

# BRIEF CASE

## THE OHIO SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION

Serving the public school leadership team



### Association welcomes new members to Board of Trustees

Eight new school board members have joined the OSBA Board of Trustees, OSBA's primary governing body. The newly elected and appointed trustees are: Central Region: **Ken Morlock, Madison-Plains Local (Madison)**; Northeast Region: **Julie Schafer, Copley-Fairlawn City**, and **Douglas Stuart, Rittman EV and Wayne County Schools Career Center**; Northwest Region: **David Spridgeon, Arcadia Local (Hancock)**; Southeast Region: **Don E. Carpenter, Barnesville EV and Belmont-Harrison JVSD**; **Terry Halley, Gallia County Local (Gallia)** and **Gallia-Jackson-Vinton JVSD**; Southwest Region: **Rick Foster, Manchester Local (Adams)**, and **Vanessa Y. White, Cincinnati City**.

### Dates set for 10th annual OSBA Board Leadership Institute

The 2011 OSBA Board Leadership Institute (BLI) will be held April 29-30 at the Hilton Columbus/Polaris. This is the second year for BLI at this location, which offers lower room rates, free parking and close proximity to I-71 and first-class shopping and dining. The Friday-Saturday event features top speakers, two luncheons, a reception and many networking opportunities. The curriculum, designed by school board members, focuses on the latest developments in school governance. Registration is now open; see the promotional brochure inside this issue of the *Briefcase* for details.

### Ohio districts prepare to celebrate Black History Month

February is Black History Month, a time for the nation to reflect on the contributions and accomplishments of millions of black Americans. There are many outstanding resources available to help schools commemorate the month with learning activities, histories of African-American culture and profiles of individuals who have played — and continue to play — significant roles in our country. The National Education Association has a number of resources posted at [www.nea.org/tools/37916.htm](http://www.nea.org/tools/37916.htm). Another source is a National Archives website at [links.ohioschoolboards.org/32201](http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/32201).

### OSBA's Al Meloy retires after a decade of service

Deputy Director of School Board Services **Al Meloy** retired on Jan. 14, 10 years to the day after he began his OSBA career. Prior to joining the association, Meloy served for more than 30 years as a teacher, principal and superintendent in Michigan.

### School Board Recognition Month deadline drawing near

Feb. 11 is the deadline for districts to submit information on their School Board Recognition Month celebrations. OSBA will feature those activities in the *Journal* magazine and on its website. Send your news and photos to **Gary Motz** at [gmotz@](mailto:gmotz@)

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### Route workshop information to:

- ☐ Administrators
- ☐ Curriculum directors
- ☐ Principals

ohioschoolboards.org; 8050 N. High St., Suite 100, Columbus, OH 43235 or [www.ohioschoolboards.org/forms/SBRM.php](http://www.ohioschoolboards.org/forms/SBRM.php).

### RttT districts invited to attend regional meetings

The Ohio Department of Education (ODE) will conduct five two-part regional sessions on implementing Race to the Top (RttT) initiatives. Cooperating groups are Battelle for Kids, the International Center for Leadership in Education, OSBA and a number of ESCs. Five members of each RttT district transformation team may attend the daytime part of the meeting. Board members, building administrators, parents, business leaders and community leaders are invited to the evening session. The schedule is: Feb. 9, Northeast; March 7, Northwest; March 16, Central; April 20, Southeast; and May 11, Southwest. The Northeast meeting will be held at Cuyahoga

### Ex-teacher leaves district nearly \$1 million for scholarships

The generosity of a former **Rolling Hills Local (Guernsey)** English teacher and librarian will enable more of the rural eastern Ohio district's students to attend college.

**Miriam Hawes**, who died last year at the age of 90, bequeathed the district more than \$950,000. Her will states that the money must be used exclusively for student scholarships.

The district learned of the gift in December and expects to receive the money soon.

"We are very fortunate to receive this," Rolling Hills Local Superintendent **Dalton Summers** told a local newspaper. "It will be our largest scholarship fund. We are very grateful to Miss Hawes and we want to thank her family."

Source: *The (Cambridge) Daily Jeffersonian*

County ESC. Other locations will be announced. For more information, contact **Joan Nichols** at (614) 644-6327 or [joan.nichols@ode.state.oh.us](mailto:joan.nichols@ode.state.oh.us).

### Chancellor announces plan to evaluate education colleges

Ohio Board of Regents

Chancellor **Eric D. Fingerhut** has unveiled the Ohio Educator Preparation Metrics to rate teacher education programs at public and private universities. Ohio is the first in the U.S. to undertake such evaluations. Mandated by Ohio House Bill 1 of the 128th General Assembly, the evaluation system was developed by the Board of Regents in cooperation with two higher education groups. The Ohio Department of Education also played a key role.

### OSBA online

● [www.ohioschoolboards.org](http://www.ohioschoolboards.org)

**South Euclid-Lyndhurst City's** AVTV Productions was the official student video documentary team for the 2010 Capital Conference. Students filmed events and conducted interviews to create a brief documentary, which is posted on the OSBA website at [links.ohioschoolboards.org/77094](http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/77094). The video will be used to promote the conference.



## Briefcase

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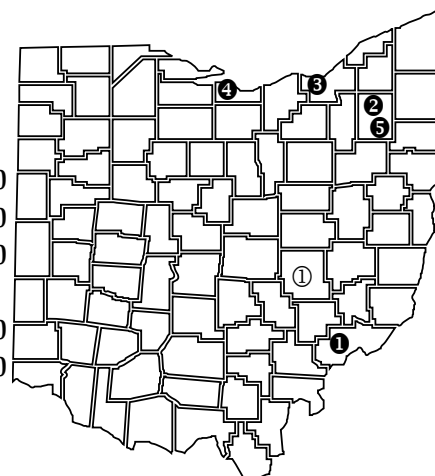
# BULLETIN BOARD

compiled by Melanie Price, administrative assistant of communication services

## OSBA executive searches

### Superintendent

| District                        | Deadline | Contact                              |
|---------------------------------|----------|--------------------------------------|
| ① Belpre City                   | Feb. 4   | OSBA Search Services, (614) 540-4000 |
| ② Streetsboro City              | Feb. 9   | OSBA Search Services, (614) 540-4000 |
| ③ Cuyahoga Valley Career Center | Feb. 18  | OSBA Search Services, (614) 540-4000 |
| ④ Berlin-Milan Local (Erie)     | TBD      | OSBA Search Services, (614) 540-4000 |
| ⑤ Ravenna City                  | TBD      | OSBA Search Services, (614) 540-4000 |



### Treasurer

| District          | Deadline | Contact                              |
|-------------------|----------|--------------------------------------|
| ① Zanesville City | TBD      | OSBA Search Services, (614) 540-4000 |

① = Superintendent

① = Treasurer

## Other searches

| Position       | District                     | Deadline | Contact   |
|----------------|------------------------------|----------|---|
| Superintendent | Benjamin Logan Local (Logan) | Feb. 11  | Deborah Oberdier, superintendent's administrative assistant, Benjamin Logan Local, (937) 593-9211         |
| Superintendent | Minster Local (Auglaize)     | Feb. 18  | James Herrholtz, superintendent, Auglaize County ESC, (419) 738-3422                                      |
| Superintendent | Ontario Local (Richland)     | Feb. 18  | Tom Lavinder, director, The Telego Center for Educational Improvement, Ashland University, (419) 289-5921 |
| Superintendent | Sidney City                  | Feb. 18  | Heather Neer, superintendent, Shelby County ESC, (937) 498-1354   |
| Superintendent | Wayne Trace Local (Paulding) | Feb. 25  | John Basinger, superintendent, Western Buckeye ESC, (419) 399-4711  |
| Treasurer      | Winton Woods City            | Feb. 25  | John Pennycuff, board president, Winton Woods City, (513) 476-6340  |

### Editor's note

Job postings must be received six weeks before the application deadline to ensure timely publication.  
Thank you for your cooperation.

