PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Roll Call: Mr. Boyd, Mr. Manfredi, Mrs. Raikes, Ms. Stanley, Mr. Wadsworth-present

Motion to approve the current agenda.

First: Mr. Manfredi, Seconded: Mr. Wadsworth

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Mr. Boyd-aye, Mr. Manfredi-aye, Mrs. Raikes-aye, Ms. Stanley-aye, Mr. Wadsworth-aye

All Ayes

Motion Carried.

Business

Motion to approve the following Resolution:

AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF TERRITORY TO THE GENEVA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, ASHTABULA COUNTY, OHIO; AND AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING RELATED MATTERS

(R.C. Section 3311.24)

WHEREAS, R.C. Section 3311.24 provides for the transfer of city, exempted village or local school district territory to an adjoining school district; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with R.C. Section 3311.24, this Board desires to transfer 3 parcels of territory located on the eastern portion of Short Road, Trumbull Township, Ashtabula County, Ohio numbered 56-010-00-005-00, 56-010-00-024-02 and 56-010-00-005-02, respectively, (the "Territory"), to the Geneva City School District, Ashtabula County, Ohio (the “Receiving District”) which adjoins the School District; and
WHEREAS, R.C. Section 3311.24(A)(4) further provides that to complete such transfer (a)
the Board of the School District must pass a resolution, by a majority vote of the full membership,
transferring the Territory; and (b) an equitable division of the funds and indebtedness between the
districts involved in the transfer be made.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE
BERKSHIRE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, GEAUGA AND ASHTABULA COUNTIES, OHIO
THAT:

Section 1. It is hereby determined that the School District authorizes the transfer of the
Territory.

Section 2. It is hereby determined that Exhibit A of this Resolution constitutes the
equitable division of funds and indebtedness between the School District and the Receiving
District, as required by R.C. Section 3311.24.

Section 3. The Treasurer of the Board is hereby authorized and directed to execute and
deliver, on behalf of the Board, Exhibit A to this Resolution, and any such additional instruments,
documents, agreements, contracts, certificates, and other papers as may be necessary or
appropriate in order to carry out the intent of this Resolution.

Section 4. The Treasurer of the Board is hereby directed to forward a certified copy of
this Resolution to the Receiving District; Board of Elections of Ashtabula County, Ohio; and to the
County Auditors of Geauga and Ashtabula Counties, Ohio.

Section 5. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board
concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this
Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such
formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements,
including R.C. Section 121.22.

First: Mr. Wadsworth, Seconded: Ms. Stanley

Discussion: Mrs. McCaffrey introduced Becky Princehorn, legal counsel from Bricker and Eckler. She stated
that Mrs. Princehorn was available to answer any questions the Board may have regarding this resolution. Mrs.
Princehorn briefly explained the situation with these three parcels. The issue came up upon filing with the
Board of Elections for the May election and all happened within a 48 hour period. The Board of Elections
wants to verify that each resident received the correct ballot, either Berkshire Bond Levy of Geneva Income Tax
Renewal. The Ashtabula County Auditor already shows them as being transferred however, the Ohio
Department of Education does not and this process needed to be completed before the May election. Mrs.
Princehorn explained between 1979-1987 the parcels were paying taxes to Geneva City Schools, and then in
1987 they started paying taxes to Ledgemont. As a result of the Ledgemont territory transfer to Berkshire, they
were then transferred to Berkshire and have been paying Berkshire taxes since then. If we keep the parcels the way they currently are, Berkshire would have to reduce the inside mills by .99 mills and we would lose approximately $339,000 every year.

Mr. Manfredi questioned how many more parcels are in Ashtabula in which Mrs. Princehorn stated there were no other ones. Mr. Boyd questioned if Lake County had any properties in which Mrs. McCaffrey also stated there we no parcels other than in Madison Township in which those students are open enrolled to Madison Schools.

Ms. Stanley was concerned Berkshire would have to return the revenue from the last two years back to Geneva because of this error. Mrs. Princehorn assured the Board that Geneva had no intention to seek revenue and they just want this issue to be correctly recorded so both districts can have a valid election.

Mrs. Raikes asked for the pros and cons of doing nothing at this time. The cons would be we would lose $339,000 each year. Mrs. McCaffrey also stated by transferring them, we are losing about $3,430 in property taxes.

Mr. Boyd questioned if this was an error on the Geauga County Auditor and a filing issue. Becky stated there was no communication and she was not sure why. Becky also noted once the Department of Taxation received this resolution, they will expedite it.

Roll Call: Mr. Manfredi-aye, Mrs. Raikes-aye, Ms. Stanley-aye, Mr. Wadsworth-aye, Mr. Boyd-aye
All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Board Discussion

None

Open Public Participation:

None

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:16 p.m.

First: Mrs. Raikes, Seconded: Mr. Boyd

Roll Call: Mrs. Raikes-aye, Ms. Stanley-aye, Mr. Wadsworth-aye, Mr. Boyd-aye, Mr. Manfredi-aye
All Ayes
Motion Carried

[Signatures]

Mr. Jim Boyd
President

Mrs. Beth McCaffrey
Recorder of Proceedings