

**GARFIELD HEIGHTS BOARD OF EDUCATION
GARFIELD HEIGHTS, OHIO**

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Minutes – Organizational Board Meeting
January 5, 2015

The Board of Education of the Garfield Heights City School District met Special in session on Monday, January 5, 2015, at the Garfield Heights Board of Education Offices, 5640 Briarcliff Drive, Garfield Heights, Ohio 44125 at 12:00 p.m. Mr. Joseph M. Juby, President pro-tempore of the Board, presiding until such time as a new President of the 2015 Board is elected.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mr. Juby, Mr. Dobies, Mrs. Kitson, Mr. Wolske,
Absent: Mrs. Geraci

Moved by Mr. Wolske, seconded by Mrs. Kitson to adopt the agenda as presented.

Ayes: Wolske, Kitson, Dobies, Juby
Nays: None

ELECTION OF PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD FOR THE YEAR 2015

Mr. Wolske nominated Mr. Juby for President of the Board of the Garfield Heights City School District.

Moved by Mr. Dobies, seconded by Mrs. Kitson to close nominations.

Ayes: Dobies, Kitson, Wolske, Juby
Nays: None

Mr. Joseph M. Juby was elected President by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Sluka administered the Oath of Office to the elected President, Mr. Joseph M. Juby.

The meeting continued with Mr. Juby as president.

ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD FOR THE YEAR 2015

Mrs. Kitson nominated Mr. Wolske as Vice President of the Board of the Garfield Heights City School District.

Moved by Mr. Wolske, seconded by Mr. Dobies to close nominations.

Ayes: Wolske, Dobies, Kitson, Juby
Nays: None

Mr. Wolske was elected Vice-President by unanimous vote.

Mr. Sluka administered the Oath of Office to the elected Vice President, Mr. Gary Wolske.

SETTING OF THE TIME, DATE AND PLACE FOR REGULAR MEETINGS

Moved by Mr. Dobies, seconded by Mrs. Kitson that the Regular Monthly Board Meeting will be held the third Monday of every month at 6:00 p.m. unless otherwise designated by an *.

*January 12, 2015 at 4:00 p.m.

*February 2, 2015

March 16, 2015

April 20, 2015

May 18, 2015

June 15, 2015

July 20, 2015

August 17, 2015

September 14, 2015

October 20, 2015

November 16, 2015

December 14, 2015

Ayes: Dobies, Kitson, Wolske, Juby

Nays: None

Moved by Mrs. Kitson, seconded by Mr. Wolske to establish the Board Members' Service Fund in the amount of \$20,000.00.

Ayes: Kitson, Wolske, Dobies, Juby

Nays: None

Moved by Mr. Dobies, seconded by Mr. Wolske to approve the Board President's appointment of the following representatives/liaison for the 2014:

Board delegate to OSBA & NSBA	Mr. Gary Wolske
Student Activities Liaison	Mrs. June Geraci
Legislative Liaison	Mr. Gary Wolske
City Liaison	Mr. Robert A. Dobies, Sr.
Policy Liaison	Mrs. Christine Kitson & Mr. Gary Wolske

Ayes: Dobies, Wolske, Kitson, Juby

Nays: None

Moved by Mr. Wolske, seconded by Mrs. Kitson to authorize the Treasurer to make investments with active funds, as they are available.

Ayes: Wolske, Kitson, Dobies, Juby
Nays: None

TAX BUDGET HEARING

Mr. Sluka held the tax budget hearing at this time.

Moved by Mr. Wolske, seconded by Mrs. Kitson to approve resolution No. 2015-01, a resolution to approve the 2015 Tax Budget as presented in Exhibit "A".

Ayes: Wolske, Kitson, Dobies, Juby
Nays: None

Moved by Mr. Wolske, seconded by Mrs. Kitson to approve the district's participation in all scheduled property tax advances of all tax revenues collected in the calendar year 2015.

Ayes: Wolske, Kitson, Dobies, Juby
Nays: None

Moved by Mr. Wolske, seconded by Mrs. Kitson to accept the resignation of Jody Shy, Secretary of Special Projects at Central Office, effective January 9, 2015.

