

GEAUGA COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER

MINUTES

MARCH 20, 2012 7:00 P.M.

Board members of the Geauga County Educational Service Center met on March 20, 2012, for the purpose of conducting their regular business meeting. Members present were: Mrs. Cavanaugh, Mrs. Koster, Mr. Battles, Mr. Gilson and Mr. Burnett.

MOTION:

Mr. Gilson moved and Mr. Battles seconded the motion to approve the agenda and addendum as presented. Vote: Mr. Gilson, yes; Mr. Battles, yes; Mrs. Koster, yes; Mrs. Cavanaugh, yes; and Mr. Burnett, yes. Motion carried.

MOTION:

Mr. Battles moved and Mrs. Koster seconded the motion to approve the minutes from February 21, 2012, as written. Vote: Mr. Battles, yes; Mrs. Koster, yes; Mrs. Cavanaugh, yes; Mr. Gilson, yes; and Mr. Burnett, yes. Motion carried.

MOTION:

Mrs. Koster moved and Mrs. Cavanaugh seconded the motion to approve the treasurer's report as listed below:

- 1) February financial statement.
- 2) February warrants written.
- 3) February investments.
- 4) March invoices payable.
- 5) Race to the Top Fund – High School and Higher Education Alignment, Fund #506-9107 - \$10,700.00.

Vote: Mrs. Koster, yes; Mrs. Cavanaugh, yes; Mr. Battles, yes; Mr. Gilson, yes; and Mr. Burnett, yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Galemme discussed the following:

- 1) Transition Fair.
- 2) Chardon Schools shooting.
- 3) Chardon Superintendent search.

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MOTION:

Mr. Gilson moved and Mr. Battles seconded the motion to approve the following personnel items:

1) Professional meeting requests for attendance:

Amanda Tovar, Job Training Coordinator, to attend Ohio Special Needs Annual Conference, Columbus, March 8 & 9, total approx. cost: \$350.00.

Bill McSherry, Intervention Specialist, to attend Living and Working with Toxic People, Mayfield Hts., March 21, total approx. cost: \$80.00.

Tricia McCollum, Early Intervention Teacher, and Kathrine Gingerich, Occupational Therapist, to attend Mealtime Success for Kids on the Spectrum, Beachwood, April 3, total approx. cost: \$380.00.

Stephanie Cohen, Occupational Therapist, to attend Smart But Scattered; Dysfunction at Home and School, Cleveland, April 20, total approx. cost: \$190.00.

Beth Timen, Physical Therapist, to attend ABC's of Home Modification for Patients with Physical and Neurological Disabilities, Cleveland, April 18, total approx. cost: \$189.00.

Susan Maas, School Psychologist, to attend Laughter: The Sanity of Discipline, Akron, March 30, total approx. cost: \$35.00.

Susan Maas, Suzanne Fletcher, Carol Warnick and Frank Scarano, School Psychologists, to attend 2012 Ohio School Psychologists Spring Conference, Columbus, April 19-20, total approx. cost: \$2,100.00.

Stephanie Cohen, Occupational Therapist, to attend Ohio Occupational Therapist Association Midyear Workshop, Columbus, March 31, total approx. cost: \$75.00.

Suzanne Allen, Assistant Superintendent, to attend Ohio Department of Education High Education Alignment Meeting, Columbus, March 16, total approx. cost: \$280.00.

Kathy Schmelzer, Social Worker, to attend Social Work Practice Dilemmas Working with Children, Cleveland, April 20, total approx. cost: \$140.00.

Val Parker, ED Administrator, to attend Children with Emotional and Behavioral Problems, Cleveland, May 21, total approx. cost: \$300.00.

Kay Low, Aaron Hendrickson, Bruce Cline and Bill McSherry, Galtway Teachers, to attend Technology Camp for Teachers, Akron Univ., June 29 through July 1, total approx. cost: \$1,335.00.

Heather Dodd, Transition Coordinator, to attend Region 4 Flex Credit, Concord, March 30, total approx. cost: \$50.50.

- 2) Bus driver approval for the 2011-2012 school year:

Frank E. Pertz – Chardon
Mary Golden – Newbury

Andrew Pozelnik - Chardon

- 3) Letter of Resignation: Rebecca DePreta, STARS Intervention Specialist, effective July 31, 2012. Letter attached.

Vote: Mr. Gilson, yes; Mr. Battles, yes; Mrs. Cavanaugh, yes; Mrs. Koster, yes; and Mr. Burnett, yes. Motion carried.

