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Minutes of the **Regular Meeting** of the Board of Education of the Berea City School District held on Monday, February 3, 2014, 7:00 p.m. in the Library/Media Center at Middleburg Heights Junior High School, 7000 Paula Drive, Middleburg Hts. OH 44130.

### Regular Business

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present:  
Ana Chapman, Fred Szabo, David Thurau, David Tressel, Neal Postel

Roll Call

Mr. Paul Kish, Principal of Middleburg Heights Junior High School, introduced students from the Student Ambassadors Program who led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Pledge of Allegiance

Principal Kish also gave an update of his building, including the transition this past year and the building's continuous improvement plan.

### Treasurer's Update

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- Ryan Ghizzoni presented his update to the Board that included information on a late January tax advance and Charter School enrollment.

Recognized Any Member of the Public Who Wished to Comment Regarding Non-Agenda Related Items and Agenda Items:

Public

- A parent stated his concern to the Board regarding the recent change in the kindergarten age restriction. He explained why he believes there should be some provision for students currently in the district's preschool program.
- A former teacher expressed her concerns with the substitute employees outsourcing for the current school year. She also expressed her concern with the custodial layoffs.

(Per BOE policy 0169 any person who wishes to speak may do so up to 3 minutes, unless the time limit is waived by the majority of the Board members present. The maximum time allotted for any one topic is 15 minutes and a total for all topics is 30 minutes.)

College & Career  
Readiness

Superintendent Reports

Mrs. Susan Kelley, College & Career Readiness Counselor at Berea-Midpark High School, shared with the Board the processes that are followed for our students in their pursuit of a higher education or career. It is our goal that every student graduates with a college and/or career plan.

Superintendent Recommendations

Resolution  
Calamity Day  
14-0203-5067

Chapman moved and Tressel seconded the recommendation to approve the Resolution Adopting a Calamity Day Alternative Make-up Plan as stated below:

WHEREAS, the Berea board of education desires that students have learning opportunities even when schools are closed for any of the reasons specified in section 3317.01 of the Ohio Revised Code and in excess of the number of days authorized in section 3313.48; and

WHEREAS, section 3313.88 authorizes a board of education to file an annual plan with the Ohio Department of Education by August 1 of each year to provide online learning opportunities for students in lieu of attendance on such excess days;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT, AND IT IS, HEREBY RESOLVED that the Berea board of education hereby approves the following plan and authorizes its filing with the Ohio Department of Education. Agenda, Berea Board of Education February 3, 2014

Roll Call:       Ayes: Chapman, Tressel, Szabo, Thurau, Postel  
                      Nays: None. Motion Carried.

PLAN FOR ALTERNATIVE MAKE-UP OF CALAMITY DAYS

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code section 3313.88, the board of education of Berea City School District hereby authorizes the following plan to allow students of the district to access and complete classroom lessons in order to complete up to three days of instruction in excess of the number of days permitted under section 3313.48 because of the closing of schools for any of the reasons specified in section 3317.01.

- 1) This plan is submitted, pursuant to approval of the board of education, prior to August 1.
- 2) This plan includes the written consent of the teachers' employee representative as designated under division (B) of section 4117.04. Such consent is on file in the official file of the board of education and is hereby incorporated into this plan as if specifically rewritten.

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(continued)**

- 3) Not later than November 1 of the 2013-2014 school year, each classroom teacher shall develop a sufficient number of lessons for each course taught by that teacher with such lessons requiring, in the judgment of the teacher, an amount of time equal to or greater than the amount of instructional time the student would receive for three school days in such teacher's class.
- 4) The teacher shall designate the order in which the lessons are to be posted on the district's web portal or web site.
- 5) (Optional) Teachers will be granted one professional development day after the teacher's principal or supervisor certifies that lessons equal to approximately three days of contact time have been posted.
- 6) Teachers will update or replace such lessons as necessary throughout the school year based on the instructional progress of students.
- 7) As soon as practicable after an announced school closure in excess of the number of days permitted under section 3313.48, staff members designated by the appropriate administrator shall make the designated lessons available on the district's portal or site. Each lesson shall be posted for each course that was scheduled to meet on the day of the school closing.
- 8) Each student enrolled in a course for which a lesson is posted shall be granted a two week period from the date of posting to complete the lesson. If the student does not complete the lesson within this time period, the student will receive an incomplete or failing grade unless a reason sufficient to the teacher is provided.
- 9) Students without access to a computer shall be permitted to complete the posted lessons at school after the reopening of school. Students utilizing this option will be granted two weeks from the date of reopening to complete such lessons. If the student does not complete the lesson within this time period, the student will receive an incomplete or failing grade unless a reason sufficient to the teacher is provided. The district will provide access to district computers before, during, or after the school day (provided that the equipment is available and accessible at those times) or may provide a substantially similar paper lesson in order for students to complete the assignments.
- 10) (Optional) The board of education hereby authorizes "blizzard bags," which are paper copies of the lessons posted online. Teachers shall prepare paper copies approximating the content of the online lessons and shall update such paper copies when updating any of the online lessons. "Blizzard bags" shall be distributed to all students by not later than December 1 of the school year or such other date as may be selected by the superintendent. Students shall submit completed lessons to the teachers assigning such lessons not later than two weeks after the date of school closing in excess of the number of days permitted under section 3313.48

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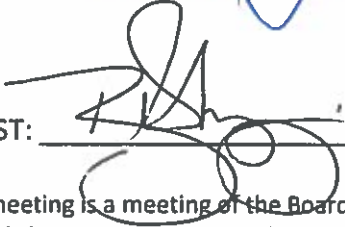
**Adjournment  
13-0203-5068**

Szabo moved and Thurau seconded the recommendation that the regular meeting of the Board be adjourned.

Roll Call:       Ayes: Szabo, Thurau, Chapman, Tressel, Postel  
                  Nays: None. Motion carried. Time: 7:54 p.m.

Date of Approval: 2-10-14

APPROVED: 

ATTEST: 

(This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in the Agenda.)