

**WESTLAKE CITY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES**

**Monday, May 9, 2011 – Work Session - 5:30 PM
Hilliard Elementary School Gymnasium – 24365 Hilliard Blvd.**

Call to Order: Time: 5:38 p.m.

Motion to appoint Carol Winter Treasurer Pro-tem.

Motion by _____ Mr. Mays

Seconded by _____ Ms. Rocco

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Mays	_____ AYE
Ms. Winter	_____ AYE
Mr. Cross	_____ AYE
Ms. Rocco	_____ AYE
Mr. Sullivan	_____ AYE

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Mays	_____ Present
Ms. Winter	_____ Present
Mr. Cross	_____ Present
Ms. Rocco	_____ Present
Mr. Sullivan	_____ Present

Pledge of Allegiance: The Men's Chorus sang the National Anthem in lieu of the Pledge.

Acknowledgment of Visitors: President Mays thanked all in attendance.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by _____ Mr. Sullivan

Seconded by _____ Ms. Rocco

Discussion:

Cross: Asked Dr. Keenan about the necessity for an executive session.

Keenan: Explained to Mr. Cross the rationale for the executive session.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Mays	_____ AYE
Ms. Winter	_____ AYE
Mr. Cross	_____ AYE
Ms. Rocco	_____ AYE
Mr. Sullivan	_____ AYE

*Hearing of Public (15 Minutes) Agenda Items – None.

A. Special Reports & Recognitions - Hilliard Art Program

1. Resolution to Recognize Hilliard Elementary School Students for the 2011 Ohio Art Education Association Exhibition Exhibit A-1

Hilliard Art Teacher, Will Wilson, introduced the students who were recognized for their art projects, and then gave a presentation to the Board on Art and Technology.

2. Resolution of Appreciation for Outgoing Administrator Exhibit A-2

Mary Flanagan, Hilliard Principal, was recognized for her 24 years of outstanding service to Westlake City Schools.

B. Action/Discussion Items

1. State Budget - House Version

Superintendent Keenan discussed the House version of the State budget and then shared his recommendations on offering a tuition-based all-day kindergarten and seeking labor concessions with district bargaining groups.

2. Tuition-Based All-Day Kindergarten

RES. #11-107

Motion to offer all-day kindergarten with tuition option for the 2011-12 school year.

Motion by Mr. Mays

Seconded by Ms. Rocco

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Mays	<u>AYE</u>
Ms. Winter	<u>AYE</u>
Mr. Cross	<u>NO</u>
Ms. Rocco	<u>AYE</u>
Mr. Sullivan	<u>NO</u>

3. Resolution to Approve Field Trip
4. Seeking Concessions

Exhibit B-3

RES. #11-108

Motion to allow Superintendent Keenan to seek concessions from WTA and OAPSE.

Motion by Mr. Mays

Seconded by Ms. Rocco

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Mays	<u>AYE</u>
Ms. Winter	<u>AYE</u>
Mr. Cross	<u>NO</u>
Ms. Rocco	<u>AYE</u>
Mr. Sullivan	<u>NO</u>

*Hearing of Public (15 Minutes)

Harry Applegate: Spoke to Mr. Cross about not going into negotiations to discuss teachers' salaries.

Tony Falcone: Asked Mr. Cross and Mr. Sullivan to state their rationale for being on the school Board. Both Mr. Sullivan and Mr. Cross responded.

Ellen Wolf: Asked if Superintendent Keenan would himself be making wage concessions and also asked about tuition charges for the half-day kindergarten program.

Josh Rintamaki: Asked about full-day kindergarten and when parents would be informed as to the payment process.

Kari Rendziak: Asked that Mr. Cross and Mr. Sullivan listen to what the union has to say. Their vote should be based on what the community wants, not their personal opinions.

Harry Applegate: Stated he does not believe there should be an issue about Board members' children going to public vs. parochial school.

Bob Plantz: Commended Mr. Sullivan and Mr. Cross about articulating their points of view and asked for clarification between concessions and re-opening the union contracts.

Keenan: Responded to Mr. Plantz.

Duane VanDyke: Stated he believes the Board should talk with the unions.

C. Adjourn to Executive Session

Time: 8:34 p.m.

