

BLACKHAWK SCHOOL DISTRICT  
500 BLACKHAWK ROAD  
BEAVER FALLS, PA 15010

BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS REORGANIZATION/VOTING MEETING  
Blackhawk High School Library  
December 4, 2017

The Honorable Richard Mancini administered the oath to newly elected board members

A moment of silence was held in honor of passing student, Ben Banks

Doug Schaefer called the meeting to order at 7:10PM. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call was taken. Those in attendance were:

Mr. Battaglia	Mrs. Goehring	Mr. Jones	Dr. Makoczy
Mr. Morrison	Mr. Schaefer	Mr. Woods	Mrs. Ziegler

Also in attendance were:

Mr. Brandenburg – Business Manager  
Dr. Postupac – Superintendent  
Mr. Webster – Solicitor

There was an executive session held prior to tonight’s meeting for personnel matters.

Mr. Jones made a motion to appoint the solicitor, Hobie Webster as temporary Chairperson until after the selection of the 2018 Board President. The motion was seconded by Mr. Morrison.

**Verbal Vote: 8 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried**

Mr. Webster called the meeting to order

1.8 Mr. Webster opened up nominations for President for the ensuing year. Mrs. Goehring nominated Doug Schaefer, Mr. Morrison nominated Dr. Makoczy. Dr. Makoczy spoke on his behalf, expressing his vision for the procedures of the board. Mrs. Goehring, Mrs. Ziegler and Mr. Schaefer spoke on Mr. Schaefer’s behalf expressing continuity and experience.

**A Roll Call Vote was taken to appoint the President**

Mrs. Goehring	Doug Schaefer
Mr. Jones	Doug Schaefer
Mr. Woods	Doug Schaefer
Mrs. Ziegler	Doug Schaefer
Mr. Schaefer	Doug Schaefer
Mr. Battaglia	Dr. Makoczy
Mr. Morrison	Dr. Makoczy
Dr. Makoczy	Dr. Makoczy

**Roll Call Vote Mr. Schaefer 5; Dr. Makoczy 3**

Mr. Webster declared Mr. Schaefer as President, Mr. Schaefer assumed the chair.

1.9 Mr. Schaefer opened up nominations for vice President for the ensuing year. Mrs. Goehring nominated Dan Jones, Mr. Battaglia nominated Neil Morrison.

**A Roll Call Vote was taken to appoint the Vice President**

Dr. Makoczy	Neil Morrison
Mrs. Goehring	Dan Jones
Mr. Jones	Dan Jones
Mr. Woods	Dan Jones
Mrs. Ziegler	Neil Morrison
Mr. Schaefer	Dan Jones
Mr. Battaglia	Neil Morrison
Mr. Morrison	Neil Morrison

**Roll Call Vote Neil Morrison 4; Dan Jones 4**

Mr. Schaefer asked for nominations for Vice President. Mrs Goehring nominated Dan Jones, Mr. Battaglia nominated Neil Morrison. Neil Morrison, Mrs. Ziegler and Mr. Battaglia spoke on Mr. Morrison's behalf. Mrs. Goehring and Mr. Jones spoke on Mr. Jones behalf.

**A Roll Call Vote was taken to appoint the Vice President**

Dr. Makoczy	Neil Morrison
Mrs. Goehring	Dan Jones
Mr. Jones	Dan Jones
Mr. Woods	Neil Morrison
Mrs. Ziegler	Neil Morrison
Mr. Schaefer	Dan Jones
Mr. Battaglia	Neil Morrison
Mr. Morrison	Neil Morrison

**Roll Call Vote Mr. Jones 3; Mr. Morrison 5**

Mr. Schaefer declared Neil Morrison as Vice President

Dr. Postupac asked for someone to make a motion to amend the agenda item 1.10, naming Missy Delmonico recording secretary at a stipend of \$500 per month and to add items 1.11a, appointing a Board Treasurer due to the election of Board President, Doug Schaefer, the previous Treasurer, and item 1.19a accepting the resignation of Melissa Ziegler as board member for the 2 year term, Region 2. Mrs. Goehring motioned, Mr. Morrison seconded.

Public Comment was opened for item 1.10

Nancy Frederick commented on the duties of the recording secretary

1.10 Mrs. Goehring made a motion, Mr. Jones seconded, to appoint Missy Delmonico as recording secretary with a stipend of \$500 per month.

**Verbal Vote: 8 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried**

1.11 Mr. Morrison made a motion, Mr. Jones seconded, to appoint Eric Brandenburg as Board Secretary.

**Verbal Vote: 8 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried**

1.11a Mr. Schaefer asked for a motion to open up nominations for Treasurer. Motion made by Mrs. Goehring, seconded by Mr. Jones. A job description of the Treasurer was discussed. Mr. Jones nominated Greg Woods.

