YOUNGSTOWN BOARD OF EDUCATION

- A G E N D A -

Tuesday, April 14, 2015
5:30 p.m.
- Board Caucus –
- Formal Meeting -
I. Ward Building
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
April 14, 2015
AGENDA

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Regular
March 24, 2015

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- Jennifer Damico, Principal Choffin Career & Technical Center

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- Authorization to Enter into an Agreement with the Local Government Services (LGS) Section of the Ohio Auditor of State for the Preparation of the FY 2015 GAAP Financial Statements

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"Upon request to the Business Manager, the District shall make reasonable accommodation for a disabled person to be able to participate in this activity.”
XIII. TREASURER’S REPORT
XIV. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT
XV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
XVI. NEW BUSINESS
XVII. EXECUTIVE SESSION (if necessary)
XVIII. ADJOURNMENT
YOUNGSTOWN BOARD OF EDUCATION – Executive Sessions

Exhibit
Executive Sessions

BOARD OF EDUCATION

The undersigned chair or presiding officer, under oath, certifies that a meeting of the Board of Education was held on __________________________. The Board closed its meeting as permitted by the Open Meetings Act of Ohio. The only matters considered or discussed during the closed portion of executive session of its meeting are as checked below:

1. ______ The appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of an employee 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;

2. ______ The purchase of property for public purposes or the sale of property at competitive bidding;

3. ______ Conferences with the board’s attorney to discuss matters which are the subject of pending or imminent court action;

4. ______ Preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with employees;

5. ______ Matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or rules or state statutes;

6. ______ Specialized details of security arrangements.

This _____ day of __________________, ______

__________________
Chair or Presiding Officer
Treasurer’s Recommendations
James Reinhard

APRIL 14, 2015
TREASURER'S AGENDA

TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
April 14, 2015

Item 1  It is recommended that the following resolution be approved:

Resolution #04.14.15-01 Accepting the Amounts and Rates as Determined by the
Budget Commission and Authorizing the Necessary Tax Levies and
Certifying Them to the County Auditor (City, Village or Local Board of
Education) Revised Code Sections 5705.34-5705.35

The Board of Education of the Youngstown School District, Mahoning County, Ohio,
met in regular session on the 14th day of April, 2015, at the office of the Board of Education, 20
West Wood Street with the following members present:

_________ moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, this Board of Education in accordance with the provisions of law has
previously adopted a Tax Budget or has been granted the authority by the Mahoning County
Budget Commission to waive this requirement for the next succeeding fiscal year commencing
July 1, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the Budget Commission of Mahoning County, Ohio, has certified its action
thereon to this Board together with an estimate by the County Auditor of the rate of each tax
necessary to be levied by this Board, and what part thereof is without, and what part within, the
ten mill limitation; therefore be it

RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Youngstown School District, Mahoning
County, Ohio, that the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission in its
certification, as summarized below and as attached, be and the same are hereby accepted; and be
it further
RESOLVED, that there be and is hereby levied on the tax duplicate of said School District the rate of each tax necessary to be levied within and without the ten mill limitation as follows:

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<td>$2,058,530</td>
<td>$25,905,309</td>
<td>4.20</td>
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Treasurer of this Board be and is hereby directed to certify a copy of this Resolution to the County Auditor of said County.

_________ seconded the Resolution and the roll being called upon its adoption the vote resulted as follows:

_________  
_________  
_________  

Adopted the 14th day April 2015

__________________________
Treasurer of the Board of Education of
Youngstown School District, Mahoning County, Ohio
**Item II**  
It is recommended that the Treasurer be authorized to enter into an agreement with the Local Government Services (LGS) section of the Ohio Auditor of State for the preparation of the FY 2015 GAAP financial statements at a cost of $50 per hour not to exceed $11,250.
THE YOUNGSTOWN BOARD OF EDUCATION

Connie Hathorn, Superintendent
James Reinhard, Treasurer

RESOLUTION
to the board of education
April 14, 2015

Resolution # 04.14.15-02

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE ADOPTION OF
2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDARS

RESOLVED, based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the proposed 2015-2016 school year calendars for the Early College High School and the Regular Academic Programs of the Youngstown City School District be adopted as they appear on the following two pages of this agenda; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that calamity days in excess of required instructional hours will be added to the end of the school year, if necessary.

