

**Walnut Township Local School District Board of Education**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**Monday, July 25, 2011**  
**Elementary Media Center**  
**7:00 p.m.**

President Brookover called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with all members present.

After the meeting was called to order the Pledge of Allegiance was conducted.

**11-076: Approval of Agenda**

Motion by Mr. Cumbow and seconded by Mr. Popo to accept the agenda as presented by the Treasurer and Superintendent. Vote results were Mr. Brookover-yea, Mr. Cumbow-yea, Ms. King-yea, Mr. Popo-yea, Mrs. Whitaker-yea. Motion carried.

**11-077: Approval of Minutes**

Motion by Mrs. Whitaker and seconded by Ms. King to approve the minutes from the June 6, 2011 Regular Board Meeting and the June 22, 2011 Special Board Meeting. Vote results were Mr. Brookover-yea, Mr. Cumbow-yea, Ms. King-yea, Mr. Popo-yea, Mrs. Whitaker-yea. Motion carried.

**11-078: Treasurer's Report**

Motion by Mr. Cumbow and seconded by Mrs. Whitaker to approve the motions contained in the Treasurer's Report as presented.

- a. Approval of the Financial Report
- b. Approval of bills for payment

Vote results were Mr. Brookover-yea, Mr. Cumbow-yea, Ms. King-yea, Mr. Popo-yea, Mrs. Whitaker-yea. Motion carried.

**11-079: Contract Amendment**

Motion by Mrs. Whitaker and seconded by Mr. Cumbow to approve the motion to amend the employment contract of the Treasurer, Mr. Kirk Grandy, as required by the Ohio Revised Code 3313.22 to reflect the agreed upon changes. Both parties agree that Mr. Grandy shall perform the duties of the Treasurer as prescribed by the laws of the State of Ohio and the Walnut Township Local Board of Education. Vote results were Mr. Brookover-yea, Mr. Cumbow-yea, Ms. King-yea, Mr. Popo-yea, Mrs. Whitaker-yea. Motion carried.

Mr. Thornton, Superintendent, discussed the following topics:

1. Smoke free campus policy
2. Recent phone problems and possible savings by consolidating services with Berne Union
3. Football camp will start on 7-28-11 at Dillon Start Park
4. August Board Meeting will be on the 18<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.

Jeff Stought, High School Principal, discussed the following topics:

1. Staffing issues
2. High School open house will be on 8-18-11 at 6:00 p.m.

11-080 the Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education take action on the following item:

**BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**WALNUT TOWNSHIP LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**FAIRFIELD COUNTY, OHIO**

The Board of Education (the "Board") of the Walnut Township Local School District, Fairfield County, Ohio (the "School District"), met in regular session on July 25, 2011, at 7:00 p.m., at Millersport Elementary School, 11850 Lancaster Street, Millersport, Ohio 43046, with the following members present:

Mr. Cumbow introduced the following resolution and moved its passage:

**RESOLUTION DECLARING INTENT TO PROCEED**  
**WITH ELECTION OF THE QUESTION OF**  
**RENEWAL OF AN EMERGENCY TAX LEVY**  
**(R.C. Section 5705.194 – 5705.197)**

WHEREAS, on June 6, 2011, the Board passed a resolution declaring the necessity, in order to provide for the emergency requirements of the School District, to renew all of an existing emergency tax levy, which is a tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation, to raise \$250,000 for each year that said levy is in effect, for a period of five years; and

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WHEREAS, the Fairfield County Auditor has certified to the Board that an estimated annual levy of 1.9 mills for each one dollar of valuation, which is nineteen cents (\$.19) for each one hundred dollars of valuation, will be required to produce the annual amount set forth in the resolution of June 6, 2011;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Walnut Township Local School District, Fairfield County, Ohio, a majority of the members thereof concurring, that:

Section 1. The Board desires to proceed with the submission of the question of such renewal emergency tax levy (the "Levy") to the electors of the School District.

Section 2. The question of the Levy shall be submitted to the electors of the School District at the election to be held on November 8, 2011 (the "Election Date").