## National searches

| Position       | District                       | Deadline | Contact   |
|----------------|--------------------------------|----------|---|
| Superintendent | Lander, Wyo.                   | Jan. 26  | McPherson & Jacobson, executive recruitment & development, (402) 991-7031                                 |
| Superintendent | Spencer-East Brookfield, Mass. | Jan. 28  | <b>Glenn Koocher</b> , executive director, Massachusetts Association of School Committees, (800) 392-6023 |

## Board changes

**Amanda-Clearcreek Local (Fairfield)** Board of Education member **Charles J. Hocking** announced his resignation effective Jan. 3. ●●● **Dayton City** Board of Education member **Jeffrey Mims** announced his resignation effective Dec. 31. He was elected to the State Board of Education. ●●● **London City** Board of Education member **Eric Schooley** announced his resignation effective Jan. 5. He is taking an appointment as Madison County Municipal Court judge. ●●● **Manchester Local (Summit)** Board of Education member **Richard J. Kaderly** announced his resignation effective immediately. He was appointed to the New Franklin City Council. ●●● **Pymatuning Valley Local (Ashtabula)** Board of Education member **Casey Kozlowski** announced his resignation effective Dec. 31. He was elected to the Ohio House of Representatives. ●●● **Tallmadge City** Board of Education member **Dennis K. Loughry** announced his resignation effective Dec. 31. He is taking the position as Tallmadge's public service director. ●●● **Woodridge Local (Summit)** Board of Education member **James Vechery** announced his resignation effective Jan. 10.

## Administrative changes

### Superintendents

**Athens-Meigs ESC** Superintendent **John Costanzo** announced his resignation effective Jan. 31. The board hired **William Buckley** as interim superintendent. ●●● **Benjamin Logan Local (Logan)** Superintendent **Stanley P. Mounts** announced his retirement effective July 31. ●●● **Fairfield City** hired **Paul Otten** as superintendent effective Aug. 1. He will replace **Catherine Milligan**, who is retiring effective July 31. Otten is currently the district's assistant superintendent. ●●● **Old Fort Local (Seneca)** hired **Jude Meyer** as interim superintendent effective immediately. He replaced **Laura Keller**, who resigned to take a position with the Ohio Department of Education. Meyer is the district's athletic director and was an assistant principal in the district. ●●● **West Muskingum Local (Muskingum)** Superintendent **Sharon Smith** announced her resignation effective July 31.

### Treasurers

**Ridgewood Local (Coshocton)** hired **Jay Tingle** as treasurer effective Jan. 30. He replaces **Lori Statler**, who took a position at **Claymont City**. Tingle is currently a support services manager for **Barnesville EV**. ●●● **Winton Woods City** Treasurer **Tom Golinar** is resigning to accept another professional opportunity.

## Sympathies

Former **Bedford City** Board of  
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## OSBA Northeast Regional Manager position available

The Ohio School Boards Association is looking for a part-time regional manager for OSBA's Northeast Region. Working from his/her home or office, this person will plan and coordinate meetings, facilitate the activities of regional committees and keep the executive director informed about regional issues. Knowledge about OSBA, school boards and public education is essential. For more information or an application, contact OSBA Executive Director Richard Lewis at (614) 540-4000. Completed applications are due no later than Feb. 4, 2011. EOE



# Lead your district in achieving its mission



## *attend the Board Presidents' Workshop*

**Saturday, Jan. 29 ● OSBA office, Columbus, and Findlay Inn & Conference Center, Findlay**  
**Saturday, Feb. 5 ● Roberts Conference Centre, Wilmington, and NEOUCOM, Rootstown**  
**Registration begins at 8:15 a.m. The program is from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.**

School board presidents serve critical leadership roles in their school districts. The president is the visible leader of the board and responsible for the efficient and legal operation of board business.

Unfortunately, too many board presidents attempt to accomplish the duties of president by going it alone, feeling that on-the-job training is all that is needed to fulfill this leadership responsibility. It is to your advantage and a benefit to your school district to be well-informed and skillful enough to perform your leadership duties effectively. Bring your questions about your leadership role to this workshop.

### **Topics to be covered include:**

#### **Board development**

- ◆ Role of the school board president
- ◆ Indicators of an effective board
- ◆ A board president's checklist
- ◆ Effective board operating principles

#### **Legal issues**

- ◆ Open meetings and open records
- ◆ Presiding and using parliamentary procedure at meetings
- ◆ New reporting requirements

#### **Management services**

- ◆ Best practices in health care pooling
- ◆ Key employee issues
- ◆ Administrative hearings
- ◆ Critical negotiations considerations
- ◆ Contract administration
- ◆ Policy update
- ◆ Health care update

The workshop will be presented by OSBA staff. Tuition is \$150 and covers registration; materials, including the *Board Presidents' Handbook*; lunch; and refreshments.

To register, call (614) 540-4000 or (800) 589-OSBA or register online at  
**[www.ohioschoolboards.org/event\\_listing](http://www.ohioschoolboards.org/event_listing).**



# Special Education Law Workshop

Friday, March 11  
9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

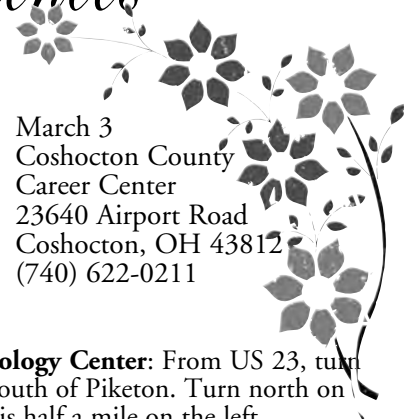
Doubletree Hotel  
Columbus/  
Worthington