_________________________ moved, seconded by _______________________
that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Ayes:
Nays:

04/14/15
Youngstown City School District
2015-2016 Calendar

**August/September 2015**
- Teachers’ Report Day: August 20
- Teachers’ Professional Day: August 21
- Students’ First Day: August 24
- Labor Day: August 31 (Schools Closed)
- District Professional Development: September 18 (Schools Closed)
- Professional Meeting Principals: September 28 (early dismissal 90 mins)

**October 2015**
- Progress Reports Mailed: October 2
- NEOEA Day: October 16 (Schools Closed)
- District Professional Development: October 23 (Schools Closed)
- Professional Meeting Principals: October 26 (early dismissal 90 mins)
- End of Grade Period #1: October 30 (early dismissal 90 mins)

**November 2015**
- Parent/Teacher Conferences: November 10 - 11 (3:30-6:00 p.m.)
- Report Cards Mailed by Schools: November 10 - 11 (mailed on 12th)
- Compensatory Day: November 25 (Schools Closed)
- Thanksgiving Recess: November 26 & 27
- Professional Meeting Principals: November 30 (early dismissal 90 mins)

**December 2015**
- Progress Reports Mailed: December 18
- Winter Recess: December 23 – January 1 (Schools Closed)

**January 2016**
- Return to School: January 4
- End of Grade Period #2: January 15 (early dismissal 90 mins)
- Martin Luther King Day Jr.: January 18 (Schools Closed)
- Professional Meeting Curriculum: January 25 (early dismissal 90 mins)
- Parent/Teacher Conferences: January 26-27 (3:30-6:00 p.m.)
- Report Cards Mailed by Schools: January 26-27 (mailed on 28th)

**February 2016**
- Compensatory Day: February 12 (Schools Closed)
- Presidents’ Day: February 15 (Schools Closed)
- Progress Reports Mailed: February 19
- Professional Meeting Principals: February 29 (early dismissal 90 mins)

**March 2016**
- End of Grade Period #3: March 18 (early dismissal 90 mins)
- Report Cards Mailed by D.A.T.A.: March 24
- Spring Recess: March 25-April 1 (Schools Closed)

**April 2016**
- Return to school: April 4
- Professional Meeting Curriculum: April 25 (early dismissal 90 mins)
- Progress Reports Mailed: April 29

**May 2016**
- Students’ Last Day/End of Grade Period #4: May 26 (early dismissal 90 mins)
- Teachers’ Last Day: May 27
- Report Cards Mailed by Schools: June 2

Approved by the Board of Education
# Youngstown City School District
## YOUNGSTOWN EARLY COLLEGE
### 2015-2016 Calendar

**August/September 2015**
- Teachers’ Report Day: August 10
- Students’ First Day: August 11
- YSU Fall Semester Begins:
- Labor Day: August 19
- Progress Reports Mailed: September 7
- Professional Development: September 11 (Schools Closed)
- September 18 (Schools Closed)

**October 2015**
- End of Grade Period I: October 9 (early dismissal)
- Parent/Teacher Conferences: October 15 (3:00-9:00 p.m.)
- Report Cards Mailed
- NEOEA Day: October 16 (Schools Closed)
- Professional Development: October 23 (Schools Closed)

**November 2015**
- Progress Reports Mailed: November 12
- Compensatory Day:
- Thanksgiving Recess: November 25 (Schools Closed)
- November 26 & 27 (Schools Closed)

**December 2015**
- End of Grade Period 2:
- Report Cards Mailed
- Winter Recess: December 21 - January 1 (Schools Closed)

**January 2016**
- Return to School: January 4
- Martin Luther King Day Jr.:
- January 18 (Schools Closed)

**February 2016**
- Progress Reports Mailed
- Parent/Teacher Conferences: February 11 (3:00-9:00 p.m.)
- Compensatory Day: February 12 (Schools Closed)
- Presidents’ Day: February 15 (Schools Closed)

**March 2016**
- YSU Spring Break: March 7-11 (Schools Closed)
- End of Grade Period 3: March 18 (early dismissal)
- Report Cards Mailed
- Spring Recess: March 24 (Schools Closed)
- Return to school: March 25-28 (Schools Closed)

