

**BLACKHAWK SCHOOL DISTRICT
500 BLACKHAWK ROAD
BEAVER FALLS, PA 15010**

**BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS VOTING SESSION
Blackhawk High School Library
September 21, 2017**

PRELIMINARY MATTERS

Mr. Pander called the meeting to order at 7:00PM. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, a moment of silence was held for the passing of retired teacher Kathy Bouril.

A prayer by Pastor Jeff McNicol of Pathways Church was offered.

Roll call was taken and those in attendance were:

Mr. Fleischman	Mrs. Goehring	Mrs. Helsing	Mr. Jones	Mrs. Kaszer
Mr. Pander	Mr. Schaefer	Dr. Smith	Mr. Yonkee	

Also in attendance were:

Mr. Eric Brandenburg – Business Manager
Dr. Postupac – Superintendent
Mr. Hobie Webster – District Solicitor

Amendments to the Agenda/Approval of the agenda:

Mr. Schaefer made a motion to approve the agenda. This motion was seconded by Mrs. Goehring.

Verbal Vote: 9 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried

PUBLIC REATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Congratulations to Jackson McMillen and Marybeth Herman for being accepted into the American Choral Directors Association Honor Choirs for the Eastern Division Conference. Students from the entire eastern part of the country submitted auditions in May and were informed on September 1 of their acceptance.

Public Comment

Sally Mahon, Darlington, Spoke on busing issues: timing of afternoon run and bullying. Dr. Postupac addressed.

Bob Clendennen, Patterson Township, Spoke on item 6.5A – McClure Company feasibility study.

Tracy Schaffer, Darlington, Spoke on busing issues: life threatening peanut allergy of her child and rules of no food permitted on bus.

Dr. Postupac addressed; the district is working with the bus company to resolve issues. Parents were advised to communicate any issues with their building principal and the bus company to ensure everyone is receiving the same information.

Tom Petti, BAAG Chairman, provided a financial update for the fund raising efforts. Total donations and in-kind services total approximately \$950,000.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mr. Schaefer motioned to approve items 3.1 through 3.4 as presented. This motion was seconded by Dr. Smith.

A Roll Call Vote was taken to approve items 3.1 through 3.4

Yes – Approve	No – Not to Approve
Mr. Fleischman	
Mrs. Goehring	
Dr. Smith	
Mr. Yonkee	
Mr. Schaefer	
Mrs. Kaszer	
Mrs. Helsing	
Mr. Pander	
Mr. Jones	

Verbal Vote: 9 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried

3.1 The Superintendent recommends approval of the Financial Report for August.

3.2 The Superintendent recommends approval the payment of bills.

- a. Fund 10 – General Fund: \$966,066.7
- b. Fund 32 – Capital Projects Fund: \$67,783.00
 - BAAG: \$0
- c. Fund 51 – Cafeteria Fund: \$31,021.25
- d. Fund 66 – Health Fund:
 - Payroll: August \$1,294,617.14

3.3 It is recommended to approve the athletic activity account for August.

3.4 It is recommended to approve PlanCon Park K, for Project Refinancing.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Mrs. Helsing made a motion to approve items 4.1 to 4.2 as presented. Mrs. Kaszer seconded the motion.

A Roll Call Vote was taken to approve items 4.1 through 4.2

Yes – Approve	No – Not to Approve
Mrs. Goehring	
Dr. Smith	
Mr. Yonkee	
Mr. Schaefer	
Mrs. Kaszer	
Mrs. Helsing	
Mr. Pander	
Mr. Jones	
Mr. Fleischman	

Verbal Vote: 9 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried

4.1 The Superintendent recommends approval to accept the Act 93 Agreement beginning July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2023.

4.2 The Superintendent recommends approval of tenure for the following teachers:

- a. Addison Young
- b. Drew Bosco
- c. Amy Black
- d. Amanda Durish
- e. Katherine Singletary
- f. Lindsay Wilcox

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Mrs. Helsing motioned to approve items 5.1 to 5.7 as presented. This motion was seconded by Mr. Schaefer.

