Lakewood, Ohio
January 26, 2015

The Board of Education of the City School District of the city of Lakewood, county of Cuyahoga, state of Ohio, met in a special session in the Cafetorium of Garfield Middle School, 13114 Detroit Avenue, Lakewood, Ohio, on January 26, 2015 at 7:35 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL – LAKEWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION

Members Present: Ms. Petrie Barcelona
Mr. Einhouse
Mrs. Shaughnessy
Mr. Favre
Mrs. Beebe

Members Absent: None

ROLL CALL – LAKEWOOD CITY COUNCIL

Members Present: Mr. Anderson
Mr. Bullock
Mr. Juris
Ms. Madigan
Ms. Marx
Mr. Nowlin
Mr. O'Leary

Members Absent: None

SPECIAL MEETING CERTIFICATE

The Treasurer of the Board of Education of the Lakewood City School District, Ohio does hereby certify that written notice of the time and place of this special meeting of the Board held on January 26, 2015, was served personally upon, or actually received by e-mail by each Board member at least two days in advance of that meeting, and notice of the time, place and purpose of that meeting was, at least twenty-four hours in advance of the time of that meeting, given to and received by all news media that had heretofore requested notification of special meetings of the Board pursuant to Section 121.22 of the Revised Code and the procedures established by the Board for that purpose.

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Treasurer, Board of Education of the
Lakewood City School District, Ohio

DISCUSSION

Lakewood Board of Education President Petrie Barcelona said that the Board and City Council members had worked together to develop tonight's agenda.

Council President Madigan announced that the Healthy Living Task Force had been working diligently the last 7-8 months to develop solutions, plans, and a vision. Chairman Jay Foran was present to provide an update on the progress being made. The Task Force was formed in May, 2014 by resolution of City Council and supported by the Mayor. Members were asked to review all active living options in the City of Lakewood and make recommendations relevant for the future so that it is easier for all citizens to participate. The Task Force consists of nine members that are being guided and helped by the Cuyahoga County Planning Commission.

The Task Force spent considerable time defining what constituted active living and finally decided their scope should focus on the physical activity that contributes to health and wellness. They have spent time gathering data and meeting with the various providers of these services in the community. They have also met with consumers, those utilizing the services, in order to understand how to improve the delivery of these services. Mrs. Shaughnessy has been an active observer and provided the Task Force with the Recreation Department Survey, which provided valuable insights into the Department's program offerings. Mr. Foran anticipates that the Task Force will come forward with specific recommendations in the next 6-8 weeks. Mrs. Shaughnessy attested to how hard the members of this group have been working.

Members of the Lakewood City Schools' construction team were in attendance to provide a review of progress made on the school construction projects. Mr. Rodwell King, GPD architect for Grant, Lincoln, and Roosevelt elementary schools, spoke about the development of the outward aesthetics of the buildings. He presented revised designs, site plans and renderings that incorporated comments and suggestions from Board of Education members, District staff, and community members. The City's Police and Fire Departments also provided valuable input. When asked what, if anything, they had learned since the very first construction began years ago, Mr. King indicated that he believed they have a better knowledge of the Lakewood community and what it wants in the way of its school construction.

Mr. Brad Gellert from URS Architects and Mr. Robert Klann from Robert P. Madison International reviewed progress being made at the high school. Mr. Gellert stated that they met with the same groups mentioned by Mr. King as well as Robinwood Avenue residents directly affected by the school project. He presented the site plan for the high school project. Particular attention was paid to the reinstatement of the multi-purpose field behind the modular units at the North Lot. There was discussion regarding parking and traffic flow solutions and challenges. Specifics regarding the new academic wing being built at the end of Robinwood Avenue were provided.

Mr. Juris asked if there were any plans to install restroom facilities at the restored multi-purpose field on the North Lot. Assistant Superintendent Ramsey-Caserio indicated that we had not yet had that conversation but certainly could visit it further down the road. Council President Madigan asked for particulars regarding the care of the Schreckengost sculpture. Mr. Gellert indicated that the Schreckengost sculpture, the Early Settler, would not be moved during construction. Turner Construction had built in a large allowance to protect it.

The demolition activity will be far enough away so that it would not be damaged. Steps taken to remove the L-Room Schreckengost mural were discussed.

