

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

**BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS WORK SESSION
Highland Middle School LGI Room
February 12, 2015**

AGENDA

1. BOARD ORGANIZATION

- 1.1 Call to Order
- 1.2 Pledge of Allegiance
- 1.3 Roll Call
- 1.4 The purpose of videotaping a meeting is for public information. The opinions expressed by any member of the public do not necessarily reflect the view or opinion of the Blackhawk School District Board of School Directors and are solely that of the speaker. The Blackhawk School District Board of School Directors hereby expressly disclaims any and all responsibility or liability for any false, defamatory or slanderous statements expressed by the speaker. Any unauthorized re-broadcasting of any video, audio or still image of the video recording of the meeting is strictly forbidden without the written permission of the Blackhawk School District Board of School Directors.
- *1.5 Approval of minutes from January 12 and 15, 2015. (Exhibit)
- 1.6 There was an executive session for personnel matters prior to the Work Session.

2. PUBLIC RELATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Dean Fleischman, Chairperson

Presentation by Lyndsay Wilcox and Vo-Ag students, February 19 Voting Session.

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- 2.1 Congratulations to Blackhawk Intermediate School for receiving a grant in the amount of \$693 from Beaver County Educational Trust for their project proposal, "Camp Read S'more".
- 2.2 Congratulations to Junior, RaeAnn Ensworth, who received an award from the Pennsylvania School Press Association. She won first place at the regional writing

contest which qualifies her to compete on March 2 at Penn State for the state writing contest.

- 2.3 Congratulations to Adam Kantz and Victoria Wegman for being accepted into District Jazzband by audition. Senior, Adam, will be playing drums for Band I, and senior Victoria, will be playing tenor saxophone for Band III.
- 2.4 Congratulations to the Vo-Ag Square Dance team who received a white ribbon and the Demonstration team who received 2nd place in the state at the Farm Show.
- 2.5 Commendations to Highland Middle School for continuing Rachel's Challenge by collecting hats, gloves and mittens and sending them to the Romania Community Relations Donations Project which supplies items to orphanages through the Marines. Blackhawk Graduate, L.Cpl. Ben Fritzley was stationed there with the Marines and was involved with the project.

THE PUBLIC HAS THE OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD AT THIS TIME ON AGENDA ITEMS.

3. FINANCE COMMITTEE
Ken Yonkee, Missy Kaszer, Co-Chairperson

- 3.1 The committee is recommending approval to accept the Financial Report for January. (Exhibit to be provided before the Voting Session)
- 3.2 The Committee is recommending approval for the payment of bills. (Exhibit to be provided before the Voting Session)
 - a. Fund 10 – General Fund: \$
 - b. Fund 32 – Capital Projects Fund: \$0
 - c. Fund 51 – Cafeteria Fund: \$
 - d. Fund 66 – UPMC Health Fund: \$0
 - e. Fund 67 – UPMC Dental: \$
 - f. Fund 68 – UPMC Vision: \$Payroll: January \$
- 3.3 Informational Item: Monthly Insurance Report for January. (Exhibit to be provided before Voting Session)
- 3.4 The committee is recommending approval to appoint Pam Kromka as Blackhawk School District authorized representative to make request upon and receive any and all tax information and records from Berkheimer, relative to the collection of taxes for official purposes only. (John Frombach is also an authorized requestor per January Board approval). (Exhibit)

- 3.5 The committee is recommending approval for Resolution 02192015 regarding the appointment of the Business Manager as Primary Voting Delegate for the BCTCC, Beaver County Tax Collection Committee. (Exhibit)
- 3.6 The committee is recommending approval to contract with NaviGate for security systems in each school building at no cost.
- 3.7 The committee is recommending approval to increase the Right To Know, Open Record Fees. (Exhibit)
- 3.8 Informational Item: Presentation by Jamie Doyle (PFM), February 12, 2015.

4. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE
Perry Pander, Kathy Helsing, Co-Chairpersons

- 4.1 The committee is recommending approval for the following substitutes:
 - a. Ian Taylor
 - b. Angela Ringling
 - c. Marissa Neely
 - d. Mary Kay Jones
 - e. Corinne Pinchotti
 - f. Amanda Prugar
 - g. Lala Babayeva
 - h. James DeLadesmo
- 4.2 The committee is recommending approval for Jamie Planitzer to use 31 sick days beginning on or about April 10, 2015 until May 28, 2015.
- 4.3 The committee is recommending approval to employ Kirsten Stitsel as Athletic Secretary at a salary of \$35,000 per year plus benefits (approximately \$23,905) effective March 2, 2015.

5. EDUCATION COMMITTEE
Tory Aquino, Ken Yonkee, Co-Chairpersons

- 5.1 The committee is recommending approval for the following field trips: (Exhibit)
 - a. PRIDE (4), Tracy Yowler, Community Based Instruction, local community, February 20, 2015. (Expenses collected from other)
 - b. 8th Grade (200), Ryan Hardesty, 8th Grade Washington D.C. Trip, Spring 2016 (date to be determined). (Expenses collected from students)
 - c. Kindergarten class (110), Mandie Payne, OH Wow! Science Center, Youngstown, May 29, 2015. (Expenses collected from other)
 - d. 5th Grade Students (9), Krsten Neeley, District 5 Chorus Fest, Grove City College, March 6, 2015 (\$324 Expenses budgeted)
 - e. Applied Engineering and Technology (10), Brandon Smith, Westinghouse Tour, Cranberry, February 27, 2015. (\$182 Expenses budgeted)

- f. FFA (5), Lyndsay Wilcox, State Legislative Leadership Conference, Harrisburg, March 15-17, 2015. (\$150 expenses budgeted and collected from students)
 - g. 5th grade BIS Buddies (28), BIS Buddies and The Science Olympiad, Gina Gordon, Northwestern Primary, May 15, 2015. (\$140 Expenses budgeted)
 - h. Second Grade (110), Second Grade Teachers, Carnegie Museum of Art and Natural History, Pittsburgh, May 18 and 26, 2015. (\$1,256 expenses collected from PTO)
 - i. Math Students (10), Dave Hanlon, Penn State Beaver Math Competition, March 24, 2015. (no expense)
- 5.3 The committee is recommending the approval of Jennifer Custer, Geneva student to intern with Bob Abel, elementary guidance counselor for Spring semester, 2015.

6. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS/REAL ESTATE
Perry Pander, Chairperson

No Report

7. ATHLETICS COMMITTEE
Dean Fleischman, Tory Aquino, Co-Chairperson

- 7.1 The committee is recommending approval to appoint Olesia Stasko as the assistant softball coach for the 2014-15 school year at a salary of \$2,010.24
- 7.2 The committee is recommending approval to appoint Charles Gussett as the middle school softball coach for the 2014-15 school year at a salary of \$1,652.86
- 7.3 The committee is recommending approval to appoint James Riggio as a volunteer softball coach for the 2014-15 school year.
- 7.4 The committee is recommending approval to appoint T.J. Lambert as volunteer boys' baseball coach for the 2014-15 school year.
- 7.5 The committee is recommending approval to appoint Frank Campagna as volunteer boys' baseball coach for the 2014-15 school year.
- 7.6 The committee is recommending approval to appoint Katherine Singletary as assistant middle school track coach for the 2014-15 school year at a salary of \$2,903.68
- 7.7 The committee is recommending approval to appoint Mike Arbogast as head middle school track coach for the 2014-15 school year at a salary of \$2,903.68.
- 7.8 The committee is recommending approval to honor the request of Joe Hamilton, Football Head Coach, for retirement effective January 20, 2015. Coach Hamilton will remain equipment manager for the football team until June 30, 2015.

- 7.9 The committee is recommending approval to appoint Cory Schmidt as head coach of the middle school swim team for the 2014-15 school year at a salary of \$2,188.
- 7.10 The committee is recommending approval to appoint Mary Ann Miller as a volunteer coach for the middle school swim team for the 2014-15 school year.
- 7.11 Congratulations to Courtney Vannoy on scoring 1,000 career basketball points.
- 7.12 Congratulations to the girls' basketball team, they won the section championship and will be advancing to post season play.
- 7.13 Blackhawk Lady Cougars achieved their 700th victory last week by defeating Upper Saint Clair. The Lady Cougars first season began in 1975 and has been going strong ever since.

8. ADMINISTRATIVE LIAISON

Lance Rose, Chairperson

- 8.1 Informational Item: Report by Dr. Kerber

9. TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Paul May, Missy Kaszer, Co-Chairpersons

No Report

10. FOOD SERVICE COMMITTEE

Paul May, Chairpersons

No Report

11. NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE

Lance Rose, Chairperson

No Report

12. POLICY COMMITTEE

Matt Young, Chairperson

- 12.1 Informational Item: First reading of revised Policy 610, Purchases Subject to Bid/Quotation.
- 12.2 Informational Item: First reading of revised Policy 404, Employment of Professional Employees

- 12.3 Informational Item: First reading of revised Policy 405, Employment of Substitute Professional Employees
- 12.4 Informational Item: First reading of revised Policy 504, Employment of Classified Employees
- 12.5 Informational Item: First reading or revised Policy 505, Employment of Substitute and Shor-Term Employees

13. BOARD/STAFF ENRICHMENT
Matt Young, Chairperson

- 13.1 The committee is recommending approval for the following conferences:
 - a. Chris Lantzy, Meet the Rigorous Common Core Standards for Writing, Coraopolis, March 23, 2015 (\$239 expenses budgeted)
 - b. Gina Gordon, IUP – School Counselor Professional Development Day, Indiana, PA, February 27, 2015. (\$87.40 expenses budgeted)
 - c. Gina Gordon, LuAnne Maginness, Danielle Bailey, Kelley Engle, Amy Anderson, PSSA Administration Training Sessions, BVIU, March 10, 2015. (no expense)
 - d. Lou Wolber, Recertification PA-DMV End of Course Skills Test, Butler, March 4, 2015. (no expense)
 - e. Gina Gordon, Geneva College Advisory Board, Geneva, March 6, 2015. (no expense)
 - f. Christy Desselle, Sound Management: Its About Time, BVIU, February 20, 2015. (no expense)
 - g. Melanie Kerber, PA Association of School Business, Officers, March 10-13, 2015. (\$711.04 expenses budgeted)
 - h. Dianne Sarver, Special Olympics Aquatics Meet, New Brighton, Aril 10, 2015. (no expense)
 - i. Football coaches, Coach of the Year Clinic, Greentree, February 27- Mar 1, 2015 (\$1,395 expenses budgeted)
 - j. Dave Zaccari, PMEA All-State Conference Workshop, Hershey, Marcy 25-28, 2015 (\$814.50 expenses budgeted)

14. VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL SCHOOL
Dean Fleischman, Chairperson

No Report

15. PSBA LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE
Dean Fleischman, Chairperson

Informational Item

**16. BEAVER COUNTY REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
Lance Rose, Chairperson**

No Report

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

- A. Visitors
- B. Administration
- C. Solicitor
- D. School Directors
- E. Next Meeting—February 19, 2015, Highland Middle School LGI room,
7:30PM.
- F. Adjournment
- G. Executive Session, if needed.