The Youngstown Board of Education met in regular session at the I.L. Ward Building on February 24, 2015. The meeting was called to order at 5:38 p.m. by President Brenda Kimble. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence.

Roll call was taken with the following board members in attendance:

Members present: Adair, Atkinson, Haire-Ellis, Kimble, Murphy, Shadd (arrived at 5:51 p.m.), Williams
Members absent: None

APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Murphy, seconded by Haire-Ellis to approve the agenda as presented.

On roll call vote the results were as follows:

Ayes: Adair, Atkinson, Haire-Ellis, Kimble, Murphy, Williams
Nays: None

Motion passed.

APPROVE MINUTES

Motion by Murphy, seconded by Atkinson to approve the following minutes:

Regular
February 10, 2015

Special
February 3, 2015

On roll call vote the results were as follows:

Ayes: Adair, Atkinson, Haire-Ellis, Kimble, Murphy, Williams
Nays: None

Motion passed.

CITIZEN’S PARTICIPATION

Tommy Bruno from The Summit 90.7 FM radio station addressed the board regarding their Music Alive program which donates musical instruments to various school districts.

Motion by Adair, second by Haire-Ellis to accept the donation of instruments through the Music Alive Program.

On roll call vote the results were as follows:
Ayes: Adair, Atkinson, Haire-Ellis, Kimble, Murphy, Williams
Nays: None

Motion passed.

Clarence Boles spoke regarding recognizing leadership potential in young black men. He also mentioned opposition to Youngstown Vindicator editorials regarding single parents.

Mr. Shadd arrived at 5:51 p.m.

**TREASURER’S RECOMMENDATIONS**

Motion by Shadd, seconded by Williams to table the following:

Depository Agreement with the Home Savings and Loan Company effective February 25, 2015 to August 21, 2016.

On roll call vote the results were as follows:

Ayes: Adair, Atkinson, Haire-Ellis, Kimble, Murphy, Shadd, Williams
Nays: None

Motion passed; item tabled.

Motion by Murphy, seconded by Atkinson to approve the following:

Supplemental appropriation of $50,000 for the OSFC Maintenance Fund (034) to bring the annual appropriation for FY2015 to $623,247.00.

Ayes: Adair, Atkinson, Haire-Ellis, Kimble, Murphy, Shadd, Williams
Nays: None

Motion passed.

Motion by Murphy, seconded by Williams to approve the January, 2015 Cash Fund Statement as attached.

On roll call vote the results were as follows:

Ayes: Adair, Atkinson, Haire-Ellis, Kimble, Murphy, Shadd, Williams
Nays: None

Motion passed.
SUPERINTENDENT’S PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS

Motion by Murphy, seconded by Atkinson to approve the following personnel recommendations:

CONTINUING CONTRACT
Resolution # 02.24.15-01

WHEREAS, the persons whose name is listed below has served as a teacher in the Youngstown City School District for at least three of the last five years, including the school year 2013-2014; and

WHEREAS, this teacher holds a five year license, professional or permanent certificate valid for the school year 2014-2015; and

WHEREAS, this teacher is, therefore, eligible for a continuing contract in accordance with Section 3319.11 R.C.; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that this teacher be re-employed for the school year 2014-2015;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this teacher be granted a continuing contract for the school year 2014-2015 as indicated and in accordance with the provision of the salary schedule:

McGuffey Elementary

Gia M. Marra

NOTE: The foregoing listing of schools for programs is not intended to assure any teacher the same assignment.

CERTIFICATED APPOINTMENTS for the 2014-2015 School Year:

Tutors Fund 001 – Williamson Elementary- $22.35 per hour for YEA Members, $15.50 per hour for Non-YEA Members, to be used on an as needed basis, not to exceed 25 hours per week, effective February 25, 2015:

Ashley Forbes

Tutors Fund 001 – Rayen Early College- $22.35 per hour for YEA Members, $15.50 per hour for Non-YEA Members, to be used on an as needed basis, not to exceed 25 hours per week, effective February 25, 2015:

Stacey Snyder
Youngstown After School Alliance Program Teacher Fund 599 – Harding Elementary - $22.35 per hour for YEA Members, not to exceed 25 hours per week, to be used on an as needed basis, effective February 25, 2015:

Megan Donaldson

Youngstown After School Alliance Program Activity Leader Fund 599 – McGuffey Elementary - $10.00 per hour for Non-YEA Members, not to exceed 25 hours per week, to be used on an as needed basis, effective February 25, 2015:

Betty Oliver

LEAVES OF ABSENCE for the 2014-2015 School Year:
Pursuant to the agreement with Youngstown Education Association (YEA) and the Board of Education, the following leave of absence will be concurrent with the provisions of the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) of 1993:

Janet R. Scrocco Ext. Medical Eff. 03/01/15 through 03/16/15

RESIGNATIONS for the 2014-2015 School Year:

Supplemental – YAA @ REC
Ashlee Cline Personal Reasons Eff. 02/26/15
Stacey Snyder Personal Reasons Eff. 02/26/15

Tutor
Jacqueline M. Kopper Personal Reasons Eff. 02/09/15

RETIREMENT for the 2014-2015 School Year:

For the Record: Due to the calamity days for the 2014-2015 school year, Roseann D. Jeswald’s effective date of retirement will be Tuesday, March 31, 2015

CLASSIFIED APPOINTMENTS for the 2014-2015 School Year:

Sub/Bus Driver: (Fund 001)

To be used on an as needed basis; not to exceed 25 hours per week, to be paid $11.45 per hour.

Trina Matos Sub Bus Driver Eff. Date 2/25/2015
Sub Custodial Helper: (Fund 001)

To be used on an as needed basis; not to exceed 25 hours per week, to be paid $8.10 per hour.

Willie Foster  Sub Custodial Helper  Eff. Date 2/25/2015

CLASSIFIED LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

Natalie Griffin  Unpaid Leave  Eff. 02/12/2015 – 03/04/2015

RESIGNATION:

Bus Driver (001)

Nichole Hewlett  Bus Driver  Personal Reasons  Eff. Date 2/10/15

On roll call vote the results were as follows:

Ayes: Atkinson, Haire-Ellis, Kimble, Murphy, Shadd, Williams
Nays: None
Abstain: Adair

Motion passed.

COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS

Finance Committee-Ms. Haire-Ellis had a teleconference with the Treasurer to discuss areas of focus for upcoming board workshops. It was determined that reduction recommendations based on the FY2015 budget the Treasurer presented last fall and options for the administrative building will be the focal points. Treasurer Reinhard distributed the pertinent documents to the board for review which will be discussed at the 3/3/15 Special Board Meeting.

Ms. Adair will be meeting with OSBA liaison Steve Horton on Thursday, February 26.

Curriculum – Mr. Shadd met with Doug Hiscox to discuss the evaluation of programs that have contracts and grants tied to them, the literacy collaborative, Carnegie math, the Presidents’ Executive Order and how it relates to the academic distress commission.
Ms. Adair asked if senior portfolios were discussed. Mr. Shadd stated that all information discussed on the previous committee will be considered and incorporated into their evaluation.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Dr. Hathorn expressed concern about missed days due to the weather and PARCC tests. Tests will be rescheduled within the instructional days left this school year.
Ms. Haire-Ellis commended Lois Hayes Page for an outstanding Black History program presented at Choffin. Ms. Adair asked what the other buildings are doing for their programs. Some of the programs had to be cancelled due to school being closed and are being rescheduled if they have not been already.

Mr. Shadd asked if the NAACP had presented any student issues to the Superintendent. Dr. Hathorn said no, he had not received any information. Mr. Shadd expressed concern that student issues are not always being brought to the attention of people have the ability to address them such as the Superintendent and the Board. Ms. Adair said students should speak with their parents and the parents in turn can confer with the building principal and if need be to the Board (Superintendent).

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 6:31 p.m. it was moved by Murphy, seconded by Haire-Ellis to adjourn to executive session to discuss the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion or compensation of an employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against an employee, official, licensee or student, unless the employee, official, licensee or student requests a public hearing.

On roll call vote the results were as follows:

Ayes: Adair, Atkinson, Haire-Ellis, Kimble, Murphy, Shadd, Williams
Nays: None

Motion passed.

The board exited executive session at 6:52 p.m.

Motion by Shadd, seconded by Atkinson to adjourn the February 24, 2015 regular meeting.

On roll call vote the results were as follows:

Ayes: Adair, Atkinson, Haire-Ellis, Kimble, Murphy, Shadd, Williams
Nays: None

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.