

James A. Garfield Local School District Organizational/Regular Meeting- January 10, 2008

Opening The James A. Garfield Board of Education met in the Middle School Library at 5:30 p.m. for the organizational/regular meeting. President Pro Tempe Deral White called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

President Pro Tempe Deral White led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

A moment of silence was observed.

Upon roll call the following members were present: Patricia Brett, Gary Foy, Guy Pietra, David Vincent, and Deral White. Also present were Superintendent, Treasurer, JAG All Sports Boosters Officers and staff member.

The Treasurer administered the Oath of Office to re-elected Board Members, Gary Foy, David Vincent and Deral White.

- 08-01** Moved by P. Brett, seconded by G. Pietra to accept and approve Board Meeting Agenda for January 10, 2008 and Addendum, as corrected.
Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White
Nays: None
Mr. White declared the motion passed

President Pro Tempe Deral White dispensed with the President's report.
Patricia Brett gave the Maplewood Report.
Deral White gave the legislative report.
Tracy Knauer gave the Treasurer's report.
Charles Klamer gave the Superintendent's report

Visitor Recognition and Public Comments

No Visitors asked to be recognized.

Educational Excellence

- 08-02** Moved by P. Brett, seconded by D. Vincent to recognize Cheryl (C.J.) Carlisle for earning the Akron *Beacon Journal's* Athlete of the Week award for her skills on the basketball court.
Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White
Nays: None
Mr. White declared the motion passed

Approval of Minutes

- 08-03** Moved by G. Foy, seconded by P. Brett to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of December 13, 2007 as submitted.
Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White
Nays: None
Mr. White declared the motion passed
- 08-04** Deral White nominated Guy Pietra for President of the James A. Garfield Board of Education for calendar year 2008.
David Vincent seconded Guy Pietra's nomination.
Moved by P. Brett, seconded by G. Foy to close nominations for President.
Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White
Nays: None
Mr. White declared the motion passed

Vote confirming Guy Pietra as President of the James A. Garfield Board of Education for calendar year 2008.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

- 08-05** Guy Pietra nominated David Vincent for Vice-President of the James A. Garfield Board of Education for calendar year 2008.
Gary Foy seconded David Vincent's nomination.
Moved by G. Foy, seconded by P. Brett to close nominations for Vice-President.
Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White
Nays: None
Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Vote confirming David Vincent as Vice-President of the James A. Garfield Board of Education for calendar year 2008.
Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

- President Guy Pietra set the regular monthly meetings of the Board of Education for the second Thursday of every month, beginning at 7:00 p.m. to be held in the Middle School Library. Moved by G. Foy, seconded by P. Brett.
Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White
Nays: None
Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

- 08-06** Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by D. White to pass a resolution recognizing the All Sports Booster Club for their first annual "Hall of Fame" induction ceremony held Saturday, November 17, 2007 at the High School:

WHEREAS, the "Booster Club" is recognized for their first annual Hall of Fame with an awesome banquet on November 17, 2007 in the high school gymnasium, and
WHEREAS, the members of the Board of Education, through the years, have realized that outstanding Garfield athletes have deserved to be recognized, and
WHEREAS, the Booster organization is to be commended for their excellent work to begin this quality event in 2007, and
WHEREAS, the Booster Club will have the Board of Education and communities support for years to come for this endeavor,
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the James A. Garfield Local Board of Education on this tenth day of January in the year two thousand and eight that the Booster Club is duly recognized for beginning a James A. Garfield Schools Athletic Hall of Fame.

The Board discussed the event with Mr. Russomano and Mr. Pratt from the JAG Athletic Boosters.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White
Nays: None
Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

- 08-07** Moved by P. Brett, seconded by D. White to consolidate and approve the following organizational items as listed:

- * Establish a Service Fund for board members and appropriate \$7,500 for this purpose.
- * Approve bonds in the amount of \$50,000 for the Treasurer and \$20,000 for the Superintendent/Board President.
- * Authorize the Treasurer to invest interim inactive funds at the most productive interest rate whenever funds are available and payable to the school district during the 2008 year and through the organizational meeting in 2009.
- * Authorize the Treasurer to pay all bills within the limits of the appropriations resolution as bills are received and when the merchandise is received in good and usable condition during the 2008 calendar year and through the organizational meeting in 2009.
- * Authorize the Treasurer to secure advances from the County Auditor when funds are available and payable to the school district.

- * Approve the use of single signature checks of the General Account and payroll clearing accounts through the organizational meeting of 2009.
- * Authorize the Superintendent to act as Purchasing Agent for the school district through the organizational meeting of 2009.
- * Authorize the Superintendent to employ such personnel as is needed for emergency situations and authorize payment for work done, at existing rates, if not approved by the Board.
- * Authorize the use of Christley, Herington and Pierce and Squire, Sanders & Dempsey as legal counsel.
- * Authorize the Treasurer to make all necessary modifications within budget accounts to clear the deficit balances. Such modifications will be presented for approval by the Board at the next regular meeting.
- * Authorize the Treasurer to make advances from the General Fund.
- * Authorize the Superintendent to suspend non-teaching and teaching personnel; provided such suspensions comply with procedures as provided by Ohio law and such suspensions are presented for approval by the Board at the next regular meeting.
- * Dispense with reading the minutes at each meeting provided they are mailed to Board members prior to the meeting at which they will be considered.
- * Approve the Record-Courier as the official newspaper of general circulation for legal notices.
- * Confirm the existing policies of the James A. Garfield Board of Education are in effect for the 2008 calendar year and through the organizational meeting of 2009.
- * Authorize continued membership in the Portage Area Schools Council of Governments-Health, Property and Fleet Insurance Consortium.
- * Appoint the Superintendent to serve as a trustee on the Portage Area Schools Consortium to represent the James A. Garfield School District and appoint the Treasurer to act as an alternate.
- * Approve mailing Board meeting notices to those who submit stamped, self-addressed envelopes, except the Record-Courier and The Villager.
- * Approve NEOLA's continuing update service of policies for 2008 at an annual fee of \$1,000 per half plus \$500 online update; \$2,500 total.
- * Approve continued membership in the Community, University and Educational Purchasing Association of Summit and Portage County (C.U.E.) for fiscal year 2009.
- * Authorize the Superintendent and Treasurer to submit proposals, establish fiscal accounts, receive, appropriate, and transfer funds, and begin program operations for grants and programs.
- * Authorize the Superintendent to advertise for bids and to sell property when needed.
- * Approve an agreement with Robinson Health Affiliates for random drug/alcohol testing for 2008.
- * Approve resolution declaring the purpose of the emergency levy fund is current operating expense and that monies received in the emergency levy fund for 2008 will be transferred to the General Fund for expenditure.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

President Pietra appointed liaisons for Calendar Year 2008 and let stand all existing committees from the

prior calendar year.

David Vincent -Legislative Liaison.

Patricia Brett - Student Achievement Liaison.

Deral White - Liaison to Garrettsville Village Council / Township Councils

Guy Pietra and Gary Foy (with Deral White as alternate) -superintendent's committee for OAPSE Labor Management.

Guy Pietra and Patricia Brett (with Deral White as alternate) -superintendent's committee for GEA Labor Management.

Gary Foy and Deral White -superintendent's committee for Athletic Task Force.

Guy Pietra and David Vincent -superintendent's committee for Policy Review.

Treasurer's Recommendations

08-08 Moved by P. Brett, seconded by G. Foy to consolidate and approve the following recommendations – **A through E**

A. Approve the financial reports for December 2007.

B. Approve Certificate of Availability:

<u>PO Number</u>	<u>PO Date</u>	<u>Invoice Date</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
36393	11/29/07	11/23/07	Schutt Reconditioning	\$196.95
36449	12/04/07	11/30/07	Mars Electric, Inc.	\$265.05
36481	12/07/07	11/29/07	Scholastic Sports Services	\$2141.25

C. Accept Donations: Home Team Marketing to Athletics for winter sports-\$850; Kepich to HS National Honor Society-\$300; Charles Ford to HS National Honor Society (food drive)-\$25; JAG Athletic Boosters to girl's basketball-\$1,000; JAG Athletic Boosters to danceline-\$521.84; Hot Stove to HS Athletics-\$500; Verizon to E.S. Principal's account*-\$50.56; Verizon to M.S. Principal's account*-\$102.14; Verizon to H.S. Principal's account*-\$87.20 (*final program donations)

D. Approve Estimated Resources

	INITIAL	PREVIOUS	CURRENT	CERTIFICATION
FUND CLASSIFICATION	BUDGET	AMENDMENT	AMENDMENT	TO
FUND NAME	CERTIFICATION	REQUESTS	REQUEST	DATE
General Fund	13,693,980.41	-	-	13,693,980.41
		-	-	-
Special Revenue		-		
007 Special Trust	1,631.07	-	271.96	1,903.03
016 Emergency Levy	929,408.00	-	-	929,408.00
018 Public Support	117,339.74	-	7,000.00	124,339.74
019 Martha Holden Jennings	-	-	-	-
031 Underground Storage	11,000.00	-	-	11,000.00
300 District Managed Act	128,293.81	-	10,000.00	138,293.81
432 Management Info System	5,400.00	-	-	5,400.00
440 Entry Year Programs	4,000.00	-	(1,600.00)	2,400.00
451 Network Connectivity	12,000.00	-	-	12,000.00
452 School Net Prof. Devel.	2,700.00	-	(270.00)	2,430.00
494 Poverty Based Assistance	20,935.89	(20,935.89)		-
499 Misc. State Grants	15,667.00	1,834.24		17,501.24
516 Title VI-B	320,996.19	54,122.39		375,118.58
572 Title I-TA	121,278.77	(611.48)		120,667.29
573 Title V Innov.	2,000.00	93.82		2,093.82
584 Title VI SDFSC	4,500.00	(75.27)		4,424.73
587 Preschool	7,500.00	-		7,500.00
590 Title II-A	65,900.72	18,075.15		83,975.87
599 Title II-D / Misc. Federal	2,200.00	(1,063.64)		1,136.36
		-		
Debt Service		-		

002 Bond Retirement-Building	770,779.11	-	-	770,779.11
		-		
Capital Projects		-		
		-		
Enterprise		-		
006 Lunchroom	526,764.43	-	-	526,764.43
009 Uniform Supplies	32,104.84	-	-	32,104.84
		-		
Fiduciary		-		
022 District Agency	94,464.06	-		94,464.06
200 Student Activities	105,441.43	-	16,000.00	121,441.43
	-	-		-
Agency	-	-		-
007 Private Purpose Fund	13,644.83	945.38	400.00	14,990.21
				-
	17,009,930.30	52,384.70	31,801.96	17,094,116.96

E. Approve appropriations.

FUND CLASSIFICATION	PERMANENT APPROPRIATION REQUEST
General Fund	11,963,857.89
	-
Special Revenue	
007 Special Trust	1,231.07
016 Emergency Levy	929,408.00
018 Public Support	106,691.93
019 Martha Holden Jennings	-
031 Underground Storage	-
300 District Managed Act	135,000.00
432 Management Info System	5,400.00
440 Entry Year Programs	2,400.00
451 Network Connectivity	12,000.00
452 School Net Prof. Devel.	2,430.00
494 Poverty Based Assistance	-
499 Misc. State Grants	17,501.24
516 Title VI-B	375,118.58
572 Title I-TA	120,667.29
573 Title V Innov.	2,093.82
584 Title VI SDFSC	4,424.73
587 Preschool	7,500.00
590 Title II-A	83,975.87
599 Title II-D / Misc. Federal	1,136.36
Debt Service	
002 Bond Retirement-Building	527,450.00
Capital Projects	
Enterprise	
006 Lunchroom	526,756.00
009 Uniform Supplies	16,955.00
Fiduciary	

022 District Agency	86,600.00
200 Student Activities	97,070.15
Agency	
007 Private Purpose Fund	10,768.93
	15,036,436.86

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

- 08-09** Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to approve the tax budget for fiscal year 2009 as follows:

WHEREAS school districts must adopt an annual budget for the coming school year (July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009) by or about January 15, 2008; and

WHEREAS the county budget commission has no authority to either increase or reduce the rate of any voter approved tax levy, although it does have authority and duty to adjust the amounts required from general property tax to conform to the needs demonstrated by the budget (ORC 5705.31 and 5705.341; Baker's Text, Section 5.04); and

WHEREAS such budget is more of an administrative exercise than of revenue generating significance, in that the January budget is commonly referred to as the asking for budget (vs. the July appropriations measure which actually deals with expected funds); and

WHEREAS the asking for budget document is available to the public to review in the Treasurer's office;

BE IT RESOLVED that the budget is approved as presented; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED under the provisions of ORC 5705.30, the Treasurer shall deliver a copy of the approved budget on the prescribed form to the County Auditor on or before 1/20/08.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

- 08-10** Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy to approve an Internet Service Agreement with SPARCC for 2008/09 – not to exceed 20% increase from 2007/2008, as corrected.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

- 08-11** Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy to approve a contract with Savvy Software for 2008 at a cost of ~~\$260~~, \$270 (website), as corrected.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

- 08-12** Moved by D. White, seconded by G. Foy to approve a contract with P.B. Alarm Company for monitoring services our alarm system at a cost of \$792 per year.

Board discussed the previous system and circumstances that require a new vendor.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Superintendent's Recommendations

- 08-13** Moved by P. Brett, seconded by G. Foy to consolidate and approve the following superintendent's recommendations - **A through F**- Item C was removed from this recommendation and discussed earlier in the meeting, as corrected.

A. Authorize hiring a certified/licensed tutor to primarily work with third grade students for intervention for OAT's; maximum 3.75 hours/day; February 4, 2008 – May 2, 2008.

B. Approve intervention instruction for OAT's at the Intermediate School, spring 2008.

C. ~~Pass a resolution recognizing the All Sports Booster Club for their first annual "Hall of Fame" induction ceremony held Saturday, November 17, 2007 at the High School.~~ Moved to the beginning of the meeting

D. Approve the school calendar for 2008/09- Proposed revision from 1/9/08, as corrected.

E. Grant supplemental/personal service contracts for 2007/08:

M.S. Boys Track – Matt Minnick (\$2627.51)

M.S. Girls Track – Ellen Rybak (\$2432.88)

M.S. Assistant Track – Jessica Crookham (\$1520.55)

H.S. Head Boys Track – John Bennett, 3 year contract (\$3527.68)

H.S. Assistant Boys Track – Jim Pflieger (\$2724.83)

H.S. Head Girls Track – Greg Walker, 3 year contract (\$3406.03)

H.S. Assistant Girls Track – Amy Strobe (\$2,432.88)

H.S. Head Baseball – Beau Norton, 2 year contract (\$3162.74)

H.S. Assistant Baseball – Tom Bartz (\$2432.88)

H.S. Head Softball – Tina Faulhaber, 2 year contract (\$3041.10)

H.S. Assistant Softball – Sherry Makowski (\$2432.88), Rob Hindman (\$2432.88)

F. Approve volunteers: Alan Knight (softball) and Jeff Sheehan (baseball)

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-14 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by D. White to approve Sarah Hlavsa as a "senior attending" for the balance of the 2007/08 school year; she recently moved from the Garfield District but would like to continue at Maplewood Career Center and graduate from Garfield.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by D. White to enter Executive Session to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, compensation and investigation of charges/complaints of public employees

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

President Pietra declared a short recess at 6:36 p.m. and moved the meeting to the Orson E. Ott Administrative Offices.

The Board reconvened and entered executive session: 6:45 p.m.

Board Member Patricia Brett left the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

Exit executive session 7:41 p.m.

Invited into executive session were the Superintendent, and Treasurer.

The District received nine (9) proposals for design professionals. Prior to leaving the meeting, each board member received copies of the proposals for evaluation.

President Guy Pietra asked for motion to adjourn, moved by G. Pietra, seconded by D. Vincent. All were in favor and this meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Guy V. Pietra, President

Date

Tracy L. Knauer, Treasurer

James A. Garfield Local School District

Regular Meeting- February 14, 2008

Opening The James A. Garfield Board of Education met in the Middle School Library at 7:00 p.m. for the regular meeting. President Guy Pietra called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

President Guy Pietra led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.
A moment of silence was observed

Upon roll call the following members were present: Patricia Brett, Gary Foy, Guy Pietra, David Vincent, and Deral White.

Also present were parents, students, administrator, Superintendent and Treasurer.

08-15 Moved by P. Brett, seconded by G. Foy to accept and approve Board Meeting Agenda for February 14, 2008.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

President Guy V. Pietra gave the President's report.
Patricia Brett gave the Maplewood Report.
David Vincent gave the legislative report.
Tracy Knauer dispensed with the Treasurer's report.
Charles Klamer gave the Superintendent's report

Educational Excellence

Superintendent Charles Klamer discussed educational excellence. Those present were recognized and photographs were taken with the Board President.

Visitor Recognition and Public Comments

No Visitors asked to be recognized.