Cost is \$140

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|-------------------|--|------------------|---|
| <b>8:30 a.m.</b>  | <b>Registration and continental breakfast</b>  | <b>1:50 p.m.</b> | <b>Seclusion and restraint: concerns and solutions</b>  |
| <b>9 a.m.</b>     | <b>Ohio Department of Education update</b><br>The Office of Exceptional Children will provide information on office initiatives, compliance issues, federal OSEP reviews and caseload ratios. Time for Q&A included.   |                  | This session will discuss the concerns related to the use of seclusion and restraint, provide information on their use within Ohio schools and share current efforts designed to ensure that schools provide effective and safe behavior intervention procedures.<br><i>John E. Britton, Esq., Britton, Smith, Peters &amp; Kalail Co. LPA, Cleveland</i> |
| <b>10 a.m.</b>    | <b>Private placement and alternative settings</b>  |                  |   |
| <b>11:30 a.m.</b> | <b>Lunch (provided)</b>  | <b>2:20 p.m.</b> | <b>A road map to resolving special education conflicts</b>  |
| <b>12:30 p.m.</b> | <b>More, more, more on 504</b><br>Back by popular demand, the author of OSBA's <i>Special Education Law in Ohio</i> book provides a Section 504 recap and discussion of specific Section 504 topics. Time for Q&A included.<br><i>Susan E. Geary, Esq., Bricker &amp; Eckler LLP, Columbus</i> |                  | Conflict happens. Join us for a session dedicated to handling the complaint process. Learn proactive ways to prevent the headaches — and expense — that can be caused by complaints. Time for Q&A included.   |
| <b>1:40 p.m.</b>  | <b>Break</b>   | <b>3 p.m.</b>    | <b>Adjourn</b>  |
|                   |  |                  | Unauthorized audio recording or videotaping of any session is strictly prohibited.  |

The Doubletree Hotel Columbus/Worthington is located at 175 Hutchinson Ave. in north Columbus. Take I-270 to exit 23/US 23 north toward Delaware. At the first traffic light, turn right onto East Campus View Boulevard. Turn right at the next light onto High Cross Boulevard. When High Cross ends you will be facing the Doubletree Hotel Columbus/Worthington.

# Southeast Region Spring Conferences



**Pike County Career Technology Center program — Tuesday, March 1**

**5:30 p.m. Registration and social hour**

**6:15 p.m. Presiding**  
*W. Bryce Watt, Southeast Region president; board member, Muskingum Valley ESC*

**Dinner and entertainment**  
*Eastern Local (Meigs) High School Bell Choir*

**Greetings and update from OSBA**  
*Cathy Johnson, OSBA president; board member, South-Western City; and Richard Lewis, executive director, OSBA*

**NSBA School Board Member National Recognition Program**

**Recognition of Student Achievement Fair participants**

**Presentation of OSBA Awards of Achievement**

**Recognition of veteran board members**

**Program — legislative update**  
*Damon Asbury, director of legislative services, OSBA*

**Past president's recognition**

**Adjourn**

## Locations

March 1  
Pike County Career  
Technology Center  
175 Beaver Creek Road  
Piketon, OH 45661  
(740) 289-2721

March 3  
Coshocton County  
Career Center  
23640 Airport Road  
Coshocton, OH 43812  
(740) 622-0211

## Directions

**To Pike County Career Technology Center:** From US 23, turn east on SR 32 about two miles south of Piketon. Turn north on Beaver Creek Road. The school is half a mile on the left.

## To Coshocton County Career Center:

From the east: Take I-77 to US 36. Turn west. Turn left onto Airport Road.

From the west: Take US 36 east. Turn right onto Airport Road.

From the south: Take SR 83 north. Turn right onto SR 16/SR 83. SR 16 becomes US 36 east. Turn right onto Airport Road.

Follow signs to the career center's second driveway.

## Award of Achievement

This conference entitles board members to five Award of Achievement credits.

## Authority for reimbursement

Ohio Revised Code Section 3315.15 authorizes the establishment of a service fund for board members. This fund can be used for expenses incurred for meetings such as this.

**Coshocton County Career Center program — Thursday, March 3**

**5:30 p.m. Registration and social hour**

**6:15 p.m. Presiding**  
*W. Bryce Watt, Southeast Region president; board member, Muskingum Valley ESC*

**Dinner and entertainment**  
*Switzerland of Ohio Local's (Monroe) Powhatan Elementary School Choir*

**Greetings and update from OSBA**  
*Cathy Johnson, OSBA president; board member, South-Western City; and Richard Lewis, executive director, OSBA*

**Recognition of Student Achievement Fair participants**

**Presentation of OSBA Awards of Achievement**

**Recognition of veteran board members**

**Entertainment**  
*River View Local's (Coshocton) Certified Gold Chamber Ensemble*

**Program — legislative update**  
*Michelle Francis and Jay Smith, lobbyists, OSBA*

**Adjourn**

## Registration

Please check which conference you will attend.

☐ March 1, Piketon      ☐ March 3, Coshocton

Registration and dinner fee is \$35 each for OSBA members, guests and spouses. Enclosed is a check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to cover \_\_\_\_\_ registrations for the OSBA Southeast Region Spring Conference. Please make checks payable to OSBA Southeast Region Spring Conference and mail to **Paul D. Mock, regional manager, 685 E. Main St., Logan, OH 43138-1737**. Phone (740) 385-5240; fax: (740) 380-2487; e-mail: pmock@ohioschoolboards.org. Deadline for registration is Tuesday, Feb. 22. **Please include payment with reservation.** Registrants who cancel at least three workdays before the day of the meeting may request a full refund. All others will be charged the full registration fee.

District/county \_\_\_\_\_

Name, title \_\_\_\_\_

Name, title \_\_\_\_\_

Name, title \_\_\_\_\_



\_\_\_\_ Check here if you require special accommodations. Attach a written description of needs. (Please photocopy this form for additional registrations.)



# Northwest Region 64th Annual Spring Conference

Thursday, March 10, 2011



**Apollo Career Center**  
**3325 Shawnee Road, Lima, OH 45806**  
**(419) 998-2961**

**5:30 p.m. Registration, socializing and appetizers**

**Welcome and introductions**

*Dr. Angela Zimmann, Northwest Region president; board member, Lucas County ESC*

**6 p.m. Dinner**

*Provided by Apollo Career Center's Restaurant Management Technology program, led by Culinary Arts Instructor Carrie Hamilton*

**Entertainment**

*Bath Local's (Allen) High School American Sign Language program; introduction by Tim McKinney, Bath Local*

**OSBA & legislative updates**

*Cathy Johnson, OSBA president, board member, South-Western City; and Richard Lewis, executive director, OSBA*

**Keynote speaker:** "Phoenix Middle School: An Ideal School that is Right for Kids"

*Timothy Dove, 2011 Ohio Teacher of the Year, Worthington City*

**7:45 p.m. Awards and recognitions**

**● Recognition of Award of Achievement recipients**

*Presenters: Cathy Johnson and Richard Lewis*

**● Recognition of past Northwest Region Executive Committee members**

*Presenter: David Spridgeon, Northwest Region president-elect; board member, Arcadia Local (Hancock)*

**● Presentation of the Northwest Region Excellence Award for Outstanding Leadership: Who's Who in the Northwest Region?**

*Presenters: Dr. Angela Zimmann and Brian Baker, Northwest Ohio ESC and Four County Career Center*

**● Recognition of 2011 Teacher of the Year nominees**

*Presenters: Jackie Brown, Rossford EV and Penta Career Center; and Robert McPherson, Bath Local & Apollo Career Center*

**● Recognition of 2010 National Board Certified Teachers**

*Presenters: Dr. Angela Zimmann and Eric Germann, Lincolnview Local (Van Wert)*

**● Recognition of Northwest Region Humanitarian Award: "Super Bowl Sweep Stock your Food Pantry Week" winner**

*Presenters: Dr. Angela Zimmann and Dr. Paul R. Lockwood II, North Point ESC and EHOVE Career Center*

**8:30 p.m. Adjourn**

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**Directions**

From the north: Take I-75 south to exit 120 toward Apollo Career Center. Turn right onto West Breese Road. Turn right onto Shawnee Road. The center is on the right.