Ayes: Wolske, Kitson, Dobies, Juby
Nays: None

Moved by Mr. Wolske, seconded by Mrs. Kitson approve the classified contract(s) for the 2014-2015 school year as follows:

Name	Position	Hrs.	Exp.
Loreal Blake (eff: 12/17/14)	(1C) General Cafeteria – WF	4	0

Ayes: Wolske, Kitson, Dobies, Juby
Nays: None

Moved by Mr. Wolske, seconded by Mrs. Kitson approve the Athletic supplemental position(s) for the 2014-2015 school year as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Celina Broyles	Assistant Cheerleading Supervisor – HS (Winter)
Michael Turovsky	Little Bulldogs Wrestling Coach - District

Ayes: Wolske, Kitson, Dobies, Juby
Nays: None

Moved by Mr. Wolske, seconded by Mrs. Kitson approve the year-long Academic supplemental position(s) for the 2014-2015 school year as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Heather Graham	Noon Elementary Intramural Supervisor – EW (Second 2 Qtrs)
Allison Davila	Noon Elementary Intramural Supervisor – EW (Second 2 Qtrs)

Ayes: Wolske, Kitson, Dobies, Juby
Nays: None

Moved by Mr. Wolske, seconded by Mrs. Kitson accept the resignation of Alaina Washington, Tutor at William Foster, effective December 19, 2015.

Ayes: Wolske, Kitson, Dobies, Juby
Nays: None

Moved by Mr. Dobies, seconded by Mrs. Kitson to adjourn meeting at 12:25 p.m.

Ayes: Dobies, Kitson, Wolske, Juby
Nays: None



President



Treasurer

Resolution No. 2015-01**ALTERNATIVE TAX BUDGET INFORMATION**Name of School District: **Garfield Heights City Schools**For the Fiscal Year Commencing: **July 1, 2015**Fiscal Officer Signature Allen D. Sluka Date: **January 5, 2015**

COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA

Background

Substitute House Bill No. 129 (HB129) effective June 3, 2002, was enacted by the 124th General Assembly in part to allow a county budget commission to waive the requirement that a taxing authority adopt a tax budget for a political subdivision or other taxing unit, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Section 5705.281.

Under the law in effect prior to June 3, 2002, the budget commission could only waive the tax budget for a subdivision or other taxing unit that was receiving a share of the county undivided local government fund or the county undivided local government revenue assistance fund under an alternative method or formula pursuant to ORC Sections 5747.53 and 5747.63. Thus, tax budgets could be waived only for counties, municipalities, townships, and park districts. This restriction is now removed.

Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.281

Under the amended version of this section pursuant to HB 129, a county budget commission, by an affirmative vote of a majority of the commission, including an affirmative vote by the county auditor, may waive the tax budget for any subdivision or other taxing unit. However, the commission may require the taxing authority to provide any information needed by the commission to perform its duties, including the division of the tax rates as provided under ORC Section 5705.04.

County Budget Commission Duties

The county budget commission must still certify tax rates to each subdivision or other taxing unit, by March 1 for school districts and by September 1 for all other taxing authorities under ORC Section 5705.35, even when a tax budget is waived. Also, the commission is still required to issue an official certificate of estimated resources under ORC Section 5705.35 and amended official certificates of estimated resources under ORC Section 5705.36.

Therefore, when a budget commission is setting tax rates based on a taxing unit's need, for purposes of ORC Sections 5705.32, 5705.34, and 5705.341, its determination must be based on that other information the commission asked the taxing authority to provide under ORC Section 5705.281, when the tax budget was waived. Also, an official certificate must be based on that other information the commission asked the taxing authority to provide.

Alternative Tax Budget Information Filing Deadline

The fiscal officer for each school district must file one copy of this document with the County Auditor on or before January 20, 2015. [Note: The traditional deadline for submission of the tax budget has been January 20. There is the potential for flexibility on this date as a result of HB 129 depending on the needs of the Budget Commission, but in order for them to be on track with the certificate of available resources, the date may need to be very close to January 20].