Board Business

08-16 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by P. Brett to grant a 3-year limited administrative contract to Charles C. Klamer as superintendent, effective August 1, 2008 through July 31, 2011.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Educational Excellence

08-17 Moved by D. White, seconded by D. Vincent to recognize those students who received all A's for the second grading period:

7th Tyler Covey, Kaleigh Gilmer, Carly McLoskey, Emily Rybak, Timothy Schwan

8th Lisa DeRue, Molly Everett, Joshua Kressierer, Porter Lyons, Kelli Mulhern, Darian Roberts, Erica Wilt

9th Elizabeth Elium, Mitchell Hadzinsky, Maxxine Kasunick, Joshua Lawrence, Kendall Morrison, Ian Reider

10th Brandon Davis, William Gruszewski, Erica Marshall, Chelsi Moore, Jennifer Schwan, Scott Smith

11th Lindsay Boyle, Alethea Brown, Andrew Geber, Nathan Hadzinsky, Travis Macek, Ashley Mullins, Danielle Schwan, Jonathan Sitosky, Kreg Smith, Matthew Tolodzieski, Marina Wasilewski, Christine Wilthew, Tanner Van Oss

12th Megan Dillon, Leif Hammel

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Approval of Minutes

08-18 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by D. White to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of January 10, 2008 and the special board meeting of January 24, 2008 as submitted.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Treasurer's Recommendations

08-19 Moved by D. White, seconded by G. Foy to consolidate and approve the following recommendations **(A- C)**

A. Approve the financial reports for January 2008.

B. Approve Certificate of Availability:

<u>PO Number</u>	<u>PO Date</u>	<u>Invoice Date</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
36477	12/6/07	12/3/07	Electric Motor Repair	\$300.00
36541	12/20/07	12/11/07	Boston Mills Ski Resort	\$928.00
36544	12/28/07	12/27/07	Miller Sand & Gravel	\$300.00
36545	12/26/07	12/28/07	Scotchman Electric	\$280.00

C. Accept Donations: \$714.24 from PTO to Elementary Principal's account for smartboard/projector; \$4000 from JAG All Sports Boosters to HS Athletics for Spring Sports and Weight Equipment (\$2000 each); \$70.31 from OhioPyle Prints, Inc. to general fund.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-20 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy to approve tax rates as follows:

WHEREAS, this Board of Education in accordance with the provisions of law has previously adopted a Tax Budget for the next succeeding fiscal year commencing July 1, 2008; and

WHEREAS, the Budget Commission of Portage 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 tax limitation;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the James A. Garfield Local School District, Portage County, Ohio that the amounts and rates, as determined by the Budget Commission in its certification, 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.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Superintendent's Recommendations

08-21 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to consolidate and approve the following superintendent's recommendations - **A through H, [F – as corrected]:**

A. Approve open enrollment students for the balance of the 2007/08 school year; they recently moved out of the Garfield District: Thomas and Heather Polley, Brooke Heasley, Grace and Noah Smidga, Tiffany Style, Chad Riley

B. Hire Jennifer Ring as a home tutor for the 2007/08 year.

C. Hire Stephanie Hale as an intervention tutor at the elementary school for the period of 2/4 – 5/2/2008.

D. Approve a 3-day early release for seniors – May 27, 28 and 29, 2008. Seniors will attend school on May 30, 2008 for the senior breakfast and graduation rehearsal.

E. Approve the high school Curriculum Guide for 2008/09.

F. Approve high school class fees for 2008/09, as corrected.

Course	Teacher(s)	Fee
Art I, II, III, IV	Frato-Sweeney, Gilmer	\$30.00
Art History		\$15.00
Biology II	Petrie	\$25.00
AP Biology	Petrie	\$25.00
Chemistry	Scanlon	\$26.00
AP Chemistry	Scanlon	\$20.00
Computer Generated Art I, II	Frato-Sweeney	\$15.00
Computer Applications I, II	Bartz	\$5.00
Crafts I, II	Frato-Sweeney	\$35.00
Web Design, Intro to	Bartz	\$5.00
Web Design, Advanced	Bartz	\$5.00
Foods for Fitness	Wetzel	\$20.00
General Maintenance IA, IB	Forgacs	\$10.00
Gourmet Foods I, II, III	Wetzel	\$25.00
Home Economics	Wetzel	\$15.00
Industrial Arts I, II, III	Forgacs	\$20.00
Instrumental Music	Cebulla	\$15.00
Photography	Gilmer	\$60.00*
Physical Science & Phys. Sci. A	Carlson, Makowski	\$5.00*
Physics	Scanlon	\$10.00
Spanish I, II, III	Stamolis	\$14.00*
Spanish IV	Stamolis	\$16.00*

* Denotes a change from 2007-2008 school year.

G. Grant a personal service contract to Brian Cain as H.S. Assistant Baseball Coach for 2008 (\$2,432.88).

H. Approve volunteers for baseball: Erik Dekome and Lance Townsend.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Discussion: Per discussion of item F, fee for physical science was removed- it is a required course.

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Mrs. Yon informed the Board she and her husband would like the suspension appeal of their minor child to be heard in open session. President Guy V. Pietra administered the oath and testimony was given by Keri Dornack, ES Principal, Mr. & Mrs. Yon and their minor child.

Moved by D. White, seconded by D. Vincent to enter executive session for the purpose of deliberation of a suspension appeal, 7:59 p.m., invited into executive session were the treasurer, superintendent, Mrs. Keri Dornack, Mr. & Mrs. Yon.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

President Guy V. Pietra declared the board back in regular session at 8:58 p.m., he thanked Mr. & Mrs. Yon for their presentation of the case. He noted that the Board will take their comments into consideration during the annual review of policy and asked for a motion to uphold, amend or reverse the suspension.

08-22 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy to uphold the ten days out of school suspension of the Yon's minor child.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

President Guy Pietra asked for motion to adjourn. The motion was moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent; all were in favor and this meeting adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

Guy V. Pietra, President

Date

Tracy L. Knauer, Treasurer

James A. Garfield Local School District

Regular Meeting- March 13, 2008

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President Guy Pietra led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.
A moment of silence was observed

Upon roll call the following members were present: Gary Foy, Guy Pietra, David Vincent, and Deral White. Patricia Brett was not present.

Also present were community members, staff, *Record Courier* reporter, Superintendent and Treasurer.

08-23 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy to accept and approve Board Meeting Agenda for March 13, 2008, including addendum, as corrected.

Ayes: Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

President Guy V. Pietra gave the President's report.
Patricia Brett was not present for the Maplewood Report.
David Vincent dispensed with the legislative report.
Tracy Knauer gave the Treasurer's report.
Charles Klamer gave the Superintendent's report

Board Business

The Board discussed the Ohio School Boards regional dinner being held at Maplewood.

Visitor Recognition and Public Comments

No visitors asked to be recognized.

Approval of Minutes

08-24 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of February 14, 2008 as submitted.

Ayes: Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Treasurer's Recommendations

08-25 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to consolidate and approve the following recommendations – **A -F**

A. Approve the financial reports for February 2008.

B. Approve Certificate of Availability:

<u>PO Number</u>	<u>PO Date</u>	<u>Invoice Date</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
36654	1/17/08	1/16/2008	Jalco Truck Products	\$426.22

C. Approve student activity budget revision: French Club-increase revenue and expenditures by \$264.00 for French Club T-Shirts.

D. Approve estimated resources: Amendment #4-Tax Revision only, provided by the County Auditor and Amendment #5.

#4- Tax Revision Only	INITIAL	PREVIOUS	CURRENT	CERTIFICATION
FUND CLASSIFICATION	BUDGET	AMENDMENT	AMENDMENT	TO
FUND NAME	CERTIFICATION	REQUESTS	REQUEST	DATE
General Fund	13,693,980.41	-	(21,608.00)	13,672,372.41

		-		-
Special Revenue		-		
007 Special Trust	1,631.07	271.96		1,903.03
016 Emergency Levy	929,408.00	-	1,194.00	930,602.00
018 Public Support	117,339.74	7,000.00		124,339.74
019 Martha Holden Jennings	-	-		-
031 Underground Storage	11,000.00	-		11,000.00
300 District Managed Act	128,293.81	10,000.00		138,293.81
432 Management Info System	5,400.00	-		5,400.00
440 Entry Year Programs	4,000.00	(1,600.00)		2,400.00
451 Network Connectivity	12,000.00	-		12,000.00
452 School Net Prof. Devel.	2,700.00	(270.00)		2,430.00
494 Poverty Based Assistance	20,935.89	(20,935.89)		-
499 Misc. State Grants	15,667.00	1,834.24		17,501.24
516 Title VI-B	320,996.19	54,122.39		375,118.58
572 Title I-TA	121,278.77	(611.48)		120,667.29
573 Title V Innov.	2,000.00	93.82		2,093.82
584 Title VI SDFSC	4,500.00	(75.27)		4,424.73
587 Preschool	7,500.00	-		7,500.00
590 Title II-A	65,900.72	18,075.15		83,975.87
599 Title II-D / Misc. Federal	2,200.00	(1,063.64)		1,136.36
		-		
Debt Service		-		
002 Bond Retirement-Building	770,779.11	-	(3,998.00)	766,781.11
		-		
Capital Projects		-		
		-		
Enterprise		-		
006 Lunchroom	526,764.43	-		526,764.43
009 Uniform Supplies	32,104.84	-		32,104.84
		-		
Fiduciary		-		
022 District Agency	94,464.06	-		94,464.06
200 Student Activities	105,441.43	16,000.00		121,441.43
	-	-		-
Agency	-	-		-
007 Private Purpose Fund	13,644.83	1,345.38		14,990.21
				-
	17,009,930.30	84,186.66	(24,412.00)	17,069,704.96

#5- Amendment	INITIAL	PREVIOUS	CURRENT	CERTIFICATION
FUND CLASSIFICATION	BUDGET	AMENDMENT	AMENDMENT	TO
FUND NAME	CERTIFICATION	REQUESTS	REQUEST	DATE
General Fund	13,693,980.41	(21,608.00)		13,672,372.41
		-		-
Special Revenue		-		
007 Special Trust	1,631.07	271.96		1,903.03
016 Emergency Levy	929,408.00	1,194.00		930,602.00
018 Public Support	117,339.74	7,000.00		124,339.74
019 Martha Holden Jennings	-	-		-
031 Underground Storage	11,000.00	-		11,000.00
300 District Managed Act	128,293.81	10,000.00		138,293.81
432 Management Info System	5,400.00	-		5,400.00

440 Entry Year Programs	4,000.00	(1,600.00)		2,400.00
451 Network Connectivity	12,000.00	-		12,000.00
452 School Net Prof. Devel.	2,700.00	(270.00)		2,430.00
494 Poverty Based Assistance	20,935.89	(20,935.89)		-
499 Misc. State Grants	15,667.00	1,834.24		17,501.24
516 Title VI-B	320,996.19	54,122.39		375,118.58
572 Title I-TA	121,278.77	(611.48)	(1,123.11)	119,544.18
573 Title V Innov.	2,000.00	93.82		2,093.82
584 Title VI SDFSC	4,500.00	(75.27)		4,424.73
587 Preschool	7,500.00	-		7,500.00
590 Title II-A	65,900.72	18,075.15	(66.14)	83,909.73
599 Title II-D / Misc. Federal	2,200.00	(1,063.64)	(14.54)	1,121.82
		-		
Debt Service		-		
002 Bond Retirement-Building	770,779.11	(3,998.00)		766,781.11
		-		
Capital Projects		-		
		-		
Enterprise		-		
006 Lunchroom	526,764.43	-		526,764.43
009 Uniform Supplies	32,104.84	-		32,104.84
		-		
Fiduciary		-		
022 District Agency	94,464.06	-		94,464.06
200 Student Activities	105,441.43	16,000.00		121,441.43
	-	-		-
Agency	-	-		-
007 Private Purpose Fund	13,644.83	1,345.38		14,990.21
				-
	17,009,930.30	59,774.66	(1,203.79)	17,068,501.17

E. Approve permanent appropriations:

	PERMANENT
FUND CLASSIFICATION	APPROPRIATION
FUND NAME	REQUEST
General Fund	11,963,857.89
	-
Special Revenue	
007 Special Trust	1,231.07
016 Emergency Levy	930,602.00
018 Public Support	106,691.93
019 Martha Holden Jennings	-
031 Underground Storage	-
300 District Managed Act	136,000.00
432 Management Info System	5,400.00
440 Entry Year Programs	2,400.00
451 Network Connectivity	12,000.00
452 School Net Prof. Devel.	2,430.00
494 Poverty Based Assistance	-
499 Misc. State Grants	17,501.24
516 Title VI-B	375,118.58
572 Title I-TA	119,544.18
573 Title V Innov.	2,093.82
584 Title VI SDFSC	4,424.73

587 Preschool	7,500.00
590 Title II-A	83,909.73
599 Title II-D / Misc. Federal	1,121.82
Debt Service	
002 Bond Retirement-Building	527,450.00
Capital Projects	
Enterprise	
006 Lunchroom	526,756.00
009 Uniform Supplies	18,500.00
Fiduciary	
022 District Agency	86,600.00
200 Student Activities	97,070.15
Agency	
007 Private Purpose Fund	10,768.93
	15,038,972.07

F. Approve cash projection for 2008

Ayes: Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

President Guy V. Pietra set the time and date for Records Commission meeting; it will be held prior to the April regular meeting, April 10, 2008 at 6:45 p.m. in the Orson E. Ott Administrative Office; members are Superintendent, Treasurer and Board President.

08-26 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to approve the contract with Frontline for the AESOP program – monthly cost of \$1.00 per employee requiring a substitute and \$.40 per employee not requiring a substitute (approximately \$155 per month); one time cost of \$750.00 for set-up and \$715.00 for training; Appendix C.

Ayes: Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-27 Moved by D. White, seconded by D. Vincent to approve the Extension Addendum to the Memorandum of Understanding for Rea & Associates to continue as the District Audit Firm for fiscal year 2008 for an all inclusive fixed fee of \$20,000; Appendix D.

Ayes: Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-28 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. White to approve the E-funds agreement for electronic funds transfer and automated clearing house to facilitate online payments for lunch and school fees.

Ayes: Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-29 Moved by D. White, seconded by G. Foy to consolidate and approve treasurer's recommendations: **A-C**

A. Accept a donation from Main Street Grill & Brewing of one \$50 and one \$25 gift certificate for the E.S. book swap/chili cook-off.

B. Approve student activity budget revision for H.S. Student Council – increase revenue and expense by \$1,000 for dodge ball tournament; all proceeds to the Miller Community House.

C. Approve agreement for RxPert Program, Cleveland Clinic Pharmacy Help Line for Schools, at no cost to the school district.

Ayes: Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-30 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to approve supplemental salary corrections as presented.

Ayes: Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Superintendent's Recommendations

08-31 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy to consolidate and approve the following superintendent's recommendations, as corrected- items J & L removed from consolidated item- **A through L**

A. Grant a supplemental contract to Theo Cebulla as Pep Band Co-Advisor for 2007/08 (split with Aaron Putka).

B. Hire Nancy Schauer as a substitute teacher for 2007/08.

C. Approve Shawn Cozad and Bonnie Payne as volunteers for M.S. track.

D. Approve open enrollment students for the balance of 2007/08: Eric, Jessica and Alexandria Larlham; they recently moved from the Garfield District.

E. Approve offering Algebra I at the middle school for high school credit, effective with the 2008/09 year.

F. Approve a \$300 donation for the D.J. for the James A. Garfield Spring Fling, our annual employee recognition banquet to be held Saturday, May 3, 2008.

G. Approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the GEA regarding home instruction tutors; App. E.

H. Accept the resignation of teacher Jennifer Shanahan; she was on child care leave for 2007/08.

I. Accept the resignation, due to retirement, of Kathleen Nagle, effective June 1, 2008.

~~**J.** Approve additional funds of \$ _____ to build practice fields for our student athletes.~~

K. Approve adding a fifth teacher for the third grade for the 2008/09 year.

~~**L.** Accept the resignation, due to retirement, of Mr. Neil Wallace as M.S. Principal, effective September 1, 2008.~~

Ayes: Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-32 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. White to consolidate and approve superintendent's recommendations: **A-B**

A. Accept the resignation, due to retirement, of Robert Kernan, effective July 1, 2008.

B. Approve volunteers: Trevor Bennett and Dennis Downing for H.S. Softball.

Ayes: Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-33 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. White to approve additional funds of \$20,000 to build practice fields for our student athletes

Discussion: The Board discussed the project issues and needs with the Superintendent, and input from the audience. The issue of increased price is a result of the wetlands in the area and the need to replace the area of wetlands being used per the Army Corp of Engineers.

Ayes: Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Moved by D. White, seconded by D. Vincent to enter executive session to consider the employment of public employees

Ayes: Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Mr. Pietra declared a brief recess at 7:54 p.m. The board reconvened in the Orson E. Ott Administrative office and entered executive session at 8:00 p.m., invited into executive session was Mr. Neil Wallace, MS Principal, who exited executive session at 8:35 p.m.

President Guy Pietra declared the board back in regular session at 8:57 p.m.

08-34 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by G. Foy to accept the resignation, due to retirement, of Mr. Neil Wallace as M.S. Principal, effective September 1, 2008.

Ayes: Foy, Pietra, Vincent

Nays: White

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

The Board discussed the list of five (5) presentations from the January 24, 2008 meeting. The number was reduced to four (4) firms to be invited to present on Tuesday, April 15, 2008 starting at 6:00pm. The presentations will be held to 15 minutes each with approximately 20 minutes to answer questions, the schedule is as follows:

GPD Group	6:00 p.m.
Lesko Architecture	6:45 p.m.
Balog, Steines, Hendricks & Manchester	7:30 p.m.
Fanning, Howey, Olsavsky, Jaminet	8:15 p.m.

President Guy Pietra asked for motion to adjourn. Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by G. Foy, all were in favor and this meeting adjourned at 9:16 p.m.

Guy V. Pietra, President

Date

Tracy L. Knauer, Treasurer

James A. Garfield Local School District Records Commission Meeting – April 10, 2008

The Records Commission of the James A. Garfield Board of Education met in the Orson E. Ott Administrative Office at 6:45pm. Treasurer, Tracy Knauer, called the meeting to order at 6:45pm.

The following members were present: Chairman, Board President Guy V. Pietra, Superintendent, Charles Klamer, and Treasurer, Tracy Knauer.

Treasurer, Tracy Knauer, was appointed to record minutes.

Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by T. Knauer to approve the Certificate of Records Disposal (attached RC-3) in accordance with the guidelines and retention schedule currently in place for the James A Garfield School District.

Ayes: Pietra, Klamer, Knauer

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed.

Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by T. Knauer to approve the revised retention schedule as presented- RC2

Ayes: Pietra, Klamer, Knauer

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed.

Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by T. Knauer to adjourn. All were in favor and the records commission meeting adjourned at 6:47pm.

Guy V. Pietra, President

Date

Tracy L. Knauer, Treasurer

James A. Garfield Local School District Regular Meeting- April 10, 2008

Opening The James A. Garfield Board of Education met in the Middle School Library at 7:00 p.m. for the regular meeting. Vice-President David Vincent called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m.

Vice-President David Vincent led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.
A moment of silence was observed

Upon roll call the following members were present: Patricia Brett, Gary Foy, David Vincent, and Deral White. Guy Pietra arrived at 7:16 p.m.

Also present were parents, students, staff, *Record Courier* reporter, Superintendent and Treasurer.

