

Minutes of CONNEAUT BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL meeting

September 24, 2008

The SPECIAL MEETING of the Conneaut Area City Schools Board of Education was held on Wednesday, September 24, 2008 at the Administration Office, 400 Mill Street, Conneaut, Ohio 44030.

Members Present: Rob Eager, Sonny Heinonen (late), Nick Iarocci, Connie Jury and Mike Kennedy

Members Absent:

Others Present: Superintendent Kent Houston and Levy Committee members.

President Mike Kennedy called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

09-2008-23 Moved by Nick Iarocci, seconded by Mike Kennedy to appoint Board Member Connie Jury as Treasurer pro-tem.
 Ayes: Eager, Iarocci and Kennedy
 Nays:
 Abstain: Jury

09-2008-24 Moved by Nick Iarocci, seconded by Rob Eager that the following certified resignation be accepted as presented.

 Laura Endean CMS 8th grade, effective July 25, 2008
 Ayes: Iarocci, Kennedy, Jury and Eager
 Nays:
 Abstain:
 Motion Carried

09-2008-25 Moved by Nick Iarocci, seconded by Rob Eager that the following classified position be abolished as presented.
 #03-17 Custodian at Conneaut High School – 6 hr/day, 12 month position, abolished effective 9-24-2008
 Ayes: Kennedy, Jury, Eager and Iarocci
 Nays:
 Abstain:
 Motion Carried

Minutes
 Levy Committee Meeting
 Wednesday September 24, 2008
 6:30-8:00

We are issue # 37

Steering Committee met at 6:15 – Regular meeting will comprise of members breaking into work groups and then reporting out.

Mike Sanford and Kent met with the Monroe firefighters for suggestions for the Monroe meeting - It was decided that there would be a questions and answer period from 6:30 to 7:00 at the board meeting to be held at Monroe Fire Hall. Attempts will be made to get as many Monroe residents to the school board meeting as possible. Coffee with the Superintendent will be held at Bushnell store with invitations printed for the Monroe Board Meeting. Monroe employees will be asked to give out at least five cards to Monroe residents.

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Regular Levy Meeting

Co-chair Mike Sanford opened the meeting at 6:30 - Work groups broke into individual groups for planning

Present: Kent Houston, Mike Kennedy, Nick Iarocci, Rob Eager, Sonny Heinonen, Connie Jury, Mike Sanford, Tammy Ledford, Joel Taylor, Stephanie Burnett, Mark Mirando, Pat Rowbotham, Trudy Hazen, Shelly Furmage, Angie Nelson, Kathy Bunnell, Debbie Distelrath, Amy Stamp, Gail Sharkey, Mike Bambarger, Dave LeVesque, Russ Coltman, Mike Liberatore, Linda Polchosky, Tammy Bowman, George Zahler, Carol Hively, Babs Legeza.

Reporting out from work groups**Fundraising**

Shelly Furmage announced the chili cook-off is scheduled for October 11th at 4:00 p.m. There are approximately 13 entries to date. Admission will be \$5.00 per person.

Kathy Bunnell announced that navy blue T shirts with spartan gold lettering can be printed up for \$8.00 per shirt - sizes S though L \$10.00 for size XX. Shelly passed around drawings of the shirts. Members who wanted shirts signed up - Teachers who were present, were asked to take back the drawings to the schools so staff could order shirts. Members present decided to pay \$10.00 for the shirts which would help cover the cost of the shirts for Mr. Taylor's class.

City Garden Market will be having an Apple bake-off the same day as the chili contests - the two events will be co-ordinated and advertised together urging the community to participate in both events.

Voter Registration/GOTV

Tammy Ledford announced the script was ready and the phone bank would be held on Wednesday, October 1, 2008. Mr. Houston was asked to contact the principals to organize staff members willing to call for voter registration. Scott Ledford has been busy finding over 3,000 phone numbers and organizing lists for staff. Tammy announced she has 56 new voter registrations to date.

Publicity

Mike Libertore reported that high school students were coming along with TV spots and something should be ready by the October 1 meeting. He said right now they were holding off on the radio advertising. Advertising was set up with Suite 541 and they were still trying to approach Time Warner. Letters to the Editor will be started once the talking points were completed.

Mike Bambarger and Mike Sanford put together a great float for the homecoming parade and Mike Bambarger will make sure this float will be located in different spots around the area from now until the election.

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George has 500 signs in process and another 150 to be put together. Signs will be distributed at a football game, the levy committee meetings, schools and will be available at the administration office.

Channel 6 will run ads for the apple bake-off and chili cook-off.

Regis will start getting the levy logo on Channel 6.

George will check on banners to see if last years' can be used or new ones have to be made.

The high school will do all printing. Committee just has to provide stock.

Mike Liberator presented a sample post card to used during the door to door campaign. They had the logo on the front and talking points on the back. 1,000 post cards will be printed to start.

100 11 x 17 "United We Are Conneaut" posters will be printed to distribute for display in area businesses.

500 logo place mats will be made for the chili cook off. Mark Mirando volunteered to have place mats used at the State Street Diner. Other locations discussed were Beef and Beer, Rainbow, Pizzi's, and Crazy Daves.

Community Engagement

Mike Kennedy reported that the Board meetings were being held in different areas around town with the October meeting to be held at Monroe Fire Hall.

Kent, along with Mike Sanford and Mark Wheeler were appointed to represent the Levy Committee at Candidates Night to be held at the Human Resources Center on October 7th from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Holding an open forum was discussed. Date was set Tuesday, October 28th, with place and process to be discussed at a later date.

Meeting adjourned - approximately 8:15 p.m.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>Community Engagement</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Business E-mail and Voicemail b. Senior Outreach c. Monroe Outreach d. Clergy Outreach | Mike Kennedy*
Kathy Bunnell, Mark Wheeler, Karen Wheeler
Kent Houston, Nick Iarocci, Sonny Heinonen
Connie Jury, Rob Eager |
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- Tasks:**
- Expand on project ideas and recruitment of others - ALL
 - Contact Shane Brown - Mike Sanford
 - Contact Board of Elections – Tammy Ledford people who have voted in 2 out of the 3 last elections. This needs to be by voting precincts.
 - Contact Shelly Furmage and Rick Furmage – Lisa Brown
 - Get old Talking Points – Kent Houston
 - Contact Babs Legeza – Kent Houston
 - Contact Senior events (Luthern Church, Bridge Club, etc.) – Kathy Bunnell, Karen Wheeler
 - Locate groups and places for coffee type meetings - Kathy Bunnell, Karen Wheeler
 - Contact Dino Julio – Kent Houston

Meetings: Steering Committee meetings are at 6:15 (Immediately before the regular meeting)

September 10 th	6:30 p.m.	Southeast Professional Development Room
September 17 th	6:30 p.m.	Southeast Professional Development Room
September 24 th	6:30 p.m.	Southeast Professional Development Room
October 1 st	6:30 p.m.	Southeast Professional Development Room
October 8 th	6:30 p.m.	Southeast Professional Development Room
October 15 th	6:30 p.m.	Southeast Professional Development Room
October 22 nd	6:30 p.m.	Southeast Professional Development Room
October 29 th	6:30 p.m.	Southeast Professional Development Room
October 31 st	(Halloween Party? - TBA)	
November 3 rd	(Monday- as needed for election day workers)	
November 4 th	(Election Night Social-TBA)	

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.