

BLACKHAWK SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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BEAVER FALLS, PA 15010

BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS VOTING SESSION  
Blackhawk High School Library  
February 13, 2018

Mr. Morrison called the meeting to order at 7:05PM. Mr. Schaefer welcomed Lauren Ostrom, the student representative and congratulated her. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call was taken. Those in attendance were:

Mr. Battaglia	Mrs. Goehring	Dr. Makoczy	Mr. Schaefer	Mr. Jones
Mr. Morrison	Mrs. Ziegler	Mr. Woods	Mr. Wimmel	
Ms. Lauren Ostrom				

Also in attendance:

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

Mr. Schaefer announced there was a meeting with BEA prior to the Voting Session.  
Mr. Puskas, BEA President, thanked the Board for meeting with the union.

There were no addendums to the agenda

**PUBLIC RELATIONS AND COMMUNITCATIONS**

Mrs. Ziegler encouraged the public to visit the district website for updates on events in the district

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**Mr. Woods made a motion, Mr. Morrison seconded, to approve items 3.1 through 3.7.**

**Roll Call Vote:**

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

**Verbal Vote 9 Yes; 0 No; motion Carried**

3.1 Informational Item: Monthly Insurance Report for January.

a. UPMC Health Fund: \$358,438.94

b. UPMC Dental: \$8,382.75

c. UPMC Vision: \$1,559.00

3.2 It is recommended to approve the Financial Report for January.

3.3 It is recommended to approve the payment of bills.

a. Fund 10 – General Fund: \$813,716.8

b. Fund 32 – Capital Projects Fund: \$1,250.00

BAAG : \$0

c. Fund 51 – Cafeteria Fund: \$32,210.47

d. Fund 66 - Health Fund: \$1,486.00

Payroll: January \$1,151,533.05

3.4 It is recommended to approve the athletic activity account for January.

3.5 It is recommended to approve the budget transfer from Athletic Office Equipment to Rental Facility in the amount of \$18,000.

3.6 It is recommended to accept the following Category 2 E-rate applications for the 2018-19 school year pending E-rate application approval. (Items purchased under E-Rate Category 2 are items that are scheduled for replacement but can be obtained with a discount through the E-rate program):

a. CDWG for infrastructure switch equipment at a pre-E-rate cost of \$32,192.00 (\$12,876.80 after an approximate 60% discount)

b. CDWG for wireless equipment licensing at a pre-E-rate total cost of \$2,862.00(\$1,144.80 after an approximate 60% discount)

3.7 It is recommended to approve a blend and extend contract agreement for natural gas with our current supplier Direct Energy for a time period February 1, 2018 through August 31, 2019 as part of the districts participation the Western Pennsylvania Natural Gas Consortium at a price of minus -\$0.274 cents per dth. This is a lower price, we are currently paying minus-\$0.15 cents per dth

#### **PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

**Mrs. Goehring made a motion, Mr. Woods seconded to approve items 4.1 and 4.2.**

**A Roll Call Vote was taken:**

Mr. Jones - Yes

Dr. Makoczy – Yes

Mr. Morrison – Yes

Mr. Schaefer – Yes

Mr. Wimmel – Yes

Mr. Woods – Yes

Mrs. Ziegler – Yes

Mr. Battaglia – Yes

Mrs. Goehring – Yes

**Verbal Vote: 9 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried**

4.1 The Superintendent recommends approval for employee # 1104 to have uncompensated leave beginning February 5, 2018 for a duration of 2 weeks.

4.2 The Superintendent recommends approval to employ Holly Tripp as Paraprofessional, at a rate of \$11.16 per hour, beginning on February 20, 2018.

#### **EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

5.1 Presentation from Western Beaver on Pre-K.

**Mrs. Ziegler made a motion, Mr. Morrison seconded to approve items 5.2 through 5.4.**

Mr. Woods commented on committee members. Dr. Postupac reiterated that anyone is welcome to attend Comprehensive Plan committee meetings.

