



Minutes of the Special Meeting/Work Session of the Board of Education of the Berea City School District held on Monday, December 14, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. in Staff Room 1 at the Berea Board of Education, 390 Fair Street, Berea, OH 44017.

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**A. Regular Business**

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1. **Meeting called to order at: 6:32 p.m.** Roll Call  
Present: Chapman , Postel , Szabo , Thurau , Tressel   
Absent:

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2. **Pledge of Allegiance** Pledge  
President Postel called for the Pledge of Allegiance.

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3. **Resolution honoring Nancy Braford on her retirement** Retirement  
Resolution  
Fred Szabo read a resolution that honored Nancy Braford on her retirement.

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4. **Recognition of outgoing Board Member Dave Thurau** Recognition

- Gale Patton expressed her gratitude toward Dave Thurau for his service on the Board, his passion for education that he has carried through onto the Board, his support for fellow board members and members of the administration, and his thoughtfulness.
- Dave Pusti also discussed his appreciation for Dave Thurau's service to the Board of Education, as well as, the school district as a whole.
- Dave Thurau thanked Gale Patton and Dave Pusti for their support and congeniality as Board Members, as well as, friends.
- Dave Tressel talked about Dave Thurau's caring for the District and the Board. Michael Sheppard talked about his past experience with Mr. Thurau and how those benefited him personally during his career. Fred Szabo talked about when he was new to the Board and how Mr. Thurau mentored him when he was new to the Board, and also about his dedication to the District. Ana Chapman discussed her appreciation for Dave Thurau while serving on the Board of Education. Neal Postel also thanked Mr. Thurau for his service while on the Board and dedication to the District.

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## 5. District Facilities

## Facilities Report

- Michael Sheppard presented the Board of Education with a report that covered facility options for a possible building project in the near future. The report began with an overview of current enrollment and projected enrollment trends that would impact a possible project.
- The first option that was presented included a new high school, renovated junior high school building that would become a 5-8 building. In addition, the Ford Intermediate School would become a newly renovated elementary school for the community of Brookpark, as well as, renovations to Big Creek Elementary. The current administrative building, Brook Park Memorial Building and Brookview Building would be demolished.
- The second option, like the first option would provide a new high school, renovated Junior High School that would become a 5-8 building and renovated Big Creek building. However, this option would construct a new elementary school in Brook Park with Ford, Brookview, Brook Park Memorial and the administrative building being torn down.
- The third option like the first two options would include a new high school and renovated Big Creek, but Ford and the Junior High School would be renovated to be used with the current grade levels that exist today. Brookpark Memorial would be renovated to include the students currently housed at Brookview Elementary. The administration building and Brookview would be demolished.
- The Board of Education and administration discussed each of the options provided in the proposed facility option in the reports.
- The administration also informed the Board of Education about a potential partnership with Baldwin Wallace University for a new softball/multi-purpose sports field. The administration discussed the scope of the project and estimated costs. Members of the Board and audience asked questions about future uses of the property, entities that would be able to use the facility and potential cash constraints to fund the project in relation to other Permanent Improvement needs of the district.



**B. Executive Session**

**Executive Session  
15-1207-89**

Szabo moved and Chapman seconded the recommendation that the Board of Education move to Executive Session to consider the compensation of a public employee or official.

Roll Call: Chapman , Postel , Szabo , Thureau , Tressel   
Nays: None      Motion carried  
Time in: 9:12 p.m.

Tressel moved and Szabo seconded the recommendation that the Berea Board of Education move to Public Session.

Roll Call: Chapman , Postel , Szabo , Thureau , Tressel   
Nays: None      Motion carried  
Time out: 9:25 p.m.

**C. Adjournment**

**Adjournment  
15-1207-90**

**1. Adjournment**

Thureau moved and Tressel seconded that the meeting be adjourned.

Roll Call: Chapman , Postel , Szabo , Thureau , Tressel   
Nays: None      Motion carried

Time meeting ended: 9:30 p.m.

Date of Approval: 1-11-16  
APPROVED: [Signature]  
ATTEST: [Signature]