From the south: Take I-75 north to exit 120 toward Fort Shawnee. Turn left onto West Breese Road. Turn right onto Shawnee Road. The center is on the right.

From the east or west: Take SR 309 or US 30 to I-75. Follow the directions above.

**Registration**

Registration and dinner fee is \$30 per person or \$160 per table (seats six) for OSBA members, guests and spouses. Enclosed is a check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to cover \_\_\_\_\_ registrations or \_\_\_\_\_ tables. Please include a list of attendees and titles with your registration. **Please make checks payable to OSBA Northwest Region and mail to Dr. Judy Jackson May, regional manager, 517 Education Building, Bowling Green, OH 43403.** Phone (419) 372-7373. E-mail address is [jjacksonmay@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:jjacksonmay@ohioschoolboards.org). Deadline for registration is Friday, March 4. **Please include payment with reservation.** Registrants who cancel at least three workdays before the day of the meeting may request a full refund. All others will be charged the full registration fee. While checks are preferred, we can accept purchase orders for districts reserving one or more tables.

District/County \_\_\_\_\_  
Name, Title \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_ Check here if you require special accommodations. Attach a written description of needs. (Please photocopy this form for additional registrations.)



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# Good decisions require informed decision-makers

Learning what it takes to be an effective school board member has been estimated to take at least two years of board service. The challenge is not only for new board members, it's ongoing.

Whether you're in your first term or your 10th, the ever-changing world of public education governance is one in which continuing education and professional development are critical. So, where does a board member go for that ongoing training? Answer — OSBA's Board Leadership Institute!

As a member of your school district's governing body, you are called on at every meeting to make important decisions. Some decisions are easy; others complicated. That's why board member development is so important.

## At BLI, board members can ...

- *Participate in a program designed exclusively for and by board members*
- *Experience a comprehensive two-day training event*
- *Hear nationally acclaimed speakers*
- *Choose from 18 different breakout sessions*
- *Receive a CD with all of the handouts from this board member-only event*
- *Network with other board members*
- *Strengthen board governance skills*
- *Earn 20 Award of Achievement points*

## New location means more options for attendees



The 2011 Board Leadership Institute will be held April 29–30 at the Hilton Columbus/Polaris. The Hilton is in north Columbus, near the Polaris Fashion Place mall. This location is easily accessible for attendees, offers free parking and is close to many dining opportunities. Also, OSBA secured a reduced hotel rate for BLI attendees: just \$121 per night if the room is booked by April 8. To reserve your room, contact the Hilton Columbus/Polaris at (614) 885-1600 and mention you are with OSBA.

# Learning doesn't stop when you're elected, it begins!

Almost all board members agree that they could use more training in tackling school district problems. When asked how, board members say they want training that is highly task-oriented, takes a short period of time, is done in small groups and is led by outstanding instructors.

To meet these requests, OSBA is working with board members from across the state to develop the annual Board Leadership Institute. The two-day workshop, planned for April 29–30, is designed specifically for board members and will focus on numerous topics.

Participants will have the opportunity to attend the opening general session, multiple breakout sessions and closing luncheon, as well as network with each other.

Twenty points will be awarded for attending the institute, which may be applied toward receiving OSBA's Award of Achievement and Master Board Member Award.



## Reflections from 2010 attendees

*"BLI exceeded my expectations, with lots of information relevant to school operation that I will take back to the board members that didn't attend."*

*"The presentation was informative and useful. The speaker encouraged group discussion and allowed for great board networking."*

*"The topics were relevant and pertinent to the issues facing school boards today."*

*"I was glad to see so many brand new board members in attendance. I always appreciated the notebooks full of material, but love the CD with all of the handouts."*

*"The session was informative, concise and easy to understand."*

**For registration information, contact Laurie Miller. For all other questions, please contact Rob Delane. You can reach Miller and Delane at (614) 540-4000 or (800) 589-OSBA, or visit OSBA's Web site at [www.ohioschoolboards.org](http://www.ohioschoolboards.org).**