Garfield Heights City Schools

2016 Alternative Tax Budget

Each school district is required by law to adopt a tax budget and must file a copy of the adopted budget with the County Auditor on or before January 22nd. The budget document is utilized by the County to determine the tax rate to be applied against property owners in the school district. This rate uses millage (inside millage and voted millage as determined by “**budget need**” for said millage). The County also uses the budget to provide the school district with their Certificate of Estimated Resources, which shows the allowable amount of funds that the district may appropriate by fund for the upcoming fiscal year (July 1 - June 30th).

State legislature approved House Bill 129, effective June 3, 2002, which allows a county budget commission to waive the requirement that a taxing authority adopt a tax budget for a political subdivision or other taxing unit, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.281. On October 11, 2002, the Cuyahoga County Budget Commission waived the requirement for taxing authorities of subdivisions or other taxing units (schools) to adopt a tax budget as provided under the above ORC, but shall require the filing of this Alternative Tax Budget Information document on an annual basis.

Schedule 1

This schedule shows all the voted (outside) and unvoted (inside) levy millage of the district and the amount of property tax dollars being requested from these levies. The dollar amounts being requested on this schedule were calculated using the latest property valuations from the County Auditor’s Schedule A. Please note that the amounts being requested of the Budget Commission (column ix) is higher than what the district will actually receive. This is due to the fact that the **Maximum Rate Authorized** (voted tax rate) was used and not the effective rate calculated under House Bill 920. The reason that we use the voted tax rate is to ensure that the County Fiscal Officer assesses and collects all taxes available to the district.

The General Fund has four voted levies: one continuing and three five-year emergencies. We need to keep in mind on the Emergency Levies that the amounts being requested are slightly higher than the amounts the voters approved. This is due to the fact that the district only collects 88% of the taxes owed to it. Therefore, we are **requesting** enough money to meet the voted amount assuming an 88% collection rate. Bond Retirement has two school improvement voted levies that are being used to pay off the annual debt requirements from those two issues outstanding as shown in Schedule 3. The amount being requested is to cover the debt service requirement coming due during this period. The Permanent Improvement Fund has a voted continuing levy to fund the OFCC half mill maintenance requirement, fund improvements, and to purchase equipment. The Continuing levy has no expiration date unless repealed by a vote of the public. We are again using the voted rate here also and not the effective rate as shown on Schedule 2.

Schedule 2

This schedule shows all funds of the district and their estimated financial activity for the 2015/2016 fiscal year. The property tax amounts shown on this schedule for the General Fund and Permanent Improvement Fund differs from schedule 1. These amounts show estimated taxes using the current **effective** tax rate as calculated by the County Fiscal Officer and not the **voted** rates shown on schedule 1. Each of the other fund's activities shown on this schedule is based on prior history.

Schedule 3

This schedule shows any unvoted general obligation debt that is outstanding and the current amount due in calendar year 2016. The district has one unvoted general obligation debt issue, the Energy Conservation Bonds.

Schedule 4

This schedule shows all outstanding long term debt as of the beginning of the calendar year for all voted and unvoted (do not have) debt outside the 10 mill limit. Shown here are the voted bond issues along with their refunded issues for the construction of the High School and other school improvements. This schedule also shows the current debt amount due during calendar year 2016. The county fiscal officer then assesses the necessary taxes to pay off this amount.

Schedule 5

This schedule shows tax anticipation notes. The District does not have any tax anticipation notes.

Please call me if you have any questions or concerns on this document or the information shown. As required by law, we will hold a public hearing on the tax budget at the Organizational meeting and then subsequently request you to approve it after the hearing is held and all questions answered.

