The Regular Meeting of the Pleasant Local Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 p.m., Monday, February 9, 2009, by Ed Vaflor, President.

Mr. Vaflor led all in attendance in the pledge of allegiance to the flag, followed by prayer.

The following members responded to roll call: Tom Baker, Christine Mattix, Kim Miller, Gary Sims, and Ed Vaflor.

Public Comments:

Jim DeSimone stated he believed the levy would be difficult to pass and asked if any cuts had been made.

John Hoch asked if the Board had considered an income tax.

Teri Titensor asked whether additional pay to participate fees would be implemented if the levy did not pass.

Ms. Christine Mattix stated that the Finance Committee had discussed an income tax but was not in favor of it due to prior lack of success by schools in this area.

Mr. Larcomb stated that cuts have already been made in several areas. He also stated that some combination of revenue increases and expenditure decreases would be necessary if this levy fails.

09-189  Motion: Moved by Sims and seconded by Baker that the Board approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION OF NECESSITY TO LEVY A TAX FOR THE EMERGENCY REQUIREMENTS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT (R.C. Sections 5705.194 - 5705.197)

WHEREAS, the revenue which will be raised by all tax levies which the School District is authorized to impose, when combined with state and federal revenues, will be insufficient to provide for the emergency requirements of the School District.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Pleasant Local School District, Marion County, Ohio, a majority of the members of the Board concurring, that:

Section 1. It is necessary to levy a tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation for the purpose of providing for the emergency requirements of the School District. The amount of money necessary to raise for that purpose is One Million Seven Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars ($1,760,000), for each calendar year that the millage is in effect. The tax millage shall be in effect for ten (10) years and shall include a levy upon the 2009 tax list, if approved by a majority of the electors voting thereon.

Section 2. The question of levying the tax shall be submitted to the electors of the School District at the time of the election, currently scheduled for May 5, 2009 (the "Election Date").

Section 3. A copy of this resolution shall be certified by the Treasurer to the Marion County Auditor, not later than February 13, 2009 (which date is not less than eighty days prior to the Election Date), with instructions to calculate and certify to the Board 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 amount set forth in this resolution.
Section 4. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Roll Call: Baker-yea; Mattix-yea; Miller-yea; Sims-yea; Vaflor-yea.
Motion carried 5/0.

Certificate of Estimated Millage
Marion County Auditor Joan Kasotis presented the Certificate of Estimated Property Tax Millage Rate to the Board of Education.

09-190 Motion: Moved by Sims and seconded by Baker that the Board approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION DECLARING INTENT TO PROCEED WITH ELECTION OF THE QUESTION OF AN EMERGENCY TAX LEVY (R.C. Sections 5705.194 - 5705.197)

WHEREAS, on February 9, 2009, the Board passed a resolution declaring the necessity, in order to provide for the emergency requirements of the School District, to levy a tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation, to raise the amount of One Million Seven Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars ($1,760,000) for each year that said levy is in effect; and

WHEREAS, the Marion County Auditor has certified to the Board that an estimated annual levy of nine and fifty hundredths (9.50) mills for each one dollar of valuation which is ninety-five cents ($0.95) for each one hundred dollars of valuation, will be required to produce the annual amount set forth in the resolution of February 9, 2009.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Pleasant Local School District, Marion County, Ohio, a majority of the members of the Board concurring, that:

Section 1. The Board desires to proceed with the submission of the question to the electors of the School District.

Section 2. The Treasurer of the Board is hereby directed and shall simultaneously certify to the Marion County Board of Elections that the number of years the levy is to run will be ten (10), and that the levy will include a levy on the current year's tax list if approved by a majority of the electors voting thereon.

Section 3. The question of emergency tax levy shall be submitted to the electors of the School District at the election currently scheduled for May 5, 2009 (the "Election Date").

Section 4. The form of the ballot to be used at said election shall be substantially as follows:

Shall a levy be imposed by the Pleasant Local School District, Marion County, Ohio for the purpose of providing for the emergency requirements of the School District, in the sum of One Million Seven Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars ($1,760,000) and a levy of taxes to be made outside of the ten-mill limitation estimated by the county auditor to average nine and fifty hundredths (9.50) mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to ninety-five cents ($0.95) for each one hundred dollars of valuation, for a period of ten (10) years, commencing in 2009, first due in calendar year 2010?
Section 5. The Treasurer of the Board is hereby directed and shall certify, not later than February 19, 2009 (which date is not less than 75 days prior to the Election Date), to the Marion County Board of Elections a copy of the resolution of February 9, 2009 and a copy of this resolution together with the amount of the average tax levy, expressed in dollars and cents for each one hundred dollars of valuation, as well as in mills for each one dollar of valuation, as estimated by the Marion County Auditor.

Section 6. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Roll Call: Baker-yea; Mattix-yea; Miller-yea; Sims-yea; Vaflor-yea. Motion carried 5/0.

09-191 Motion: Moved by Sims and seconded by Baker that the Board approve the following professional leave requests:

Karen Patterson
Ohio After-School Network
Columbus, Ohio
February 11, 2009

Tom Haley
School Bus Inspection Standards
Fostoria, Ohio
March 12, 2009

Janice Probst
TRECA
Marion, Ohio
May 13 & 14, 2009

Lane Warner
E-Tech Conference
Columbus, Ohio
February 4, 2009

Lynn Pormen
E-Tech Conference
Columbus, Ohio
February 3, 2009

Kyle Strzelecki
E-Tech Conference
Columbus, Ohio
February 4, 2009

Jennifer Davis
E-Tech Conference
Columbus, Ohio
February 2, 2009
Kathryn Buchtel  
E-Tech Conference  
Columbus, Ohio  
February 2, 2009

Dori Traynham  
Musical Set-Up  
Marion, Ohio  
March 9, 2009

Bryan Decker  
E-Tech Conference  
Columbus, Ohio  
February 4, 2009

Brad Pettit  
E-Tech Conference  
Columbus, Ohio  
February 2-4, 2009

Pam Freshour  
E-Tech Conference  
Columbus, Ohio  
February 2-4

Laura Grover  
E-Tech Conference  
Columbus, Ohio  
February 3, 2009

Paula Riggs  
E-Tech Conference  
Columbus, Ohio  
February 2, 2009

Lane Warner  
Strategic Planning  
Marion, Ohio  
January 23, 2009

Bryan Decker  
Strategic Planning  
Marion, Ohio  
January 23, 2009

Roll Call: Baker-yea; Mattix-yea; Miller-yea; Sims-yea; Vaflor-yea.  
Motion carried 5/0.

09-192  
Motion: Moved by Sims and seconded by Baker that the meeting be adjourned.

Roll Call: Baker-yea; Mattix-yea; Miller-yea; Sims-yea; Vaflor-yea.  
Motion carried 5/0.

The foregoing Minutes are recorded on audio tape and are located in the Treasurer’s office, identified as tape dated February 9, 2009.

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President

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Treasurer