# Districts represented at the 2010 BLI

|  |   |   |  |
|--|---|---|--|
| Allen County ESC                                 | Frontier Local<br>(Washington)            | Mogadore Local (Summit)                     | South-Western City                               |
| Alliance City                                    | Gallia-Vinton ESC                         | Muskingum Valley ESC                        | Southeast Local (Portage)                        |
| Amherst EV                                       | Goshen Local (Clermont)                   | National Trail Local<br>(Preble)            | Southeast Local (Wayne)                          |
| Anthony Wayne Local<br>(Lucas)                   | Great Oaks ITCD                           | Nelsonville-York City                       | Southwest Local<br>(Hamilton)                    |
| Arcadia Local (Hancock)                          | Green Local (Scioto)                      | New Albany-Plain Local<br>(Franklin)        | Springfield Local (Lucas)                        |
| Ashland City                                     | Greene County Career<br>Center            | New Boston Local (Scioto)                   | Springfield-Clark Career<br>Technology Center    |
| Ashtabula Area City                              | Greenfield EV                             | New Miami Local (Butler)                    | Strasburg-Franklin Local<br>(Tuscarawas)         |
| Ashtabula County ESC                             | Greenon Local (Clark)                     | Noble Local (Noble)                         | Streetsboro City                                 |
| Ashtabula County JVSD                            | Greenville City                           | North Baltimore Local<br>(Wood)             | Toledo City                                      |
| Athens City                                      | Hamilton County ESC                       | North Central Ohio ESC                      | Tolles Career & Technical<br>Center              |
| Auburn Career Center                             | Hamilton Local (Franklin)                 | North College Hill City                     | Tri-County Career Center                         |
| Batavia Local (Clermont)                         | Hicksville EV                             | North Point ESC                             | Tri-County ESC                                   |
| Bedford City                                     | Hillsboro City                            | North Royalton City                         | Tri-Rivers Career Center                         |
| Belpre City                                      | Hillsdale Local (Ashland)                 | Northern Local (Perry)                      | Trumbull Career &<br>Technical Center            |
| Berea City                                       | Huber Heights City                        | Northridge Local<br>(Montgomery)            | Upper Valley JVSD                                |
| Bettsville Local (Seneca)                        | Indian Lake Local (Logan)                 | Northwest Local (Stark)                     | Valley Local (Scioto)                            |
| Bradford EV                                      | Ironton City                              | Northwestern Local (Clark)                  | Valley View Local<br>(Montgomery)                |
| Brooklyn City                                    | Kalida Local (Putnam)                     | Norton City                                 | Van Wert City                                    |
| Brunswick City                                   | Kelleys Island Local (Erie)               | Olentangy Local<br>(Delaware)               | Vanguard-Sentinel Career<br>& Technology Centers |
| Buckeye Central Local<br>(Crawford)              | Kenston Local (Geauga)                    | Oregon City                                 | Versailles EV                                    |
| Cambridge City                                   | Kettering City                            | Perry-Hocking ESC                           | Warrensville Heights City                        |
| Canfield Local (Mahoning)                        | Knox County Career<br>Center              | Pickaway-Ross Career &<br>Technology Center | Washington Court House<br>City                   |
| Chillicothe City                                 | Knox County ESC                           | Pike County Career<br>Technology Center     | Washington-Nile Local<br>(Scioto)                |
| Clay Local (Scioto)                              | Lakeview Local<br>(Trumbull)              | Polaris Career Center                       | Waterloo Local (Portage)                         |
| Columbia Local (Lorain)                          | Lakewood City                             | Preble County ESC                           | Wauseon EV                                       |
| Columbus City                                    | Lancaster City                            | Pymatuning Valley Local<br>(Ashtabula)      | Waverly City                                     |
| Columbus Grove Local<br>(Putnam)                 | Lawrence County JVSD                      | Ravenna City                                | Wayne County Schools<br>Career Center            |
| Copley-Fairlawn City                             | Lima City                                 | Reading Community City                      | Wellington EV                                    |
| Crestwood Local (Portage)                        | Logan-Hocking Local<br>(Hocking)          | Richmond Heights Local<br>(Cuyahoga)        | West Geauga Local<br>(Geauga)                    |
| Cuyahoga Heights Local<br>(Cuyahoga)             | Lorain County JVSD                        | Ridgewood Local<br>(Coshocton)              | Western Reserve Local<br>(Huron)                 |
| Cuyahoga Valley Career<br>Center                 | Mad River Local<br>(Montgomery)           | Rittman EV                                  | Wickliffe City                                   |
| Delaware Area Career<br>Center                   | Madison Local (Lake)                      | Rock Hill Local (Lawrence)                  | Winton Woods City                                |
| East Central Ohio ESC                            | Madison-Plains Local<br>(Madison)         | Rootstown Local (Portage)                   | Wood County ESC                                  |
| East Cleveland City                              | Manchester Local (Adams)                  | Ross Local (Butler)                         | Wooster City                                     |
| East Clinton Local<br>(Clinton)                  | Maplewood Career Center                   | Seneca East Local<br>(Seneca)               | Worthington City                                 |
| East Liverpool City                              | Marlington Local (Stark)                  | Sheffield-Sheffield Lake<br>City            | Xenia Community City                             |
| East Muskingum Local<br>(Muskingum)              | Marysville EV                             | South Point Local<br>(Lawrence)             | Youngstown City                                  |
| Eastland-Fairfield Career<br>& Technical Schools | Mentor EV                                 |   |  |
| Eaton Community City                             | Mid-East Career and<br>Technology Centers |   |  |
| EHOVE Career Center                              | Miami Valley Career<br>Technology Center  |   |  |
| Elyria City                                      | Midview Local (Lorain)                    |   |  |
| ESC of Central Ohio                              |   |   |  |
| ESC of Cuyahoga County                           |   |   |  |
| Fairborn City                                    |   |   |  |
| Field Local (Portage)                            |   |   |  |
| Forest Hills Local<br>(Hamilton)                 |   |   |  |
| Fort Frye Local<br>(Washington)                  |   |   |  |
| Fostoria City                                    |   |   |  |
| Four County Career<br>Center                     |   |   |  |
| Franklin City                                    |   |   |  |
| Fremont City                                     |   |   |  |

## 2011 BLI agenda

### Friday, April 29

|            |                          |
|------------|--------------------------|
| 8 a.m.     | Registration/breakfast   |
| 9 a.m.     | Opening general session  |
| 10:45 a.m. | Breakout sessions        |
| 12:15 p.m. | Luncheon                 |
| 1:30 p.m.  | Breakout sessions        |
| 3 p.m.     | Breakout sessions        |
| 4:30 p.m.  | Reception and networking |

### Saturday, April 30

|            |  |
|------------|--|
| 7:30 a.m.  | Breakfast                                    |
| 8:15 a.m.  | Breakout sessions                            |
| 9:45 a.m.  | Breakout sessions                            |
| 11:15 a.m. | Breakout sessions                            |
| 12:30 p.m. | Luncheon with speaker/<br>closing ceremonies |

# Southwest Region Spring Conference

**Tuesday, March 15**

**Great Oaks ITCD, Scarlet Oaks Campus, 3254 Kemper Road, Cincinnati, 45241**

**Phone: (513) 771-8810**

**5:15 p.m. Registration and social period**

**6 p.m. Welcome**

*JoAnn W. Feltner, Southwest Region president; board member, Franklin City*

**Entertainment**

*Students from Franklin City's High School Symphonic Choir, directed by Lucinda Biers*

**6:20 p.m. Presentation of colors**

*Great Oaks ITCD Scarlet Oaks Naval Junior ROTC cadets*

**National Anthem**

*performed by Franklin City's High School Symphonic Choir*

**Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence**

*Randall E. Smith, Southwest Region president-elect; board member, Forest Hills Local (Hamilton)*

**6:30 p.m. Buffet dinner**

**7:10 p.m. General Session**

*Introductions by JoAnn W. Feltner*

**Recognition of veteran board members**

*Cathy Johnson, OSBA president; board member, Southwestern City; and Richard Lewis, executive director, OSBA*

**Recognition of 2010 effective school boards**

*JoAnn W. Feltner and Donna J. Myers, Southwest Region immediate past president; board member, Northwestern Local (Clark) & Springfield-Clark Career Technology Center*

**Greetings and an OSBA update**

*Cathy Johnson*

**Legislative update**

*Richard Lewis*

**Presentation of third annual NSBA School Board Member National Recognition Program**

*Richard Lewis and John Pennycuff, OSBA immediate past president; board member, Winton Woods City*

**2011 President's Award**

*Recipient: Bill Duning, president, Area Progress Council of Warren County*

**Presentation of certificates to Ohio Teacher of the Year candidates from the Southwest Region**

*Cathy Johnson and Donna J. Myers*

**Presentation of Awards of Achievement and Master Board Member awards**

*Donna J. Myers and Rob Delane, OSBA deputy executive director*

**Adjournment**

**Directions**

**From I-71:** Take I-275 west to the US 42 exit (Sharonville-Mason / Exit 46). Turn left onto US 42. Turn right onto East Kemper Road (United Dairy Farmers is on the left.) At the second traffic light, turn right onto Depot Drive.

**From I-75:** Take I-275 east to the Mosteller Road exit (Exit 44). Turn left (south) onto Mosteller Road. Turn left at the first traffic light onto East Kemper Road. At the second traffic light, turn left onto Depot Drive.

**To reach the Scarlet Oaks**

**Campus:** Continue through the gated front entrance at East Kemper Road and Depot Drive. The Instructional Resource Center will be on the right. The front door of the Scarlet Oaks campus is flanked by a long canopy that stretches to the parking lot.