DIVISION OF TAXES LEVIED

(Levies Inside & Outside 10 Mill Limitation, Inclusive Of Debt Levies)
(List All Levies Of The Taxing Authority)

Funds (General, Bond Retirement, Permanent Improvement)

SCHEDULE 1

I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX
Fund	Purpose	Authorized By Voters On MM/DD/YY	Levy Type	Number Of Years Levy To Run	Tax Year Begins/ Ends	Collection Year Begins/ Ends	Maximum Rate Authorized	\$ Amount Requested Of Budget Commission
001 - General	Current Expenses		Inside	Continuing			4.86	\$ 1,645,119
001 - General	Current Expenses		Outside	Continuing			28.90	\$ 9,782,701
001 - General	Emergency	May-10	Outside	5 years	2010-2014	2011-2015	8.40	\$ 2,843,415
001 - General	Emergency	May-11	Outside	5 years	2011-2015	2012-2016	9.70	\$ 3,283,467
001 - General	Emergency	Mar-12	Outside	5 years	2012-2016	2013-2017	13.80	\$ 4,671,324
002 - Bond Retirement	School Improvement	Nov 2000		25 years	2001-2025	2002-2026	11.00	\$ 3,723,519
002 - Bond Retirement	School Improvement	Nov 2002		23 years	2003-2025	2004-2026	1.00	\$ 338,502
003 - Permanent Improvement				Continuing			1.50	\$ 507,753
Totals								\$ 26,795,800

STATEMENT OF FUND ACTIVITY

(List All Funds Individually)

Garfield Heights City School District

SCHEDULE 2

I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII
Fund BY Type	Beginning Estimated Unencumbered Fund Balance	Property Taxes and Local Government Revenue	Other Sources Receipts	Total Resources Available for Expenditures	Total Estimated Expenditures & Encumbrances	Ending Estimated Unencumbered Balance
General Fund	1,433,000.00	17,000,000.00	22,800,000.00	41,233,000.00	40,000,000.00	1,233,000.00
Special Revenue						
018 - Public School Support	2,000.00	0.00	35,000.00	37,000.00	35,000.00	2,000.00
019 - Other Grant	1,000.00	0.00	60,000.00	61,000.00	60,000.00	1,000.00
034 - Classroom Facilities Maintenance Fund	5,000.00	290,000.00	0.00	295,000.00	290,000.00	5,000.00
300 - District Managed Activities	5,000.00	0.00	250,000.00	255,000.00	250,000.00	5,000.00
401 - Auxiliary Services	0.00	0.00	650,000.00	650,000.00	630,000.00	20,000.00
439 - Public School Preschool	0.00	0.00	85,000.00	85,000.00	85,000.00	0.00
451 - Data Communications	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
452 - SchoolNet Professional Development	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
463 - Alternative Education Challenge	0.00	0.00	58,000.00	58,000.00	58,000.00	0.00
499 - Miscellaneous State Grants	3,000.00	0.00	0.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
516 - IDEA Title VI-B	50.00	0.00	950,000.00	950,050.00	950,050.00	0.00
536 -Title I-Subpart A	0.00	0.00	70,000.00	70,000.00	70,000.00	0.00
572 - Title I	0.00	0.00	1,500,000.00	1,500,000.00	1,500,000.00	0.00
587 - Early Childhood Special Education Grant	0.00	0.00	53,000.00	53,000.00	53,000.00	0.00
590 - Title II-A	0.00	0.00	100,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00	0.00
599 - Miscellaneous Federal Grants	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Special Revenue	16,050.00	290,000.00	3,811,000.00	4,117,050.00	4,084,050.00	33,000.00

STATEMENT OF FUND ACTIVITY

(List All Funds Individually)