Mr. Jason Jones, Ms. Tari Rivera, Mr. Randy Painter, and Mr. Jeff Johnson of Turner/Regency/ AKA Joint Venture presented the final portion of the construction report. Mr. Jones said it was an honor to be invited back for the third part of the construction project. He indicated they strive to follow the good neighbor policy by being as transparent as possible. The transportation plan for truck traffic at all the school sites was outlined. It was stressed that all of these decisions were determined with student and community safety in mind. Abatement at three elementary schools should be completed by February, 2015; demolition is expected to be finished by the end of March. Building of the new schools will be completed during the summer of 2016.

Assistant Superintendent Ramsey-Caserio acknowledged Mr. Joe Molnar and Mr. Ken Monsman from Ozanne Construction who have been with the schools from the beginning of this final leg of the project. They, along with Mr. Fred Rodgers, have worked on behalf of the District as Owner's Agent. They work closely with Treasurer Zeman to ensure the project remains on budget, handle the financial tracking of the various construction components, and make sure all regulations and requirements are met.

City Council President Madigan invited Mayor Summers to provide an update of upcoming city construction. The Mayor said 2015 will be a very busy year in Lakewood. Some of the projects discussed were:

- Madison Avenue resurfacing
- Water main replacements and resurfacing (4 streets)
- Solstice Steps constructed at Lakewood Park
- ODOT bridge replacement over I-90
- Edgewater Drive EPA pilot program work

While all this activity will create some headaches, it will result in a new and improved Lakewood at the end of the construction phase. Activity on the McKinley school site should begin sometime this spring. Mayor Summers provided City Council and Board members with a list of the City's strategic objectives for 2015. He introduced members of the City's administrative team in attendance. Mr. Dru Siley, Director of Planning and Development, provided information regarding the Rockport project. He hoped to have more clarity in the next 90 days.

Mr. Paul Hieronymus, Coordinator of Technology and Communications, explained how teaching in the classroom is being transformed. Technology works hand-in-hand with the Teaching and Learning Department. Classrooms are being outfitted with mobile technology that permits the devices to be brought to the curriculum. Technology is being upgraded at the District's four Phase I buildings – Garfield, Harding, Harrison, and Hayes.

The District is preparing to launch a Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) pilot program at the high school. This will permit students to access the District's technology by using the devices most comfortable to them. Google Apps for Education is the tool being accessed as the backbone of our cloud infrastructure. Our curriculum needs to be in a format that keeps pace

with today's times. City Council members asked if there were any savings to be found in moving from textbooks to online resources. Mrs. Pam Griebel, Director of Teaching & Learning, responded that there can be some cost savings but new technology also has costs associated with the purchasing of the licensing agreements, new software, and devices. It is our fiduciary responsibility to watch the finances while searching for the best materials to serve the needs of our students. She indicated that most districts are moving from books to online services so that students can access materials anytime and anywhere.

Council President Madigan asked about the District's ESL population and inquired whether the District had a contract with a translation agency that was available to parents and students if necessary. While there is not a contract with a translation agency, the District takes advantage of resources available through the partnerships in place with Muskingum University and Asia, Inc.

Board President Petrie Barcelona indicated that Superintendent Patterson sent his regrets that he was unable to be present this evening as he was recuperating from surgery. Assistant Superintendent Ramsey-Caserio introduced District administrators in attendance. Council President Madigan presented a resolution to Board members commending Superintendent Patterson on being named Ohio Superintendent of the Year.

There being no other business, Board President Petrie Barcelona and Council President Madigan called for motions to adjourn the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT – BOARD OF EDUCATION

Mrs. Shaughnessy moved and Mrs. Beebe seconded the motion to adjourn.

Yeas: Ms. Petrie Barcelona, Mr. Einhouse, Mrs. Shaughnessy, Mr. Favre, Mrs. Beebe

Nays: None

The motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT – CITY COUNCIL

Ms. Madigan moved and Mr. Nowlin seconded the motion to adjourn.

Yeas: Ms. Madigan, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Bullock, Mr. Juris, Ms. Marx, Mr. Nowlin, Mr. O'Leary

Nays: None

The motion passed.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

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President

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Treasurer