**April 2016**
- Progress Reports Mailed: April 21

**May 2016**
- Students’ Last Day/End of Grade Period 4: May 20
- Teachers’ Last Day: May 23
- Report Cards Mailed by School: May 26

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Approved by the Board of Education
SUPERINTENDENT'S
Personnel Recommendation

Karen Green, Asst. Superintendent
Human Resources

APRIL 14, 2015
THE YOUNGSTOWN BOARD OF EDUCATION

Brenda Kimble, President
Michael Murphy, Vice-President
Jacqueline Adair
Richard Atkinson
Marcia Haire-Ellis
Ronald Shadd
Jerome Williams

Connie Hathorn, Ph.D., Superintendent
Douglas Hiscox, Deputy Superintendent
Karen Green, Asst. Superintendent
James Reinhard, Treasurer
Harry Evans, Business Manager

SUPERINTENDENT'S PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS
TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
April 14, 2015

Item 1: I wish to recommend to the Board the following CERTIFICATED APPOINTMENTS for the 2014-2015 School Year:

1a. Limited Contract Teacher — Fund 001
Bonnie L. Centofanti — 10 Months, 183 Days — BA, Step 3 - $36,130.00 - $7,854.40 prorated — Effective April 15, 2015

1b. Teacher/Group Facilitator Fund 019 — 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 June 10, 2015 through June 13, 2015:
Ashlee Cline
Stacey Snyder
Melissa Forde
Jason Yemima

Item 2: I wish to recommend to the Board the following CERTIFICATED APPOINTMENT for the 2014-2015 School Year:

Substitute Teacher - (Fund 001)-To be used on an “as needed basis” not to exceed 25 hours per week.
- $75.00 a day or from day 1 to day 10 in the same position
- $80.00 a day from day 11 to day 60 in the same position
- $168.98 a day from day 61 to day 183 in the same position

Carolyn Eltibi Eff. 4/15/15

Item 3: I wish to recommend to the Board the following LEAVES OF ABSENCE for the 2014-2015 School Year:

Administrators
Melissa M. Puhalla FMLA-Maternity Eff. 02/17/15 through 04/13/15

Teachers
Maria C. Barca Unpaid Eff. 04/13/15 through 04/30/15
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:

Susan M. Kendall  Medical  Eff. 04/28/15 through 05/20/15
Janet R. Scrocco  Ext. Medical  Eff. 04/10/15 through 05/08/15

Item 4:  I wish to recommend to the Board the following RESIGNATIONS for the 2014-2015 School Year:

**Teachers**
Stephanie K. Havilla  Other Employment  Eff. 07/01/15

**Tutors**
Courtney M. Gratz  Personal Reasons  Eff. 04/17/15

Item 5:  I wish to recommend to the Board the following RETIREMENTS for the 2014-2015 School Year:

**Teachers**
Patricia M. Burch  Retirement  Eff. 07/01/15
Donna E. Downie  Retirement  Eff. 07/01/15
Edward J. Madej  Retirement  Eff. 07/01/15
Mary Ann Whiteleather  Retirement  Eff. 07/01/15

Item 6:  I wish to recommend to the Board the following APPOINTMENTS for the 2015-2016 School Year:

**Fall Sports Supplemental Contract** Fund 001 – Percentages are based upon teacher’s base salary per YEA Agreement:

**East High School**
- Twon Ahart  9th Gr. Football Coach  $3,964.38 (12.5%)
- James Boattwright  9th Gr. Football Coach  $3,964.38 (12.5%)
- William Burton  Asst. Football Coach  $3,964.38 (12.5%)
- Traci Cain  Faculty Manager  $8,245.90 (26%)
- Britany Chakos  Head Volleyball Coach  $3,805.80 (12%)
- Andre Elliot  Asst. Football Coach  $3,964.38 (12.5%)
- Mark Greene  Asst. Football Coach  $3,964.38 (12.5%)
- Anthonie Jackson  Asst. Football Coach  $3,964.38 (12.5%)
- Preston Mays  Head Football Coach  $7,928.75 (25%)
- Dominique Scott  Head Cheerleader Advisor  $2,220.05 (7%)
- LaWanna Sims  Asst. Volleyball Coach  $1,902.90 (6%)
- Bryant Youngblood  Asst. Football Coach  $3,964.38 (12.5%)
Middle School 7th & 8th

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<td>Eddie Thomas</td>
<td>Football Coach</td>
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Item 7: I wish to recommend to the Board the following **CLASSIFIED APPOINTMENT for the 2014-2015 School Year**:

**Sub Cook 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.

Hannah Barbra E. Hooper  
Eff. Date: 4/15/15

**Sub Bus Driver:** (Fund 001)

To be used on an as needed basis; not to exceed 25 hours per week, to be paid $11.00 per hour.

