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 Monday, February 9, 2015
 Work Session - Rescheduled February 2, 2015 Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

Minutes of the work session of the Board of Education of the Berea City School District held on Monday, February 9, 2015, rescheduled from February 2, 2015 (due to inclement weather) 390 Fair Street, Berea 44017

REGULAR BUSINESS

Meeting called to order at 6:05 p.m. with the following members present: Ana Chapman, Fred Szabo, David Tressel, Neal Postel	Roll Call
President Postel called for the Pledge of Allegiance	Pledge of Allegiance

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

<p>The Academic Affairs Directors presented information regarding the Academic Achievement and State and Local assessment tools that are used to provide our teachers with feedback about student learning. They guided the Board through a process to better understand what is happening on a daily basis and during our testing periods.</p> <p>The Superintendent reported to the Board of Education an overview of the testimony that he provided at the Statehouse during the past week regarding testing. He also explained some of the challenges that is being experienced by school districts due to the current testing requirements that are mandated by the State of Ohio</p> <p>Jason Niedermeyer and Karen Frimel continued with the Superintendent's Report by providing the Board with a handout that will guide the Board Work Session through the State and Local Assessment conversation.</p> <p>Superintendent Sheppard, Mrs. Frimel and Mr. Niedermeyer summarized the state assessment schedules and further explained federal assessment requirements. In addition, they touched on the population of parents that are requesting their students not be required to take the test. They explained the document that the district has compiled to these parents and explain the impact that choice could have on the student, staff, school building and the school district as a whole, as well as the procedures that will be followed for students that have "opted-out" of taking the test(s).</p> <p>The presentation then explained the outline of the makeup of the assessments, which included two activities to walk members of the Board through what students experience while taking the assessments.</p> <p>Several members of the audience asked questions regarding the state assessments and the impact on their students, including testing requirements for students on an IEP.</p> <p>Members of the administration provided answers to the questions and concerns that were expressed. In addition, Lisa Bruening provided an overview of the rules and regulations required by the state for students with IEP's.</p>	<p>Presentations/ Reports</p> <p>Academic Achievement: State and Local Assessment Tools</p>
Dave Thureau entered the work session at 6:51 p.m.	

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ADJOURNMENT

Tressel moved the Chapman seconded the recommendation that the meeting of the Board of Education be adjourned.

Ayes: Chapman, Szabo, Thurau, Tressel, Postel
Nays: None Motion carried. Time meeting ended: 7:35

**Adjournment
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Date of Approval: 3-9-15

APPROVED: 

ATTEST: 