Garfield Heights City School District

SCHEDULE 2

I Fund BY Type	II Beginning Estimated Unencumbered Fund Balance	III Property Taxes and Local Government Revenue	IV Other Sources Receipts	V Total Resources Available for Expenditures	VI Total Estimated Expenditures & Encumbrances	VII Ending Estimated Unencumbered Balance
Debt Service						
002 - Bond Retirement Fund	1,518,000.00	3,990,304.67	0.00	5,508,304.67	4,171,483.75	1,336,820.92
Capital Projects						
003 - Permanent Improvement Fund	2,000.00	195,000.00	0.00	197,000.00	195,000.00	2,000.00
004 - Building Fund	35,000.00	0.00	0.00	35,000.00	30,000.00	5,000.00
010 - Classroom Facilities Fund	790,500.00	0.00	0.00	790,500.00	290,500.00	500,000.00
450 - SchoolNet Plus	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
458 - Interactive Video Distance Learning	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Capital Projects	827,500.00	195,000.00	0.00	1,022,500.00	515,500.00	507,000.00
Enterprise						
006 - Food Services	950,000.00	0.00	1,450,000.00	2,400,000.00	1,475,000.00	925,000.00
009 - Uniform Supplies	0.00	0.00	35,000.00	35,000.00	35,000.00	0.00
Total Enterprise	950,000.00	0.00	1,485,000.00	2,435,000.00	1,510,000.00	925,000.00
Internal Service						
014 - Internal Services Rotary	5,000.00	0.00	30,000.00	35,000.00	30,000.00	5,000.00
024 - Employee Benefits Self Insurance	205,000.00	0.00	400,000.00	605,000.00	400,000.00	205,000.00
Total Internal Service	210,000.00	0.00	430,000.00	640,000.00	430,000.00	210,000.00
Expendable Trusts						
007 - Expendable Trust	18,000.00	0.00	15,000.00	33,000.00	15,000.00	18,000.00
200 - Student Managed Activities	10,000.00	0.00	95,000.00	105,000.00	90,000.00	15,000.00
Total Expendable Trusts	28,000.00	0.00	110,000.00	138,000.00	105,000.00	33,000.00
Non-Expendable Trust						
008 - Blaugrund Endowment Scholarship	101,000.00	0.00	500.00	101,500.00	1,500.00	100,000.00
Total Non-Expendable Trust	101,000.00	0.00	500.00	101,500.00	1,500.00	100,000.00
TOTALS FOR MEMORANDUM ONLY	4,873,550.00	21,475,304.67	28,206,500.00	54,555,354.67	50,387,533.75	4,167,820.92

VOTED AND UNVOTED DEBT OUTSIDE 10 MILL LIMIT

Garfield Heights City School District

SCHEDULE 4

I Purpose Of Notes Or Bonds	II Authorized By Voters On MM/DD/YY	III Date Of Issue	IV Final Maturity Date	V Principal Amount Outstanding At The Beginning Of The Year	VI Amount Required To Meet Budget Year Principal & Interest Payments
School Improvement Bonds - 2001	November 7, 2000	December 15, 2001	December 15, 2026	\$ 2,165,000	\$ 2,281,369
School Improvement Bonds - 2006 Refunded	November 7, 2000	October 17, 2006	December 15, 2026	\$ 27,380,000	\$ 1,337,638
School Improvement Bonds - 2012 Refunded	November 5, 2002	January 15, 2004	December 15, 2026	\$ 6,260,000	\$ 352,638
				\$ 35,805,000	\$ 3,971,644

TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES

Garfield Heights City School District

SCHEDULE 5

Tax anticipation notes are issued in anticipation of the collection of the proceeds of a property tax levy. The amount of money required to cover debt service must be deposited into a bond retirement fund, from collections and distribution of the tax levy, in the amounts and at the times required to pay those debt charges as provided in the legislation authorizing the tax anticipation notes.
(ORC Section 133.24)

The appropriation to the fund which normally receives the tax levy proceeds is limited to the balance available after deducting the amounts to be applied to debt service.

After the issuance of general obligation securities or of securities to which section 133.24 of the ORC applies, the taxing authority of the subdivision shall include in its annual tax budget, and levy a property tax in a sufficient amount, with any other monies available for the purpose, to pay the debt charges on the securities payable from property tax. (ORC Section 133.25)

	Name Of Tax Anticipation Note Issue	Name Of Tax Anticipation Note Issue
Amount Required To Meet Budget Year Principal & Interest Payments:	NONE	
Principal Due		
Principal Due Date		
Interest Due		
Interest Due Date		
Interest Due		
Interest Due Date		
Total		
Name Of The Special Debt Service Fund		

Amount Of Debt Service To Be Apportioned To The Following Settlements:	NONE	
February Real		
August Real		
June Tangible		
October Tangible		
Total		
Name Of Fund To Be Charged		