MOTION:

Mrs. Koster moved and Mr. Battles seconded the motion to approve the third and final reading of board policy #9160 - Public Attendance at School Events.

Vote: Mrs. Koster, yes; Mr. Battles, yes; Mrs. Cavanaugh, yes; Mr. Gilson, yes; and Mr. Burnett, yes. Motion carried.

MOTION:

Mrs. Koster moved and Mrs. Cavanaugh seconded the motion to approve the 4 year purchase of Board President and Board Member position bonds. Premium cost will be \$1,196.00 for the 4 year period.

Board President bond - \$25,000.00 coverage

Board Member bond - \$20,000.00 coverage

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Vote: Mrs. Koster, yes; Mrs. Cavanaugh, yes; Mr. Gilson, yes; Mr. Battles, yes; and Mr. Burnett, yes. Motion carried.

MOTION:

Mr. Battles moved and Mr. Gilson seconded the motion to approve the following new business items as listed below:

- 1) The Geauga County Educational Service Center board would like to express to the following employees our appreciation and gratitude for a job well done during the shooting tragedy at the Chardon High School.

Suzanne Fletcher, Sue Maas, Joan Benedejcic, Amber Kokal, Carolyn Stoops, April Grogan, Kathy Sanborn, Maria Perusek, Frank Scarano, Dana Titus, Sheldon Firem, Jeff Ferguson, Wendy Jovan, Barbara Rakes, Donna Fischer, Karen Lackey and Kathy Schmelzer.

- 2) Approve attached list for February 2011 substitute teachers and school nurses.

Vote: Mr. Battles, yes; Mr. Gilson, yes; Mrs. Koster, yes; Mrs. Cavanaugh, yes; and Mr. Burnett, yes. Motion carried.

April board meeting changed to April 19, 2012, 7:00 p.m.

MOTION:

Mr. Gilson moved and Mrs. Koster seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. Vote: Mr. Gilson, yes; Mrs. Koster, yes; Mrs. Cavanaugh, yes; Mr. Battles, yes; and Mr. Burnett, yes. Motion carried.

REVISED POLICY - VOL. 30, NO. 1

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL EVENTS

The Governing Board welcomes and encourages members of the community to attend athletic and other public events held by the schools in the Educational Service Center. Due to the need to maintain order and preserve the facilities of the Center during the conduct of such events, the Board retains the right to bar the attendance of or remove any person whose conduct may constitute a disruption at a school event. School administrators are expected to call law enforcement officials if a person violates posted regulations or does not leave school property when reasonably requested. In accordance with Board Policy 7440 and AG 7440B, administrators may use metal detectors and other devices to protect the safety and well-being of participants and visitors.

No alcoholic beverage or other controlled substance may be possessed, consumed, or distributed at any function occurring on Board property.

No qualified person with a disability will, because the Center's facilities are inaccessible to or unusable by persons with disabilities, be denied the benefits of, be excluded from participation in, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity to which Section 504/ADA applies.

For facilities constructed or altered after June 3, 1977, the Center will comply with applicable accessibility standards. For those existing facilities constructed prior to June 3, 1977, the Center is committed to operating its programs and activities so that they are readily accessible to persons with disabilities. This includes, but is not limited to, providing accommodations to parents with disabilities who desire access to their child's educational program or meetings pertinent thereto.

If a student or adult is asked to leave or is removed from a school event, no admission fees shall be refunded.

Individuals with disabilities shall have an equal opportunity to purchase tickets for events that have been sanctioned or approved by the Board in accordance with the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, as amended.

Further, in accordance with the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, as amended, the Board shall permit individuals with disabilities to be accompanied by their service animals in all areas of the Center's facilities where members of the

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RELATIONS

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public, as participants in services, programs or activities, or as invitees, are allowed to go. (See also AG 9160B)

The Board is aware of the increasing desire of many parents and other members of an audience to make audio and/or video recordings of school events.

Deleted: use "camcorders" and other audio/visual devices at school events

Such recordings can be made by parents or other members of the audience without restriction if the performance is not of copyrighted material. However, if the performance is of copyrighted material, recording can be made if the appropriate license authorizing such recordings has been secured in advance by the Center. If the performance is of copyrighted material and the necessary license has not been secured in advance by the Center, the audience shall be advised before the performance begins that audio and/or video recordings that will be re-broadcast or distributed in any way, such as posting on the internet, are prohibited.

The Board authorizes the Superintendent to establish rules and procedures governing the use of noncenter audio/visual recording equipment at any Center-sponsored event or activity. Such rules are to be distributed in such a manner that members of the audience who wish to record the event are aware of the rules early enough to make proper arrangements to obtain their recordings without causing delay or disruption to an activity.