08-35 Moved by D. White, seconded by P. Brett to accept and approve Board Meeting Agenda for April 10, 2008, as corrected, including addendum and correction to Superintendent Item #1.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Vincent declared the motion passed

Educational Excellence

Superintendent Charles Klamer discussed educational excellence. Those present were recognized and photographs were taken with the Board President.

08-36 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Pietra to recognize education excellence as follows:

- Recognize teachers and support staff for all they do by declaring Tuesday, May 6, 2008 as Staff Appreciation Day.

Resolution to Declare May 6, 2008 Recognition Day for Teachers, Support Staff and Administrators

WHEREAS, it is an honor to recognize the teachers, support staff and administrators of the James A. Garfield School District, and

WHEREAS, each Board Member throughout the year has noticed on numerous occasions that special smile, the extra time listening to a child, the extra tutoring or a comment of, "Is your day going well?" and the encouragement provided by all the staff members, and

WHEREAS, it is also observed that teachers, support staff and administrators provide that special touch to students whether it is in the lunchroom, on the bus, in the classroom or hallway; our students often tell people that Ms. X or Mr. Y "cares about them", and

WHEREAS, you are also commended for your "school family" spirit of caring and working as a school district team, a building team all aimed at making a great place for our students to learn about academics, life and that relationships are important, and

WHEREAS, the Board appreciates every day your commitment to make the James A. Garfield Schools better each day,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the James A. Garfield Board of Education on this tenth day of April in the year two thousand and eight that May 6, 2008 is declared the official day of recognition for all the teachers, support staff and administrators for the awesome difference they make all year for our students.

- Recognize winter sports student-athletes:

Boy's Basketball:

Toby Gerez – 1st Team All-League, 1st Team All N.E. District, Special Mention All-State, WRBCA All Star Game Player

Justin Bennett – 2nd Team All-League, Honorable Mention All N.E. District, WRBCA All Star Game Player

Bo O'Bryan – 2nd Team All-League

Steve Zivoder and Doug Phelps – Honorable Mention All-League

Girl's Basketball:

C.J. Carlisle – 2nd Team All-League

Erica Pratt and Lauren Molnar – Honorable Mention All-League

Wrestling:

Travis Harbert – 1st Team All-League, District Qualifier 119 lbs., State Qualifier 119 lbs.

Tanner Lawrence – 1st Team All-League, District Qualifier 125 lbs.

Blake Townsend – 1st Team All-League, District Qualifier Heavyweight

Josh Lawrence – 2nd Team All-League, District Qualifier 135 lbs.

Dan Lipstreu – Honorable Mention All-League, District Qualifier 215 lbs.

Ronnie Sanders – Honorable Mention All-League

Girl's Bowling:

Stefanie Juzkiw – 1st Team All-League

Kelly Russomanno – 1st Team All-League

Chelsi Moore – 2nd Team All-League

Amanda Thompson and Nicole Thompson – Honorable Mention All-League

Boy's Bowling:

Kenny Vanek – 2nd Team All-League

Eric Juzkiw and Jeremy Ross – Honorable Mention All-League

- Recognize teacher **Steven Howell** for his support of our students for their award-winning entries in the *Yom Hashoa V'Hagvura Art and Poetry Contest*:

Emily Becks – 1st Place, Poetry

Gabe Poucher – 2nd Place, Poetry

Sara Barnosky – 2nd Place, Art

Tiffany Miller – 3rd Place, Art

- Recognize those students receiving all A's for the third grading period:

7th Caitlin Chartier, Tyler Covey, Kaleigh Gilmer, Emily Rybak, Timothy Schwan

8th Molly Everett, Porter Lyons, Kelli Mulhern, Bethaney Pope, Darian Roberts

9th Alicia Dye Lopez, Elizabeth Elium, Zachary Fiest, Mitchell Hadzinsky, Shelby Handshue, Joshua Lawrence, Kendall Morrison, Ian Reider

10th Emily Becks, Brandon Davis, Shelby Green, Abraham Mangan, Erica Marshall, Chelsi Moore, Reita Silvis, Scott Smith, Alexandra Witte

11th Alethea Brown, Lindsay Boyle, Nathan Hadzinsky, Ashley Mullins, Stephanie Ord, Jonathan Sitkosky, Kreg Smith, Tanner Van Oss, Christine Wilthew

12th Megan Dillon, Kristin Opfer, Russell Spatney

11th JVS Jeremy Stone

12th JVS Jeremy Bytnar, Amanda Thompson

- Recognize the townships of Freedom, Nelson and Hiram and the Village of Garrettsville for their support of the road supervisors for their fantastic work this winter clearing the roads.

James A. Garfield Local School District

***Resolution Recognizing the Efforts of the Townships and Village
for Their Excellent Snow Removal Work this Past Winter***

WHEREAS, the James A. Garfield Board of Education salutes the township trustees of Freedom, Nelson and Hiram and the mayor and council of the Village of Garrettsville for having the roads cleared with the excellent work of your road department employees, and

WHEREAS, we recognize the dedication of road supervisors Charles Vansteenbergh, Freedom Township; Frank Macek, Nelson Township; Tom Matota, Hiram Township; Mike Heyd, Village of Garrettsville and the men who were committed to keeping the roads clear for the school buses and the residents, and

WHEREAS, the pride in their work is evident in the partnership that shows for the kids and their parents which is also appreciated by the bus drivers, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education appreciates this attitude to make it the best possible for the students of the school district,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on this tenth day of April in the year two thousand and eight that the Board of Education duly recognizes the partnership and dedication of the trustees and road supervisors of Freedom, Nelson and Hiram Township as well as the Village of Garrettsville.

Discussion: Mr. Pietra thanked the Garfield staff for their great efforts in the classroom, their accomplishments do not go unrecognized and we are blessed with the staff we have.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

President Guy V. Pietra gave the President's report.

Patricia Brett gave the Maplewood Report.

David Vincent gave the legislative report.

Tracy Knauer gave the Treasurer's report.

Charles Klamer gave the Superintendent's report

Treasurer's Recommendations

08-37 Moved by P. Brett, seconded by G. Foy to consolidate and approve treasurer's recommendations – **A through D**

A. Approve the minutes of March 13, 2008 as submitted.

B. Approve the financial reports for March 2008.

C. Approve Certificate of Availability:

<u>PO Number</u>	<u>PO Date</u>	<u>Invoice Date</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
36798	2/12/08	2/08/08	Art N Flowers	\$191.99
36941	3/11/08	3/10/08	Western Reserve	\$185.71

D. Accept donations: Elmo document camera valued at \$566.95 from PTO to Intermediate School; \$282.95 to boys soccer and \$282.95 to girls soccer from Soccer Moms; \$103.10 to E.S., \$113.23 to H.S. and \$27.44 to M.S. from Target; \$50 to M.S. Band from L. Dean; \$273 to Beta Club from MVP's; \$100 to NHS for Fun Run from Ellerhorst Insurance; \$20 POP donation from J. Bennett

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Visitor Recognition and Public Comments

Member Deral White recognized the District transportation staff for their fantastic work during the rough winter weather.

A parent gave a "hats off" to the elementary staff and Mrs. Beach for giving her child such a wonderful experience in kindergarten.

The board discussed the articles in the Villager on Friday, April 4.

Elementary school principal, Keri Dornack, spoke to Rotary.

The interview with John Sedensky Jr. about the Garfield fleet.

Superintendent's Recommendations

08-38 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by D. White to consolidate and approve the following superintendent's recommendations - **A through K, as corrected**

A. Approve School Accident Insurance through the Love Insurance Agency for 2008/09.

B. Approve the Open Enrollment Program for the 2008/09 school year.

C. Hire Doreen Curby as a substitute bus driver for the balance of the 2007/08 year.

D. Grant the following teaching contracts for the 2008/09 year, as corrected:

Jennifer Alvim – 1 year	Christin Bailey – 3 year	Tom Bartz – 1 year
Susan Beach – 1 year	Katie Bockmuller – 1 year	David Caldoro – 1 year
Diane Carlson – continuing	Theo Cebulla – 3 year	Shawn Cozad – continuing
Jacob Der – 3 year	Betsey DeRue – continuing	Shawna Fairchild – continuing
Tina Faulhaber – 3 year	Susan Folio – 1 year	Chris Forgacs – 3 year
Kenneth Fox – continuing	Nicole Fox – 3 year	Aaron Gilbert – 1 year
Kathleen Gilbert – 1 year	Kristine Gilmer – 5 year	Larry Kuhlman – 3 year
Sherry Makowski – 1 year	Sara Martin – 3 year	Erin Miller – 1 year
Michael Moser – 1 year	Lisa Naftzger – 1 year	Roger Norton – 3 year
Megan Robinette – 1 year	Kyle Wadkins – 1 year	Greg Walker – 3 year
Carrie Williams – continuing	Catherine Windbigler – 2 year	Lisa Winters – 3 year
Steve Wyllie – 3 year		

E. Grant the following classified contracts for the 2008/09 year:

Dan Molnar – 2 year	Jama Peterson – continuing	Peggy Shay – continuing
Ed Slywczak – 2 year	Laura Young – 2 year	

F. Grant the following supplemental contracts for 2008/09:

Art Club – Libby Frato-Sweeney, step 9 - \$1453.39
HS Athletic Manager – Mike Hagans, step 5 - \$6765.77
HS Asst Athletic Manager – John Bennett, step 4 - \$4560.63
Band Director – Theo Cebulla, step 4 - \$2606.07
Band Director, Summer – Theo Cebulla, step 4 - \$2931.83
HS Asst Boys Basketball – Roger Norton, step 4 - \$3257.59
HS Asst Girls Basketball – Kathleen Gilbert, step 4 - \$3257.59
MS Girls Basketball – Tom Bartz, step 2 - \$2505.84
MS Girls Basketball – Theo Cebulla, step 5 - \$2706.31
Head Cheerleading Advisor – Erin Miller, step 2 - \$2505.84
HS Computer Tech – Jennifer Mulhern, step 8 - \$1052.45
IS Computer Tech – Shawn Cozad, step 4 - \$977.28
ES Computer Tech – Robert Wright, step 4 - \$977.28
Dance Line – Sherry Makowski, step 2 - \$939.69
Drama Club – Don King, step 7 - \$1403.27
HS Drama Production – Don King, step 9 - \$1816.73
MS Drama Production – Don King, step 10 - \$1816.73
HS Asst Football – Matt Massey, step 7 - \$3508.18; Mike Moser, step 8 - \$3508.18; Jacob Der, step 4 - \$3257.59
MS Football – David Caldoro, step 3 - \$2606.07
French Club – Renee Chlysta, step 9 - \$1453.39
Freshman Class Advisor – Patty Wetzels, step 3 - \$977.28
Golf – Mark Rado, 2 year contract, step 8 - \$2806.54
Home Economics Club – Patty Wetzels, step 21 - \$1453.39
IAT Coaches – Shawna Fairchild, Karen Ziarko, step 3 each - \$977.28
Interact Club – Jennifer Mulhern, step 8 - \$1403.27
HS Intramurals – Jacob Der, step 2 - \$939.69
MS Intramurals – Sue Rossi, step 3 - \$977.28
Jaguar Advisor – Erin Miller, step 2 - \$1252.92
Junior Class Co-Advisors – Missy Petrie, step 5 - \$1014.87; Anna Stamolis, step 4 - \$977.28
LPDC Chairperson – Nancy Muligan, step 11 - \$2180.08
LPDC Members – Robert Wright, step 5 - \$1014.87; Keri Dornack, step 4 - \$977.28; Jane DeVol, step 1 - \$939.69
Math Tournament Coordinator – Kristina Cupples, step 7 - \$1052.45
Math Co-Coach, 5th grade – Pat Singelyn, step 9 - \$363.35; Larry Kuhlman, step 6 - \$338.29
Math Coach, 6th grade – Diane Kelly, step 6 - \$676.58
Math Coach, 7th grade – Sue Rossi, step 7 - \$701.64
Math Coach, 8th grade – Lori Morgan, step 8 - \$701.64
National Honor Society – Doug Engelhart, step 3 - \$1303.04
Senior Class Advisor – Steve Wyllie, step 4 - \$1303.04
Ski Club – Mary Nelson, step 20 - \$1453.39
Sophomore Class Advisor – Jennifer Mulhern, step 3 - \$977.28

Spanish Club – Anna Stamolis, step 18 - \$1453.39
 HS Student Council – Jennifer Alvim, step 3 - \$1303.04
 MS Student Council – Tracy Lippert, step 3 - \$1303.04
 IS Student Council – Shawn Cozad, step 2 - \$1252.92
 ES Student Council – Lisa Porter, step 5 - \$1353.15
 U.N. Club Advisor – Roger Norton, step 4 - \$1303.04
 Vocal Music – Kent Fox, step 7 - \$701.64
 HS Asst Volleyball – Tina Faulhaber, step 7 - \$3508.18
 MS Yearbook – Kristine Gilmer, step 5 - \$676.58

G. Approve the revised school calendar for 2007/08; last student day 6/2/08, last teacher day 6/3/08.

H. Approve Daniel Boone as an open enrollment student for the balance of the 2007/08 year; he recently moved out of the Garfield District.

I. Accept the resignation, due to retirement, of Becky Moser, effective 7/1/2008.

J. Accept the resignation, due to retirement, of Frances Teresi, effective 7/1/2008.

K. Hire John Sedensky Sr. as a substitute mechanic, effective March 31, 2008.
 Discussion: Mr. White asked about additional supplemental positions, decided that any positions not listed will appear on the May agenda.
 Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White
 Nays: None
 Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-39 Moved by P. Brett, seconded by G. Foy to approve Memorandum of Understanding with the GEA regarding the supplemental salary for pep club.
 Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White
 Nays: None
 Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-40 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by D. Vincent to approve the following seniors for graduation on June 1, 2008 provided they meet all local and state requirements:

Joshua Kyle Altieri	Jacob Richard Elium	Daniel Richard Lipstreu
Thomas Baragry III	Ryan Alexander Ernst	Brittany Leigh Lustritz
Jolene Louise Bennett	Brian Jon Evancho	Chelsea Elizabeth Macek
Justin Dominique Bennett	Diana Marie Figueroa	Laura Elise Mallinak
Christopher John Bicker	Tricia Marie Fox	Robyn Jacqueline Marnich
Briane Nicole Blackshere	Katherine Maria Gadd	Emily Irene Marshall
Julie Katherine Blakeman	Toby Gregori Gerez	Samantha Mary Martin
Alyssa Grace Bolen	Kristen Maria Gonzales	Bradley Allen Mast
Natalie Jane Brookover	Cory Lee Goodnight	Rachel Lee Matula
Jeffrey Tyler Brunk	Elizabeth Ann Grubbs	Zachary Alexander May
Taylor Marie Butler	Matthew Carl Haehner	Justina Marie McCoy
Jeremy David Bytnar	David Anthony Hall	Justin Clayton McCune
Alyssa Renee Cain	Leif Christopher Hammel	Sarah Rachel McQuillan
Katrina Marie Chechak	Kyle Raymond Hartman	Kenneth Warren Meadows II
Melanie Tina Christopher	Mark Wayne Hatfield Jr.	Sharon Nicole Mikulski
Tiffany Lynn Clay	Wyatt Allen Hawkins	Lauren Marie Molnar
Stacy Lyn Collins	Sarah Jean Hlavsa	Nathaniel Glenn Molnar
Courtney Marie Criblez	Danielle Elizabeth Holmes	Deanna Lorainne Nagle
Cory Keith Crowe	Cody Gerald Jankowski	Cory William Nichols
Anastasia Catherine Crump	Katlyn Elizabeth Jordan	Michael Ray Nottingham
Aaron Mark Cue	Katherine Hiliary Kaschalk	Alyssa Marie Oblisk
Jeffrey Joseph Davies	LeAnn A. Kaselonis	William Robert O'Bryan
Charlotte Ann Decker	Dezaree Nicole Kernig	Megan Marie O'Connor
Daniel Depalma	Jeremy Lucas King	Kristin Leigh Opfer
Cody Mark Depew	Tiffany Marie Kintz	Matthew Conn Ord
Rachel Anna DeYoung	Shane Roland Klevgard	Anthony Lee Patterson
Megan Louise Dillon	Chelsea Amber Lee	Sarah June Pawlicky
Heather Frances Dunbar	Dana Nicole Lendvay	Brittany Lynn Pesicek
Henry James Eigner	Megan Jeanette Lewis	Stephanie Michelle Pfeiffer

Douglas James Phelps
Christina Marie Pickett
Samantha Hull Pietra
Joshua Michael Porter
Travis William Powell
Mark Anthony Quesenberry II
Sarah June Raines
Thomas Lee Ramsell
Samantha April Rothacker
Ronnie Edward Sanders
Jocelyn Renee Sane

Amanda Mae Savitts
Scott Dean Schmitz
Cody Michael Allen Sharp
Brittany Amber Morgan Smith
Trevor Kenneth Smith
Russell Leonard Spatney
Erika Ashley Spencer
Bradley Thomas Stachowski
Tabatha Dawn Stanley
Gregory Alan Stevens
Jacob Edward Strok

Stephen James Strobe
Christopher Andrew-Francis
Taylor
Amanda Carol Thompson
Nichole Ann Thompson
Blake Gregory Townsend
Kenneth Scott Vanek
Catherine Ann Jean Wetshtein
Aleecia Margret Willis
Kari Lynn Willis

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-41 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. White to grant a 1-year limited tutor contract to Cindy Vincent for 2008/09.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, White

Abstain: Vincent

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-42 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. White to approve the non-renewal of the 1-year tutor contract of Julianne Brann and the 1-year teaching contract of Lynn Ruff for 2008/09.

Discussion: Mr. Klamer reviewed the positions for the Board; Ms. Brann is an intervention specialist and Ms. Ruff teaches Spanish one period a day at the HS.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

President Guy Pietra presented the first reading of new/revised Board policies.

08-43 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to accept the resignation of Aaron Putka, effective August 20, 2008.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

All members were reminded about the special meeting on Tuesday, April 15 at 6pm in the Middle School Library to interview design professionals.