Section 3. The form of the ballot to be used at said election shall be substantially as follows:

Shall a levy renewing an existing levy be imposed by the Walnut Township Local School District, Fairfield County, Ohio for the purpose of **providing for the emergency requirements of the School District**, in the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000), and a levy of taxes to be made outside of the ten-mill limitation estimated by the county auditor to average one and nine tenth (1.9) mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to nineteen cents (\$.19) for each one hundred dollars of valuation, for a period of five (5) years, commencing in 2011, first due in calendar year 2012.

	FOR THE TAX LEVY
	AGAINST THE TAX LEVY

Section 4. The Treasurer of the Board is hereby directed and shall certify, not later than August 10, 2011 (which date is not less than 90 days prior to the Election Date), to the Fairfield County Board of Elections a copy of the resolution of June 6, 2011 and a copy of this Resolution together with the amount of the average tax levy expressed in dollars and cents for each one hundred dollars of valuation, as well as in mills for each one dollar of valuation, as estimated by the Fairfield County Auditor.

Section 5. The Treasurer of the Board is hereby directed and shall simultaneously certify to the Fairfield County Board of Elections that the Levy will run for five years and that the levy will include a levy on the 2011 tax list (2012 collection year) if approved by a majority of the electors voting thereon.

Section 6. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were taken 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 Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Mrs. Whitaker seconded the motion and, after discussion, a roll call vote was taken and the results were:

Ayes: Mr. Brookover, Mr. Cumbow, Ms. King, Mr. Popo, Mrs. Whitaker

Nays: None

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Passed: July 25, 2011

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FAIRFIELD COUNTY, OHIO

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Treasurer

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
President

CERTIFICATE

The undersigned Treasurer of the Board of Education of the Walnut Township Local School District, Fairfield County, Ohio hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution duly passed by the Board of Education of said School District on July 25, 2011, and that a true copy was certified to the Board of Elections of Fairfield County, Ohio.

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Treasurer, Board of Education  
Walnut Township Local School District  
Fairfield County, Ohio

**11-081: Superintendent's Recommendations**

Motion by Mr. Cumbow and seconded by Mrs. Whitaker to approve the Superintendent's recommendations as presented.

a. Approve the 2011-12 School Breakfast Program:

<u>Elementary Breakfast Program , Grades K-6</u>		\$ .75
Breakfast includes ½ cup fruit or juice, ½ pt. milk, 1 serving bread/1serving meat, or 2 servings bread		
Reduced-price breakfast		No charge
Adult price breakfast		1.25

<u>Elementary Lunch Program, Grades K-6</u>		
Type "A" Lunch		\$1.95
Reduced price lunch		.40
Adult price (without milk)		2.50
Extra: Pizza, Sandwich, Entrée		1.75
Milk or Juice		.40

<u>High School Lunch Program, Grades 7-12</u>		
Type "A" Lunch		\$2.30
Reduced-price lunch		.40
Adult price (without milk)		2.50
A-la-carte: Sandwich, Pizza, Entree		1.75
Fruits, vegetables, dessert		.75
Milk or juice		.40
Juice machine		1.25

<u>High School Breakfast Program, Grades 7-12</u>		\$1.00
Reduced-price breakfast		No charge
Adult price breakfast		1.25

b. Approve the 2011-2012 Free and Reduced-Price School Lunch/Breakfast Program with the Elementary Principal (or, in her absence, the Superintendent or Superintendent's designee) as the Approval and Verification Official and David Brookover as the Hearing Official, pending state approval.

