

CAC Minutes – April 21, 2008

Next CAC meeting: Monday, May 19 at the Board of Education Building 7:30.

Please advise Garn Anderson, Christie Wiedt, or Gina Wittenberg in advance if you will be unable to attend the meeting.

Attendees (12): Garn Anderson (presiding), Dr. Dan Keenan (Superintendent), Carol Winter (Board of Education), Chris Bauer, Judy Friedman, Sandra Hazners, Jayne Hoon, Jim Matousek, Cecilia Steinman, Christie Wiedt, Gina Wittenberg, Karen Seawall

Absent with notice:

Troy Miller, Dan Walsh, Richard Helzel, Samantha Hall, Alex Pandrangi

Absent without notice:

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Garn Anderson at 7:35 p.m.

Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved. The motion was made by Christie Wiedt and seconded by Jim Matousek.

Approval of Minutes

The March meeting minutes were not available.

Superintendent's Report by Dr. Dan Keenan

- Ohio Achievement testing began today and all went well.
- LBMS teachers, Jessica Molenaar and Deb Schrembeck, have been invited to deliver a presentation on integrated instruction at the National Middle School conference.
- WHS junior, Courtney Sennish, won the Best in Show award at the Artistic Discovery competition. Her art work will be displayed locally at Parmatown Mall and then will become part of a one-year display in our nation's Capitol.
- Interviews have begun to fill the Holly Lane principal position. A committee is in place to handle the interview process. The district expects to interview apx. 30 candidates from the pool of 122 applications which were received.
- Dan and his staff are in the process of evaluating personnel and personnel requirements for the coming year.
- At the next BOE meeting, HS principal, Tim Freeman, plans to present a proposal to implement hybrid-block scheduling at WHS. The proposal was drafted by a committee of WHS teachers and chaired by Mr. Freeman. The proposal was formally presented to the entire WHS staff last week. The goal of the scheduling format change is to improve academic outcomes by increasing instructional time.
- The District Facilities committee continues to meet. They have been tasked with identifying facility needs, providing professional expertise on needed repairs, drafting a comprehensive maintenance schedule, and creating a long-range plan.

Board of Education Report by Carol Winter

- The BOE respects the important work being done by the Facilities Committee and appreciates the value of their contribution in assisting the board in making good choices with respect to the district's facility needs.
- Last BOE meeting on 3/31 included a tour of Parkside, a Parkside and LBMS student recognition ceremony, and a solar car presentation.
- BOE has approved hiring Stephanie Morgan as the Director of Pupil Personnel.
- Topics of all-day kindergarten and special education vouchers will be discussed at future BOE meetings.
- A letter was sent to State Senator Bob Spada urging him to vote no on SB 57 as this bill would negatively impact services to special needs children within our district.
- The Ohio House and Senate are debating energy bills which could result in a 40% increase in energy costs. The House version of the bill treats public schools more favorably.
- The next BOE meeting is at LBMS on 4/28. Tour begins at 5:00 followed by regular meeting at apx. 5:45. All are welcome to attend. A STEM presentation by Pam Griebel is on the agenda.

Chamber of Commerce Report (Dr. Keenan)

- Thank you to the Chamber representatives who presented a Career Day at WHS last week.

2007/2008 Projects

- Feedback Process (Complete)
- 21st Century
 - Garn shared a Time article concerning world-class teacher training
 - Committee is planning to present in June
- Gifted/Honors/AP – (Jayne)
 - Based on current man-power (2 members) the project scope has been scaled down.
 - Group plans to present in June
- Funding Alternatives – (Troy)
 - No report
- Regular & Extended Field Trips/Volunteer Coaches/Advisors (Christie)
 - Group will wrap up report in the May timeframe and plans to present in June.
- Communications
 - Group presented survey results and proposed recommendations.
 - Comments and suggestions will be incorporated into presentation and group will present at the 5/19 BOE meeting.

Old Business

- 3 alternate members have been interviewed and may join us for the May meeting. Two additional potential members have been identified and Garn is following up.
- CAC By-Law Review -
 - Due to time constraints this item was rescheduled to follow the BOE report at the next CAC meeting
 - CAC members to receive docs from Christie via email. Please review before the May meeting.

Adjourn

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Karen Seawall and seconded by Judy Friedman. The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Minutes taken by Gina Wittenberg

Corrections/missing items/amendments may be made during the next meeting as needed.