President Guy Pietra asked for motion to adjourn. Moved by P. Brett, seconded by D. Vincent, all were in favor and this meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Guy V. Pietra, President

Date

Tracy L. Knauer, Treasurer

James A. Garfield Local School District Special Meeting- April 15, 2008

Opening The James A. Garfield Board of Education met in the Middle School Library at 6:00 p.m. for the regular meeting. President Guy Pietra called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

President Guy Pietra dispensed with the Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence.

Upon roll call the following members were present: Patricia Brett, Gary Foy, Guy Pietra, and David Vincent. Deral White was not present.

Also present were Tom Byich and Design Professionals

The design professional interviews were held as follows:

GPD Group	6:00 p.m.
Lesko Architecture	6:45 p.m.
Balog, Steines, Hendricks & Manchester	7:30 p.m.
Fanning, Howey, Olsavsky, Jaminet	8:15 p.m.

Each group gave a presentation of qualifications, answered questions and provided a handout.

President Guy Pietra asked for motion to adjourn. Moved by P. Brett, seconded by D. Vincent, all were in favor and this meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Guy V. Pietra, President

Date

Tracy L. Knauer, Treasurer

James A. Garfield Local School District

Regular Meeting- May 8, 2008

Opening The James A. Garfield Board of Education met in the Middle School Library at 7:00 p.m. for the regular meeting. President Guy Pietra called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

President Guy Pietra led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.
A moment of silence was observed

Upon roll call the following members were present: Guy Pietra, David Vincent, and Deral White. Patricia Brett and Gary Foy were not present.

Also present were parents, student, staff, *Record Courier* reporter, Superintendent and Treasurer.

08-44 Moved by D. White, seconded by D. Vincent to accept and approve Board Meeting Agenda for May 8, 2008, as corrected, including addendum and removal of Superintendent Item #7.

Ayes: Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

President Guy V. Pietra gave the President's report.
Patricia Brett was not present for the Maplewood Report.
David Vincent dispensed with the legislative report.
Tracy Knauer gave the Treasurer's report.
Charles Klamer gave the Superintendent's report

Visitor Recognition and Public Comments

- Mr. White shared his experiences during a recent visit to the bus garage, including a ride and inspection of bus 40, the "baby" bus purchased by the district last fall. He complimented Mr. John Sedensky on a job well done getting bus 40 ready for use by the school district.
- Mrs. Singelyn asked about the process for hiring new administrator and would the staff have input. Mr. Klamer replied that he has been working with the Middle School staff for the past three weeks and will meet with the High School staff next week.

Recognition

The Intermediate School, through its Student Council, would like to recognize and thank **Mrs. Sherry Jones** for her generous donation of Mother's Day sale items to the Student Council.

Treasurer's Recommendations

08-45 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by D. Vincent to consolidate and approve the following recommendations **(A- D)**

A. Approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of April 10, 2008 and special meeting of April 15, 2008 as submitted.

B. Approve the financial reports for April 2008.

C. Approve Certificate of Availability:

<u>PO Number</u>	<u>PO Date</u>	<u>Invoice Date</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
36814	2/14/08	12/10/07	CIC, Central Instrumental	\$279.92
37066	4/7/08	3/7/08	Stoller Fundraising	\$245.15
37110	4/14/08	4/9/08	Amber Karl	\$100.00
37111	4/14/08	4/9/08	Barb Petrie	\$300.00

D. Accept donations:

\$250 from MVP's to MS Track

\$4,851 from JAG All Sport's Booster to Athletics for Baseball

\$150 from Darren Perusek to Athletics for Football/Track Shed

\$500.00 from G-Men Foundation to Athletics for Football/Track Shed

\$500.00 from G-Men Foundation to General Fund for MS Practice Field

\$50 from Josie Baum to Beta Club

\$50 from Darian Roberts to Beta Club

\$10 from Patty Grimes to HS National Honor Society

\$20 from Mary Kearny to HS National Honor Society
Ayes: Pietra, Vincent, White
Nays: None
Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

The Board of Education of James A. Garfield Local School District, Ohio, met in regular session on May 8, 2008, commencing at 7:00 p.m., at the Middle School Library, 10231 State Route 88, Garrettsville, Ohio, with the following members present:

Guy Pietra, David Vincent & Deral White

The Treasurer advised the Board that the notice requirements of Section 121.22 of the Revised Code and the implementing rules adopted by the Board pursuant thereto were complied with for the meeting.

David Vincent moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 08-46

A RESOLUTION DETERMINING TO SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT THE QUESTION OF RENEWING ALL OF AN EXISTING TAX LEVY PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 5705.194 TO 5705.197 OF THE REVISED CODE.

WHEREAS, at an election on November 2, 2004, the electors of the School District approved an additional tax, for the purpose of providing for the emergency requirements of the School District, to raise the amount of \$925,000 each year for a period of five years, the last collection of which will occur in calendar year 2009; and

WHEREAS, this Board has determined that the continuation of the collection of that tax for an additional period of five years is necessary for the proper operation of the schools of the School District;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of James A. Garfield Local School District, Portage County, Ohio, that:

Section 1. Board Declarations. This Board finds, determines and declares that the revenue which will be raised by all tax levies which this Board is authorized to impose, when combined with state and federal revenues available to this Board, will be insufficient to provide for the emergency requirements of the School District, and that it is therefore necessary to levy a tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation in order to raise the amount of \$925,000 each year for a period of five years for that purpose.

Section 2. Submission of Question to Electors. Pursuant to Sections 5705.194 to 5705.197 of the Revised Code, there shall be submitted to the electors of the School District at an election to be held on November 4, 2008, the question of renewing all of an existing tax levy in excess of the ten-mill limitation, in order to raise \$925,000 each year, for a period of five years (commencing with a levy on the tax list and duplicate for the year 2009 to be first distributed to this Board in calendar year 2010), for the purpose of providing for the emergency requirements of the School District, at the annual tax rate necessary to raise that amount.

Section 3. Certification and Delivery of Resolution to County Auditor. The Treasurer is directed to certify immediately (and in any event before the close of business on Friday, August 15, 2008) a copy of this Resolution to the Portage County Auditor and the County Auditor is requested to certify to this Board the School District's total current tax valuation and the County Auditor's calculation of the annual levy, expressed in dollars and cents for each one hundred dollars of valuation, as well as in mills for each one dollar of valuation, throughout the life of the levy which will be required to produce the annual amount set forth above, assuming that the amount of the tax list of the School District remains the same throughout the life of the levy as the amount of the tax list for the current year (or, if that amount is not determined, the estimated amount of that tax list submitted by that County Auditor to the County Budget Commission).

Section 4. Compliance with Open Meeting Requirements. This Board finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board and of any of its committees concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were held, in meetings open to the public in compliance with the law.

Section 5. Captions and Headings. The captions and headings in this Resolution are solely for convenience of reference and in no way define, limit or describe the scope or intent of any Sections, subsections, paragraphs, subparagraphs or clauses hereof.

Section 6. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and immediately upon its adoption.

Deral White seconded the motion.

Upon roll call on the adoption of the foregoing Resolution, the vote was as follows:

Guy Pietra Aye
David Vincent Aye
Deral White Aye

TREASURER'S CERTIFICATION

The above is a true and correct extract from the minutes of a regular meeting of the Board of Education of James A. Garfield Local School District, Ohio, held on May 8, 2008, commencing at 7:00 p.m., at the Middle School Library, 10231 State Route 88, Garrettsville, Ohio, showing the adoption of the Resolution hereinabove set forth.

Dated: May 8, 2008

Treasurer, Board of Education
James A. Garfield Local School District

08-47 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by D. White to consolidate and approve treasurer's recommendations: **A-D**

A. Accept donations: a Prevent Blindness Kit containing a cabinet, Dot E test and vision chart LEA symbol valued at \$205.95 from Prevent Blindness Ohio; \$750 from the Roscoe S. Webb Trust; \$500 anonymous donation for athletic football/track shed.

B. Approve student activity budget revision – increase H.S Drama Production expense by \$1,000 for donations.

C. Approve renewing service with The Jaekle Group for technology maintenance at a cost of \$89.50 per hour; 24 hours per month for 11 months; total amount is \$23,628.00. The contract is effective August 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009.

D. Approve the senior intent form for the Class of 2008 – donate all remaining funds toward the painting of a mural in the H.S. gym with the understanding that future classes will donate to this purpose until sufficient funds are accumulated for the project.

Ayes: Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-48 Moved by D. White, seconded by D. Vincent to approve property, fleet and liability insurance coverage with Indiana Insurance with the Portage Area School Consortium for a three (3) year term from July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2011 in accordance with the rate guarantee offer; Reed & Bauer is the agent in Athens, Ohio. Total annual cost for 7/1/2008 through 6/30/2009 is \$42,674. The property premium is \$19,189 (\$2,500 deductible), the fleet premium is \$11,560 (\$250/500 deductible and includes \$1200 per year premium for bus replacement), liability premium is \$9,670 (includes \$300,000 Violent Event Response coverage) and umbrella premium for \$2,000,000 coverage is \$2,255. All premium amounts include TRA (Terrorist Risk Insurance Act) premium. These premiums are subject to increase/decrease upon change in district coverage exposure and/or loss ratio.

Ayes: Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-49 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Pietra to adjust the following estimated resources/appropriations as follows:

FUND	ESTIMATED RESOURCES	APPROPRIATIONS
300- District Managed	0	+\$2,000
572- Title I	+\$1,831.87	+1,831.87
573- Title V	+\$1,280.13	+1,280.13
590- Title IIA	+\$272.93	+\$272.93

599- Technology	-\$5.76	-\$5.76
TOTAL	+3,379.17	+\$5,379.17

Ayes: Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Superintendent's Recommendations

08-50 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by D. Vincent to consolidate and approve the following superintendent's recommendations - **A through G**

A. Approve Georgia Lee Alford Scholarship winners for 2008: Megan Dillon, Leif Hammel, Lauren Molnar, Jacob Elium, Kristin Opfer, Russell Spatney, Alyssa Cain, Jeremy King, Samantha Martin, Toby Gerez. The amount of the scholarship is \$825.00.

B. Approve an overnight field trip to the College of Wooster for the Power of the Pen State Tournament, May 22-23, 2008. **Taylor Mick, 8th** grader has qualified to participate.

C. Grant supplemental/personal service contracts for 2008/09:

Sherry Makowski – Pep Club Advisor (Step 2 - \$1252.92)

Sherry Makowski – M.S. Volleyball Coach (Step 1 - \$2505.84)

Ali Roach – M.S. Volleyball Coach (Step 2 - \$2505.84)

Mark Apple – M.S. Football (Step 9 - \$2505.84)

Alan Harbert – H.S. Wrestling (Step 16 - \$4360.16)

Alan Harbert – Summer Fitness Wrestling (Step 7 - \$701.64)

David Graf – H.S. Assistant Wrestling (Step 2 - \$3132.30)

Howard Moore – Head Bowling Coach (Step 8 - \$2104.91)

Joe Brigham – Assistant Bowling Coach (Step 8 - \$1754.09)

Jessica Crookham – M.S. Cross Country (Step 3 - \$1628.80)

Wendy Petersen – M.S. Cheerleading (Step 3 - \$1303.04)

Ashley Huntington – Freshmen Cheerleading (Step 1 - \$1252.92)

Joe Denzinger – Girls Soccer Coach (Step 2 - \$3758.76)

Joe Denzinger – Girls Soccer Summer Fitness (Step 2 – \$626.46)

D. Hire Dianne Brown as a substitute dietary aide for the balance of the 2007/08 year.

E. Continue membership in the Ohio High School Athletic Association for the 2008/09 year.

F. Accept the resignation of Mike Cook as H.S. Principal, effective August 20, 2008. He will return to the classroom as a sixth grade teacher for the 2008/09 school year.

G. Hire John Crawford as a substitute teacher for the balance of the 2007/08 year.

Ayes: Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-51 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by D. Vincent to approve Memorandum of Understanding with the GEA regarding extended time for Barbara Sembach who has been assigned as the E.S. and I.S. guidance counselor for 2008/09.

Ayes: Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-52 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Pietra to have second reading and adopt new/revised Board policies

Ayes: Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-53 Moved by D. White, seconded by D. Vincent to approve the position of a two (2) hour per day (school days only) classified lunchroom aide for the elementary school beginning with the 2008/09 school year.

Ayes: Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-54 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by D. White to approve setting the work days per year for the Middle School secretary at 208 days, effective with the 2008/09 school year.

Ayes: Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-55 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by D. White to grant a 1-year limited contract to Mary Leigh as E.S. Head Custodian, effective 7/1/2008 – 6/30/2009.

Ayes: Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

~~7. Approve adding the duties of secretary to the athletic department to the current transportation secretary position, effective with the 2008/09 school year.~~

08-56 Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by D. Vincent to consolidate and approve superintendent's recommendations: **A-C**

A. Approve the local education agreement for summer 2008 programming with the Portage County MRDD for one of our students at Happy Day.

B. Grant a personal service contract as M.S. Wrestling Coach to Rick Yonker for 2008/09 (Step 5 - \$2706.31)

C. Approve an overnight field trip to England, France and Italy, April 2-11, 2009 for the Spanish Club.

Ayes: Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Mr. Pietra reviewed the guidelines for student suspension appeal with Mr. & Mrs. Knepper. Mr. Pietra declared a recess at 7:34 p.m. Mr. Wallace arrived and Mr. Pietra declared the board back in session at 7:45 p.m.

Mrs. Knepper informed the Board she and her husband would like the suspension appeal of their minor child to be heard in executive session.

Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by D. White to enter executive session for the purpose of conducting a suspension appeal, 7:50 p.m., invited into executive session were the treasurer, superintendent, Mr. Neil Wallace, Mr. & Mrs. Knepper and their minor child.

Ayes: Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

President Guy V. Pietra declared the board back in regular session at 9:09 p.m. and asked for a motion to uphold, amend or reverse the suspension.

08-57 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by D. White to uphold the one day out of school suspension of the Knepper's minor child, but amend the penalty to allow the student to take the one test missed on the day of suspension.

Ayes: Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

President Guy Pietra asked for motion to adjourn. The motion was moved by G. Pietra, seconded by D. Vincent; all were in favor and this meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Guy V. Pietra, President

Date

Tracy L. Knauer, Treasurer

**James A. Garfield Local School District
Regular Meeting- June 12, 2008**

A reception was held at 6:45 p.m. to meet new administrators and to honor the state qualifying members of the track team.

Opening The James A. Garfield Board of Education met in the Middle School Library at 7:00 p.m. for the regular meeting. President Guy Pietra called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

President Guy Pietra led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.
A moment of silence was observed

Upon roll call the following members were present: Patricia Brett, Guy Pietra, David Vincent, and Deral White. Gary Foy arrived at 7:10 p.m.

Also present were parents, students, staff, community members, Superintendent and Treasurer.

08-58 Moved by P. Brett, seconded by D. Vincent to accept and approve Board Meeting Agenda and addendum for June 12, 2008, as corrected.

Ayes: Brett, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

President Guy V. Pietra gave the President's report.
Patricia Brett gave the Maplewood Report.
David Vincent dispensed with the legislative report.
Tracy Knauer gave the Treasurer's report.
Charles Klamer gave the Superintendent's report

Visitor Recognition and Public Comments

No Visitors asked to be recognized

Educational Excellence

Superintendent Charles Klamer discussed educational excellence. Those present were recognized and photographs were taken.

08-59 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by P. Brett to recognize the following educational excellence.

- Recognize **Caroline Mangan** for being selected for the Martin W. Essex School for the Gifted; a week long residential gifted/talented experience for rising seniors in Ohio. Only 70 students from the state are selected to participate in this prestigious program.
- Recognize **Lindsay Boyle** for scoring a 31 on the ACT.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-60 Moved by D. White, seconded by D. Vincent to recognize H.S. track team members and **Coaches John Bennett** and **Jim Pflieger** for their success at the Ohio State Division II track meet:

Caleb Schwan – 10th place finish, discus

Tom Baragry, Shane Klevgard, Travis Macek, Brenton Semplak – 5th place finish, 4x400 meter relay team; set new school record of 3:23.64.

WHEREAS, the boys' 4X400 meter relay team earned a fifth place in the OHSAA State Division II Track Meet with a time of 3:23.64, setting a new James A. Garfield High School record, and

WHEREAS, these four young men; Shane Klevgard, Brenton Semplak, Travis Macek and Thomas Baragry III, worked hard all season to prove they are one of the very best 4X400 relay teams in the state of Ohio, and

WHEREAS, these four men are to be commended for their outstanding work ethic and coachability by Varsity Coach John Bennett and their performance on Saturday, June 7, 2008 at O.S.U. Jesse Owens Memorial Stadium, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education, speaking on behalf of the school district and community, is proud of their Division II fifth place finish and setting a new school record at the state meet, and

WHEREAS, we congratulate these young men personally and as the "man team" of the 4X400 for their awesome accomplishment but also thank them for the recognition they bring to our athletic program and the school district,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the James A. Garfield Board of Education on this twelfth day of June in the year two thousand and eight that the members of the 4X400 meter relay team and Coach Bennett are congratulated and duly recognized for their awesome feat!

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-61 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by P. Brett to recognize the **Nelson Literary Musical Club** for their 100 years of service.

WHEREAS, the Nelson Literary Musical Club's celebration of their 100 years of service on Sunday, June 8, 2008 was a fitting ceremony for a very ambitious group of ladies who serve the area, and

WHEREAS, the school district greatly appreciated being part of the celebration and realizes the many things the club has accomplished throughout their 100 years of service, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education is very impressed the club chose to celebrate 100 years by raising money, mostly through the sale of scrumptious recipes in a cookbook, to honor three graduates of the James A. Garfield Schools Class of 2008 by awarding each a \$500 scholarship, and

WHEREAS, we believe the scholarship gifts to Samantha Pietra, Megan Dillon and Jeremy King will come back to make the community very proud, and

WHEREAS, we appreciate the dedicated service of the LMC throughout the years; Ms. Jacqueline Tokosh, President and past presidents Mrs. Margaret Clapp and Mrs. Marguerite Strawman for the idea for these scholarships, and

WHEREAS, we commend the LMC for the celebration which included the Nelson Township trustees and our local 'Singing Grannies',

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the James A. Garfield Board of Education on this twelfth day of June in the year two thousand and eight, that members of the Nelson Literary Musical Club are duly honored and commended for their impeccable 100 years of service to the Nelson area.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Treasurer's Recommendations

08-62 Moved by D. White, seconded by G. Foy to consolidate and approve the following recommendations, **A through H**

- A.** Approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of May 8, 2008 as submitted.
- B.** Approve the financial reports for May 2008.
- C.** Approve the student activity budget revision request; High School Student Council, increase revenue and expenditures by \$500 for donations.

