

COMMISSION REPORTER



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**Orange Community Education & Recreation
COMMISSION MEETING
Tuesday, February 15, 2011
6:30pm, Pepper Pike Learning Center**

Attended by:

Ken Barton	Laura Guentner	Cindy Wiley
Trisha Campbell (6:54p)	Ryburn Taylor (6:54p)	Dr. Nancy Wingenbach
Cindy Eickhoff	Thatcher Thomas	
Karen Erlenbach	Andrea Vederman	

Not in attendance:

Julie Jordan	Stanley Morganstern
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Approval of November 2010 Commission Meeting Minutes

Ms. Cindy Wiley asked for approval of the November Commission meeting minutes. Mr. Thatcher Thomas motioned to approve the minutes. Ms. Andrea Vederman seconded the motion and the minutes were unanimously approved.

Superintendent Update

Dr. Nancy Wingenbach reported that the Treasurer's office is reviewing the budget and possible cuts. She stressed that residents will be informed that the District will be making cuts that don't affect the quality of services. Dr. Wingenbach also updated the Commission on the donation of items to the OEC from a parents group. The list of items was reviewed by teachers in the program and the teachers responded that many of the items were unnecessary for the program and it was suggested that the teachers complete a new list to give to the OEC parents group for review per the district's protocol.

Board of Education Update

Ms. Cindy Eickhoff reported that the Treasurers' office recommended to the Board that an operating levy be placed on the November 2011 ballot. The millage of the levy has yet to be determined because there has been a delay with the State of Ohio budget-there may be possible cuts in the State's funding to the District that will affect the millage. She stated that the Treasurers' office is compiling a list of items that will need to be cut if the levy doesn't pass. Ms. Eickhoff stated that the OHS track will be resurfaced in the spring.

Commission Chair Update

Ms. Cindy Wiley reported that the January meeting regarding the formation of an Early Childhood PTA was not well attended by parents. Those parents in attendance voted 4 to 2 not to proceed in forming a group. Based on the vote not to proceed with forming an EC PTA, Ms. Wiley shared that the Commission has completed their involvement with this issue. Ms. Wiley requested that at the next meeting the Commission review the recommendations from the Safety meeting of June 29, 2010 to find out which recommendations have been put into place.

Upcoming Community-Wide Event – Orange Jubilee

Ms. Laura Guentner reported that a group of invited community participants met February 10 to discuss the future of Orange Jubilee. It was reported at the meeting that there is a good possibility that there will be less police officers available for security during the event. Ms. Guentner and Ms. Karen Erlenbach will be speaking to the mayors to discuss the police departments' involvement. It was also reported at the meeting that Court Community Service workers will not be available for set-up or tear down. Ms. Guentner stated that the group discussed other options for the event including cancelling the event. The group will reconvene on February 24 to discuss the event further. Ms. Cindy Eickhoff stated that if the event is cancelled she would want the community to know that it was not just one reason for the cancellation but rather many reasons and issues. Ms. Erlenbach stated that some kind of event should be held and it should be family oriented. Ms. Guentner reported that the OCE&R staff as a whole would prefer to have some event and

the event may utilize the new Community Park behind the PPLC facility and may focus on entertainment – Adult GLEE, Cleveland Pops Orchestra and Stagecrafters would be considered for possible entertainment, along with other options. Ms. Guentner asked any Commission members who have ideas to please attend the meeting on February 24.

Preview of Summer Programs and Camps

The 2011 Summer Camp Brochure was distributed and Ms. Julie Green reviewed the brochure with the Commission. She stated that the CIT programs have all been organized into one section of the brochure and standardized to make it easier for the clients. Ms. Erlenbach asked if the Youth Department has approached the Orange Art Center about classes instead of using an outside vendor like Little Rembrandts. Ms. Green responded that the Art Center was not contacted this year, but has not shown any interest in years past. Ms. Wendy Scott-Koeth reported that Stagecrafters has a new camp this year titled “Project Your Way” and it will feature Valerie Mayan, a finalist on the television show *Project Runway*.

Bylaws Review Committee

Ms. Karen Erlenbach, Ms. Julie Jordan, Ms. Andrea Vederman, Mr. Thatcher Thomas, Mr. Ryburn Taylor and Mr. Laura Guentner volunteered to serve on the committee and will discuss possible meeting dates to begin the process of updating the bylaws.

Fiscal Report

Ms. Laura Guentner distributed the January financial reports and reviewed details comparing month-to-date for January 2011 and for January 2010 for all program and operations areas.

Orange Senior Center Coordinator Search Update

Ms. Laura Guentner reported that after reviewing over 80 resumes for the Orange Senior Center Coordinator position and interviewing 5 qualified candidates in a series of interviews, the department has offered the position to Ms. Nancy Haag, who is the former Executive Director of Chagrin Downtown. Mr. Ken Barton reported that Ms. Haag met with a group of seniors and they were impressed with her marketing ideas for the center and her extensive experience. Ms. Haag will begin full time on March 14.

Miscellaneous

Ms. Laura Guentner reported that there is possibility that an Open House of the renovated PPLC will be part of Jubilee.

Ms. Laura Guentner reported that there will be a meeting regarding online registration next week. The meeting will include Ms. Guentner, Mr. Dale Van Niel, Ms. Pam Bayus, Mr. Kurt Bernardo from the Technology Department, and members of the ACEWARE staff.

Ms. Trisha Campbell reported that she will be moving out of the Orange School District in the near future, therefore she is resigning from the Commission. The April 12 meeting will be her last.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm

UPCOMING EVENTS & MEETINGS:

April 12	Commission Meeting, 6:30pm – Pepper Pike Learning Center
April 21	Early Bird Deadline for Summer Camp Registration
April 22-24	Easter Break, OCE&R offices closed
April 25	Board of Education Meeting, 6:30pm – Pepper Pike Learning Center
May 13 & 14	Stagecrafters Community Production, <i>Adventures in Wonderland</i>
May 21	Orange Jubilee
May 27	Summer Camp Registration Deadline
May 28-30	Memorial Weekend, OCE&R offices closed

**Next Commission Meeting – April 12, 2011 at 6:30pm
in the New Activity Room**