**A Roll Call Vote was taken to appoint the Treasurer**

Dr. Makoczy	yes
Mrs. Goehring	yes
Mr. Jones	yes
Mr. Woods	yes
Mrs. Ziegler	yes
Mr. Schaefer	yes
Mr. Battaglia	yes
Mr. Morrison	yes

**Roll Call Vote 8 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried**

**Mr. Schaefer declared Mr. Woods as Treasurer**

**Public Comment**

Mr. Don Inman commented on item 1.12 and also commented on the use of microphones during the meeting

1.12 Mrs. Goehring made a motion to appoint Weiss Burkardt Kramer, LLC to provide services as a School solicitor, effective for the 2018 calendar year at a \$500 monthly retainer and an hourly rate of \$125 for all matters not covered by the retainer (rates are unchanged from the previous year). Mr. Jones seconded this motion.

Mrs. Ziegler and Mr. Woods commented on continuity with board turnover

**A Roll Call Vote was taken to appoint the Solicitor**

Mrs. Goehring	yes
Mr. Jones	yes
Mr. Woods	yes
Mrs. Ziegler	yes
Mr. Schaefer	yes
Mr. Battaglia	yes
Mr. Morrison	yes
Dr. Makoczy	yes

**Roll Call Vote 8 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried**

1.13 Mr. Jones made a motion, Mrs. Ziegler seconded to elect Dr. Kilpatrick, as school Physician to provide or oversee the student physical examinations for the coming year. He will be compensated at the rate of \$25 per student physical examination and \$30 per pre-employment physical.

**Verbal Vote: 8 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried**

1.14 Mrs. Ziegler made a motion, Mrs. Goehring seconded to elect Dr. Parise to the position of school dentist for the coming year. He will be compensated at a rate of \$10 per student examination.

**Verbal Vote: 8 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried**

1.15 Mr. Woods made a motion, Mrs. Ziegler seconded to approve the following dates for the Work Sessions and Voting Meetings for 2018. All Meetings will be held at the Blackhawk High School Library at 7:00PM.

A discussion followed regarding time of meetings.

Dr. Makoczy made a motion, John Battaglia seconded to amend the start time from 7:00 to 7:30.

**A Roll Call Vote was taken**

Dr. Makoczy	7:30
Mrs. Goehring	7:00
Mr. Jones	7:00
Mr. Woods	7:30
Mrs. Ziegler	7:00
Mr. Schaefer	7:00
Mr. Battaglia	7:30
Mr. Morrison	7:30

**Roll Call Vote 7:00 4, 7:30 4**

**Another Roll Call Vote was taken to designate meeting start time**

Dr. Makoczy	7:30
Mrs. Goehring	7:00
Mr. Jones	7:00
Mr. Woods	7:00
Mrs. Ziegler	7:00
Mr. Schaefer	7:00
Mr. Battaglia	7:30
Mr. Morrison	7:30

**Roll Call Vote 7:00 5, 7:30 3. Motion Carried, meeting start time 7:00PM**

Mrs Ziegler suggested to advertise for 2 meetings per month, since cancellation of a meeting does not have to be advertised in the paper.

Mr. Schaefer suggested to change the meeting dates from Thursday to Tuesday evenings. Mrs. Ziegler clarified that meeting policy would need to be amended as well.

Mr. Jones made a motion, Mrs. Ziegler seconded to move the meetings from Thursday to Tuesday.

**A Roll Call Vote was taken to designate meeting day**

Dr. Makoczy	Tuesday
Mrs. Goehring	Tuesday
Mr. Jones	Tuesday
Mr. Woods	Tuesday
Mrs. Ziegler	Tuesday
Mr. Schaefer	Tuesday
Mr. Battaglia	Tuesday
Mr. Morrison	Tuesday

**Motion carried; Tuesday meetings**

Work Session:  
January 9, 2018  
February 6, 2018

Voting Session:  
January 16, 2018  
February 13, 2018

March 6, 2018	March 13, 2018
April 10, 2018	April 17, 2018
May 1, 2018	May 8, 2018
June 12, 2018	June 26, 2018
July 17, 2018	July 24, 2018
August 7, 2018	August 14, 2018
September 4, 2018	September 11, 2018
October 2, 2018	October 9, 2018
November 13, 2018	November 20, 2018
Reorganization Meeting - December 3, 2018	

1.16 Mrs. Goehring made a motion, Mr. Jones seconded to designate The Beaver county Times as the newspaper of general circulation to be used for official notices.

**Verbal Vote: 8 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried**

1.17 Mr. Jones made a motion, Mrs. Goehring seconded to authorize the Solicitor to file with the Secretary of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania a request for permission to use facsimile signatures.

Mr. Morrison inquired about the security of the signatures, and why they were used.

**Verbal Vote: 7 Yes; 1 No (Mr. Morrison); Motion Carried**

1.18 Mr. Jones made a motion, Mrs. Ziegler seconded to approve the following depositories of school funds:

- a. WesBanco
- b. Wells Fargo
- c. PLGIT
- d. PSDLAF
- e. Citizen Bank
- f. Bank of America
- g. Blackhawk Federal Credit Union
- h. First National Bank
- i. Zion Bank

**Verbal Vote: 8 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried**

1.19 Mrs. Goehring made a motion, Mrs. Ziegler seconded to approve the following depositories be used for investments:

- a. WesBanco
- b. Wells Fargo
- c. PLGIT
- d. PSDLAF
- e. Citizen Bank
- f. Bank of America
- g. Blackhawk Federal Credit Union
- h. PNC Bank
- i. First National Bank
- j. First Commonwealth Bank
- k. Huntington Bank

Mr. Woods asked for clarification, Mr. Brandenburg explained

**Verbal Vote: 8 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried**

**1.19a** Mr. Jones made a motion, Mr. Woods seconded, to accept the resignation of Melissa Ziegler as 2 year representative to the School Board from Region 2.

**Verbal Vote: 8 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried**

**PUBLIC RELATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

2.1 Congratulations was extended to Alex Jena for being selected Student of the Month for December.

2.2 Mr. Jones made a motion, Mrs. Ziegler seconded, to schedule an additional meeting on December 20, 2017 at 6:00PM in the High School Library.

**Verbal Vote: 8 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried**

3.1 Informational Item: Monthly Insurance Report for November

- a. UPMC Health Fund: \$273,806.75
- b. UPMC Dental: \$10,061.95
- c. UPMC Vision: \$1,379.00

3.2 Mr. Jones made a motion, Mr. Morrison seconded, to authorize the Treasurer to pay December's payable bills at the Treasurer's discretion to be subsequently approved by the Board at the January voting meeting.

**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

4.1 Mrs. Goehring made a motion and Mr. Jones seconded to increase the salary of Cherie Fleischman, Food Service Director by \$1,775 per her contract.

**A Roll Call Vote was taken**

Mr. Battaglia	Yes
Mr. Morrison	Yes
Mr. MacKoczy	No
Mrs. Goehring	Yes
Mr. Jones	Yes
Mr. Woods	Yes
Mrs. Ziegler	Yes
Mr. Schaefer	Yes

**Motion carried; to increase Mrs. Fleischman salary**

**EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

No Report

**BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS/REAL ESTATE**

No Report

**ATHLETICS COMMITTEE**

7.1-7.5 Mr. Jones made a motion and Mrs. Ziegler seconded to approve items 7.1 through 7.8 Mr. Webster had questions regarding items 7.7 and 7.8 and asked that these be tabled until the next meeting.

Mr. Morrison made a motion and Mr. Battaglia seconded to table items 7.7 and 7.8  
**Verbal Vote: 8 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried to table 7.7 and 7.8**

Theresa Wright asked if she could make a public comment on item 7.6, Mr. Schaefer allowed. She questioned the location of the bowling matches.

Nancy Frederick made a comment on supplemental coach salaries.

A discussion regarding students paying for extracurricular activities took place.

Mr. Battaglia made a motion and Mr. Morrison seconded to table item 7.6.  
**Verbal Vote: 8 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried**

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE LIAISON**

No Report

#### **TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

No Report

#### **FOOD SERVICE COMMITTEE**

No Report

#### **NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE**

No Report

#### **POLICY COMMITTEE**

No Report

#### **BOARD/STAFF ENRICHMENT**

No Report

#### **INTERMEDIATE UNIT**

No Report

#### **VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL SCHOOL**

No Report

#### **PSBA LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE**

No Report

#### **BEAVER COUNTY REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS**

No Report

#### **ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

#### **Visitors**

Rob Puskas commented on behalf of the BEA welcoming the new board members

Aaron Frederick commented on the Student Representative for the Board

Beth Scheimer invited everyone to music concerts for the month of December

**Administration**

No Report

**Solicitor**

Mr. Webster thanked the Board for allowing him to continue his service

**School Directors**

Mr. Woods commented on amending policies regarding public comment and backup documents. He expressed interest in meeting with the BEA per policy, requested a stadium update, the 5 year capital plan and discussion regarding Northwestern.

Mr. Morrison thanked the public for coming.

Mr. Schaefer thanked everyone for their support and asked the members of the board to email him with their committee requests.

The next scheduled meeting will be December 20, 2017 at Blackhawk High School Library, at 6:00PM.

Mr. Morrison made a motion and Mr. Woods seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 8:55PM

Respectfully,

Missy Delmonico

Blackhawk School Board Recording Secretary