Kawanza North  
Eff. Date: 4/15/15

**Sub Educational Assistant:** (Fund 001)

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

Justin Burnette  
Eff. Date: 4/15/15

Item 8: I wish to recommend to the Board the following **CLASSIFIED RETIREMENTS for the 2014-15 School Year**:

**Custodial Helpers**

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<td>Sara Austin</td>
<td>6/1/2015</td>
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<td>Norma Hill</td>
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SUPERINTENDENT'S POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS
TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
April 14, 2015

Item 1:  I wish to recommend to the Board of Education to approve the following revised policy:
  • Policy 5223 – Released Time for Religious Instruction (Revised)

Item 2:  I wish to recommend to the Board of Education to approve the following revised policy:
  • Policy 8325 – Receipt of Legal Documents (New)

Item 3:  I wish to recommend to the Board of Education to approve the following revised policy:
  • Policy 5340 - Student Accidents (Revised)

Item 4:  I wish to recommend to the Board of Education to approve the following revised policy:
  • Policy 5460 - Graduation Requirements (Revised)
REleased time for religious instruction

The Board of Education desires to cooperate with those parents who wish to provide for religious instruction for their children but also recognizes its responsibility to enforce the attendance requirements of the State.

Students may be provided "released time" from school to attend a course in religious instruction conducted by a private entity on District property, provided that the following requirements are met, such students will not be considered absent when the:

A. student’s parent or guardian gives consent in writing;

B. sponsoring entity maintains attendance records and makes them available to the District;

C. sponsoring entity provides and assumes liability for the student; and

D. student assumes responsibility for any missed school work.

Transportation of students to and from Released Time instruction is the complete responsibility of the sponsoring entity, the parent, guardian, and/or student. The Board of Education, its members, and employees are immune from liability for any injuries arising from transportation to and from Released Time instruction. Further, no Board funds will be expended for, and no District personnel shall be involved in the provision of religious instruction.

Students shall not be excused from a core curriculum subject course to attend Released Time instruction.
No solicitation for attendance at religious instruction shall be permitted on District premises. No staff member shall encourage or discourage participation in any religious instructional program.

Attorney General's Opinion 88-001

Adopted: 8/24/04
Revised:
RECEIPT OF LEGAL DOCUMENTS

Service of Process on the Board of Education

In suits against the Board, only the Board President, Superintendent, or Treasurer accepts service on behalf of the Board.

Service of Legal Documents on Board Employees

Board employees may be served with legal documents (1) requesting not only public records (such as employees' personnel files), but also student education records and other documents and electronically stored information maintained by the District, or (2) directing them to testify at a deposition or hearing concerning issues that fall within the employees' employment responsibilities.

An employee served with legal documents in his/her official capacity as a Board employee shall immediately provide copies of those legal documents to his/her Principal or site administrator.

The Principal or site administrator shall immediately furnish copies to the Superintendent and the District Custodian of Records and shall follow his/her directives.

Generally, confidential personnel records, student records, or personal observations or opinions about student behavior/academic performance do not have to be disclosed. The law makes an exception for a subpoena or court order.
Board policy requires the Principal or a site administrator to release only the
documents specifically identified in the subpoena or order. In circumstances
where, in responding to a subpoena or order, information is developed or
summarized from the student's education records, a copy of that information
and a statement of the purpose for which it was prepared shall be filed in the
student's cumulative folder.

**Actions Against the Board**

In actions against the Board, it is not unusual for Board employees to be
served with subpoenas and/or called as witnesses. Board legal counsel and the
Superintendent will assist Board employees in these matters.

**Independent Legal Counsel**

This policy does not prohibit Board employees from consulting with their own
independent legal counsel, but they are prohibited from discussing or releasing
student personally identifiable information to a third party except as expressly
authorized by Board Policy (Policy 8330).