Purpose: a) Conference with Attorney Involving Tax Valuation Dispute
b) Preparing for Bargaining Sessions with Public Employees

Motion by Mr. Sullivan

Seconded by Mr. Cross

Roll Call Vote:

Ms. Winter AYE

Mr. Sullivan AYE

Mr. Cross AYE

Mr. Mays AYE

Ms. Rocco AYE

Others in Attendance: Keenan, Kevin Hinkel, Esq.

Mr. Hinkel exited the meeting at 9:23 p.m.

Adjourn Executive Session and Return to Regular Session

Time: 10:04 p.m.

D. Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Mays

Seconded by Ms. Rocco

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Mays AYE

Ms. Winter AYE

Mr. Cross AYE

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Ms. Rocco	<u>AYE</u>
Mr. Sullivan	<u>AYE</u>

President Mays adjourned the meeting at 10:05 p.m.

President

Treasurer Pro-tem

- * The public may address the Board during the periods of the meeting designated for public participation. Each person addressing the Board shall give his/her name and address. If several people wish to speak, each person is allotted three minutes until the total time allotted is used. During that period, no person may speak twice until all who desire to speak have had the opportunity to do so. The period of public participation may be extended by a vote of the majority of the Board present and voting.

EXHIBIT A-1
RES. #11-104

RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE HILLIARD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENTS
FOR THE 2011 OHIO ART EDUCATION ASSOCIATION EXHIBITION

RESOLVED that the Westlake Board of Education recognizes and congratulates the following Hilliard Elementary students for having their art work selected as exhibitors for the Ohio Art Education Association Exhibition:

2011 Youth Art Month Exhibitors

Exhibition: STRS, Columbus

Hena Delic	Hilliard Elementary	Grade 4
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Exhibition: Rhodes State Office Towers, Columbus

Grace Arndt	Hilliard Elementary	Grade 2
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Exhibition: Case Western Reserve University

Devlin Onofrey	Hilliard Elementary	Grade 4
Matthew Gulla	Hilliard Elementary	Grade 4
Emilie Tobin	Hilliard Elementary	Grade 2

Motion by _____ Mr. Sullivan

Seconded by _____ Mr. Mays

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Mays	_____ AYE
Ms. Winter	_____ AYE
Mr. Cross	_____ AYE
Ms. Rocco	_____ AYE
Mr. Sullivan	_____ AYE



RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION

Mary Flanagan

Administrator
1987-2011

WHEREAS, Mary Flanagan has served as a member of the Westlake City School staff for 24 years, and

WHEREAS, her leadership has been instrumental in the district being recognized by the State of Ohio as being Excellent, and

WHEREAS, her judgment, vision and concern for the education of youth has been valuable to the District in the fulfillment of its responsibilities, and

WHEREAS, her service, leadership and commitment to the Westlake City School District has brought enduring benefits to the youth and citizens of the Westlake City School District,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Westlake Board of Education adopts this "Resolution of Appreciation" commending Mary Flanagan for dedication and faithful service and does hereby express its sincere appreciation to her on behalf of the citizens of the Westlake City School District and the staff of their schools, and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that this resolution be duly recorded and spread on the minutes this 9th day of May, 2011, and the Treasurer is directed to deliver a copy of this resolution to Ms. Mary Flanagan.

Thomas Mays, President

Carol Winter, Vice President

Nathaniel Cross, Member

Andrea Rocco, Member

Timothy Sullivan, Member

Motion by _____ Mr. Sullivan

Seconded by _____ Ms. Rocco

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Mays	_____ AYE
Ms. Winter	_____ AYE
Mr. Cross	_____ AYE
Ms. Rocco	_____ AYE
Mr. Sullivan	_____ AYE

EXHIBIT B-3
RES. #11-106

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE FIELD TRIP

RESOLVED that the Westlake Board of Education approves the following field trip:

Lee Burneson Middle School & Westlake High School
Environmental Club - Cincinnati Zoo
Cincinnati, Ohio
Tuesday, 05/24/11 8:00 AM - Wednesday, 05/25/11 6:00 PM
Approximate Cost Per Pupil: \$20.00

Motion by _____ Mr. Sullivan _____

Seconded by _____ Mr. Cross _____

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Mays	_____ AYE _____
Ms. Winter	_____ AYE _____
Mr. Cross	_____ AYE _____
Ms. Rocco	_____ AYE _____
Mr. Sullivan	_____ AYE _____

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