

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

**BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS WORK SESSION
Blackhawk High School Library
March 9, 2017**

PRELIMINARY MATTERS

Mr. Pander called the meeting to order at 7:15PM. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call was taken. Those in attendance were:

Mr. Fleischman	Mrs. Goehring	Mrs. Jones	Mrs. Kaszer
Mr. Pander	Mr. Schaefer		

Also in attendance were:

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

There was an executive session held prior to this evening's meeting for personnel matters.

A motion was made by Mr. Pander and seconded by Mr. Schaefer to approve the February 2017 meeting minutes.

Verbal Vote: 6 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried

A presentation was provided on the Little Free Library by Megan Andersen and Sharry Peabody, BIS. The Little Free Library will be installed at the playground at BIS.

A motion was made by Mr. Fleischman and seconded by Mrs. Kaszer to add 4.2 (Below) to the agenda.

Verbal Vote: 6 Yes; 0 No

5.3 It is recommended to approve the installation of The Little Free Library at BIS playground.

PUBLIC REATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

2.1 Congratulations to the following high school students for being selected Student of the Month for February:

- a. Alec Long – Chippewa Lions
- b. Carleton Burawa – Rotary Club
- c. Timothy Davis – Little Beaver Lions Club

Public Comment

Neil Morrison, South Beaver, made inquiries regarding items 6.1 to 6.5.

Greg Woods, Chippewa Township, inquired about item 6.1.

John Battaligia, spoke on items 6.3 and 6.4.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

3.1 Informational Item: Monthly Insurance Report for February.

- a. UPMC Health Fund: \$327,879.83
- b. UPMC Dental: \$10,910.36
- c. UPMC Vision: \$2,386.90

3.2 The Superintendent recommends approval of the Financial Report for February.

3.3 The Superintendent recommends approval the payment of bills.

- a. Fund 10 – General Fund:
- b. Fund 32 – Capital Projects Fund:
 - BAAG:
- c. Fund 51 – Cafeteria Fund:
- d. Fund 66 – Health Fund:
Payroll: February \$

3.4 The Superintendent recommends approval of the athletic activity account for February.

3.5 The Superintendent recommends the adoption of the 2017-2018 Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit's General Operating Budget. The budget totals \$1,677,962.

3.6 The Superintendent recommends approval of the 2015-2016 Audit by Cottrill Arbutina and Associates.

3.7 It is recommended to approve Horace Mann Retirement Advantage and AXA Advisors, LLC to the 403(b) Tax Sheltered Annuity Investment Companies listing.

3.8 The Superintendent recommends approval to enter into a direct contract with Express Scripts, Inc. to manage our current prescription benefit plan for district employee's effective July 1, 2017 or sooner whichever is practical.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

4.1 The Superintendent recommends approval of the following substitute:

- a. Deanna Bonomo (cafeteria)

Mrs. Kaszer moved and Mrs. Goehring seconded a motion to approve item 5.3.

Verbal Vote: 6 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried

5.3 It is recommended to approve the installation of The Little Free Library at BIS playground.

(This addition to the agenda was accidentally read under Personnel and not Education.)

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

5.1 The Superintendent recommends the approval of the following field trips:

- a. Music Academy (20), Maura Underwood, Music Academy Tour, Beaver Falls Community, April 14, 2017 (no expense)
- b. PMEA All State (3), Maura Underwood, Erie Area, April 19-22, 2017 (expenses budgeted)
- c. Senior Class (120) Joe Verbosky, Camp Kon-O-Kwee Trip, Fombell, April 25-27, 2017 (expenses paid by student)
- d. AP Biology (18), Anita Mensch, Open Heart Surgery Observation, Allegheny General Hospital, April 7, 2017 (no expense)
- e. Patterson Primary Second Grade (76), second grade teachers, Carnegie Natural History Museum, May 18, 2017 (no expense)
- f. Northwestern Kindergarten, kindergarten teachers, Living Treasures Adventure May 11, 2017 (no expense)
- g. Northwestern Primary First Grade (86), first grade teachers, Children's Museum, May 23, 2017 (no expense)
- h. Patterson Primary Kindergarten (82), kindergarten teachers, Children's Museum, May 26, 2017 (no expense)
- i. Freshmen Class (120), Joe Verbosky, Phys Ed Field Trip, Brady's Run, May 4, 2017 (no expense)
- j. Concert Choir Seniors (25), Maura Underwood, Senior Night, Pittsburgh, May 2, 2017 (no expense)
- k. Concert Choir (100), Maura Underwood, Concert Choir Adjudication, Hershey, May 26-27, 2017 (expenses paid by student)
- l. PRIDE 3-12 (15), Mariah Brown, Dianne Sarver, CBI, Robinson, March 24 and April 11, 2017 (no expense)
- m. English (12), Leah Lindemann, YSU English Festival, Youngstown State, April 26, 2017 (no expense)
- n. accounting 1 & 2, (30), Kelli Ambler, high School Accounting Competition, Grove City College, April 25, 2017 (no expense)
- o. Patterson Primary First Grade (66), first grade teachers, Carnegie Science Center, April 28, 2017 (no expense)
- p. FFA (9), Lyndsay Wilcox, Western PA FFA Leadership Development Events, Cranberry, April 26, 2017 (no expense)
- q. Environmental Science (9), Lyndsay Wilcox, Beaver County Envirothon, Brady's Run Park, May 10, 2017 (no expense)
- r. Ninth Grade (150), Phillip Mackin, Ninth Grade Class Trip, Carnegie Science Center, March 31, 2017 (no expense)
- s. Special Education (40), Korin McMillen, Special Olympics Track and Field, Geneva College, April 28, 2017 (no expense)
- t. Special Education (2), Korin McMillen, Special Olympics Swimming, April 7, 2017 (no expense)

5.2 The Superintendent recommends approval of the following student teacher:

- a. Kate Carson (Geneva) with Kristi Leiper

BUILDING AND GROUNDS/REAL ESTATE

6.1 The Superintendent recommends the approval for Weatherproofing Technologies, Inc. (Tremco) to repair the Blackhawk High School roof at a cost not to exceed \$1,498,537.39.

6.2 The Superintendent recommends the approval of Weatherproofing Technologies, Inc. (Tremco) to repair the Patterson Primary School roof at a cost not to exceed \$11,888.99.

6.3 The Superintendent recommends approval of the Field Turf agreement as presented pending solicitor review.

6.4 The Superintendent recommends approval of the GT Grandstand agreement as presented pending solicitor review.

6.5 The Superintendent recommends approval to accept one of the following bids from Csiszar's Outdoor Power Equipment:

- a. Caterpillar Diesel 33 ½ horse power, 72 inch deck, \$19,995.00
- b. Vanguard 37 horsepower engine EFIOGS Big Block 72 inch deck, \$10,900

Clarification was provide that the decision will be for either a or b; not both. Comparison of the two were made and discussed.

6.6 The Superintendent recommends approval to honor the request of Mr. Henry Mahosky, to place a commemorative bench for Channey parsons, a former Blackhawk employee at Patterson Primary School on the grass side of the guard rail by the crosswalk.

ATHLETICS COMMITTEE

7.1. Congratulations to the Girls Basketball Team, Section Champs and WPIAL Finalists. The team will participate in the PIAA playoffs Friday, March 10, at Fox Chapel. (6PM)

7.2 Congratulations to the Girls Bowling Team, Team Regional Qualifier and Section Champs. Team members are the following:

- a. Lindsay McClain
- b. Megan Pinkerton
- c. Angelica Taylor
- d. Haley Holsinger
- e. Sarah Allison
- f. Marissa Majors

7.3 Congratulations to Boys Bowling Team and the following Individual Qualifiers:

- a. Cooper Hertzler
- b. Garrett Gilbert
- c. Ryan Robinson

7.4 Congratulations to the Boys and Girls Swimming Team, and the following WPIAL Qualifiers:

- a. Jameson Elia, 3rd Place Overall, Bronze medalist WPIAL Diving Championship
- b. Skye Fogle
- c. Marcella Puglia

- d. Abbey Uebelacker
- e. Tristan McKenna
- f. Madison Duncan
- g. Carly Campbell
- h. Jessica Heyman
- i. Brandt Huston

Mr. Schaefer made a motion to approve item 7.5 as presented. This motion was seconded by Mr. Fleischman.

Verbal Vote: 6 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried

7.5 It is recommended to accept the resignation of Michaleen Ensworth as Cheerleader Sponsor, effective immediately.

Mr. Pander requested a moment of silence for Coach Lodovico's mother.

ADMINISTRATIVE LIAISON

No Report

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

No Report

FOOD SERVICE COMMITTEE

No Report

NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE

No Report

POLICY COMMITTEE

No Report

BOARD/STAFF ENRICHMENT

13.1 It is recommended to approve the following conferences:

- a. Heather McCowin, College in High School Teacher Orientation, University of Pittsburgh, May 18, 2017, (\$50)
- b. Jamie Planitzer, Courtney Fregel, SRU PE Mini Convention, Slippery Rock University, April 19, 2017 (no expense)
- c. Janice Robinson, Annual OPT Cyber Conference, Seneca Valley, March 30, 2017 (\$20 expenses budgeted)

BEAVER COUNTY CAREER & TECHNOLOGY CENTER

No Report

PSBA LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

No Report

BEAVER COUNTY REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

No Report

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Administration

No additional comments

Solicitor

No additional comments

School Directors

Mrs. Jones acknowledged a great job done by students and staff on the String Orchestra and School Musical.

Mr. Fleischman spoke on the success of the arts and Blackhawk and advised that the BAAG representatives were unavailable to attend this evening as they were attending their own meeting.

Barb Brown inquired about the school calendar for 2017-2018; should be available next month.

Mr. Pander congratulated Mrs. Underwood on the musical and spoke of the success of both the musical and the orchestra.

The next scheduled meeting will be March 16, 2017 at Blackhawk High School Library, at 7:00PM.

The Voting Meeting adjourned at 7:56PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Missy Kaszer
Blackhawk School District Board Secretary