**Authority for reimbursement**

RC Section 3315.15 authorizes the establishment of a service fund for board members. The fund can be used for expenses incurred at a meeting such as this.

**Award of Achievement**

This conference entitles board members to five Award of Achievement credits.

**Registration**

Registration and dinner fee is \$35 each for OSBA members, guests and spouses. Enclosed is a check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to cover \_\_\_\_\_ registrations for the OSBA Southwest Region Spring Conference. **Please make checks payable to OSBA Southwest Region and send reservations to Ronald J. Diver, regional manager, 8797 Meadowlark Drive, Franklin, OH 45005.** Phone is (937) 746-7641; e-mail is [rdriver@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:rdriver@ohioschoolboards.org). Deadline for reservations is Wednesday, March 9. **Please include payment with reservation.** Registrants who cancel at least three workdays before the day of the meeting may request a full refund. All others will be charged the full registration fee.

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# Central Region Spring Conference

Wednesday, March 16  
Villa Milano, 1630 Schrock Road, Columbus

Central Region conferences are a great place to build board rapport and grow positive relationships between your administrative team and the board. Reserve a table or two and bring your board and leadership staff.

Note: Districts are encouraged to reserve a table for \$320. Tables seat eight people, providing more

room for attendees. At past conferences, some districts have reserved more than one table. If your district has programs, teachers or board members being recognized, you will want to bring a large group and reserve multiple tables. Payment by check is preferred, but purchase orders will be accepted for districts reserving full tables.

**5 p.m. Social hour (Complimentary appetizers and a cash bar will be available)**

**5:50 p.m. Student performance**

**6 p.m. Dinner**

**6:50 p.m. Greetings and an OSBA update**  
*Cathy Johnson, OSBA president; board member, South-Western City; Cindy Crowe, Central Region president; board member, Westerville City; and Richard Lewis, executive director, OSBA*

**7:20 p.m. Legislative update**  
*Richard Lewis*

**7:35 p.m. Recognitions**

- Outstanding teachers from the Central Region
- Recognition of board members celebrating service milestones
- Recognition of Master Board Members
- Recognition of Award of Achievement recipients
- NSBA School Board Member National Recognition Program

**8:30 p.m. Adjourn**

## Directions

Exit I-270 at Cleveland Avenue. (Cleveland Avenue is the first exit east of the I-71 exit on the north side of Columbus). Go north on Cleveland Avenue to Schrock Road (which is the next intersection). Turn left on Schrock Road. Villa Milano will be on your right about a mile west of Cleveland Avenue.

## Authority for reimbursement

Ohio Revised Code Section 3315.15 authorizes the establishment of a service fund for board members. This fund can be used for expenses incurred at a meeting such as this.

## Award of Achievement

This conference entitles board members to five Award of Achievement credits.

## Registration

Registration for dinner and the program is \$40 per person or \$320 per table (seats up to eight) for OSBA members, guests and spouses. Enclosed is a check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to cover \_\_\_\_\_ tables or \_\_\_\_\_ individual registrations. **Please make checks payable to OSBA Central Region and mail to Dr. Michael G. Grote, regional manager, PO Box 3323, Dublin, OH 43016.** If you have questions or need to cancel your reservation, please send e-mails to [mgrote@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:mgrote@ohioschoolboards.org) or call (614) 527-4915. The last day we can accept changes or provide refunds is Friday, March 11. **Please include payment with reservation.** Registrants who cancel at least three workdays before the day of the meeting may request a full refund. All others will be charged the full registration fee. Payment by check is preferred, but purchase orders can be accepted for districts purchasing tables.

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Please enter an e-mail address for immediate confirmation of your reservation:



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# Northeast Region Spring Conference

Wednesday, March 23

Wayne County Schools Career Center, 518 W. Prospect St., Smithville, 44677

Phone: (330) 669-7000

## Program

6 p.m. Registration and  
socializing  
6:30 p.m. Dinner  
7:30 p.m. Program

## Welcome and introductions

*Susie Lawson, Northeast Region  
president; board member, Tri-County  
ESC and Wayne County Schools Career  
Center*

## Greetings and an OSBA update

*Cathy Johnson, OSBA president; board  
member, South-Western City; and  
Richard Lewis, OSBA executive director*

## Legislative update

*Richard Lewis*

## Student entertainment

## Presentation of Ohio Teacher of the Year nominees

*Susie Lawson*

## Presentation of Awards of Achievement

*Cathy Johnson and Richard Lewis*

## Veteran board member recognition for years of service

● Honoring those with 10, 15  
and 20 years of service as board of  
education members (25-year veterans  
are recognized by OSBA at the Capital  
Conference)

## Directions

From the north (Ashtabula area) —  
Take I-90 west toward Cleveland. Take  
a slight left at I-271 south. Take exit 10  
to merge onto I-77 south toward Akron.  
Take exit 136 to merge onto SR 21  
south toward Massillon. Exit onto SR  
585 south toward Wooster. Turn right  
at East Prospect Street.

From the east — Take US 250 east.  
Continue on SR 3 north. Merge onto  
SR 3 north/SR 83 north/US 250 west  
via the ramp to Medina/Lodi. Take the

SR 585/Akron Road ramp to Bowman  
Street. Turn left at SR 585 north/Akron  
Road. Turn left at North Summit  
Street. Take the second left onto West  
Prospect Street.

From the south — Take SR 83 north.  
Continue onto Madison Avenue.  
Turn right to merge onto SR 3 north/  
US 250 east/US 30 east/East Lincoln  
Way toward Canton. Merge onto SR  
3 north/SR 83 north/US 250 west via  
the ramp to Medina/Lodi. Take the  
SR 585/Akron Road ramp to Bowman

Street. Turn left at SR 585 north/Akron  
Road. Turn left at North Summit  
Street. Take the second left onto West  
Prospect Street.

From the west (Youngstown) — Take  
I-80 west. Merge onto I-76 west. Merge  
onto I-76 west/US 224 west. Take exit  
13A to merge onto SR 21  
south toward Massillon.  
Exit onto SR 585 south toward  
Wooster. Turn right at East Prospect  
Street.

## Award of Achievement

This conference  
entitles board  
members to  
five Award of  
Achievement credits.

## Authority for reimbursement

Ohio Revised Code  
Section 3315.15  
authorizes the  
establishment of  
a service fund for  
board members.  
Such funds can be  
used for expenses  
incurred for  
meetings such as  
this.

## Registration

Registration and dinner fee is \$35 each for OSBA members, guests and spouses. Reservations can be faxed to (614) 540-4100. Enclosed is a check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ and/or P.O. # \_\_\_\_\_ to cover \_\_\_\_\_ registrations for the Northeast Region Annual Spring Conference. Please make checks payable to **OSBA Northeast Region and send reservations to Jeff Chambers, interim northeast regional manager, 8050 N. High St., Ste. 100, Columbus, OH 43235.** Phone is (614) 540-4000 or (800) 589-OSBA, for reservations. Deadline for registration is Friday, March 18. **Please include payment with reservation.** Registrants who cancel at least three workdays before the day of the meeting may request a full refund. All others will be charged the full registration fee.

