

Minutes of Newton Falls Exempted Village Regular Meeting
Held July 15, 2010 – 6:00 PM – Jr./Sr. High School Board Room

President, Mr. Don Baker, called the Regular Meeting of the Newton Falls Board of Education to order at 6:00 P.M.

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL: Mr. Baker, Mr. Ballas, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Koontz, Mr. Rapczak were in attendance.

Hearing of Individuals

Peggy Giuliano asked about the status of payment to Mr. Mark Baker.

*The Board responded that it would be discussed and decided on later in the meeting.

Committees, and/or Delegations – Related to the Agenda

Education and Committee Reports

Student Achievement – Mrs. Koontz

None

Legislative Liaison - Mr. Ballas

Mr. Ballas reported on HB520 and the requirement of schools to have a policy on cyber-bullying. He also reported on new legislation for seatbelts in school buses.

Finance Committee – Mr. Baker and Mr. Rapczak

None

Athletic Council – Mrs. Davis

None

Trumbull County Career and Technical Center Report – Mrs. Davis

None

Approval of Minutes

Mrs. Koontz moved and Mr. Ballas seconded the following motion:

#138-2010

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Newton Falls Board of Education approves the minutes of the Board Work Session held, June 9, 2010, the Regular Board Meeting held, June 17, 2010 and the Special Board Meeting held, June 30, 2010.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mrs. Koontz, Mr. Ballas, Mrs. Davis, Mr. Rapczak, Mr. Baker
MOTION CARRIED

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Treasurer's Reports and Recommendations**A. Reports**

The Board asked that Mrs. Koontz act as Treasurer for the August 19, 2010 Regular Meeting as Ms. Foy will be unable to attend this meeting.

B. Recommendations**1. Financial Report**

Mrs. Koontz moved and Mrs. Davis seconded the following motion:

#139-2010

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Treasurer of Schools, the Newton Falls Board of Education approves the financial reports for the month of June 2010, and the short term investments made by the Treasurer which yielded \$101.80 for the General Fund and \$59.44 for the Construction Fund and \$9.71 for the Ohio School Facilities Commission Project.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mrs. Koontz, Mrs. Davis, Mr. Ballas, Mr. Rapczak, Mr. Baker
MOTION CARRIED

2. Resolution for Tax Levy

Mrs. Koontz moved and Mr. Rapczak seconded the following motion:

#140-2010

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Treasurer of Schools, the Newton Falls Board of Education adopts a resolution to proceed with the submission to the electors the question of levying a renewal tax, as presented.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mrs. Koontz, Mr. Rapczak, Mr. Ballas, Mrs. Davis, Mr. Baker
MOTION CARRIED

Superintendent's Reports and Recommendations**A. Reports**

Mr. Wilson updated the Board on the fact that we did not meet AYP for this last school year, TSAC, the Elementary flooring, the status of getting academic coaches, his recommendation of Leah Marsh to take the open 7-12 language arts position, Rachael Ullinskey resigning the journalism class and taking the yearbook class because of the resignation of Ms. Lariccia, the status of BCI/FBI checks and final paperwork for coaches/advisors and the immunizations for Kindergarten and 7th Grade students.

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B. **Recommendations**

1. **...Resignation – Katie Lariccia**

Mrs. Koontz moved and Mr. Ballas seconded the following motion:

#141-2010

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Newton Falls Board of Education accepts the resignation of Katie Lariccia as high school language arts teacher and supplemental positions of yearbook advisor and Jr. High track coach effective August 18, 2010.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mrs. Koontz, Mr. Ballas, Mrs. Davis, Mr. Rapczak, Mr. Baker
MOTION CARRIED

The Board wished Ms. Lariccia Good Luck.

2. **...Employment – Summer Intervention Secretary**

Mr. Ballas moved and Mr. Rapczak seconded the following motion:

#142-2010

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Newton Falls Board of Education employs Dawn Hood as the Summer Intervention Secretary.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mr. Ballas, Mr. Rapczak, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Koontz, Mr. Baker
MOTION CARRIED

3. **...Employment – Salary Adjustment**

Mr. Ballas moved and no one seconded the following motion:

#143-2010

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Newton Falls Board of Education approves the adjustment of salaries for all exempt personnel with a 2% increase for the 2010/2011 school year and a 2% increase for the 2011/2012 school year.