Adopted:
STUDENT ACCIDENTS

The Board of Education believes that school personnel have certain responsibilities in case of accidents which occur in school. Said responsibilities extend to the administration of first aid by persons trained to do so, summoning of medical assistance, notification of administrative personnel, notification of parents, and the filing of accident reports.

Employees should administer first aid within the limits of their knowledge of recommended practices. All employees should make an effort to increase their understanding of the proper steps to be taken in the event of an accident.

The Superintendent shall develop administrative guidelines to include the reporting of accidents, when appropriate.

On an annual basis, physical education teachers and coaches of intramural athletics shall review the Ohio Department of Health's concussion information sheet.

Physical education teachers and coaches of intramural athletics shall remove from P.E. class participation or the intramural athletic activity any student who exhibits signs, symptoms, or behaviors consistent with having sustained a concussion or head injury. The Principal shall notify parents or guardians about the possible concussion or head injury. See also Policy 2431 Interscholastic Athletics.
Any student who has been removed from a P.E. class, or intramural athletic practice or competition, by a teacher, coach, or referee because he/she has exhibited signs, symptoms, or behaviors consistent with having sustained a concussion or head injury shall not be permitted to return to any P.E. class, or intramural athletic practice or competition, for which the teacher, coach, or referee is responsible on the same day as the removal and not until both of the following occur:

A. The student's condition is assessed by a physician ( ) or other health care provider authorized by the Board, in accordance with requirements set forth in R.C. 3313.539(E)(2), to assess such a student.

B. The student receives written clearance that it is safe to return to the P.E. class, or intramural athletic practice or competition, from a physician or other health care provider authorized by the Board, in accordance with requirements set forth in R.C. 3313.539(E)(2), to grant a such a clearance.

R.C. 2305.23 (Good Samaritan), 3313.20, 3313.539

Adopted: 8/24/04
Revised: 11/4/13
GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

In order to acknowledge each student's successful completion of the instructional program, appropriate to the achievement of District goals and objectives as well as personal proficiency, the Board of Education awards a diploma to eligible students at a graduation ceremony.

The Board shall award a regular high school diploma to every student enrolled in this District who meets the requirements of graduation established by this Board or who properly completes the goals and objectives specified in his/her individualized education program (IEP) including either the exemption from or the requirement to complete the tests required by the State Board of Education in order to graduate. **In addition to earning course credits, each student must earn the required number of points, unless exempted, on the tests required by the State Board of Education to graduate.**

The requirements for graduation from high school include earning twenty (20) units of credit in grades nine through twelve as established in State law. However, no student shall be required to remain in school for any specific number of semesters or other terms if the student completes the required curriculum early.

**All students must receive instruction in economics and financial literacy during Grades 9-12.**

Credit may be earned by:

A. completing coursework;

B. testing out of or demonstrating mastery of course content; or

C. pursuing one or more educational options in accordance with the District's Credit Flexibility Program.

Credit may be earned at an accredited postsecondary institution.
Every high school may permit students below the ninth grade to take advanced work for credit. This work shall count toward the graduation requirements if it was both:

A. taught by a person who possesses a license/certificate issued under State law that is valid for teaching high school;

B. designated by the Board as meeting the high school curriculum requirements.

An honors diploma shall be awarded to any student who meets the established requirements for graduation or the requirements of his/her IEP; attains the applicable scores on the tests required by the State Board of Education to graduate; and meets any additional criteria the State Board may establish.

Commencement exercises will include only those students who have successfully completed requirements for graduation as certified by the high school principal or those students who have been deemed eligible to participate in such exercises in accordance with the terms of their IEP. No student who has completed the requirements for graduation shall be denied a diploma as a disciplinary measure. A student may be denied participation in the ceremony of graduation when personal conduct so warrants.

The Board also shall grant a diploma of adult education to all District residents over the age of twenty-one (21) who meet the requirements established by the State Board of Education.

The Superintendent shall establish whatever administrative guidelines are necessary to comply with State rules and regulations.

R.C. 3313.60, 3313.603, 3313.61, 3313.611, 3313.614, 3313.647, 3323.08
R.C. 3301.07, 0710, 0711
A.C. 3301-41-01, 3301-13-01 to 07

Adopted: 8/24/04
Revised: 6/05/07
Revised: 7/27/10
Revised: 2/12/13
Revised: