendar” and are adopted by one single motion, unless a member of the Board of Education or the Superintendent requests that any such item be removed from the “Consent Calendar” and voted upon separately.

a) Monthly Financial Report*

b) Depository and Investment Balances as of December 31, 2020*

U.S. Bank	0.0104%	\$ 689,716.13
STAR Ohio	0.1200%	\$ 11,176,819.05
STAR Plus	0.1500%	\$ 2,453,185.79
U.S. Bank (construction fund)	1.3300%	\$ 24,475,298.75
STAR Ohio (construction fund)	0.1200%	\$ 1,874,749.67

c) Interest Earned on Depository and Investment Accounts as of December 30, 2020*

General Fund	\$ 1,630.39
Construction Fund	\$16,829.28

d) Monthly Bond Project Spending and Commitment Report*

[See attached]

e) Approval of Payment - FY21*

The Board approved payment of the following invoice(s) representing purchases that were made prior to the issuance of a valid purchase order of the district:

DATE	VENDOR	AMOUNT
11/2/20	The Library Corporation (St. Xavier High School annual software license renewal)	\$ 3,355.00

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a) Acknowledgement of Resignations*

The Board acknowledged the following resignations which had been previously accepted by the Superintendent:

Kevin Dodd Crossing Guard
effective January 14, 2021

Brett Marshall Head Coach, Varsity Girls Soccer
effective January 14, 2021

b) Approval of Family and Medical Leave*

The Board approved the following Family Medical Leaves:

Allie Johnston, Teacher, beginning December 11, 2020, and continuing for a maximum period of twelve weeks.

Nancy Rouse, Teacher, beginning January 25, 2021, and continuing over the next twelve months on an intermittent basis for a maximum period of twelve weeks.

c) Approval of Unpaid Health Leave*

The Board approved the following Unpaid Health Leave:

Emma Brown, Teacher, approximately March 30, 2021 through April 24, 2021.

d) Approval of Contracts – Supplemental 2020-2021*

The Board approved the following supplemental contracts, effective August 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021:

Brandon Beebe	Adjunct Coach, Varsity Football	\$2,100.00
Kelly Cobb	Dept. Chairperson, Science	\$1,688.00
Doug Dirr	Co-Advisor, Whitaker Memory Book	\$462.00
Sawyer Shafer	Producer, Musical Theatre Production	\$1,144.00
Sawyer Shafer	Director, Musical Theatre Production	\$1,569.00
Sawyer Shafer	Tech. Director, Musical Theatre Production	\$1,661.00
Chandra Ward	Co-Advisor, Whitaker Memory Book	\$351.00

e) Approval of Long-Term Substitute Teacher Provided by Comprehensive Substitute Solutions*

The Board approved the following long-term substitute teacher who is employed by Comprehensive Substitute Solutions and assigned to fill an extended absence for the Finneytown Local School District during the 2nd semester of school year 2020-2021:

Lawanda Kenny

f) Approval of Substitute Teachers Provided by Comprehensive Substitute Solutions*

The Board approved the following substitute teachers who are employed by Comprehensive Substitute Solutions and may be assigned to fill absences for the Finneytown Local School District, effective January 15, 2021:

Albright, Jordan	Bright, Allyson
Bailey, Lorraine	Brinkman, Rosa
Barnes, Roosevelt	Brotherton, Jean
Barnes, Sarah	Brown, Indra
Bell, Danny	Byrd, Angela
Bharucha, Armaity	Byrd, Loretta
Binford, Cornelia	Caiarelli, Madison
Blanks, Earl	Calhoun, Brenda
Bouldin, Carrie	Cargile, Joyce
Bradley, Victoria	Chaney-Smith,

Chisholm, Kayla
Coleman, Cynthia
Colvin, Gayle
Copeland, David
Davis, Gordon
Davis-January, Marie
Dechering, Monica
Dietz, John
Evans, Deborah
Evans, James
Evans, Patricia
Geers, William
Glenn, Joseph
Graham, Sandra
Harris, Susan
Hayes, Erin
Hemmerly, Judah
Hill, Gloria
Holcomb, Emily
Howard, Latrice
Hughes Jr., George
Jenkins, Shannon
Jones, Darrell
Kenny, Lawanda
Kerdolff, Barbara
Lozier, Lyndsey
Manning, Julia
Martin, Artis
Meltebrink, Allison
Miller, Ryan
Monich, Donald
Oliver, Verneda

Phipps, Marilyn
Pollington, Connie
Pride, Allison
Reeb, Jr., James Edward
Rhodes, Samantha
Rhodes Brown, Judith
Richardson, Lucille
Richey, Sheila
Robinson, Marilyn
Ruffner, Sara
Shaw, Phyllis
Sithe, Adam
Skidmore, Carson
St.Hilaire, Melissa
Story, Raymond
Straughn, Emily
Sukovaty, Holly
Sullivan, Clyde
Surratt, Andra
Tirschek, Katelin
Trabert-Salt,
Troxell, Lauren
Utrecht, Kimberly
VonderHaar, Susan
Walton, Ronald
Welt, Ryan
Williams, Carla
Wise, Donnise
Xu, Wenjin
Yancey, Aaron
Zimmermann, Jim

g) Adoption of Resolution - Payment In Lieu of Transportation*

It is recommended that the Board adopt the following resolution declaring transportation impractical for certain pupils, pursuant to the requirements of Ohio Revised Code §3327 and the procedures set forth by the Ohio Department of Education:

WHEREAS the students identified below have been determined to be residents of this school district, and eligible for transportation services; and

WHEREAS after a careful evaluation of all available options, it has been determined that it is impractical to provide transportation for these students to their selected schools; and

WHEREAS the following factors as identified in Revised Code §3327.02 have been considered:

1. The time and distance required to provide the transportation
2. The number of pupils to be transported
3. The cost of providing transportation in terms of equipment, maintenance, personnel, and administration
4. Whether similar or equivalent service is provided to other pupils eligible for transportation
5. Whether and to what extent the additional service unavoidably disrupts current transportation schedules
6. Whether other reimbursable types of transportation are available; and

WHEREAS the option of offering payment-in-lieu of transportation is provided in Ohio Revised Code:

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Finneytown Local School District Board of Education hereby declares that it is impractical to transport the students identified below and offers the parent/guardian of said students payment-in-lieu of transportation:

Anaya Walton and My'Shawanna Tinsley (Julie Wilbur, parent)
Emma Martin and Leah Brewster (Jeff Martin, parent)

h) Approval of School Year 2021-2022 Calendar*

The Board approved the following 2021-2022 school year calendar, which was presented for initial consideration on December 14, 2020:

August 16, Monday	Staff In-Service
August 17, Tuesday	Staff In-Service
August 18, Wednesday	Staff In-Service
August 19, Thursday	First Day for Students
September 6, Monday	Labor Day - No School
October 11, Monday	Staff In-Service - No School
October 15, Friday	1st Quarter Ends (41 days)
November 22 & 23, Monday & Tuesday	Staff In-Service - No School
November 24, Wednesday	Conference Release Day-No School
November 25 & 26, Thursday & Friday	Thanksgiving Break - No School
December 17, Friday	2nd Quarter Ends (40 days)

December 20, Mon. - December 31, Fri.	Winter Break - No School
January 3, Monday	School Resumes
January 14, Friday	Staff In-Service - No School
January 17, Monday	MLK, Jr. Day - No School
February 18, Friday	Conference Release Day-No School
February 21, Monday	Presidents Day - No School
March 11, Friday	3rd Quarter Ends (46 days)
March 14, Monday – March 18, Friday	Spring Break - No School
March 21, Monday	School Resumes
April 15, Friday	Staff In-Service - No School
April 18, Monday	Staff In-Service - No School
May 27, Friday	Last Day for Students
	4th Quarter Ends (48 days)
May 30, Monday	Memorial Day
May 31, Tuesday	Staff In-Service
	Last Day for Staff

i) Approval of Membership and Payment – OSBA*

The Board approved payment for membership in OSBA for 2021:

Membership Dues	\$5,610.00
OSBA Briefcase Electronic Subscription	\$ <u>free</u>
Membership Total	\$5,610.00

j) Approval of Consolidated Deed*

The Board approved a deed consolidating the following six parcels of land at the New Elementary Building Project site:

590-0190-0246-90	590-0220-0171-90
590-0190-0238-00	590-0220-0170-00
590-0190-0019-90	590-0190-0020-90

k) Adoption of New/Revised Policies*

The Board considered the following new and revised policies which will be presented for final adoption at the next regular meeting of the Board:

Policy 6114	Cost Principles – Spending Federal Funds
Policy 6325	Procurement – Federal Grants/Funds

l) Acceptance of Donation*

The Board accepted the following donation:

An \$800 matching gift cash donation to the Finneytown Secondary Campus athletic fund from the GE Foundation on December 15, 2020. This donation matches Matthew Hill's \$800 donation made on September 16, 2020.

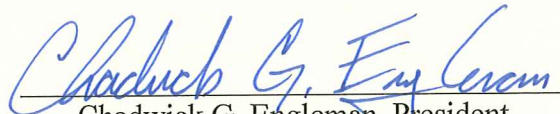
m) Approval of Contract – Consultant*

The Board approved the following consultant contract:

Michele Wallace Bowers, with the Finneytown Local School District, to provide services as Winter Guard Coach during the 2020-2021 school year at a salary of \$1,750.00.


The next regular meeting of the Finneytown Board of Education will take place on Tuesday, February 16, 2021 at 7:30pm in the Media Center of the Finneytown Secondary Campus, 8916 Fontainebleau Terrace, Cincinnati, OH 45231. Open forum will begin at 7:00pm.

13-21 There being no further business, Ms. Johnson moved, seconded by Mrs. Rebman, that the meeting be adjourned. The president declared the meeting adjourned at 8:26pm.



Chadwick G. Engleman, President

ATTEST:



David L. Oliverio, Treasurer