MOTION DIES FOR LACK OF SECOND

4. **Trumbull Student Assistance Consortium (TSAC)**

Mr. Rapczak moved and Mrs. Davis seconded the following motion:

#144-2010

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Newton Falls Board of Education approves participation in the Trumbull Student Assistance Consortium (TSAC), for the 2010/2011 school year and further recognizes the Trumbull County Board of Education as fiscal agent for the consortium.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mr. Rapczak, Mrs. Davis, Mr. Ballas, Mrs. Koontz, Mr. Baker
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5. Job Descriptions

Mr. Ballas moved and Mr. Rapczak seconded the following motion:

#145-2010

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Newton Falls Board of Education approves the job descriptions for the following positions:

Treasurer/CFO

Assistant to the Treasurer – budgetary

Assistant to the Treasurer – payroll

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mr. Ballas, Mr. Rapczak, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Koontz, Mr. Baker
MOTION CARRIED

6. Capital Conference

#146-2010

Motion by Mr. Ballas and seconded by Mrs. Davis, to appoint Mrs. Brenda Koontz as delegate to the Capital Conference on November 7-10, 2010 and Mr. Dave Rapczak as alternate and , BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all Board members, the Superintendent and Treasurer be authorized to attend this conference with all expenses paid by the District.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mr. Ballas, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Koontz, Mr. Rapczak, Mr. Baker
MOTION CARRIED

7. ...Employment – Summer Intervention Coordinators

Mr. Rapczak moved and Mrs. Koontz seconded the following motion:

#147-2010

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Newton Falls Board of Education employs Rich Thomas and Marilyn Liber as the Summer Intervention Coordinators on ½ per diem rates.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mr. Rapczak, Mrs. Koontz, Mr. Ballas, Mrs. Davis, Mr. Baker
MOTION CARRIED

8. ...Employment – Summer Intervention Cafeteria

Mrs. Koontz moved and Mr. Rapczak seconded the following motion:

#148-2010

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Newton Falls Board of Education employs Lynn Thiry as Cafeteria worker for Summer Intervention.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mrs. Koontz, Mr. Rapczak, Mr. Ballas, Mrs. Davis, Mr. Baker
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Items too late for the agenda

None

Old Business

Mr. Rapczak asked about the Commerce Association and Home 44444 the Holidays using the buildings. He read an email that he had received regarding the issue.

Mr. Baker asked about the personal thought class. Mr. Wilson responded that this was incorporated into the Government class.

Mr. Baker asked that a "print name" line be added to the complaint form. Mr. Wilson said he would make that change.

New Business

#149-2010

Mrs. Koontz moved and Mr. Rapczak seconded the first reading of policy IGDJA and IGDJA-R as amended.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mrs. Koontz, Mr. Rapczak, Mr. Ballas, Mrs. Davis, Mr. Baker
MOTION CARRIED

Communications

Mr. Baker expressed concern that the Board's comments were not included in the press release regarding the contract settlement with the Newton Falls Association of Classified Employees.

Mr. Baker also said that after researching the topic, he found that an vote of abstain is neither a yes nor a no vote, but that if you don't want to abstain you can vote "present" and then change your vote anytime before reading if the motion has passed or failed.

Executive Session

#150-2010

Mrs. Koontz moved and Mr. Ballas seconded to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion or compensation of public employees, negotiations with public employees, consulting with the Board's attorney and matters required to be kept confidential by law at 7:18PM with action to be taken afterwards.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mr. Ballas, Mr. Rapczak, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Koontz, Mr. Baker
MOTION CARRIED

Mr. Baker declared the Board back in Regular Session at 9:27 PM.

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

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Adjournment

#151-2010

Mr. Ballas moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 p.m. and Mrs. Koontz seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mr. Ballas, Mrs. Koontz, Mrs. Davis, Mr. Rapczak, Mr. Baker
MOTION CARRIED

Treasurer

Board President