**A Roll Call Vote was taken:**

Dr. Makocz –Yes (5.2), No (5.3, 5.4)

Mr. Morrison – Yes

Mr. Scchaefer – Yes

Mr. Wimmel – Yes

Mr. Woods – Yes

Mrs. Ziegler – Yes ((5.2, 5.3), No (5.4)

Mr. Battaglia – Yes

Mrs. Goehring – Yes

Mr. Jones - Yes

**Verbal Vote 5.2 9 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried**

**Verbal Vote 5.3 8 Yes; 1 No; Motion Carried**

**Verbal Vote 5.4 7 Yes; 2 No; Motion Carried**

5.2 The Superintendent recommends approval of the Disciplinary Disposition between the District and student identified by SIS #1090.

5.3 The Superintendent recommends approval for the following field trips:

a. NPS First Grade (88), Jessica Dougherty (first grade teachers), Children’s Museum, Pittsburgh, May 16, 2018 (no expense – see attached)

b. AP Biology (15), Anita Mensch, Sami Hanna, Open Heart Surgery Observation, Allegheny General Hospital, March 23, 2018 (bus, substitute expense budgeted through 17-18 Science department - see attached)

c. Journalism (4), Joy Winters, Lou Wolber, Penn State Writing Competition, Penn State University, March 27, 2018 (substitute expense budgeted through 17-18 English department– see attached)

d. Girls from Highland (20), Darlene Martin, Kelley Engle, STEAM, Apple Store, Ross Park Mall, March 23, 2018 (substitute expense – see attached)

e. PPS Second Grade (65), Chelsea Haight (Second Grade Teachers, Ian Taylor), Carnegie Natural History, May 18, 2018 (no expense – see attached)

f. Sixth Grade Chorus (7), Jayne McDonald, Krsten Neely, Songfest, Hopewell High School, April 6, 2018 (substitute, bus, entrance fee budgeted through 17-18 Music Department – see attached)

g. K’NEX Club (20), Meredith Oliver, Jake Anderson, Penn State Beaver, April 5, 2018 (substitute and bus budgeted through Gifted Department – see attached)

h. Senior Class (120), Joe Verbosky, Bryan Vitali, Jamie Planitzer, Senior Camp Kon-O-Kwee, Fombell, April 17, 18, 19, 2018 (substitute expense budgeted through Physical Education 17-18 budget)

5.4 The Superintendent recommends approval for the following parents, community members and business owners to complete the 2018-2021 Comprehensive Plan:

a. Parents – Stephanie and Jim Troup

b. Local Business Representatives –Brian Wright and Glenn Zahn

c. Community Representatives – Karin Zahn and Steve Dillan

## **BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS**

**Mrs. Goehring made a motion, Mr. Woods seconded to table item 6.1 until the contract can be completed.**

**Verbal Vote 9 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried**

**Mrs. Goehring made a motion, Mr. Morrison seconded to approve item 6.2.**

**A Roll Call Vote was taken:**

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

**Verbal Vote 9 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried**

6.1 The Superintendent recommends approval to appoint NJM Masonry as owner representative for the completion of the Stadium Project pending solicitor recommendations.

6.2 The Superintendent recommends approval for Nick Engle of Engle Design LLC. to provide engineered drawings for the Stadium Ticket Booth and Donor Paver Bricks, apply for a variance for restrooms and non-engineered drawings at a cost not to exceed \$9,500.

**ATHLETIC COMMITTEE**

**Mr. Jones made a motion, Mr. Woods seconded, to approve item 7.1.**

**A Roll Call Vote was taken:**

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

**Verbal Vote 9 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried**

7.1 The Athletic Director recommends approval to appoint the following coaches pending clearances:

- a. Pat Feeley 1st Assistant Football Coach Varsity (Supplemental Contract \$5,830.20)
- b. Rod Weaver Assistant Freshman Football Coach (Supplemental Contract \$3,223.20)
- c. Nate Morgan MS Swim Coach (Supplemental Contract \$2,322.60)
- d. Kyle Braddock as Assistant MS Volleyball Coach (Supplemental Contract \$1730.10)

**ADMINISTRATIVE LIAISON**

No Report

**TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

**Mr. Battaglia made a motion, Mrs. Ziegler seconded to approve item 9.1**

**A Roll Call Vote was taken:**

Mr. Wimmel – Yes  
Mr. Woods – Yes

Mrs. Ziegler – Yes  
Mr. Battaglia – Yes  
Mrs. Goehring – Yes  
Mr. Jones – Yes  
Dr. Makoczy – Yes  
Mr. Morrison – Yes  
Mr. Schaefer – Yes