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- c. Approve Faye Whitaker as the Delegate and Dave Brookover as the Alternate to the OSBA Annual Business Meeting/Capital Conference in Columbus, Ohio on November 13-16, 2011.
- d. To permit Mike Washburn to cash in 15 days of his accumulated vacation leave due to his continual involvement in the district-wide facilities upgrade project over the past three years. This would be a one-time request and is not meant to set a precedent for future years.
- e. To establish the K-6 Workbook/supply fee at \$30.00 per student for the 2011-12 school year.
- f. To approve a 3<sup>rd</sup> grade Summer Reading Intervention Program, taught by Mrs. Sharon Lawrence, from August 8 through August 12, 2011 at Millersport Elementary School.
- g. Approve the Millersport Middle/Senior High School instructional fees for the 2011-2012 school year as presented.
- h. To approve a contract with the Ohio School Plan/Hylant Group for the school district's liability insurance policy. Effective date July 1, 2011 through July 1, 2012. Total Annual Premium of \$7,546.00.
- i. To enter into a contract with New Horizons Youth and Family Center to provide Intervention Specialists to serve as consultants to school staff in the area of substance abuse, mental health education, substance abuse prevention and early intervention for children. The cost of the program is \$11,440 for the year.
- j. To enter into a contract with New Horizons Youth and Family Center to provide an Intervention Specialist to implement the Teen Screen Program for the 2011-12 school year. The program focuses on teenagers who may be at risk for suicidal tendencies and other mental health issues. The cost to the district is \$1,000 for the year.
- k. To partner with the Village of Millersport to share the engineering costs to improve the drainage issues with Laker Drive. The full extent of the board's financial assistance involves only those engineering costs that are directly related to the property owned and maintained by the Walnut Township Local School District Board of Education and not those costs related to the direct improvement of Village owned/maintained property. All shared engineering fees associated with the property improvement must be agreed upon by the district administration prior to any actual work being done.
- l. To approve the following vendors for purchases used in the district cafeterias during the 2011-2012 school year:
  - Dairy Products – United Dairy
  - Bakery Products – Earth Grains (Heiner's Bakery)Vote results were Mr. Brookover-yea, Mr. Cumbow-yea, Ms. King-yea, Mr. Popo-yea, Mrs. Whitaker-yea. Motion carried.

**11-082: Superintendent's Personnel Recommendations**

Motion by Mr. Cumbow and seconded by Mrs. Whitaker to approve the Superintendent's personnel recommendations as presented.

- a. To employ Ms. Jennifer Kusmer on a one-year contract to teach at the junior high school in the science department. Ms. Kusmer will be placed on the 0 years of experience and on the appropriate educational training schedule.
- b. Approve the following certified person(s) to be employed under supplemental contract(s) for a period of one year, beginning with the 2011-12 school year and ending in June of 2012. Salary terms and conditions of these supplemental contract(s) to be consistent with the descriptors contained in the appropriate negotiated Master Agreement between the Walnut Township Education Association and the Walnut Township Local Board of Education. (*all contracts contingent upon sufficient participation*)

<u>Person</u>	<u>Position</u>
Jennifer Kusmer	JH Volleyball Coach
Alison Picklesimer	HS Student Council
Kim Yenni	Spelling Bee Coordinator
Charles (CJ) Schmitz	Head Girls Basketball Coach

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- c. Approve the following non-certified person(s) to be employed under supplemental contract(s) for a period of one year (given an insufficient number of certified teachers interested in and qualified to hold student activity/athletic supplemental contract(s) as advisors and/or coaches), beginning with the 2011-12 school year and ending in June of 2012. Salary terms and conditions of these supplemental contract(s) to be consistent with the descriptors contained in the appropriate negotiated Master Agreement between the Walnut Township Education Association and the Walnut Township Local Board of Education. (*all contracts contingent upon sufficient participation*)

<u>Person</u>	<u>Position</u>
William Yates	Senior Class Advisor

- d. To accept the resignation of Mr. Randy Brown, Junior High Math teacher and Head Girls Basketball coach effective July 8, 2011.
- e. To issue a one year supplemental contract to Mr. Mike Washburn for the purpose of added maintenance duties that cannot be completed during the normal work day as presented.
- f. To approve Mrs. Dina Reasoner as a volunteer advisor for the high school yearbook for the 2011-2012 school year.
- g. Recognize the following volunteer coaches:

Amy Butts	Cheerleading
Christopher Mays	Football

Vote results were Mr. Brookover-yea, Mr. Cumbow-yea, Ms. King-yea, Mr. Popo-yea, Mrs. Whitaker-yea. Motion carried.

Mr. Popo would like to start a mentor program for all new coaches. Mr. Thornton informed the Board, that he will let the new A.D. know to look at starting this program ASAP.

**11-083: Adjournment**

Motion by Ms. King and seconded by Mr. Cumbow to adjourn the meeting. (Time: 7:43 p.m.)  
Vote results were Mr. Brookover-yea, Mr. Cumbow-yea, Ms. King-yea, Mr. Popo-yea, Mrs. Whitaker-yea. Motion carried.

I certify these minutes to be correct.

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**PRESIDENT**

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**TREASURER**