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# WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

## Board Presidents' Workshop

☐ Jan. 29, Columbus, \$150

☐ Jan. 29, Findlay, \$150

☐ Feb. 5, Rootstown, \$150

☐ Feb. 5, Wilmington, \$150

## Special Education Law

☐ March 11, Columbus, \$140

## OSBA Workshop Registration Form

Workshop name \_\_\_\_\_ Workshop date \_\_\_\_\_

Attendee name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

District/firm \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is a check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ or P.O.# \_\_\_\_\_ to cover \_\_\_\_\_ registration(s). Make checks payable to OSBA and mail to 8050 N. High St., Suite 100, Columbus, OH 43235-6481; fax to (614) 540-4100; or e-mail Laurie Miller at [Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org). Include a purchase order number with fax or e-mail.



\_\_\_\_\_ Please check here if you require special accommodations. Contact us or attach a written description of needs.

**Please photocopy this form for each person**

## OSBA workshop registration procedures

OSBA sends e-mail confirmation of registration if an e-mail address is provided. Registration is open to all boards and staff of OSBA members. "Walk-in" registrations are welcome on a space-available basis only. Please call OSBA to check the status of registration before you arrive at the workshop. To register, you must have a purchase order number or a check payable to OSBA and a completed registration form. You may register with a purchase order number by phone, fax, e-mail or Web page 24 hours a day.

### Award of Achievement/LPDC

Most workshops entitle members to Award of Achievement credits. Local Professional Development Committee certificates of attendance will be issued to all workshop attendees.



Mail



Phone  
or fax



OSBA  
8050 N. High St.,  
Suite 100, Columbus, OH  
43235-6481

OSBA Registration Hotline,  
(614) 540-4000, ext. 300;  
toll free (800) 589-OSBA,  
ext. 300; or fax us at  
(614) 540-4100.

E-mail registrations can be  
sent to Laurie Miller at [Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org).  
Please include a purchase  
order number.

You may register on our Web page at  
**[www.ohioschoolboards.org](http://www.ohioschoolboards.org)**. Events are listed at  
the bottom of the page.

### Cancellation and refund policy

- Cancellations received by OSBA at least four workdays before the date of the workshop will receive a full refund or no charge to the district.
- Cancellations received less than four workdays before the date of the workshop will have one-third of the fee charged to the district.
- No-shows and cancellations the day of the workshop will be charged the full registration amount.



## FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

by Angela Penquite, communication design manager

### Inspiring creativity in kids

Sponsored by Lunchables, the Created by You Contest invites kids to submit their big ideas for a chance to turn them into real movies, songs or video games.

There will be one winner for each category: movie, song and games.

**Maximum award:** \$1,500

**Eligibility:** kids ages 6-13

**Deadline:** March 31

**Contact:** <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/54039/>

### Grant for chemistry teachers

The ACS-Hach High School Chemistry Grant is awarded to high school chemistry teachers seeking funds to support ideas that transform classroom learning, foster student development and reveal the wonders of chemistry.

**Maximum awards:** \$1,500

**Eligibility:** K-12 teachers

**Deadline:** April 1

**Contact:** <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/49759/>

### Awards for innovative and progressive thinking

The ING Unsung Heroes awards program recognizes innovative and progressive thinking in education. The program searches for classroom heroes who take teaching to new heights. Each project is judged on its innovative method, creativity and ability to positively influence students.

**Maximum award:** \$25,000

**Eligibility:** full-time educators, teachers, principals or classified staff members at an accredited K-12 public school

**Deadline:** April 30

**Contact:** <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/75998>

### Free audio/video technology for classrooms

The Extron Classroom A/V System Grant Program provides selected pilot classrooms with advanced audio/video solutions. The goal of the program is to demonstrate the ease-of-use and benefits of Extron classroom audio/video technology to students, teachers and administrators.

**Maximum award:** Extron

Classroom A/V system and training

**Eligibility:** K-12 schools

**Deadline:** rolling

**Contact:** [www.extron.com/k12/polevaultgrant.aspx](http://www.extron.com/k12/polevaultgrant.aspx)

## OSBA Deputy Director of Communication Services position available

The Ohio School Boards Association is seeking a deputy director of communication services whose primary responsibilities will be assisting in the management and oversight of the Communication Services Division, including mailroom operations, technology, workshop planning, marketing and all association communication programs. The ideal candidate must have management experience; strong understanding of public relations strategies and execution; writing, interpersonal communications, public speaking and media relations skills; project management skills and strength in managing multiple projects/deadlines. Degree in journalism, communication, public relations, marketing or associated field is preferred. Applicants must have a minimum of five years of related experience; association experience is a plus. Evening and weekend work along with travel in Ohio are required. Send resume and salary expectations to Deputy Director of Communication Services Search, OSBA, 8050 N. High St., Suite 100, Columbus, OH 43235. Application deadline is Feb. 4, 2011. EOE





# LEGISLATIVE REPORT

by Michelle Francis, lobbyist

## 129th General Assembly gets under way

Legislators opened the 129th General Assembly's two-year legislative term on Jan. 3. There are more than 30 new members in the House of Representatives, while about one-third of the 33 members of the Senate are new. With an estimated \$8 billion deficit looming, the legislature faces a huge challenge in balancing the upcoming biennial budget.

### House announces committee assignments

Each chamber has been busy finalizing committee assignments for this General Assembly session. The House has announced its committee appointments and the Senate plans on making its assignments next week. Some changes have been made to the structure of the House standing committees since last session. In announcing the House assignments, Speaker **William Batchelder** (R-Medina) reduced the number of standing committees from 27 to 17 and created a new standing subcommittee to deal with pension reform. Here are the members of some key House committees pertaining to education:

#### House Education Committee

- Chair: Rep. **Gerald Stebelton** (R-Lancaster)

- Vice chair: Rep. **Craig Newbold** (R-Columbiana)
- Rep. **Marlene Anielski** (R-Lyndhurst)
- Rep. **Nan Baker** (R-Westlake)
- Rep. **Andrew Brenner** (R-Powell)
- Rep. **Jim Butler** (R-Oakwood)
- Rep. **Tim Derickson** (R-Oxford)
- Rep. **Bill Hayes** (R-Granville)
- Rep. **Michael Henne** (R-Clayton)
- Rep. **Matt Huffman** (R-Lima)
- Rep. **Casey Kozlowski** (R-Pierpont)
- Rep. **Kristina Roegner** (R-Hudson)
- Rep. **Andy Thompson** (R-Marietta)
- Ranking minority member: Rep. **Clayton Luckie** (D-Dayton)
- Rep. **Nickie Antonio** (D-Lakewood)
- Rep. **Ted Celeste** (D-Columbus)
- Rep. **Denise Driehaus** (D-Cincinnati)
- Rep. **Teresa Fedor** (D-Toledo)
- Rep. **Ron Gerberry** (D-Canfield)
- Rep. **Bill Patmon** (D-Cleveland)
- Rep. **Debbie Phillips** (D-Athens)
- Rep. **Dan Ramos** (D-Lorain)

#### House Finance and Appropriations: Primary and Secondary Education Subcommittee

- Chair: Rep. **John Carey** (R-Wellston)

- Rep. **Ron Maag** (R-Lebanon)
- Rep. **Gerald L. Stebelton** (R-Lancaster)
- Ranking minority member: Rep. **Matt Lundy** (D-Elyria)
- Rep. **Debbie Phillips** (D-Athens)

#### House Health and Aging Subcommittee on Retirement and Pensions

- Chair: Rep. **Kirk Schuring** (R-Canton)
- Rep. **Randy Gardner** (R-Bowling Green)
- Rep. **Bob Hackett** (R-London)
- Rep. **Todd McKenney** (R-New Franklin)
- Rep. **Lynn Wachtman** (R-Napoleon)
- Ranking minority member: Rep. **Robert Hagan** (D-Youngstown)
- Rep. **Dan Ramos** (D-Lorain)

For the latest legislative updates, please contact the OSBA legislative division at (614) 540-4000 or (800) 589-OSBA.