D. Approve Certificate of Availability:

<u>PO Number</u>	<u>PO Date</u>	<u>Invoice Date</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
37217	4/24/08	3/13/08	Lee's Appliance	\$431.88
37225	4/25/08	3/18/08	Joe Corbi Fundraising	\$1,187.75
37263	5/1/08	4/28/08	Smart Solutions, Inc.	\$3,300.00
37313	5/13/08	5/6/08	Com Doc Inc.	\$378.77
37319	5/15/08	4/4/08	Simon Roofing, Inc.	\$1,372.78

E. Accept donations:

Doll Lumber Co. donation of 12 yards of mulch
 \$1785.98 from MVP's to Middle School for projectors
 \$459.42 from PTO to Elementary for 4th grade calculators
 \$500 from Vivien Sundland to Elementary

F. Authorize the treasurer to make necessary transfers and advances to clear deficit balances to be approved at the July regular meeting.

G. Authorize the treasurer to amend the Certificate of Estimated Resources for fiscal year 2008.

H. Approve continued membership in OSBA's Worker's Compensation Group Rating Program for the 2008/2009 year and authorize the treasurer to pay the enrollment fee of \$3,000.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-63 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by P. Brett to approve amended certificate of resources and final appropriations for 2007/2008

	INITIAL	PREVIOUS	CURRENT	CERTIFICATION
FUND CLASSIFICATION	BUDGET	AMENDMENT	AMENDMENT	TO
FUND NAME	CERTIFICATION	REQUESTS	REQUEST	DATE
General Fund	13,693,980.41	(21,608.00)	123,640.05	13,796,012.46
		-		-
Special Revenue		-		
007 Special Trust	1,631.07	271.96	750.00	2,653.03
016 Emergency Levy	929,408.00	1,194.00		930,602.00
018 Public Support	117,339.74	7,000.00		124,339.74
019 Martha Holden Jennings	-	-		-
031 Underground Storage	11,000.00	-		11,000.00
300 District Managed Act	128,293.81	10,000.00	18,500.87	156,794.68
432 Management Info System	5,400.00	-	166.36	5,566.36
440 Entry Year Programs	4,000.00	(1,600.00)		2,400.00
451 Network Connectivity	12,000.00	-		12,000.00
452 School Net Prof. Devel.	2,700.00	(270.00)		2,430.00
494 Poverty Based Assistance	20,935.89	(20,935.89)		-
499 Misc. State Grants	15,667.00	1,834.24		17,501.24
516 Title VI-B	320,996.19	54,122.39		375,118.58
572 Title I-TA	121,278.77	97.28		121,376.05
573 Title V Innov.	2,000.00	1,373.95		3,373.95
584 Title VI SDFSC	4,500.00	(75.27)		4,424.73
587 Preschool	7,500.00	-		7,500.00
590 Title II-A	65,900.72	18,281.94		84,182.66

599 Title II-D / Misc. Federal	2,200.00	(1,083.94)		1,116.06
		-		
Debt Service		-		
002 Bond Retirement- Building	770,779.11	(3,998.00)		766,781.11
		-		
Capital Projects		-		
		-		
Enterprise		-		
006 Lunchroom	526,764.43	-		526,764.43
009 Uniform Supplies	32,104.84	-		32,104.84
		-		
Fiduciary		-		
022 District Agency	94,464.06	-	3,567.74	98,031.80
200 Student Activities	105,441.43	16,000.00		121,441.43
	-	-		-
Agency	-	-		-
007 Private Purpose Fund	13,644.83	1,345.38		14,990.21
				-
	17,009,930.30	61,950.04	146,625.02	17,218,505.36

FUND CLASSIFICATION	PERMANENT APPROPRIATION
FUND NAME	REQUEST
General Fund	12,071,857.89
	-
Special Revenue	
007 Special Trust	1,231.07
016 Emergency Levy	930,602.00
018 Public Support	106,691.93
019 Martha Holden Jennings	-
031 Underground Storage	-
300 District Managed Act	142,000.00
432 Management Info System	5,566.36
440 Entry Year Programs	2,400.00
451 Network Connectivity	12,000.00
452 School Net Prof. Devel.	2,430.00
494 Poverty Based Assistance	-
499 Misc. State Grants	17,501.24
516 Title VI-B	375,118.58
572 Title I-TA	121,376.05
573 Title V Innov.	3,373.95
584 Title VI SDFSC	4,424.73
587 Preschool	7,500.00
590 Title II-A	84,182.66

599 Title II-D / Misc. Federal	1,116.06
Debt Service	
002 Bond Retirement- Building	527,450.00
Capital Projects	
Enterprise	
006 Lunchroom	526,756.00
009 Uniform Supplies	18,500.00
Fiduciary	
022 District Agency	95,600.00
200 Student Activities	97,070.15
Agency	
007 Private Purpose Fund	10,768.93
	15,165,517.60

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-64 Moved by D. White, seconded by G. Foy to approve temporary appropriations for 2008/2009

	TEMPORARY
FUND CLASSIFICATION	APPROPRIATION
FUND NAME	REQUEST
General Fund	12,111,559.00
Special Revenue	
007 Special Trust	1,500.00
016 Emergency Levy	926,650.00
018 Public Support	75,123.00
031 Underground Storage	-
300 District Managed Act	123,353.00
432 Management Info System	5,300.00
440 Entry Year Programs	1,500.00
451 Network Connectivity	12,000.00
452 School Net Prof. Devel.	2,100.00
499 Misc. State Grants	3,710.00
516 Title VI-B	295,000.00
572 Title I-TA	115,000.00
573 Title V Innov.	2,094.00
584 Title VI SDFSC	4,425.00
587 Preschool	7,500.00
590 Title II-A	80,000.00
599 Title II-D / Misc. Federal	1,136.00
Debt Service	

002 Bond Retirement-Building	480,368.75
Capital Projects	
Enterprise	
006 Lunchroom	527,312.00
009 Uniform Supplies	18,733.00
Fiduciary	
022 District Agency	94,000.00
200 Student Activities	68,874.41
Agency	
007 Private Purpose Fund	9,150.00
	14,966,388.16

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-65 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy to approve the amended five year forecast for 2007/2008 as submitted.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-66 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to approve one year contract with Universal Disposal for waste removal services, August 1, 2008 through July 31, 2009.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

The Board of Education of James A. Garfield Local School District, Ohio, met in regular session on June 12, 2008, commencing at 7:00 p.m., at the Middle School Library, 10231 State Route 88, Garrettsville, Ohio, with the following members present:

Patricia Brett, Gary Foy, Guy Pietra, David Vincent and Deral White

The Treasurer advised the Board that the notice requirements of Section 121.22 of the Revised Code and the implementing rules adopted by the Board pursuant thereto were complied with for the meeting.

Patricia Brett moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 08-67

A RESOLUTION DETERMINING TO PROCEED WITH THE SUBMISSION TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE QUESTION OF RENEWING ALL OF AN EXISTING TAX LEVY PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 5705.194 TO 5705.197 OF THE REVISED CODE.

WHEREAS, at an election on November 2, 2004, the electors of the School District approved an additional tax, for the purpose of providing for the emergency requirements of the School District, to raise the amount of \$925,000 each year for a period of five years, the last collection of which will occur in calendar year 2009; and

WHEREAS, on May 8, 2008, this Board adopted Resolution No. 08-46 declaring it necessary to submit to the electors of the School District the question of renewing all of that tax levy in excess of the ten-mill limitation, as described below, a copy of which resolution was certified to the Portage County Auditor; and

WHEREAS, on May 13, 2008, the Portage County Auditor certified that the total current tax valuation of the School District is \$168,326,594 and the estimated annual tax levy required throughout the life of the proposed levy to produce the annual amount of \$925,000 as set forth in that resolution, calculated in the manner provided by Section 5705.195 of the Revised Code, is 5.42 mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to 54.2 cents for each one hundred dollars of valuation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of James A. Garfield Local School District, Portage County, Ohio, that:

Section 1. Determination to Proceed. This Board hereby determines to proceed with the submission to the electors at an election to be held on November 4, 2008, of the question of renewing all of an existing tax levy in excess of the ten-mill limitation for a period of five years (commencing with a levy on the tax list and duplicate for the year 2009 to be first distributed to this Board in calendar year 2010) in order to raise the amount of \$925,000 each year for the purpose of providing for the emergency requirements of the School District, at the annual tax rate as is necessary to raise that amount, which rate is currently estimated by the Portage County Auditor to be 5.42 mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to 54.2 cents for each one hundred dollars of valuation.

Section 2. Certification and Delivery of Materials to Board of Elections. The Treasurer is authorized and directed to certify to the Portage County Board of Elections copies of this Resolution, and Resolution No. 08-46 and the related certificate of the County Auditor referred to in the preambles hereto, before the close of business on August 21, 2008. This Board hereby requests that the Board of Elections give notice, prepare the ballots, and make other necessary arrangements for the submission of this question to the electors of the School District, all in accordance with law.

Section 3. Compliance with Open Meeting Requirements. This Board finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board and of any of its committees concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were held, in meetings open to the public in compliance with the law.

Section 4. Captions and Headings. The captions and headings in this Resolution are solely for convenience of reference and in no way define, limit or describe the scope or intent of any Sections, subsections, paragraphs, subparagraphs or clauses hereof.

Section 5. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and immediately upon its adoption.

Gary Foy seconded the motion.

Upon roll call on the adoption of the foregoing Resolution, the vote was as follows:

Patricia Brett	Aye	Guy Pietra	Aye
Gary Foy	Aye	David Vincent	Aye
	Deral White	Aye	

TREASURER'S CERTIFICATION

The above is a true and correct extract from the minutes of a regular meeting of the Board of Education of James A. Garfield Local School District, Ohio, held on June 12, 2008, commencing at 7:00 p.m., at the Middle School Library, 10231 State Route 88, Garrettsville, Ohio, showing the adoption of the Resolution hereinabove set forth.

Dated: June 12, 2008

Treasurer, Board of Education
James A. Garfield Local School District, Ohio

Mr. Pietra returned to Board Business- welcoming back Mr. Foy.

Superintendent's Recommendations

08-68 Moved by P. Brett, seconded by G. Foy to consolidate and approve the following superintendent's recommendations - **A through L**

A. Approve an agreement for the D3A2 Northwest Ohio Computer Association Program of the Northern

Buckeye Education Council Agreement for Limited Information Processing Services. There is no cost to the board for this service.

B. Accept resignation of supplementals for 2008/09: Tracy Lippert as M.S. Student Council Advisor; Tom Bartz as M.S. Girls Basketball Coach.

C. Grant supplemental/personal service contracts for 2008/09:

Rod Hice – H.S. Assistant Football Coach (Step 2 - \$3,132.30)

Nathan Peters – H.S. Assistant Football Coach (Step 2 - \$3,132.30)

Aaron Gilbert – H.S. Boys Soccer Coach (Step 1 - \$3,758.76)

Aaron Gilbert – H.S. Boys Soccer Summer Fitness (Step 1 - \$626.46)

Dennis Downing – H.S. Assistant Girls Basketball Coach (Step 2 - \$3,132.30)

Tom Bartz – M.S. Boys Basketball Coach (Step 2 - \$2,505.84)

Ian McGuire – M.S. Boys Basketball Coach (Step 2 - \$2,505.84)

Taylor Butler and Lauren Molnar – M.S. Girls Basketball Co-Coaches (Step 1 - \$1,252.92 each)

Kathleen Gilbert – M.S. Student Council (Step 1 - \$1252.92)

D. Hire Judi Gyulai as a 2-hour/day lunchroom aide for 2008/09.

E. Grant a 1-year limited teaching contract to Shelby Scirocco for 2008/09; she will serve as HS/MS guidance counselor.

F. Approve changing the transportation secretary position to include duties as the athletic dept. secretary also.

G. Approve the new job description for the transportation/athletic department secretary.

H. Approve open enrollment students for the 2008/09 school year:

Windham – Nicholas and Nathan Phillips, Trevor Thompson, Sarah Shearer, Robert and Michael Schustrich, John Giel, Shannon Stowe, Grant and Paige Collins, Brandon and Jordan Prasky, Britney Collins, Paige Collins, Nicole Thompson, Alexander, Megan and Miranda Duderstadt, Scott Smith, Kenneth and Laura Sanicky, Emily Yearyeen, Sarah and Elizabeth Perkins, Jessica, Zakary and Jacob Britton, Charles and Shelby Heritage, Alana and Cassidy Taylor, Nathan and Mycah Pinson, Alexis and Codee Dean, Derek Hembree, Travis Gibson, Elisha and Mariah Bly, Journey and Sallia Martin, Jordan, Nathaniel and Logan Rutherford, Dylan Petti, Ryan Roth, Nathan and Selina Slaughter, Seth Moore, Akane and Madisan Brown, Kimberly and Melinda Wampler, Kaleigh and Adam Gilmer, Dylan Wilson, Tyler Collins, Haley Knight, Levi Bloom, Mallie Smith, Natalie LaPorte, Benjamin Gibson, Cheyenne Cuprak, Craig Hammonds, Andrew Yager-Timmons, Katherine and Noland McGarvey, Allison Snyder, Kyle and Sabrina Wilke, Chad Riley, Brooke Heasley, Grace and Noah Smidga, Jacob and Kera Hilliard, Blake Judge, Layla Richardson, Samantha Esposito, Heather Pannetti, Noah Baker, Jace Cain, Baylee and Shelby Grenzou, Taylor and Bryce Hammond, Anias and Anicia Chambers

Crestwood – James Mallory, Lindsey and Lauren Jones, Dylan, Alexis and Camron Sedivy, Angel and Trinity Williamson, Paul Jewell, Ashly Bernatowicz, Ryan Marano, Kevin Davis, Hannah and Sarah Bittance, Hannah, Gerald, Courtney and Caitlin Chartier, Gracie and Alex Pignaloso, Noah and Ellie Frato-Sweeney, Mason and Trent Jakacki, Mason Cebulla, Austin Lougen, Rachael and Daniel Forcier, Talon Cline, Nicholas Pancost, Cody Leasure, Faith and Grace Mills

Ravenna – Briana and Seth Miller, Tiffany Stytle, Isaac Trickett, Lydia Knauer, Jennifer Pittman, Todd Smith

Cardinal – Benjamin Crawley, Arielle Sokolowski, Taylor Soltis, Luke Porter, Logan Sedivy

LaBrae – Joyce Tenney, Brandon and Stephanie Bator, Ashlyn and Madisson Geddes

Berkshire – Howard and Chelsi Moore

Southington – Brittany and Hailey Davis, Sabrina Zalick

Bristol – Tyler and Morgan Lippert, Bradley Valdman

Chardon – Madeline and Joshua Caldro

Kent – Christy Murphy

Southeast – Hayden Troyer

Waterloo – Mackenzie Hawkins

Streetsboro – Chester Holcomb

Warren – Kyle and Kaitlyn Campbell

I. Accept Tom Sullivan's resignation as H.S. Assistant Principal for 2008/09, effective 7/31/2008.

J. Grant a 2-year administrative contract to Tom Sullivan as Middle School Principal, effective 8/1/2008.

K. Grant a 2-year administrative contract to Joe Malmisur as H.S. Principal, effective 8/1/2008.

L. Approve an overnight field trip to Washington D.C. for the 6th grade on May 21-22, 2009.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-69 Moved by D. White, seconded by P. Brett to consolidate and approve superintendent's recommendations: **A-G**

A. Grant a 1-year limited teaching contract to Mr. Joseph Gaither for 2008/09; he will be the I.S. music teacher. Grant supplemental contracts as H.S. assistant band director (\$1252.92) and H.S. assistant summer band director (\$1566.15).

B. Approve open enrollment students for 2008/09:

Windham – Christian Manista, Bradley and Brandon Pesicek, Devin and Dayne Karlovec

Crestwood – Nathan Bailey

Maple Hts. – Adrienne Orihill

C. Accept the resignation of Shawna Fairchild, KG teacher, for the 2008/09 year as well as her supplemental contract as IAT Coach.

D. Accept the resignation of Jennifer Mulhern, media/technology specialist, for the 2008/09 year as well as her supplemental contracts as Interact Club advisor, H.S. technology coordinator, and sophomore class advisor.

E. Grant a 2-year limited administrative contract to Jennifer Mulhern, effective August 1, 2008; she will serve as H.S. Assistant Principal.

F. Accept an anonymous donation of \$307.50 for dirt for the elementary ball field.

G. Accept the resignation of Betsey DeRue, Speech/Language Pathologist, for the 2008/09 year.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Mr. Malmisur, the newly appointed High School Principal, thanked the board.

Mr. Pietra reviewed the guidelines for student suspension appeal with Mrs. Pratt. Mrs. Pratt informed the Board she would like the suspension appeal of her minor child to be heard in executive session.

Moved by D. White, seconded by D. Vincent to enter executive session for the purpose of conducting a suspension appeal, 7:46 p.m., invited into executive session were the treasurer, superintendent, Mr. Neil Wallace, Mrs. Pratt and guests, athletic directors, coaches, association representatives, and legal counsel.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

President Guy V. Pietra declared the board back in regular session at 8:32 p.m. and asked for a motion to affirm, amend or reverse the suspension.

08-70 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by P. Brett to affirm the suspension of Mrs. Pratt's minor child.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Moved by P. Brett, seconded by G. Foy to enter executive session for the purpose of considering the investigation of charges or complaints in regard to public employees and conference with an attorney of the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action, 8:34 p.m., invited into executive session were the treasurer, superintendent, Attorney Leigh Herington, GEA President Pat Singelyn, and OEA Representative Ann Thomas.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

President Guy V. Pietra declared the board back in regular session at 9:11 p.m. and asked for a motion to render a decision on the grievance.