A Roll Call Vote was taken to approve items 5.1 through 5.7

Yes – Approve	No – Not to Approve
Dr. Smith	
Mr. Yonkee	
Mr. Schaefer	
Mrs. Kaszer	
Mrs. Helsing	
Mr. Pander	
Mr. Jones	
Mr. Fleischman	
Mrs. Goehring	

Verbal Vote: 9 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried

- 5.1 The Superintendent recommends the approval of the following field trips:
- a. Third Grade (182), Megan Anderson, Iron Mills Farmstead, New Wilmington, October 20, 2017, no expense.
 - b. Girls Tech (7), Darlene Martin, NOVA Chemical Tour Your Future, Pittsburgh, various dates from September through December, substitute expense.
 - c. English Club (40), Romeo and Juliet, Pittsburgh, November 1, 2017, substitute expense.
 - d. PRIDE (11), Tracy Yowler, Mariah Brown, Dianne Sarver Instructional CBI, various dates and locations around our community throughout the 2017-2018 school year, no expense.
 - e. Transition (4), Mariah Brown, BC Youth Employment Skills Academy, BVIU, various dates throughout 2017-2018 school year, no expense.
 - f. Youth Ambassador (10), Sami Hanna, Youth Ambassador Program, September 20, 2017, substitute expense.
 - g. BHS Seniors (15), Andrew Yuhaniak, Penn State Beaver Tour, October 26, 2017, no expense.
 - h. Music Academy (12), Maura Underwood, PMEA Honors Chorus Auditions/Chorus, Westminster College, October 18, 28 and 30, 2017, \$350 (bus) expense budgeted.
- 5.2 The Superintendent recommends approval of the agreement with Watson Institute for the 2017-2018 school year.
- 5.3 The Superintendent recommends approval of the agreement with Western Psychiatric Institute and Clinic for the 2017-2018 school year.
- 5.4 The Superintendent recommends approval to accept the Blackhawk School District Organizational Chart.
- 5.5 The Superintendent recommends approval for Ashley Biega and Leslie Kunkel to act as liaisons for Blackhawk School District to work with the Arts Education Collaborative.
- 5.6 The Superintendent recommends approval of the agreement with Western Pennsylvania School for the Blind to provide vision services for Blackhawk students.
- 5.7 The Superintendent recommends approval to accept the agreement with Heritage Valley Occupational Services for the 2017-2018 school year.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS/REAL ESTATE

Mrs. Goehring moved and Mr. Fleischman seconded a motion to approve items 6.1 and 6.5.

Dr. Smith inquired if item 6.4 could have been done in house. Dr. Postupac advised yes, but due to timing the in house employee was not available. He also noted that the majority of the cost was for materials.

A Roll Call Vote was taken to approve items 6.1 through 6.5

Yes – Approve	No – Not to Approve
Mr. Yonkee	
Mr. Schaefer	
Mrs. Kaszer	
Mrs. Helsing	
Mr. Pander	
Mr. Jones	
Mr. Fleischman	
Mrs. Goehring	
Dr. Smith	

Verbal Vote: 9 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried

6.1 The Superintendent recommends approval of the advertising agreement between the Blackhawk School District and Dr. Frank Grisafi.

6.2 The Superintendent recommends approval to accept the Memorandum of Understanding between Blackhawk School District and Cup Evangelical Presbyterian Church.

6.3 The Superintendent recommends approval of the sale of three vacant parcels of land in West Mayfield Borough owned by the District as provided by Section 707 of the Pennsylvania School Code by utilizing a sealed bids process as authorized by Section 707(2). No bid will be approved by the Board for the sale of these parcels unless the bid price is at least \$1,000 with a 120 day closing period (closing period is negotiable). All sealed bids must be received by the Business Manager at his District Office located at 500 Blackhawk Road, Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania, 15010 by November 8, 2017. All sealed bids will be opened at a public meeting.

6.4 The Superintendent recommends approval for the following from TEC Electric for structural support, wiring, and all other necessary items for the function of the stadium scoreboard.

- a. \$6,000.00
- b. \$3,200.00
- c. \$2,750.00

6.5a The Superintendent recommends approval of the Letter of Authorization between Blackhawk School District and McClure Company to proceed with a feasibility study for the possibility of entering into a Guaranteed Energy Savings Agreement which will be performed in good faith, and at no cost or further obligation to the District.

ATHLETICS COMMITTEE

Mr. Schaefer motioned to approve items 7.1 to 7.4 as presented. Mr. Yonkee seconded this motion.

A Roll Call Vote was taken to approve items 7.1 through 7.4

Yes – To Approve	No – Not To Approve
Mr. Schaefer	
Mrs. Kaszer	
Mrs. Helsing	
Mr. Pander	
Mr. Jones	
Mr. Fleischman	
Mrs. Goehring	
Dr. Smith	
Mr. Yonkee	

9 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried

7.1 The Superintendent recommends approval to appoint Kristi Leiper as NW Bus Supervisor for 2017-2018 school year (Supplemental Contract \$588.00).

7.2 The Superintendent recommends approval to appoint Darryl Lockie as a Volunteer Cross Country Coach for the 2017-2018 school year.