Any person or organization seeking to film students or a school activity which is not a public event, must obtain prior permission from the Superintendent.

All notices, signs, schedules, and other communications about school events must contain the following statement:

"In accordance with State and Federal law, the Center will provide reasonable accommodations to persons with disabilities who wish to attend and/or participate in school events. Such individuals should notify appropriate administrator if they require a reasonable accommodation."

R.C. 955.43, 1716.02, 1716.03

28 C.F.R. Part 35

29 U.S.C. 794, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended

34 C.F.R. Part 104

42 U.S. C. 12101 et seq., Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended

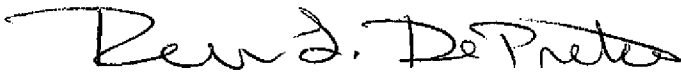
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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this to inform you that I will not be signing a new contract with the Geauga County Educational Service Center. My current contract will end this summer (2012). My husband moved out of state in January 2012 for his job. I stayed in Ohio to finish my contract with the Geauga County Educational Service Center, but will be moving out of state to join my husband this June. Therefore, I will not be returning to my current teaching position with the county for the 2012-2013 school year.

I understand that I will continue to have health benefits and coverage through the GCESC until July 31, 2012 and that I will receive my last paycheck from GCESC on August 13, 2012.

Kind regards,



Rebecca L. (Prussia) DePreta
S.T.A.R.S. Program Intervention Specialist
Cell: (330) 980-5151

February Sub List

First Name	Last Name	Address	City	St	Zip	Cert
Fern	Adler	759 Sandalwood Ln.	Chagrin Falls	OH	44023	Perm. K-8, K-12 Rdg
Lauren	Bales	11190 Elk Run Rd	Chardon	OH	44024	7-12 Integ. SS
Michael	Bartlett	9975 Edwards Ln.	Chagrin Falls	OH	44023	S-T Sub Gen Educ ONLY MONDAYS
Kim	Bisker	111 Waverly Ln	Chagrin Falls	OH	44022	S-T Sub Gen Educ
Mary	Bland	8690 Tamarack Tr	Chagrin Falls	OH	44023	S-T Sub Gen Educ
Sam	Bonsignore	11620 Lancaster Dr	Auburn Twp	OH	44023	S-T Sub Gen Educ
Kimberly	Brown	14560 Butternut Rd	Burton	OH	44021	S-T Sub Gen Educ
Michele	Burnett	15385 Claridon-Troy Rd	Burton	OH	44021	K-12 Mild/Mod
Shanna	Flick	9244 Ravenna Rd	Chardon	OH	44024	Temp. School Nurse
Daniel	Hurd	6818 Cheryl Dr	Hiram	OH	44234	4 Yr. P-3, 4-5
Rachel	Leisure	38415 Brighton Path	Willoughby	OH	44094	4-9 Lang Arts, SS, Math
Karen	Merritt	5201 Pioneer Tr	Mantua	OH	44255	5 Yr. Prof. K-12 Spanish, Rdg K-12
Kaitlyn	Mestelske	33600 N. Deer Creek Ln.	Pepper Pike	OH	44124	2 Yr. Prov. P-3, Rdg
Chad	Murawski	4601 Highland Dr	Willoughby	OH	44094	S-T Sub Gen Educ
Paul	Petras	12401 Snow Rd	Burton	OH	44021	S-T Sub Gen Educ
Dana	Pierce	108 W. Pointe Ct	Chardon	OH	44024	Temp. School Nurse
Jennifer	Pinney	8338 Fairmount Rd	Novelty	OH	44072	4 Yr. 4-9 Sci, SS, Rdg
Christina	Sherwood	5966 Galaxie Dr	Mentor	OH	44060	4 Yr. 7-12 Integ. Lang Arts
John	Shipitalo	8540 Pine Hollow Dr	Novelty	OH	44072	5 Yr. 7-12 Integ Sci
Julie	Taylor	37505 Windy Hill Ln.	Solon	OH	44139	L-T 4-9 Math, SS
Brian	Tutkovics	16445 Majestic Oaks Dr	Chagrin Falls	OH	44023	Prov. K-12 PE
John	Wagner	8527 Shorthorn Dr.	Sagamore Hills	OH	44067	L-T 7-12 Integ SS
Maria	Walls	16895 Messenger Rd.	Auburn Twp	OH	44023	Prof. 1-8
Mary	Wolfson	9171 Wilderness Psg	Chagrin Falls	OH	44023	5 Yr. Prof. 7-12 History