08-71 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by D. White to deny the Garfield Education Association Grievance in regard to traveling teachers within the High School/Middle School.
Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White
Nays: None
Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

President Guy Pietra asked for motion to adjourn. The motion was moved by P. Brett, seconded by G. Foy; all were in favor and this meeting adjourned at 9:14 p.m.

Guy V. Pietra, President

Date

Tracy L. Knauer, Treasurer

**James A. Garfield Local School District
Regular Meeting- July 10, 2008**

Opening The James A. Garfield Board of Education met in the Middle School Library at 7:00 p.m. for the regular meeting. President Guy Pietra called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

President Guy Pietra led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance and dispensed with the moment of silence.

Upon roll call the following members were present: Gary Foy, Guy Pietra, David Vincent, and Deral White. Patricia Brett was not present.

Also present were parents, students, staff, community members, Superintendent and Treasurer.

08-72 Moved by D. Vincent seconded by G. Foy to accept and approve Board Meeting Agenda, as corrected, revising Supt #1, item I, correcting Treasurer's item #2 and addendum for July 10, 2008.

Ayes: Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

President Guy V. Pietra gave the President's report.
Patricia Brett was not present for the Maplewood Report.
David Vincent gave the legislative report.
Tracy Knauer gave the Treasurer's report.
Charles Klamer gave the Superintendent's report

Visitor Recognition and Public Comments

Mrs. Russell distributed a suggested document for use of the auditorium

Educational Excellence

Superintendent Charles Klamer discussed educational excellence. Lindsey was present and photographs were taken. She was recognized on the June agenda, but was not able to attend the meeting because she was in New York with Habitat for Humanity.

08-73 Moved by D. White, seconded by G. Foy to recognize **Lindsey Boyle** for scoring a 31 out of 36 on the ACT.

Ayes: Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Treasurer's Recommendations

08-74 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to consolidate and approve the following recommendations, **A-H**:

- A.** Approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of June 12, 2008 as submitted.
- B.** Approve the financial reports for June 2008.
- C.** Approve the 4502 Cash Basis Financial report for Fiscal Year 2007/2008.
- D.** Approve the student activity budgets for 2008/2009 school year.
- E.** Approve and accept federal grant monies for 2008/2009 as applied for under the Comprehensive Continuous Improvement Planning (CCIP) application.

TITLE I	\$165,366.01
TITLE IIA	\$70,548.68
TITLE IID	\$1,552.67
DRUG FREE	\$3,629.35
TITLE V	\$1,455.33

TITLE IDEA	\$264,716.40
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F. Approve continued membership in the Ohio Coalition for Equity & Adequacy in School Funding for 2008/2009 at a cost of \$ 802.50 (ADM October 2007 of 1605 * \$0.50 per student)

G. Approve Certificate of Availability:

<u>PO Number</u>	<u>PO Date</u>	<u>Invoice Date</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
37265	5/1/08	4/30/08	Audiax Communications	\$265.60
37346	6/3/08	6/2/08	Reliable Oil Equipment, Inc.	\$533.00
37347	6/1/08	5/29/08	Universal Disposal	\$185.00
37350	6/1/08	5/28/08	Board of Public Affairs	\$485.03

H. Accept donations:

\$550 DirecTV School Rewards donation to Elementary Principal Fund

\$3,550 All Sports Boosters to Girls' Basketball

Ayes: Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-75 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by D. White to approve the following transfers and advances as of June 30, 2008, as corrected:

Advance \$4,217.72 ~~4,262.20~~ from General Fund (001) to Cafeteria (006)

Advance \$136.27 from General Fund (001) to MS Uniform Supplies (009 9002)

Advance \$71.38 from General Fund (001) to Elementary School Pop (018 9831)

Transfer \$907,820.54 from Emergency Levy Fund (016) to General Fund (001)

Ayes: Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-76 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to approve the initial budget certificate/certificate of resources for 2008/09.

			INITIAL	CURRENT	CERTIFICATION
FUND CLASSIFICATION	6/30/2008	ESTIMATE	BUDGET	AMENDMENT	TO
FUND NAME	Unencumbered Carryover	2008/2009	CERTIFICATION	REQUEST	DATE
General Fund	1,891,943.83	11,738,391.00	13,630,334.83	-	13,630,334.83
		-		-	-
Special Revenue					
007 Special Trust	1,421.96	400.00	1,821.96		1,821.96
016 Emergency Levy	-	926,650.00	926,650.00	-	926,650.00
018 Public Support	22,091.98	85,000.00	107,091.98	-	107,091.98
031 Underground Storage	11,000.00	-	11,000.00	-	11,000.00
300 District Managed Act	18,067.78	102,000.00	120,067.78	3,300.00	123,367.78
432 Management Info System	-	5,400.00	5,400.00	-	5,400.00
440 Entry Year Programs	-	4,000.00	4,000.00	-	4,000.00
451 Network Connectivity	-	12,000.00	12,000.00	-	12,000.00
452 School Net Prof. Devel.	-	2,700.00	2,700.00	-	2,700.00
499 Misc. State Grants	0.04	15,501.00	15,501.04	-	15,501.04
516 Title VI-B	4,878.92	377,122.00	382,000.92	-	382,000.92

572 Title I-TA	3,848.60	119,389.00	123,237.60	-	123,237.60
573 Title V Innov.	330.00	2,094.00	2,424.00	-	2,424.00
584 Title VI SDFSC	-	4,425.00	4,425.00	-	4,425.00
587 Preschool	-	7,500.00	7,500.00	-	7,500.00
590 Title II-A	(404.69)	83,075.00	82,670.31	-	82,670.31
599 Title II-D / Misc. Federal	144.24	1,136.00	1,280.24	-	1,280.24
Debt Service					
002 Bond Retirement-Building	237,532.23	477,400.00	714,932.23	-	714,932.23
Capital Projects					
Enterprise					
006 Lunchroom	(4,217.72)	527,500.00	523,282.28	4,050.00	527,332.28
009 Uniform Supplies	13,610.63	22,000.00	35,610.63	-	35,610.63
Fiduciary					
022 District Agency	5,498.56	86,000.00	91,498.56	2,510.00	94,008.56
200 Student Activities	19,198.29	79,700.00	98,898.29	-	98,898.29
Agency					-
007 Private Purpose Fund	7,454.14	7,545.00	14,999.14		14,999.14
	2,232,398.79	14,686,928.00	16,919,326.79	9,860.00	16,929,186.79

Ayes: Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-77 Moved by D. White, seconded by G. Foy to consolidate and approve the following, **A-C**

A. Approve a contract with the Portage County E.S.C. for the 2008/09 school year for services for special education students (CLP, MD, Preschool, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Speech Therapy, Adaptive Physical Education, Alternative Learning Setting, Psychological and Special Education Supervisor) at a cost of \$494,501.12 (based on enrollment and students in the program). Last year's contract was \$412,273.62.

B. Approve the payment of the Ohio Association of School Business Officials (OASBO) 2008/09 membership dues for the treasurer in the amount of \$642.00.

C. Approve additional H.S. fee for 2008/09 – Instrumental Music, Summer Band \$30.00

Ayes: Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

After discussion, President Guy V. Pietra appointed a delegate and alternate to attend the 2008 OSBA Annual Business Meeting in November 2008:

Delegate: Patricia Brett

Alternate: Deral White

Mr. Pietra noted the Superintendent item I would become Superintendent item #3, and would be discussed and voted on after the levy renewal discussion.

Mr. Klamer introduced the staff members recommended for hire and asked those present to tell the board and audience about themselves.

Superintendent's Recommendations

08-78 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to consolidate and approve the following superintendent's recommendations – **A through J- removing I, as corrected:**

A. Grant a 1-year limited teaching contract to Michael Paes for 2008/09; he will teach M.S. science.

B. Grant a 1-year limited teaching contract to Stephanie Hale for 2008/09; she will teach kindergarten.

C. Grant a 1-year classified contract to Lynn Ruff for 2008/09; she will be the M.S. clerk.

E. Grant a 1-year classified contract to Brenda Hill for 2008/09; she will be the transportation/athletic department secretary.

E. Grant supplemental/personal service contracts for 2008/09:

Michael Paes – M.S. Football (Step 1 - \$2,505.84)

Jennifer Mulhern – LPDC Member (Step 1 - \$939.69)

F. Approve open enrollment students for the 2008/09 school year:

Southington – Nathaniel and James Dickey

Bristol – Carson Grossman

Windham – Taylor Mate, Courtney Huzl, Christian Crawford, Faith and Hope Miller, Brooke and Joel Lissy

Crestwood – Robert Haney

Southeast – Daniel Boone

G. Approve Help Me Grow/LEA Agreement for 2008/09.

H. Accept the resignation of Doug Engelhart as National Honor Society advisor for 2008/09.

~~**I.** Approve Student/Parent Handbooks for 2008/09 for the HS, MS, IS and ES.~~

J. Approve the Staff Handbook for 2008/09 for the elementary school.

Ayes: Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-79 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. White to consolidate and approve superintendent's recommendations: **A-C**

A. Grant a 1-year limited teaching contract to Robin Sweigert for 2008/09; she will be the H.S. Media/Technology Specialist.

B. Grant a 1-year limited teaching contract to Kathy Hughes for 2008/09; she will be the speech/language pathologist.

C. Authorize the superintendent to carry over five (5) days of unused vacation from 2007/08 to the 2008/09 year.

Ayes: Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

At 7:56 p.m. Mr. Pietra asked that any visitors interested in discussing the renewal levy please stay, those not interested departed. Presentations were made. The group discussed the formation of a levy committee, the current levy and proposed renewal on the November 2008 ballot. The discussion ended at 9:00 p.m., those present scheduled a levy committee meeting for Thursday, August 7, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.

The board discussed the handbooks. The MS handbook will be on the August agenda. Mr. Pietra requested that future changes be highlighted for easier recognition and, HS Principal, Mr. Joe Malmisur went over the proposed changes with the Board.

08-80 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by D. White to approve Student/Parent Handbooks for 2008/09 for the HS, ~~MS~~, IS and ES, as corrected.

Ayes: Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White
Nays: None
Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to enter executive session for the purpose of preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment, 9:30 p.m., invited into executive session were the superintendent and treasurer

Ayes: Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White
Nays: None
Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

President Guy V. Pietra declared the board back in regular session at 9:40 p.m.

John Sedensky Jr., head mechanic, addressed the board and submitted his letter of resignation effective July 24, 2008.

President Guy Pietra asked for motion to adjourn. The motion was moved by G. Foy seconded by G. Pietra; all were in favor and this meeting adjourned at 10:21 p.m.

Guy V. Pietra, President

Date

Tracy L. Knauer, Treasurer

**James A. Garfield Local School District
Regular Meeting- August 14, 2008**

Opening The James A. Garfield Board of Education met in the Middle School Library at 7:00 p.m. for the regular meeting. President Guy Pietra called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

President Guy Pietra led dispensed with the Pledge of Allegiance and the moment of silence.

Upon roll call the following members were present: Gary Foy, Guy Pietra, David Vincent, and Deral White. Patricia Brett was not present.

Also present were Superintendent, Treasurer and High School Principal.

08-81 Moved by D. White seconded by D. Vincent to accept and approve Board Meeting Agenda, with addendum and corrected Supt. Item #K for August 14, 2008, as corrected.

Ayes: Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

President Guy V. Pietra gave the President's report.

Patricia Brett was not present for the Maplewood report.

David Vincent dispensed with the Legislative report.

Tracy Knauer gave the Treasurer's report.

Charles Klamer gave the Superintendent's report

Visitor Recognition and Public Comments

David Vincent presented Guy Pietra with the St. Ambrose Volunteer of the Year award.

Mr. Pietra discussed the cheerleaders and the athletic department

Treasurer's Recommendations

08-82 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy to consolidate and approve the following recommendations, **A-H**:

A. Approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of July 10, 2008 as submitted.

B. Approve the financial reports for July 2008.

C. Accept donations:

\$72.50 Angie McManus to Cheerleading

\$175.00 from Julie Sterpka to HS Volleyball

\$350.00 from GEA for Opening Day

\$150.00 from OAPSE for Opening Day

D. Confirm athletic ticket prices for 2008/09: H.S. Adult - \$5.00; H.S. Student - \$3.00; M.S. Adult - \$3.00; M.S. Student - \$2.00; H.S. Senior Citizen (no G-Man pass) - \$3.00; M.S. Senior Citizen (no G-Man pass) - \$2.00; Family Athletic Pass - \$250.00; M.S. Athletes/Same Sport – if in uniform with sign-up sheet – Free; at football gate all tickets \$5.00 except Senior Citizen with Buckeye Card - \$3.00 and G-Man Pass – Free.

E. Accept the tuition rate as set by the Ohio Department of Education at \$3,696.13 for the 2008/09 school year.

F. Approve school lunch prices for 2008/2009:

High/Middle School	\$2.50	Intermediate/Elementary School	\$2.00
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Adults	\$2.75	Milk-	\$.50
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Breakfast- All Buildings	\$1.00		
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G. Approve contracts with the Stark County Educational Service Center (SPARCC) for the 2008/09 year:
Data Processing/Maintenance Agreement – 10,695.00

H. Approve the Local Education Agreement for programming with the Portage County Board of MRDD for 2008/09.

Ayes: Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Superintendent's Recommendations

08-83 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by G. Pietra to consolidate and approve the following superintendent's recommendations – upon discussion Beverly White was removed from item G, for approval as a separate item (#4) **A-M:**

A. Accept the resignation of head mechanic John Sedensky Jr., effective July 24, 2008.

B. Grant supplemental/personal service contracts for 2008/09:

Theresa Combs – Sophomore Class Advisor (Step 1 - \$939.69)

Missy Petrie – Interact Club Advisor (Step 1 - \$1,252.92)

Patricia Scanlon – National Honor Society Advisor (Step 1 - \$1,252.92)

David Opfer – H.S. Assistant Volleyball Coach (Step 1 - \$3,132.30)

Tom Bartz – H.S. Technology Coordinator (Step 1 - \$939.69)

C. Approve open enrollment students for the 2008/09 school year:

Windham – Alexandria, Jessica and Eric Larlham, Skylar Claar, Jocelynn and Kayleigh Williams, Cameron Kurtzman, Amanda and Andrea Dowdell

Berkshire – Neil Mattson

LaBrae – Michael, William, Mirsadies and Lindsey Yon

Crestwood – Elena and Audra Maschek

Warren – Emily Hughes

Newton Falls – Matthew Koleszar

D. Approve M.S. Student Handbook for 2008/09.

E. Approve M.S. Faculty Handbook for 2008/09.

F. Hire substitute teachers for 2008/09: Cheryl Brode, Kelly Cartwright, Paula Cline, Heidi Collin, Anthony Colosetti, Jeanne Colosetti, John Crawford, Robert Crisp, Linda Davies, Lorette Dempsey, Daniel Denzinger, Melinda Ensinger, Kristine Faber, Patty Fisher, Erika Gay, Margaret Giller, Cindy Hoskins, Sherry Jones, Karen Krenzel, Lisa Lange, Denise Lee, Jamison Lee, Mandy McClendon, Michelle McElrath, Paul Molnar, Alicia Pascoe, Jaclyn Perlik, Nathan Peters, Barb Petrie, Jim Pflieger, Laura Powell, William Reble, Shannon Riley, Alyson Rose, Lisa Roubic, Nancy Schauer, Michael Setser, Dave Spiker, Fran Teresi, Jeff Torda, Theresa Vincent, Sarah Wagner, Gary White, Melissa Wojtasik, Cherri Wolfe, Cara Young, Kathy Young

G. Hire substitute classified staff for 2008/09, as corrected:

Secretary/Clerk/Aide: Margaret Jackson, Debbie Woodrum, Cheryl Abraham, Dianne Brown, Andrea Scott, Lori Maur, ~~Beverly White~~, Sandy Pelphrey

Custodian: Joyce Kolesar, Theresa Vincent, Irene Cataline, Robert Reichard, Charles Brokos, Rob Pratt, Charlotte Smith, Nancy Davies, Linda Oros, Karen Perusek (summer/breaks only)

Dietary Aide: Linda Dlugokecki, ~~Beverly White~~, Dianne Brown, Janet Phelps, Rose Broadwater, Nancy Davies, Elaine Slechta, Patty Tutor, Lori Maur

Bus Driver: Jodi Petti, Mark Kearney, Doreen Curby

H. Hire substitute nurses for 2008/09: Laura Kernig, Jeanette Poole, James Atkin

I. Accept the resignation of Michael Cook, effective August 1, 2008.

J. Approve summer band camp assistant directors: Christina Pesecky, Amber Mace and Adam Pysell.

K. Grant a 1-year limited teaching contract to Elaine Mills for 2008/2009, she will teach 6th grade science/math, as corrected.

L. Grant a 1-year limited classified contract to Tim Kelly as head mechanic for 2008/09.

M. Approve the H.S. Faculty Handbook for 2008/09.

Ayes: Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-84 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy to consolidate and approve superintendent's recommendations: **A-C**

A. Approve open enrollment students:

Berkshire: Amy Fisher

Windham: Cheyenne Russ, Madison Cooke

B. Approve Rebecca Goodell and Tony Strobe as substitute teachers for 2008/09.

C. Approve Andy Oudomlith and Greg Bianca as volunteers for the girl's soccer team.

Ayes: Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-85 Moved by D. White seconded by D. Vincent to approve settlement agreement with driver Dolores Harman.

Ayes: Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-86 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to hire substitute classified staff for 2008/09:

Secretary/Clerk/Aide: Beverly White

Dietary Aide: Beverly White

Ayes: Foy, Pietra, Vincent

Abstain: White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

President Guy Pietra asked for motion to adjourn. The motion was moved by G. Pietra seconded by D. Vincent; all were in favor and this meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Guy V. Pietra, President

Date

Tracy L. Knauer, Treasurer

**James A. Garfield Local School District
Regular Meeting- September 11, 2008**

Opening The James A. Garfield Board of Education met in the Middle School Library at 7:00 p.m. for the regular meeting. President Guy Pietra called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

President Guy Pietra led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence in recognition of September 11.

Upon roll call the following members were present: Patricia Brett, Gary Foy, Guy Pietra, and David Vincent. Deral White was not present.

Also present were staff members, Superintendent and Treasurer.