Correction: The "Legislative Report" article in the Jan. 10 issue of the *Briefcase* misidentified **Fred Strahorn's** political party. He is a Democrat from Dayton. The *Briefcase* apologizes for the error.

*Editor's Note: All information in this article was current as of Jan. 14, 2011.*





## PUBLIC SCHOOLS WORK!

compiled by Gary Motz, editorial manager

### Foundation honors top teachers with recognition, scholarships

A unique Hamilton County event brings together more than 200 civic, university and business leaders, and the students, families and friends of 21 educators. Since 2007, "Celebrate Excellence" has honored 84 Educators of the Year from the county's public school districts. The program is sponsored by the Hamilton County Education Foundation (HCEF), established by the **Hamilton County ESC** Governing Board in 2006.

The annual Celebrate Excellence

breakfast, emceed by education advocate and former Cincinnati Bengal **Anthony Munoz**, publicly honors outstanding K-12 educators. Event sponsors, donations and grants support HCEF's graduate degree scholarship program. The scholarships, awarded to K-12 educators pursuing master's degrees in special education, address the growing shortage of special education teachers and related service personnel.

"It's our hope we're also

creating incentives for teachers and administrators to stay here and serve the children of Hamilton County," said HCEF President **Karen Muse**. Scholarship partners are the University of Cincinnati and Xavier University. Celebrate Excellence marks its fifth anniversary in 2011 and will award two more scholarships.

For more information and to see a video about Celebrate Excellence, visit [www.hcef.us](http://www.hcef.us).

Source: HCEF

*Bulletin Board, continued from page 4*

Education member **Claude E. Weagraff** died Jan. 12. He was 87. ●●● Former **Berkshire Local (Geauga)** Board of Education member **Ken "Coach" Janssen** died Jan. 5. He was 85. ●●● Former **Cleveland Municipal** Board of Education member **Stanley Tolliver** died Jan. 3. He was 85. ●●● Former **Dawson-Bryant Local (Lawrence)** Board of Education member **Gary (Perk) Myers** died Dec. 31. He was 75. ●●● Former **Howland Local (Trumbull)** Board of Education member **Allan Segall** died Oct. 3. He was 74. ●●● Former **Lake Local (Stark)** Board of Education member **James A. Peterson** died Dec. 28. He was 75. ●●● Former **Rolling Hills Local (Guernsey)** Board of Education member **Jack Junior Hannon** died Dec. 31. He was 83. ●●● **Robert H. Dreher**, a board member on the former **Thompson** and **Seneca County Vocational** school boards, died Dec. 31. He was 89.

#### Correction

The death notice for a former **Anthony Wayne Local (Lucas)** assistant superintendent in the "Sympathies" section on page 4 of the Jan. 10 *Briefcase* omitted his surname. It should have read **Mark Winston Knerr**.

### Get what you want, when you want it!

OSBA's customized workshops allow your school district to schedule and tailor workshops designed to meet your specific needs. Whether it is team-building exercises; goal setting or strategic-planning activities; or conflict resolution sessions, OSBA's highly experienced staff is here to serve you at your convenience.

To schedule a customized workshop or for further information please contact Kathy LaSota at [kLasota@ohioschoolboards.org](mailto:kLasota@ohioschoolboards.org) or call (614) 540-4000 or (800) 589-OSBA.



## January 2011

- 24 Last day to submit certification for May income tax levy to Ohio Department of Taxation — RC 5748.02(A) (100 days prior to the election).
- 28 Last day to submit May emergency levy, current operating expenses levy or conversion levy to county auditor for May election — RC 5705.194, 5705.195, 5705.213, 5705.219 (95 days prior to the election).
- 29 OSBA Board Presidents' Workshop ..... Columbus
- 29 OSBA Board Presidents' Workshop ..... Findlay
- 31 Annual campaign finance reports due (by 4 p.m.) detailing contributions and expenditures through Dec. 31, 2010 — RC 3517.10(A)(3) (last business day of January); deadline for educational service center (ESC) governing boards to meet and organize — RC 3313.14.

## February 2011

- Feb. 2 Last day for school district to file resolution of necessity, resolution to proceed and auditor's certification for bond levy with

board of elections for May election — RC 133.18(D); last day for county auditor to certify school district bond levy terms for May election — RC 133.18(C); last day to submit continuing replacement, permanent improvement or operating levy for May election to board of elections — RC 5705.192, 5705.21, 5705.25; last day to certify resolution for school district income tax levy, conversion levy or renewal of conversion levy for May election to board of elections — RC 5705.195, 5705.219(G), 5748.02(C); last day to submit emergency levy for May election to board of elections — RC 5705.195; last day to submit phased-in levy or current operating expenses levy for May election to board of elections — RC 5705.251(A) (90 days prior to the election).

5 OSBA Board Presidents' Workshop ..... Wilmington

5 OSBA Board Presidents' Workshop ..... Rootstown

5-6 NSBA Leadership Conference ..... Washington, D.C.

6-8 NSBA Federal Relations Network (FRN) Conference ..... Washington, D.C.

8 Special Election Day — RC 3501.01 (first Tuesday after the first Monday).

13 OSBA SE Region Executive Committee Meeting ..... Logan

17-19 AASA Conference ..... Denver

## March 2011

- 1 Last day to take action on nonrenewal of superintendent's contract — RC 3319.01; last day to take action on nonrenewal of treasurer's contract (contracts entered into after March 30, 2007) — RC 3313.22.
- 1 OSBA Southeast Region Spring Conference #1 ..... Piketon
- 2 OSBA Management Development Series #1 ..... Columbus
- 3 OSBA Southeast Region Spring Conference #2 ..... Coshocton
- 10 OSBA Northwest Region Spring Conference ..... Lima
- 15 OSBA Southwest Region Spring Conference ..... Cincinnati
- 16 OSBA Central Region Spring Conference ..... Columbus
- 23 OSBA Northeast Region Spring Conference ..... Smithville
- 23 OSBA State Legislative Conference ..... Columbus
- 31 Last day to take action to nonrenew contracts of administrators other than superintendent — RC 3319.02.