



## **Westlake Board of Education**

### ***Board Notes from Monday, Aug. 25, 2008***

**Superintendent's Report:** Dr. Keenan referenced opening of school coming up this week. The soccer and football teams won their opening games. Home Team Marketing was present at the first home football event and received positive feedback. Ohio Department of Education report cards are coming out this week and reveal Westlake exceeded a year's growth for the second year in a row, meeting value-added and adequate yearly progress goals. The web site is undergoing revision and we should have a sister site up in September. A Board policy subcommittee reviewed 48 policies and will be bringing changes up for approval at upcoming meetings. A curriculum subcommittee will meet this week.

**Treasurer's Report/Recommendations:** CFO/Treasurer Mark Pepera presented a series of resolutions. The Board approved a resolution to accept state and federal funds, approved FY 09 temporary appropriations-Other Funds, adjusted FY09 temporary appropriations, approved student activity purpose statements and budgets, issued then and now certificates, authorized the treasurer to advance funds from the General Fund to the Uniform School Supply Fund.

#### **CAC Reports**

**Exploration of Funding Alternatives:** CAC member Troy Miller presented a report on school funding alternatives/cost saving strategies that addressed municipal/capital lease-public/private partnerships, service contracts, satellite schools, year-round school, income/sales taxes and student fees. The subcommittee recommended the district consider implementing a fee-based system and further explore public/private partnership options. CFO/Treasurer Mark Pepera will review Ohio law in regard to some of the suggestions.

**New Business:** approved health services for non-public schools to be paid out of Auxiliary Service Funds. Approved agreements for admission of tuition pupils and contracts with ESC Cuyahoga County and Education Alternatives Ombudsman. Approved a lease agreement for the upcoming school year with John Lance to lease property on which St. Bernadette's Mobile Unit rests, to be paid out of Auxiliary Service Funds. Approved Sunday building use for Emily's Rainbow Fund 5K run, 1 Mile Walk and

Children's Run, and Riverside Church services. Approved job description of Westlake City Schools clerk/typist-WHS and special education assistant and teacher assistant (special needs) and student attendant. Approved change order for North Bay Construction for \$2,783 for LBNS HVAC Project. Approved bus routes for 2008-09 school year. Approved Continuous Improvement Plan 2008-2010.

**Director of Business Affairs Report:** Dave Puffer reported on the HVAC project at LBMS. The air handling units will be delivered on Aug. 26 and a crane has been scheduled to lift the units onto the rooftop. The units will be hooked up and working this week and will not interfere with students. He also discussed an air quality report for Bassett Elementary that found no documented cause and effect between air quality/particulate counts and upper respiratory cases reported at the school. Mr. Puffer will meet with staff this week to discuss the report. He also reported that custodial and maintenance staffs did a wonderful job in preparing schools for the opening of school this week. Transportation schedules are out.

**DONATIONS:** The Board accepted gifts and donations from Tony & JoAnn Hoty for WHBS-TV, Jimmy Lee for WHBS-TV, Mike Pruitt of Mike Pruitt Honda for WHBS-TV and Chuck Rego of Rego's Fresh Market for WHBS-TV.

**STAFF ITEMS:** Approved classified resignations from Jackie Nackowicz, Sue Kantner, Cathy Rasmussen, Sandra Lewis, Cindy Manning, Jackie Massa and Laura Winchester. Approved classified employment of Ryan Falin, Jackie Nackowicz, Julie Lindsey, Jackie Massa, Patricia Riegling, Karen Siegmeyer, Donna Corrigan, Jennifer Dossa, Madonna Faragher, Denise Higgins, Patricia Riegling, Suzan Chambers and Mike Hannah. Approved certified employment of Karen Schmidt, James Patrizi and Kristen Russ. Appointed classified substitutes. Approved stipends for 2008-09 literacy leaders Jenny Clark, Julie Hildebrand, Jenny Larcey and Julie Szucs. Approved payment of classified staff members Kristine Hamilton and Patricia Wasko to be paid from VI-B IDEA funds for the 2008-09 school year.

Approved additional hours for Adult Basic Literacy Education Personnel. Approved employment of Adult Basic Literacy Education Personnel Victoria Emblom, Sharon Forschen, Paula Kertes, Gloria Muntean, Melissa Cheers, Michelle Cseh, Jan Sheffler and Cheryl Williams. Approved certified employment of Karen Kane as speech language pathologist. Approved employment of auxiliary services personnel for St. Paul Lutheran School and St. Bernadette School – Anna Bakalar, Corlett Bine, Barbara Sennhenn, Donna Collins. Approved supplemental resignations of James Patrizi and Brendan Zepp. Approved supplemental contracts for Jennifer Parker, James Patrizi, Brendan Zepp, Daniel Berkheimer, Jennifer Britton, Lisa McLaren and Albie Weiss.

Approved summer athletic camp employment of Matt Kelley and Will Shortreed, and Ashley Dreher. Approved resignation of Project LINK personnel Courtney Seman. Approved employment of Project LINK personnel – Roberta Ahern, Cora Miner, Nancy English, Erin Fenderbosch, Stacie Connors, Christi-Ann McCulloch, Carol Andrews, Christine Matejcik, Beth Prather, Laura Roeder, Judith Mack, Callie Smith, Stefanie Wagner, Christie Leaker. Approved reclassification of certified staff members – Kelly Atkinson, Cindy Bailey, Celina Bigio, Amy Butcher, Amanda Caunter, Kimberly Cerrito, Katherine McGlynn, Nick Miller, Sandra Stanley, LaVonne Szafranski, Tom Urich, Claudia Vakos, Sandra Vontroba, Ashley Witman.

Approved bus drivers and hours for the 2008-09 school year. Approved stipends for STEM grant summer in-service for Judy McMasters, Lynn Pettyjohn, Matt Bourn, Kurt Thonnings, Janet Vinciguerra and Daniel Grigson. Approved classified substitute resignations of Mary Coleman, Elizabeth Coyle, Steve Maler, Peggy Leaver, Sophie Paul and Rebecca Perring. Approved certified substitute resignations of Meredith Farrow Herndon, Kathryn Szambecki, Eva Reitenback Haeberle, Beth Prather, Heather Kama-Starr, Amanda Wilkinson, Patricia McGinty, Malinda Johnson, Stacie Novak, Leah Halloran, Ryan McCartney, Carol Wittkopf, Vanessa Tang, Sheryl Martin, Brenna Posa, Susan Kiss. Approved classified substitutes Cassandra Gilbert. Approved certified substitutes Stacie Connors, Jason Jennings, Deborah Kennedy, Christina Lahoud, Bayda Maatouk, Stephanie Markley, Janet Tabler, Melissa Graham.

Approved employment of 2008 fall semester STEM technicians Tim Bucknell and Mark Petrie.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS:** The Board is compiling a review of the CAC reports delivered to date and will deliver comments/suggestions to the CAC.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING:** Monday, Sept. 8, 5:30pm, in the Hilliard Elementary School library.

For more detailed information on these items, visit

<http://www.westlake.k12.oh.us/AdminBldg/BOE/BOESched.htm>