

**STRONGSVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
JUNE 1, 2017
REGULAR MEETING – WORK SESSION**

The Regular Meeting of the Strongsville Board of Education Work Session and any other items germane to the Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 1, 2017, at the **Administration Building, Meeting Room, 18199 Cook Avenue, Strongsville, Ohio**, by President, Carl W. Naso.

All members of the Board and media were notified of this meeting in compliance with Section 121.22 O.R.C., effective November 28, 1975.

The following Board Members answered Roll Call: Colonel Evans, Mr. Grozan, Mrs. Ludwig, Mr. Micko, and Mr. Naso.

Others present were: Mr. Cameron Ryba, Superintendent; Mr. George Anagnostou, Treasurer; Ms. Jenni Pelko, Assistant Superintendent; and Ms. Vicki Turner, Director of Technology.

This meeting was videotaped and is part of the official minutes.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

DISTRICT GOALS

Mr. Naso re-stated the District's three goals, Student Achievement and Growth, Financial Prudence, and Community Engagement.

RECOGNITIONS

A. NATIONAL HISTORY DAY COMPETITION STATE QUALIFIER

Presenter: Ms. Erica Powell, Advisor

- *Krista Albertins, Grade 11, Strongsville High School*

**B. STRONGSVILLE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SISTER RITA MACKERT
TEACHER OF THE YEAR AWARD 2016-2017**

Presenter: Mrs. Jennifer L. Pelko, Assistant Superintendent

- *Mrs. Katie Hawk, Grade 2 Teacher, Surrarrer Elementary School*

Mrs. Pelko asked Knights of Columbus members, Mr. Bill Burdick and Mr. Joe Cianciolo to join her at the podium to present the award to Mrs. Hawk. She also invited Mr. Ryba and Mr. Naso to the podium to accept the plaque for the District office.

**C. STRONGSVILLE COUNCIL PTA OUTSTANDING DISTRICT EDUCATOR OF THE
YEAR AWARD 2016-2017**

Presenter: Mrs. Jennifer L. Pelko, Assistant Superintendent

- *Mrs. Kimberly Kaminski, Grade 3 Teacher, Kinsner Elementary School*

RECOGNITIONS (continued)

D. OHIO ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGES OF TEACHER EDUCATION – CAREER BASED INTERVENTION DIVISION

Presenter: Mrs. Jennifer L. Pelko, Assistant Superintendent

- *Mr. Michael Rodak, 2016-2017 Gold Star Coordinator*

E. OHIO ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL BUSINESS OFFICIALS (OASBO) DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD – NORTHEAST REGION

Presenter: Mr. James M. Rowan, Executive Director, OASBO

- *Mr. George K. Anagnostou, Treasurer*

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

TREASURER’S REPORT

A. DISCUSSION ITEM

1. Comprehensive Wellness Program

One of the action steps under the Strong Schools 20/20 Plan was to establish a Wellness Committee with the purpose being to promote a healthy lifestyle and to improve the quality of life for all Strongsville City School employees. A committee was formed with 15 members. The committee met a few times throughout the year and also conducted a survey to all employees to gauge the level of interest for health and wellness offerings. Of the 235 employees who responded, 80% felt it was important to know their health numbers and would be interested in District provided health and wellness opportunities. To effectively manage such a program, Mr. Anagnostou interviewed a few companies and felt Integrated Wellness Solutions (IWS) would be a good fit for the District. Mr. Anagnostou introduced Mr. Rich Siegenthaler from IWS to share what a comprehensive wellness program is and what his company has to offer.

The Board would like to see a cost benefit analysis. Then, if the Board is interested in pursuing a comprehensive wellness program, Mr. Anagnostou would include a recommendation at a future Board meeting.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

A. TIMELY INFORMATION

1. Food Services Update – Chartwells Dining Services

Although there is a five year RFP in place, the contract with Chartwells is approved annually. The contract will be up for consideration at the June 29th BOE meeting. Justin Hawkins, Mike Bruno, and Chef Mike Nowosielski shared a presentation on what they have learned this past year, and what they believe should be in store for the 2017/2018 school year should the Board approve the contract to continue to enhance Chartwells’ service to the District’s food program. They identified and spoke on 8 key areas of improvements they would like to activate for next year. Mr. Bruno shared ideas for areas of improvement that would increase revenue, reduce expenditures, and improve district employee morale. Discussion was had.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT (continued)

A. TIMELY INFORMATION (continued)

2. Communications Plan Update – Dan Foust, Communications Coordinator

Mr. Foust shared a brief review of the Communications Plan for the District and what was accomplished this past year. Some communications successes were the redesign of the weekly newsletter, *Mustang Moments*, monthly event calendar emails, *The Corral* (internal employee newsletter), *Mustang Spotlight*, *60 Seconds with the Superintendent*, and various mailings. In terms of community outreach, some accomplishments were establishing the Community Advisory Council, speaking at Strongsville HOA Meetings, speaking engagements with community groups, community conversations, a spaghetti dinner, and SPOT events and doings. A data base has been established for Alumni Outreach. A Distinguished Alumni Event is being planned to be held during the 2017-18 academic year. Internal staff and community surveys were distributed to the District database. Information received from the surveys will be used to review effectiveness of current communication and as a guide for new opportunities and continued enhancements to District communication.