08-87 Moved by P. Brett, seconded by G. Foy to accept and Approve Board Meeting Agenda for September 11, 2008, including Treasurer and Superintendent addendum items, correct Supt. #1, item C- add Robin Sweigert as sophomore class advisor, removed recognition of PTO until PTO members are able to attend.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

President Guy V. Pietra gave the President's report.

Patricia Brett gave the Maplewood report.

David Vincent gave the Legislative report.

Tracy Knauer gave the Treasurer's report.

Charles Klamer gave the Superintendent's report

Visitor Recognition and Public Comments

No visitors asked to be recognized.

Educational Excellence

Mr. Klamer introduced the technology showcase at 7:30pm and the board meeting moved to Room 219 in the High School for a smart board presentation by Mrs. Erin Miller. The meeting returned to the Middle School Library at 8:02pm.

Treasurer's Recommendations

08-88 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to consolidate and approve the following recommendations, **A-C**

A. Approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of August 14, 2008 as submitted.

B. Approve the financial reports for August 2008.

C. Accept donations:

Anonymous donation- 22" push mower to the High School valued at \$139.00

Anonymous donation- \$300 to hang G-Men banners in Village and Townships

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-89 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to consolidate and approve the following recommendations (A-B)

A. Approve revised estimated resources for 2008/2009

	INITIAL	PREVIOUS	CURRENT	CERTIFICATION
FUND CLASSIFICATION	BUDGET	AMENDMENT	AMENDMENT	TO
FUND NAME	CERTIFICATION	REQUESTS	REQUEST	DATE
General Fund	13,630,334.83	-	-	13,630,334.83
		-	-	-

Special Revenue			-		
007 Special Trust	1,821.96		-		1,821.96
016 Emergency Levy	926,650.00		-	-	926,650.00
018 Public Support	107,091.98		-	-	107,091.98
031 Underground Storage	11,000.00		-	-	11,000.00
300 District Managed Act	120,067.78	3,300.00		15,392.00	138,759.78
432 Management Info System	5,400.00		-	-	5,400.00
440 Entry Year Programs	4,000.00		-	-	4,000.00
451 Network Connectivity	12,000.00		-	-	12,000.00
452 School Net Prof. Devel.	2,700.00		-	(270.00)	2,430.00
499 Misc. State Grants	15,501.04		-	(11,579.78)	3,921.26
516 Title VI-B	382,000.92		-	(75,748.65)	306,252.27
572 Title I-TA	123,237.60		-	45,977.01	169,214.61
573 Title V Innov.	2,424.00		-	241.22	2,665.22
584 Title VI SDFSC	4,425.00		-	(795.65)	3,629.35
587 Preschool	7,500.00		-	-	7,500.00
590 Title II-A	82,670.31		-	(1,319.71)	81,350.60
599 Title II-D / Misc. Federal	1,280.24		-	416.67	1,696.91
			-		
Debt Service			-		
002 Bond Retirement-Building	714,932.23		-	-	714,932.23
			-		
Capital Projects			-		
			-		
Enterprise			-		
006 Lunchroom	523,282.28	4,050.00			527,332.28
009 Uniform Supplies	35,610.63		-	1,500.00	37,110.63
			-		
Fiduciary			-		
022 District Agency	91,498.56	2,510.00		16,640.00	110,648.56
200 Student Activities	98,898.29		-	-	98,898.29
			-		-
Agency			-		-
007 Private Purpose Fund	14,999.14		-	210.56	15,209.70
	16,919,326.79	9,860.00		(9,336.33)	16,919,850.46

B. Approve permanent appropriations for 2008/2009

	PERMANENT
FUND CLASSIFICATION	APPROPRIATION
FUND NAME	REQUEST
General Fund	12,199,987.30

Special Revenue	
007 Special Trust	1,500.00
016 Emergency Levy	926,650.00
018 Public Support	75,123.00
031 Underground Storage	-
300 District Managed Act	137,203.00
432 Management Info System	5,300.00
440 Entry Year Programs	1,500.00
451 Network Connectivity	12,000.00
452 School Net Prof. Devel.	2,430.00
499 Misc. State Grants	3,921.26
516 Title VI-B	306,252.27
572 Title I-TA	169,214.61
573 Title V Innov.	2,665.22
584 Title VI SDFSC	3,629.35
587 Preschool	7,500.00
590 Title II-A	81,350.60
599 Title II-D / Misc. Federal	1,696.91
Debt Service	
002 Bond Retirement-Building	480,368.75
Capital Projects	
Enterprise	
006 Lunchroom	527,312.00
009 Uniform Supplies	22,133.00
Fiduciary	
022 District Agency	94,000.00
200 Student Activities	68,874.41
Agency	
007 Private Purpose Fund	9,150.00
	15,139,761.68

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

President Guy V. Pietra set the date for the Records Commission Meeting, it will be held at 6:45 in the Orson E. Ott Administrative Offices prior to the next regular meeting on Thursday, October 9, 2008.

The Board of Education of the James A. Garfield Local School District met in regular session on September 11, 2008, at 7:00 p.m., in the Middle School Library with the following members present:

Patricia Brett, Gary Foy, Guy Pietra and David Vincent

The Treasurer advised the Board that the notice requirements of Section 121.22 of the Revised Code and the implementing rules adopted by the Board pursuant thereto were complied with for the meeting.

Patricia Brett moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 08-90

**A RESOLUTION
ADOPTING A SECTION 403(B) PLAN AND
APPOINTING THE TREASURER TO ADMINISTER THE PLAN**

WHEREAS, Internal Revenue Code (“IRC”) Section 403(b) and applicable regulations thereunder provide that (i) contributions made by the Board on behalf of its employees (including contributions made pursuant to salary reduction agreements) to insurance companies and certain other entities which are to be held under certain annuity contracts or custodial account agreements described therein (“403(b) Contracts”) will not be currently treated as gross income for federal income tax purposes, and (ii) such contributions and earnings thereon will not be subject to federal income tax until distributed to the employee or other beneficiary of such contract; and

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code (“ORC”) Section 9.90 provides that the Board may make contributions on behalf of employees to annuity contracts and/or custodial accounts described in IRC Section 403(b) (including contributions made pursuant to a salary reduction agreement); and

WHEREAS, ORC Section 9.91 provides that, subject to certain restrictions that the Board may impose, employees may request that the Board make contributions on their behalf to a 403(b) Contract designated by such employees, under salary reduction agreements or other terms and conditions as determined by the Board; and

WHEREAS, ORC Section 9.91 provides that the Board may require a 403(b) Contract provider, or broker who offers 403(b) Contracts, to enter into a reasonable agreement protecting the Board from any liability attendant to procuring, or making contributions to, a 403(b) Contract for its employees; and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to make contributions under one or more 403(b) Contracts on behalf of employees, who elect to have such contributions made thereto pursuant to salary reduction agreements, provided that the provider of the 403(b) Contract, or the broker for the 403(b) Contract, executes an agreement protecting the Board from liability attendant thereto; and

WHEREAS, Treasury Department Regulations under IRC Section 403(b) require that the Board, among other things, adopt a plan document that will reflect its policies and procedures in regard to contributions to 403(b) Contracts, and that otherwise provide that such policies and procedures will comply with the requirements of IRC Section 403(b), as interpreted by such regulations; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to, and in accordance with, the provisions of IRC Section 403(b) and the regulations thereunder, and certain other provisions of the federal income tax law, the Board wishes to establish a Section 403(b) Plan that will permit employees to make elective deferrals under the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Board has consulted with outside legal counsel in regard to the tax consequences of the 403(b) Plan; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the James A. Garfield Local School District, County of Portage, State of Ohio, that:

Section 1. The Board hereby adopts the James A. Garfield Local School District Section 403(b) Plan that is attached hereto as Exhibit A (the “403(b) Plan”).

Section 2. The Treasurer of the School District is hereby authorized to formally execute, on behalf of the Board, the attached 403(b) Plan, and any and all other legal documents that may be required to establish and maintain the 403(b) Plan, including, without limitation, the agreements that are included as Exhibits to the 403(b) Plan, and any required filings with the Internal Revenue Service or other governmental agencies. Further, the Treasurer is hereby appointed to act on behalf of the Board as the Administrator of the 403(b) Plan. Accordingly, the Treasurer may adopt rules and regulations relating to plan administration as, in the Treasurer’s sole judgment, shall be necessary or desirable for 403(b) Plan administration and compliance with applicable law.

Section 3. This Board finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board and of any of its committees concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were taken, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any committees that resulted in those formal actions were held, in meetings open to the public in compliance with the law.

Section 4. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect as of January 1, 2009.

David Vincent seconded the motion.

Upon roll call on the adoption of the resolution, the vote was as follows:

Patricia Brett	Aye	Gary Foy	Aye
Guy Pietra	Aye	David Vincent	Aye

TREASURER'S CERTIFICATION

The foregoing is a true and correct excerpt from the minutes of the regular meeting on September 11, 2008 of the Board of Education of the James A. Garfield Local School District, showing the adoption of the resolution hereinabove set forth.

Dated: September 11, 2008

Tracy Knauer
Treasurer, Board of Education of the
James A. Garfield Local School District

08-91 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by G. Pietra to approve contracts with the Stark County Educational Service Center (SPARCC) for the 2008/09 year:

Data Processing/Maintenance Agreement - \$10,695.00
AMC Subscription Agreements - \$1612.80 (added MS for 08/09)
High School \$830.40
Middle School \$400.00
Intermediate \$382.40
InfOhio Subscription Agreement - \$3,044.50

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Superintendent's Recommendations

08-92 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by P. Brett to consolidate and approve the following superintendent's recommendations: **A-H, as corrected.**

A. Approve partnership agreement with Children's Advantage for 2008/09.

B. Accept the resignation of Theresa Comb's supplemental contract as sophomore class advisor for 2008/09.

C. Grant supplemental/personal service contracts for 2008/09, as corrected:

Aaron Gilbert – M.S. Technology Coordinator (Step 1 - \$939.69)

Sue Widener – IAT Coach (Step 1 - \$939.69)

Robin Sweigert – Sophomore Class Advisor (Step 1 - \$939.69)

D. Approve open enrollment students for the 2008/09 school year:

LaBrae – Kayla Moore

Crestwood – Randall Jenkins

Ravenna – Phillip Crouse, Cody and Austin Kawolics

E. Approve I.S. Band Handbook for 2008/09.

F. Approve Karrie Blewitt as a volunteer to work with the H.S. volleyball team and Joe Baum to work with the M.S. football team.

G. Approve trip to the U.S. Holocaust Museum in Washington D.C. on 11/13/08 via coach line transportation.

H. Hire substitute teachers for 2008/09: Bethany Maresh, William Boxler

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-93 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to consolidate and approve superintendent's recommendations: **A-B:**

Board discussion of the All-Sports Boosters opportunity to purchase scoreboards

A. Allow the All-Sports Boosters to erect scoreboards for the baseball and softball fields; the Boosters will donate the scoreboards and the installation costs.

B. Approve Chris Taylor as a volunteer to work with the football program for 2008/09.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

President Guy Pietra asked for motion to adjourn. The motion was moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent; all were in favor and this meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Guy V. Pietra, President

Date

Tracy L. Knauer, Treasurer

**James A. Garfield Local School District
Records Commission Meeting – October 9, 2008**

The Records Commission of the James A. Garfield Board of Education met in the Orson E. Ott Administrative Office at 6:45pm. Treasurer, Tracy Knauer, called the meeting to order at 6:49pm.

The following members were present: Chairman, Board President Guy V. Pietra, Superintendent, Charles Klamer, and Treasurer, Tracy Knauer.

Treasurer, Tracy Knauer, was appointed to record minutes.

Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by C. Klamer to approve the Certificate of Records Disposal (attached RC-3) in accordance with the guidelines and retention schedule currently in place for the James A Garfield School District.

Ayes: Pietra, Klamer, Knauer

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed.

Moved by G. Pietra, seconded by C. Klamer to adjourn. All were in favor and the records commission meeting adjourned at 6:50pm.

Guy V. Pietra, President

Date

Tracy L. Knauer, Treasurer

**James A. Garfield Local School District
Regular Meeting- October 9, 2008**

Opening The James A. Garfield Board of Education met in the Middle School Library at 7:00 p.m. for the regular meeting. President Guy Pietra called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m.

President Guy Pietra led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon roll call the following members were present: Patricia Brett, Gary Foy, Guy Pietra, David Vincent, and Deral White.

President Guy Pietra asked the assembly to observe a moment of silence to remember Garfield graduates who are serving or have served in our armed forces.

Also present were staff member, Superintendent and Treasurer.

08-94 Moved by G. Pietra, second by D. Vincent to accept and approve Board Meeting Agenda for October 9, 2008 with addendum.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

President Guy V. Pietra gave the President's report.

Patricia Brett gave the Maplewood report.

David Vincent gave the Legislative report.

Tracy Knauer gave the Treasurer's report.

Charles Klamer gave the Superintendent's report

Visitor Recognition and Public Comments

No visitors asked to be recognized.

Treasurer's Recommendations

08-95 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by D. White to consolidate and approve the following recommendations, **A-C**

A. Approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of September 11, 2008 as submitted.

B. Approve the financial reports for September 2008.

C. Accept donations:

\$73.26 Anonymous donation for custodial services at Alumni Dinner

\$700.00 Donation to MS cheerleading from Portage Regional Gastroenterology, LLC

\$30.00 Donation to HS cheerleading from the Gallagher's

\$20.00 Donation to HS yearbook from Renee Chlysta

\$100.00 Donation to HS athletics from R. Brockett

\$2000.00 Donation to HS athletics from All Sports Boosters

\$116.41 Donation to ES principal account from Target

\$100.00 Donation to MS cheerleading from Ryan Miller

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-96 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by D. White to approve the cash projection as presented.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Superintendent's Recommendations

08-97 Moved by P. Brett, seconded by D. White to consolidate and approve the following superintendent's recommendations: **A-H**

A. Approve the PIC Head Start Disabilities Services Cooperative Agreement for 2008/09.

B. Accept resignations of supplemental contracts for 2008/09: Greg Walker, Head Girls Track Coach; Theo Cebulla, 8th Grade Girls Basketball Coach

C. Grant supplemental/personal service contracts for 2008/09:

Jackie Lovelace – Power of the Pen (academic supplemental, Step 8 - \$701.64)

Kristine Gilmer – Fine Arts Night/Art Displays (academic supplemental, Step 8 - \$701.64)

Lori Morgan – National Junior Beta Club (academic supplemental, Step 6 - \$676.58)

Mike Paes – H.S. Assistant Baseball Coach (Step 1 – \$2,505.84)

Joe Gaither – M.S. Drama Production, Musical (Step 1 - \$1,566.15)

D. Approve Jennifer Ring and Dawnell Gernentz as home tutors for the 2008/09 school year:

E. Approve overnight trip to Niagara Falls, NY/Canada on May 28-29, 2009 for the 8th graders.

F. Hire Betty Anderson as a substitute custodian for 2008/09.

G. Hire Suzanne Podojil, Robert Falzini, Norma Copanic and Belinda Gaves as substitute teachers for 2008/09.

H. Approve payment in lieu of transportation for Herbert and William Kolmorgen, attending Warren Christian School, as transportation by a Board-owned vehicle would be impractical and unreasonable.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-98 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to hire Joshua Lintz and Seth Clerget as substitute teachers for 2008/09.

Ayes: Brett, Foy, Pietra, Vincent, White

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

President Guy Pietra asked for motion to adjourn. The motion was moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent; all were in favor and this meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Guy V. Pietra, President

Date

Tracy L. Knauer, Treasurer

James A. Garfield Local School District

Regular Meeting- November 13, 2008

Opening The James A. Garfield Board of Education met in the Middle School Library at 7:00 p.m. for the regular meeting. President Guy Pietra called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

President Guy Pietra led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon roll call the following members were present: Patricia Brett, Guy Pietra, David Vincent, and Gary Foy. Deral White was not present.

President Pietra asked the assembly to observe a moment of silence to remember Garfield graduates who are serving or have served in our armed forces.

Also present were staff members, students, community members, Superintendent and Treasurer

08-99 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy to accept and approve Board Meeting Agenda for November 13, 2008 and Addendum, as corrected.

Ayes: Brett, Pietra, Vincent, Foy

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

President Guy V. Pietra gave the President's report.

Patricia Brett gave the Maplewood Report.

David Vincent gave the legislative report.

Tracy Knauer gave with the Treasurer's report.

Charles Klamer gave the Superintendent's report

Visitor Recognition and Public Comments

Discussion about high school dress code and students wearing shorts during the winter months.