7.3 The Superintendent recommends approval to accept the resignation of Cory Schmidt Swimming Coordinator and Middle School Swimming effective immediately.

7.4 The Superintendent recommends approval to accept the resignation of Diane Rumbaugh Artistic Director for the 2017-2018 School Musical.

ADMINISTRATIVE LIAISON

No Report

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

No Report

FOOD SERVICE COMMITTEE

No Report

NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE

No Report

POLICY COMMITTEE

Mr. Fleischman motioned to item 12.1 as presented. Dr. Smith seconded this motion.

A Roll Call Vote was taken to approve item 12.1

Yes – To Approve	No – Not To Approve
Mrs. Kaszer	
Mrs. Helsing	
Mr. Pander	
Mr. Jones	
Mr. Fleischman	
Mrs. Goehring	
Dr. Smith	
Mr. Yonkee	
Mr. Schaefer	

Verbal Vote: 9 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried

12.1 The Superintendent recommends approval to adopt the revised following policies regarding tobacco:

- a. 222
- b. 323
- c. 423
- d. 523

BOARD/STAFF ENRICHMENT

Dr. Smith motioned to item 13.1 as presented. Mrs. Helsing seconded this motion.

A Roll Call Vote was taken to approve item 13.1

Yes – To Approve	No – Not To Approve
Mrs. Helsing	
Mr. Pander	
Mr. Jones	
Mr. Fleischman	
Mrs. Goehring	
Dr. Smith	
Mr. Yonkee	
Mr. Schaefer	
Mrs. Kaszer	

Verbal Vote: 9 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried

13.1 The Superintendent recommends approval of the following conferences:

- a. Amanda Durish, Carolyn Fisher, Kyleigh Squicquero, Sarah Shuleski, Amy Muslin, Mindy Furda, Heather Pastor, Hanna Nohe, Laura LeBlanc, Catherine Virgin, Chelsea Haight, Dawn Kinger, Language Essentials for Teachers of Reading and Spelling, Blackhawk High School, October 6, November 8, December 11, 2017. (\$1,800 plus substitute, expenses budgeted)
- b. Mariah Brown, Beaver County Transition Council Meeting, various dates (7) throughout 2017-18 school year. (\$75 expenses budgeted plus substitute)
- c. Tim Linkenheimer, Dale Moll, PATSA Regional Conference Planning Meeting, PTC, October 6, 2017. (\$100 expenses budgeted plus substitute).
- d. Tim Linkenheimer, Beaver County Gifted Consortium Meeting, BVIU, September 7, 2017. (\$25 expenses budgeted plus substitute).
- e. Leslie Kunkel, Pennsylvania Art Education Association State Conference, Pittsburgh, October 19-22, 2017. \$110 expenses budgeted plus substitute)
- f. Marianne LeDonne, Amy Anderson, Nicol Holiday, Scott Nelson, Sami Hanna, Joy Winters, Tim Linkenheimer, Dale Moll, Integrated Learning, State College, November 8-10, 2017. (\$4,700 expenses budgeted, plus substitute)
- g. Brady Okon, Barb Brown, Marianne LeDonne, Computer Science for Elementary, BVIU, November 21, 2017 (\$50 expenses budgeted plus substitute)
- h. Rebecca Effert, Regional Art Education Day, Keystone Oaks, October 9, 2017 (\$75, expenses budgeted)

BEAVER COUNTY CAREER & TECHNOLOGY

No Report

PSBA LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

No Report – Mr. Yonkee did inquire of the cost of PSBA Membership. (Approximately \$10-\$11,000)

BEAVER COUNTY REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

No Report

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Visitors

Bob Clendennen, Patterson Township, spoke on the following items:

- Balance of BAAG Account
- Payment due date(s)
- Payment schedule for 2017 A Bond on website

Greg Woods, Patterson Township, addressed item 4.1: What is Act 93?

Administration

No Comments

Solicitor

No Comments

School Directors

Mrs. Kaszer expressed how exciting it was to see some much activity at the high school campus the evening of community night for the girls' soccer teams.

Mr. Yonkee discussed the technology updates and the associated regulations.

Mr. Fleischman addressed the new video cameras and the coverage to capture any inappropriate use of technology.

Mr. Schaefer inquired about cameras on the field; Dr. Postupac noted cameras will provide coverage of the field.

Rick Sobona, Chippewa Township, inquired about police coverage with local police department.

Mr. Pander spoke on comments received regarding the stadium project and the process utilized.

The next scheduled meeting will be October 12, 2017 at Blackhawk High School Library, at 7:00PM.

The meeting adjourned at 8:02PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Missy Kaszer
Blackhawk School District Board Secretary