3. Approval of Tuition Student (Removed from the Consent Calendar – voted on separately under consent calendar)

*4. Trademark License Agreement

Resolution 17-06-01

Be it resolved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Strongsville City School District enters into a licensing agreement with the Strongsville Spirit Shop allowing for use of the District's athletic logo.

(Exhibit A)

B. HUMAN RESOURCES

*1. Resignation – Non-Certificated (001-General Fund)

Resolution 17-06-02

Be it resolved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent that the following non-certificated resignation be accepted:

Mary Arpidone, Elementary Secretary, assigned to Kinsner Elementary School. Effective end of day June 30, 2017.

*2. Appointment – Leadership (001-General Fund)

Resolution 17-06-03

Be it resolved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent that the following non-certificated leadership employee be hired:

Mary Arpidone, Executive Secretary to the Director of Instructional Technology, 260 day contract, salary to be PL 2 at \$43,187.00. Period July 1, 2017 to July 31, 2017 paid at \$166.10 per diem. Two-year contract effective August 1, 2017 through July 31, 2019. This is a new position.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT (continued)

B. HUMAN RESOURCES (continued)

*2. Appointment – Certificated Tutor (001-General Fund)

Be it resolved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent that the following certificated personnel be hired as a tutor for the 2016-2017 school year at the rate of \$24.50 per hour:

Judith Koeth

Intervention Specialist

C. TECHNOLOGY

*1. META Solutions Core Service Agreement (001-General Fund)

Resolution 17-06-04

Be it resolved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent that Schedule I of the agreement between META Solutions and the Strongsville City Schools be approved to provide information technology services for 2017-2018, at an annual cost of \$83,646.25. There is a 2% discount if paid before July 7, 2017, reducing the cost to \$81,973.32.

Be it further resolved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent that Schedule II of the agreement between META Solutions and the Strongsville City Schools be approved to provide INFOhio Library Services for 2017-2018, at a cost of \$15,906.50.

(Exhibit B)

CONSENT CALENDAR

17-06-05 Moved by Col. Evans to approve the Consent Calendar with the removal of Item 8A3, Approval of Student Tuition, to be voted on separately, seconded by Mrs. Ludwig and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Col. Evans, yes; Mrs. Ludwig, yes; Mr. Micko, yes;
Mr. Grozan, yes; Mr. Naso, yes.
Motion carried 5-0

3. Approval of Tuition Student (Removed from the Consent Calendar)

17-06-06 Moved by Col. Evans that Madelyn Schnaterbeck be accepted as a tuition student at Strongsville High School for the 2017-2018 school year, per Board policy, at the rate of tuition set by the State, seconded by Mrs. Ludwig and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Col. Evans, yes; Mrs. Ludwig, yes; Mr. Micko, abstain;
Mr. Grozan, yes; Mr. Naso, yes.
Motion carried 4-0; 1 abstention

BOARD OF EDUCATION / OTHER

Over 40 students participated in the first open gym with the new basketball coach, Mr. Guilfoyle and Mr. Naso observed over 60 students working out with the new football coach, Mr. Cirino, last weekend.

The State Semi-final game for baseball is Friday, June 2 at 7:00 p.m. along with a State track competition.

Ms. Ludwig thanked Mr. Foust for all the pictures he has taken for her Student Achievement presentations.

June 10th at the Historical Society is a doll and toy display. This is a free event from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

There is a fund-raiser at Cleats for Tommy's Team on Friday, June 2, 2017.

Col. Evans commended the Middle School music program for the outstanding concert held last night.

Senior projects presentation was held last night, May 31st.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

17-06-07 Moved by Col. Evans to enter into Executive Session to review negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees, seconded by Mrs. Ludwig and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Col. Evans, yes; Mrs. Ludwig, yes; Mr. Micko, yes;
Mr. Grozan, yes; Mr. Naso, yes.
Motion carried 5-0

Entered into Executive Session at 9:05 p.m.

Resumed public session at 9:45 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

17-06-08 Moved by Mrs. Ludwig to adjourn the Strongsville Board of Education Regular Session, seconded by Col. Evans and approved on a roll call vote as follows:

Mr. Micko, yes; Col. Evans, yes; Mrs. Ludwig, yes;
Mr. Grozan, yes; Mr. Naso, yes.
Motion carried 5-0

Meeting adjourned at 9:46 p.m.

Carl W. Naso, President

George K. Anagnostou, Treasurer