**Verbal Vote 9 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried**

9.1 The Superintendent recommends approval to update McCarter’s van and bus driver list.

**FOOD SERVICE COMMITTEE**

No Report

**NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE**

No Report

**POLICY COMMITTEE**

**Mr. Woods made a motion, Mrs. Ziegler seconded, to approve item 12.1.**

**A Roll Call Vote was taken:**

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

**Verbal Vote 9 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried**

12.1 The Superintendent recommends approval of the following policies:

- a. Policy 006; Local Board Procedures
- b. Policy 903; Public Participation in Board Meetings
- c. Policy 808.1; Charging of Cafeteria Meals
- d. Policy 006.1; Additional Items on the Voting

**BOARD/STAFF ENRICHMENT**

**Mr. Wimmel made a motion, Mrs. Goehring seconded to approve item 13.1 and 13.2**

**A Roll Call Vote was taken:**

Mrs. Ziegler – Yes  
Mr. Battaglia – Yes  
Mrs. Goehring – Yes  
Mr. Jones – Yes  
Dr. Makoczy – Yes (13.1) No (13.2)  
Mr. Morrison – Yes (13.1) No (13.2)  
Mr. Schaefer – Yes  
Mr. Wimmel – Yes

Mr. Woods – Yes

**Verbal Vote (13.1) 9 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried**

**Verbal Vote (13. 2) 7 Yes; 2 No; Motion Carried**

13.1 The Superintendent recommends approval to purchase a sound system for the High School Library not to exceed \$800.

13.2 The Superintendent recommends approval for the following conferences:

a. Heather Pastor, Chelsea Haight, Dawn Kinger, LETRS Module 7, BVIU, February 12, March 27, May 9, 2018 (substitute and travel expense – see attached)

b. David Zaccari, PMEA Region Band, Pittsburgh, February 21, 2018 (substitute and travel expenses budgeted through 17-18 Music Dept– see attached)

c. Tracy Yowler, Pittsburgh Autism Conference, Sheraton, March 30, 2018 (budgeted registration expense through Sp Ed – see attached)

d. Rick Ford, Mike Arbogast, 2018 Annual PSADA Conference, Hershey, March 20, 2018 (budgeted travel expense through Athletic Dept– see attached)

e. Dianne Sarver, Developing Targets and Examples, PaTTAN, February 15&16, 2018 (budgeted substitute and registration expense through Sp Ed – see attached)

f. Beth Hazel, Safety Care Training, BVIU, February 13 &15, 2018 (substitute expense budgeted through Life Skills – see attached)

g. Carolyn Fisher, Classroom Management, BVIU, February 20, 2018 (substitute expense budgeted through Sp Ed)

h. Mariah Brown, Tracy Yowler, Marcee Evans, Hannah Nohe, IEP Goal Writing, BVIU, March 8, 2018 (substitute and travel expense budgeted through IDEA – see attached)

#### **BEAVER COUNTY CAREER & TECHNOLOGY**

No Report

#### **INTERMEDIATE UNIT**

No Report

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

No Report

#### **PSBA LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE**

No Report

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

Mrs Ziegler made a motion to remove the Beaver County Regional Council of Governments Committee since it is no longer active, Mr. Battaglia seconded.

**Verbal Vote 9 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried**

#### **ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

##### **Visitors**

None

**Administration**

Dr. Postupac

**Solicitor**

Mr. Webster reminded the Board about the grievance hearing on February 20, 2018.

**School Directors**

Mr. Schaefer welcomed and commended the new student representative, Lauren Ostrom.

Dr. Makoczy inquired about certain bills.

Mrs. Ziegler thanked the teachers for the meeting prior to the Voting Session and asked when Eckles would be presenting. Dr. Postupac responded Eckles had confirmed March 6, 2018.

Mr. Jones made a motion, Mr. Woods seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:10PM.

Respectfully,

Missy Delmonico

Blackhawk School Board Recording Secretary