Educational Excellence

08-100 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy to recognize the following educational excellence; consolidated with addendum item:

- Recognize Mrs. Libby Frato-Sweeney, art teacher and students **Caitlin Feller, Marisa Grondin** and **Morgan Kaschalk** for their hard work and extra effort in creating the President Garfield banners hung on the high school building.
- Recognize Coach Joe Denzinger and the girl's soccer team for earning the Division II Sectional Championship. Members of the team include **Morgan Barbe, Lindsay Boyle, C.J. Carlisle, Paige Collins, Olivia Dressler, Samantha Greathouse, Stephanie Johnson, Maxxine Kasunick, Brooke Lee, Erica Marshall, Katherine McGarvey, Chelsi Moore, Ashley Mullins, Katrina Rhodes, Reita Silvis** and **Kynslie Thorndike**.
- Recognize **Olivia Dressler** for her outstanding soccer career; she scored 137 goals – the James A. Garfield High School and Portage County record.
- Recognize the Parent Teacher Organization for their numerous major contributions to the elementary and intermediate school.
- Recognize those students who received all A's for the first grading period of 2008/09:
 - 7th** **Kyle Angermeier, Candace Glinski, Travis Gorby, Thomas Learn, Andrew Lininger, Whitney Miller, Nathan Pratt, Paul Rhoads, Laura Wilburn**
 - 8th** **Abbie Brown, Tyler Covey, Kristin Eakin, Megan Hadzinsky, Hannah Kirk, Briana Miller, Samuel Nelson, Emily Rybak, Timothy Schwan**
 - 9th** **Lisa DeRue, Molly Everett, Katelynn Kaiser, Porter Lyons, Kelli Mulhern, Jessie O'Bryan, Bethany Pope, Darian Roberts**
 - 10th** **Jewel Debevec, Mitchell Hadzinsky, Maxxine Kasunick, Joshua Lawrence, Ian Reider**
 - 11th** **Brandon Davis, William Gruszewski, Erica Marshall, Jack Selesky, Scott Smith**

- 12th Matthew Belknap, Lindsay Boyle, Andrew Geber, Nathan Hadzinsky, Caroline Mangan, Ashley Mullins, Jonathan Sitoksy, Matthew Tolodzeski, Marina Wasilewski, Christine Wilthew
- 11th MCC Stuart Dunn, Kayla McCullough, Courtney Stocker, Sabrina Zalick
- 12th MCC Anna Laning, Jeremy Stone

Ayes: Brett, Pietra, Vincent, Foy
 Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Treasurer's Recommendations

08-101 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy to consolidate and approve the following recommendations, **A-F**:

- A.** Approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of October 9, 2008 as submitted.
- B.** Approve the financial reports for October 2008.
- C.** Accept donations:
 \$130.00 from the Pietra family for Excellent banners
 \$110.00 anonymous donation for prior year fees
 \$8,737.50 from Garfield PTO for elementary computers.
 \$350 each- from McDougal Publishers- donation of two (2) Brother Multifunction Printers (PCP-8060) to the High School Math Department
- D.** Approve certificate of availability:

<u>PO Number</u>	<u>PO Date</u>	<u>Invoice Date</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
38055	10/1/2008	9/29/2008	Business Works	\$3,240.50

- E.** Approve student activity budget for the Class of 2015- Revenue- \$31,000 Candy Sale and Student payments for Washington DC Trip; Expense- \$31,000 Cost of candy, Cost of Washington DC Trip
- F.** Approve student activity budget revision for the Class of 2011- \$2,500 for powder puff game & various fundraisers; \$1,000 for fundraiser costs and powder puff t-shirts.

Ayes: Brett, Pietra, Vincent, Foy
 Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-102 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to approve the Five Year Forecast as submitted.

Ayes: Brett, Pietra, Vincent, Foy
 Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-103 Moved by P. Brett, seconded by G. Foy to approve the amended certificate of resources and amended permanent appropriations for 2008/09.

	INITIAL	PREVIOUS	CURRENT	CERTIFICATION
FUND CLASSIFICATION	BUDGET	AMENDMENT	AMENDMENT	TO
FUND NAME	CERTIFICATION	REQUESTS	REQUEST	DATE
General Fund	13,630,334.83	-	321,284.00	13,951,618.83
		-		-
Special Revenue		-		
007 Special Trust	1,821.96	-		1,821.96
016 Emergency Levy	926,650.00	-		926,650.00
018 Public Support	107,091.98	-	32,385.00	139,476.98
031 Underground Storage	11,000.00	-		11,000.00

300 District Managed Act	120,067.78	18,692.00	18,200.00	156,959.78
432 Management Info System	5,400.00	-		5,400.00
440 Entry Year Programs	4,000.00	-		4,000.00
451 Network Connectivity	12,000.00	-		12,000.00
452 School Net Prof. Devel.	2,700.00	(270.00)		2,430.00
499 Misc. State Grants	15,501.04	(11,579.78)		3,921.26
516 Title VI-B	382,000.92	(75,748.65)		306,252.27
572 Title I-TA	123,237.60	45,977.01		169,214.61
573 Title V Innov.	2,424.00	241.22		2,665.22
584 Title VI SDFSC	4,425.00	(795.65)		3,629.35
587 Preschool	7,500.00	-		7,500.00
590 Title II-A	82,670.31	(1,319.71)		81,350.60
599 Title II-D / Misc. Federal	1,280.24	416.67		1,696.91
		-		
Debt Service		-		
002 Bond Retirement-Building	714,932.23	-		714,932.23
		-		
Capital Projects		-		
		-		
Enterprise		-		
006 Lunchroom	523,282.28	4,050.00		527,332.28
009 Uniform Supplies	35,610.63	1,500.00		37,110.63
		-		
Fiduciary		-		
022 District Agency	91,498.56	19,150.00		110,648.56
200 Student Activities	98,898.29	-	26,051.00	124,949.29
		-		-
Agency		-		-
007 Private Purpose Fund	14,999.14	210.56		15,209.70
	16,919,326.79	523.67	397,920.00	17,317,770.46

	PERMANENT
FUND CLASSIFICATION	APPROPRIATION
FUND NAME	REQUEST
General Fund	11,873,170.30
Special Revenue	
007 Special Trust	1,500.00
016 Emergency Levy	926,650.00
018 Public Support	103,683.00

031 Underground Storage	-
300 District Managed Act	137,038.00
432 Management Info System	5,300.00
440 Entry Year Programs	1,500.00
451 Network Connectivity	12,000.00
452 School Net Prof. Devel.	2,430.00
499 Misc. State Grants	3,921.26
516 Title VI-B	306,252.27
572 Title I-TA	169,214.61
573 Title V Innov.	2,665.22
584 Title VI SDFSC	3,629.35
587 Preschool	7,500.00
590 Title II-A	81,350.60
599 Title II-D / Misc. Federal	1,696.91
Debt Service	
002 Bond Retirement-Building	480,368.75
Capital Projects	
Enterprise	
006 Lunchroom	527,312.00
009 Uniform Supplies	22,133.00
Fiduciary	
022 District Agency	94,000.00
200 Student Activities	98,549.41
Agency	
007 Private Purpose Fund	9,150.00
	14,871,014.68

Ayes: Brett, Pietra, Vincent, Foy

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-104 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to accept donations: \$1,019.00 from the Roscoe S. Webb Trust; \$130.00 anonymous donation for two Garfield Excellent banners.

Ayes: Brett, Pietra, Vincent, Foy

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Board Business:

The Board discussed and set the date for the 2009 Organizational and regular meeting. The meeting will be held Thursday, January 8, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Middle School Library.

Moved by P. Brett, seconded by G. Foy to nominate Deral White as President Pro-Tempore for the 2009 Organizational Meeting.

Ayes: Brett, Pietra, Vincent, Foy

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-105 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy to approve Deral White as President Pro-

Tempore for the 2009 Organizational Meeting.

Ayes: Brett, Pietra, Vincent, Foy

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Superintendent's Recommendations

08-106 Moved by P. Brett, seconded by G. Foy to consolidate and approve the following superintendent's recommendations: **A-H:**

A. Accept the resignation of teacher Mrs. Deborah Cross due to retirement, effective February 1, 2009.

B. Accept the resignation of Lauren Molnar's personal service contract as 7th Grade Girls Basketball Co-Coach for 2008/09.

C. Grant supplemental/personal service contracts for 2008/09:

Lauren Molnar – 8th Grade Girl's Basketball Coach (Step 1 - \$2505.84)

Taylor Butler – 7th Grade Girl's Basketball Coach; she was co-coach w/Ms. Molnar (Step 1 - \$2505.84)

Iva Walker – Quiz Bowl Advisor (Step 1 - \$1252.92)

John Culp – H.S. Assistant Football Coach (Step 1 - \$3132.30)

Roger Carlson – H.S. Assistant Boy's Track Coach (Step 1 - \$2505.84)

Jim Pflieger – H.S. Head Girl's Track Coach (Step 1 - \$3132.30)

Nate Peters – H.S. Assistant Girl's Track Coach (Step 1 - \$2505.84)

D. Approve the new courses of study for math and language arts as developed by the Portage County E.S.C.

E. Approve open enrollment students; they recently moved from the Garfield District:

Quinci Slone – Cardinal

Taylor Mick – Windham

F. Hire Mike Cooper and John Crawford as substitute bus drivers for 2008/09.

G. Hire Ashley Lanning as a home tutor for 20 hours of American Sign Language instruction for a hearing impaired student; these hours will be completed by November 24, 2008.

H. Approve the agreement with Robinson Health Affiliates, Inc. for DOT drug testing/training services.

Ayes: Brett, Pietra, Vincent, Foy

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-107 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to consolidate and approve superintendent's recommendations, **A-C**

A. Grant supplemental/personal service contracts for 2008/09:

Sherry Makowski – H.S. Assistant Softball Coach (Step 2 - \$2,505.84)

Tom Bartz – H.S. Assistant Baseball Coach (Step 2 - \$2,505.84)

Ellen Rybak – M.S. Girls Track Coach (Step 4 - \$2,606.07)

Nate Peters – H.S. Assistant Boy's Basketball Coach (Step 2 - \$3,132.30)

Rob Hindman – H.S. Assistant Boy's Basketball Coach (Step 3 - \$3,257.59)

B. Approve volunteers for 2008/09: Robert Bradley and Bill Phelps, H.S. boy's basketball; Kyle Kresge, M.S. boy's basketball.

C. Approve Morgan Kaschalk as an open enrollment student; she recently moved out of the Garfield District.

Ayes: Brett, Pietra, Vincent, Foy

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

The expulsion appeal scheduled for approximately 8:00pm was cancelled.

Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy to enter executive session for conferences with an attorney of the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that subject to pending or imminent court action.

Ayes: Brett, Pietra, Vincent, Foy

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Invited into executive session were Attorney Leigh Herington, Superintendent and Treasurer. The Board entered Executive session at 7:49 p.m. and exited at 8:14 p.m.

President Guy Pietra asked for motion to adjourn, moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent. All were in favor and this meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Guy V. Pietra, President

Date

Tracy L. Knauer, Treasurer

James A. Garfield Local School District

Regular Meeting- December 11, 2008

Opening The James A. Garfield Board of Education met in the Middle School Library at 7:00 p.m. for the regular meeting. President Guy Pietra called the meeting to order at 7:16 p.m.

President Guy Pietra led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon roll call the following members were present: Patricia Brett, Guy Pietra, David Vincent, and Gary Foy. Deral White was not present.

President Pietra asked the assembly to observe a moment of silence to remember Garfield graduates who are serving or have served in our armed forces.

Also present were staff members, students, community members, Superintendent and Treasurer

08-107 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy to accept and approve Board Meeting Agenda for December 11, 2008 and Addendum, as corrected.

Ayes: Brett, Pietra, Vincent, Foy

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

President Guy V. Pietra gave the President's report.

Patricia Brett dispensed with the Maplewood Report.

David Vincent gave the legislative report.

Tracy Knauer gave the Treasurer's report.

Charles Klamer gave the Superintendent's report

Educational Excellence

Mr. Klamer recognized those present for educational excellence and photographs were taken with the Board President. Mr. Pietra thanked everyone for attending. He asked the board to separate the motion and recognize each educational excellence item individually.

08-108 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by P. Brett to recognize Mrs. Stephanie Byrne for her extra effort in writing an article, "When Things Go Wrong, the Results Can Turn Out Right" that was published in *Science and Children* magazine in October 2008. Some of the students that participated in this project were Mariah Armstrong, Logan Dean, Angelina DeFranco, Matt McCullough and Shiloh VanOss. The students are now at the Middle School.

Ayes: Brett, Pietra, Vincent, Foy

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-109 Moved by P. Brett, seconded by D. Vincent to recognize and thank the James A. Garfield community for their wonderful, generous support of the recent renewal levy – we couldn't do it without them!

Resolution Recognizing the Community's Support of Our Schools with the Approval of the Five-Year Renewal Levy

WHEREAS, the Board of Education recognizes the community's support of the schools by approving the levy on November 4, 2008 by a nearly 64% passage rate, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education appreciates that each precinct in the district showed their support for continuing the renewal levy, and

WHEREAS, this demonstrates the community believes in the students, staff and the *Excellent* state rated school district, and

WHEREAS, everyone is commended and duly recognized for supporting the students of the James A. Garfield Local School District, and

WHEREAS, the strong financial commitment is realized and appreciated by the current students, future students and all interested parties of our school system,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the James A. Garfield Board of Education on this eleventh day of December in the year two thousand and eight that the community is duly recognized for their support of the Garfield Schools.

Ayes: Brett, Pietra, Vincent, Foy

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Visitor Recognition and Public Comments

No visitors asked to be recognized.

Treasurer's Recommendations

08-110 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by D. Vincent to consolidate and approve the following recommendations, **A-H**

A. Approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of November 13, 2008 as submitted.

B. Approve the financial reports for November 2008.

C. Accept donations:

\$36.21	PTO to Elementary school for dry erase boards
\$40.96	Ohio Pyle to General Fund
\$20.00	Anonymous donation/Cheerleaders
\$1,200.00	Athletics Boosters to Athletics for Heart Monitors
\$600.00	Anonymous to Athletics for Heart Monitors
\$1,855.00	Band Boosters to General Fund for Instruments

D. Approve certificate of availability:

<u>PO Number</u>	<u>PO Date</u>	<u>Invoice Date</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
38096	10/2/08	9/15/08	Varsity Gold, Inc.	\$4,470.00

E. Approve student activity budget revision for the Pep Club- increase revenue \$3,500 for football t-shirts; increase expense \$3,400 for t-shirt cost/other misc. activity expenses.

F. Approve continued membership in the Ohio School Board's Association for 2009, including subscriptions to the Briefcase and School Management News for a total cost of \$4,069.

G. Approve student activity budget for the Band Fund- Revenue- \$1,392.00 Student payments Cedar Point Trip; Expense- \$1,387.00 Cost of Cedar Point Trip

H. Authorize the treasurer to notify administrators whose contracts are expiring in 2009.

Ayes: Brett, Pietra, Vincent, Foy

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-111 Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy to accept donations: \$130.00 from the Lions Club for two Garfield Excellent banners; \$400 for the Silver Crik Garden Club for the I.S. and E.S.

Ayes: Brett, Pietra, Vincent, Foy

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

Superintendent's Recommendations

08-112 Moved by G. Foy, seconded by G. Pietra to consolidate and approve the following

superintendent's recommendations: **A-H**

- A.** Accept the resignation of Aaron Gilbert as boy's soccer coach and soccer summer fitness for 2009/10.
- B.** Grant supplemental/personal service contracts for 2008/09:
Greg McDivitt (Junior) – H.S. Assistant Girls Basketball Coach (Step 1 - \$3,132.30)
Aaron Boyle – M.S. Boy's Track Coach (Step 1 – \$2,505.84)
- C.** Approve an unpaid leave of absence for child care for Summer Wasko, after using her maternity leave, for the balance of the 2008/09 school year.
- D.** Approve open enrollment students: Emily Slagle (Streetsboro); Madelyn Scirocco (Bloomfield-Mespo).
- E.** Hire Sandra Pelphrey as a substitute dietary aide for 2008/09.
- F.** Hire Elizabeth Siman, Deborah Lee and Gordon White as substitute teachers for the 2008/09 year.
- G.** Approve an agreement with The University of Akron to facilitate student teaching and field experiences for teacher education students.
- H.** Approve volunteers: Tyson Depinet and Brent Arbogast-H.S. girl's basketball; Danny Deakins and Ken Brigham-bowling; Jim Kuzniakowski-MS wrestling.
Ayes: Brett, Pietra, Vincent, Foy
Nays: None
Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

08-113 Moved by P. Brett, seconded by D. Vincent to consolidate and approve superintendent's recommendations: **A-B**

- A.** Approve Don Kramer as a volunteer to work with the H.S. wrestling team.
- B.** Approve Haley McCormick and Alexis Brooks as open enrollment students for the balance of the 2008/09 year; they recently moved from the Garfield District.
Ayes: Brett, Pietra, Vincent, Foy
Nays: None
Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

First reading of new/revised Board policies, as amended:

- 1460 Physical Examination
- 2220 Adoption of Courses of Study
- ~~2262 Child Care Programs (REMOVED)~~
- 2421 Career-Technical Education Program
- 2464 Gifted Education and identification
- 2623 Student Assessment and Academic Intervention Services
- 3120 Employment of Professional Staff
 - 3120.04/4120.04 Employment of Substitutes
 - 3120.05 Employment of Personnel in Summer School and Adult Education Programs
 - 3120.06 Selecting Student Teachers/Administrative Interns
 - 3120.07 Employment of Casual Resource Personnel
 - 3120.08/4120.08 Employment of Personnel for Co-Curricular/Extra-Curricular Activities
 - 3120.09/4120.09 Volunteers
- 3121/4121 Criminal History Record Check
- 3138/4138 Suspension During Pending Criminal Actions
- 3139/4139 Staff Discipline
- 3140/4140 Termination and Resignation
- 3160/4160 Physical Examination
- 3210/4210 Staff Ethics
- 3214/4214 Staff Gifts
- 5114 Foreign Exchange Students
- 6460 Vendor Relations
- 7540.01 Technology Privacy
- 7540.01V2 Technology Privacy – DELETE

8141 Mandatory Reporting of Misconduct by Licensed Employees
8142 Criminal History Record Check for Contracted School Services
8210 School Calendar
8310 Public Records
8315 Information Management
8351 Security Breach of Confidential Databases
8900 Anti-Fraud
9211 District Support Organizations
9270 Equivalent Education Outside the Schools (Home Schooling)

Added the following policies to the first reading:

0160 Consent Agenda
42XX Safety of Children and the Requirement for Immediate Response for Transportation Staff

Mr. Pietra reviewed the guidelines for student suspension appeal with Mr. VanOss and his minor child. Mr. VanOss and his minor child informed the Board they would like the suspension appeal to be heard in executive session.

Moved by D. Vincent, seconded by P. Brett to enter executive session for the purpose of conducting a suspension appeal, 8:02 p.m., invited into executive session were the treasurer, superintendent, Mr. Joseph Malmisur, High School Principal, Mrs. Jennifer Mulhern, Assistant High School Principal, Mr. VanOss and his minor child.

Ayes: Brett, Pietra, Vincent, Foy

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

President Guy V. Pietra declared the board back in regular session at 8:32 p.m. and asked for a motion to uphold, amend or reverse the suspension.

08-114 Moved by P. Brett, seconded by D. Vincent to uphold the suspension of Mr. VanOss's minor child.

Ayes: Brett, Pietra, Vincent, Foy

Nays: None

Mr. Pietra declared the motion passed

President Guy Pietra asked for motion to adjourn, moved by D. Vincent, seconded by G. Foy. All were in favor and this meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.