

The board of Education of the Garaway Local School District met in regular session on January 12, 2015, in the Library at the Garaway High School located at 146 Dover Road, Sugarcreek, OH 44681 with the following members present:

Robert Coborn

Dick Marshall

Bob Eckert

Jim Parson

Dan Fearon

Jim Parson

moved the adoption of the following resolution:

**A Resolution of the Garaway Local Schools Board of Education  
Regarding the Common Core State Standards Initiative and  
Support of Local Control of Education**

WHEREAS, the purpose of education is to educate a populace of critical thinkers who are capable of leading good and purpose-filled lives, not solely preparation for college and career; and

WHEREAS, instructional and curricular decisions should be in the hands of classroom professionals who understand the context and interests of their students; and

WHEREAS, high quality education requires adequate resources to provide a rich and varied course of instruction, and individual and small group attention for students; and

WHEREAS, the Common Core State Standards were developed by non-practitioners, such as test and curriculum publishers, as well as education reform foundations, such as the Gates and Broad Foundations, and as a result the CCSS better reflect the interests and priorities of corporate education reformers than the best interests and priorities of students; and

WHEREAS, the Common Core State Standards were piloted incorrectly, have been implemented too quickly, and as a result have produced numerous developmentally inappropriate expectations that do not reflect the learning needs of many students; and

WHEREAS, the significant time, effort, and expense associated with modifying curricula to the Common Core State Standards interferes and takes resources away from work developing appropriate and engaging courses of study; and

WHEREAS, the assessments that accompany the Common Core State Standards are not transparent, in that teachers and parents are not allowed to view the tests and item analysis will likely not be made available given the nature of computer adaptive tests; and

WHEREAS, the January 1, 2012 rule change to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) has destroyed the protection of private student records by allowing access to

