

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

**BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS WORK SESSION
Highland Middle School LGI Room
May 21, 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 Prayer, Pastor Gary Hilton, Chippewa United Methodist Church
- *1.6 Approval of minutes from April 9, and 16, 2015. (Exhibit)
- 1.7 There was an executive session for personnel matters prior to the Work Session.
- 1.8 The Work Session for June will be June 18, with the Voting Session on June 29, 2015. June, July and August Board of School Directors meetings will be held in the Blackhawk High School Library due to custodial coverage.

**2. PUBLIC RELATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS
Dean Fleischman, Chairperson**

- 2.1 Lauren Stein will present National Latin Exam awards to students on May 21, 2015.
- 2.2 Congratulations to Blackhawk's Henry Mancini Musical Theatre Awards nominees

- for the production of *The Addams Family*. The awards ceremony will be held on May 30th at the Lincoln Park Performing Arts Center. The nominees are as follows:
- a. Outstanding Overall Production
 - b. Outstanding Overall Performance
 - c. Outstanding Technical Execution
 - d. Outstanding Choreography
 - e. Outstanding Ensemble
 - f. Outstanding Community Engagement
 - g. Outstanding Student Orchestra
 - h. Outstanding Lead Actress – Noelle Marousis (*Wednesday Addams*)
 - i. Outstanding Noteworthy Individual – Jared Stonefield (*Lurch*)
 - j. Outstanding Noteworthy Group – *Skeleton Dancers*
- 2.3 Congratulations to the students who placed in individual events and team events at the Pennsylvania Technology Student Association (TSA) Conference, April 15-18, 2015 at the Seven Springs Mountain Resort. Many Level 1 and Level 2 students made the finals for their events, and several qualified to attend the National Conference in Dallas, TX on June 27-July 1, 2015.
- 2.4 Congratulations to Coach Joe Hamilton. He will be inducted into the WPIAL Sports Hall of Fame on June 12, 2015. Guests are welcome to join in honoring this great accomplishment at the Greentree Doubletree Hotel with a reception starting at 6:00 pm. Tickets are \$50.00 and are available in the athletic office. Congratulatory messages can also be purchased for the program. More information can be found on our website.
- 2.5 Congratulations to the following Blackhawk BCCTC students for placing in their respective state competitions:
- a. Ashley Stuckwish, 4th Place Personal Care, 2014-15 Health Occupations Students of America
 - b. Shannon Young, 11th Place HOSA Bowling Team, 2014-15 Health Occupations Students of America
 - c. Mikeala Lucaric and Matthew Loy, Silver Medal Culinary Arts Team, 2014-15 FCCLA State Competition
 - d. Evie Jankowski, Silver Medal in Baking, 2014-15 FCCLA State Competition
 - e. Elizabeth Ayres, 1st Place Winner, Transportation Written Event, DECA 2014-15 District 2 Competition Winners
- The BCCTC National Technical Honor Society Induction ceremony was held on Thursday, April 16, 2015. Congratulations to Blackhawk's Alexis Adrian for being 1 of the 18 students inducted. BCCTC Graduation will be held on May 21, 2015. Congratulations to all graduates.
- 2.6 Congratulations to the following students who were chosen as Student of the Month for the 2014-15 school year:
- a. October
 1. Courtney Vannoy – Little Beaver Lions Club

2. Frank Riggio – Chippewa Lions Club
3. Noah Ross – Rotary Club
- b. November
 1. Megan Crees - Little Beaver Lions Club
 2. Victoria Wegman – Chippewa Lions Club
 3. Michelle Myers – Rotary Club
- c. December (Little Beaver and Chippewa Lions Club do not have SOTM in Dec)
 1. Joe Campagna – Rotary Club
- d. January
 1. Megan Pettner – Little Beaver Lions Club
 2. Ally Uslenghi – Chippewa Lions Club
 3. Anne Lichius – Rotary Club
- e. February
 1. Anne Lichius – Little Beaver Lions Club
 2. Aleena Milinski – Chippewa Lions Club
 3. Noelle Marousis – Rotary Club
- f. March
 1. Jaclyn Andrascik – Little Beaver Lions Club
 2. Louis D’Amico – Chippewa Lions Club
 3. Thomas Piccione – Rotary Club
- g. April
 1. Ethan Frederick – Little Beaver Lions Club
 2. Eric Aulbach – Chippewa Lions Club
 3. Bridgette Shaffer – Rotary Club
- h. May (Chippewa Lions Club does not have a SOTM in May)
 1. Molly Eder – Little Beaver Lions Club
 2. Richard Mangerie – Rotary Club

2.7 During the past month the Blackhawk Foundation has held two fundraisers. The 9th Annual Golf Outing was held at Black Hawk Golf Course on Saturday May 9th and Donkey Basketball on Tuesday, May 12th. Both events were a success. Special thanks to Autumn Giocondi and her committee, the Blackhawk Staff and the Volunteer Firefighters for their participation.

The following are upcoming fundraisers for the Blackhawk Foundation:

Triathlon – June 27, 2015

Dodge Fundraiser – July 25, 2015

Doo Wop Concert – October 10, 2015

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

Eckles presentation: Options for Northwestern Primary School

Presentation: Proposed Blackhawk Sports Arena Update

3. FINANCE COMMITTEE

Ken Yonkee, Missy Kaszer, Co-Chairperson

- 3.1 The committee is recommending approval to accept the Financial Report for April. (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: \$
 - c. Fund 51 – Cafeteria Fund: \$
 - d. Fund 66 – UPMC Health Fund: \$
 - e. Fund 67 – UPMC Dental: \$
 - f. Fund 68 – UPMC Vision: \$Payroll: April \$
- 3.3 Informational Item: Monthly Insurance Report for April. (Exhibit to be provided before Voting Session)
- 3.4 The committee is recommending approval to accept the preliminary budget as presented for the 2015-16 school year. Copies of the Preliminary budget will be available in the District Office and all buildings except the high school beginning May 29, 2015. Approval of the Preliminary Budget is necessary so that there are at least 30 days until final adoption. The Board will be asked to take action on a final budget on June 29, 2015. (Presented at the Work Session)
- 3.5 The committee is recommending approval to accept fees as quoted by UPMC to provide continued administrative services for the District's health plan for the 2015-16 fiscal year at \$62.44 per member per month. Approximately \$239,680 per year. (Exhibit)
- 3.6 The committee is recommending approval to renew stop loss coverage as quoted by UPMC Health Benefits, Inc. for renewal for the 2015-16 fiscal year. Approximately \$216,679 per year. (Exhibit)
- 3.7 The committee is recommending approval to accept the UPMC Cobra Advantage renewal fee quotation for the 2015-16 fiscal year. (Exhibit)
- 3.8 The committee is recommending approval to accept the UPMC Vision Advantage quote to provide administrative services for District's vision plan for the 2015-16 fiscal year at \$1.00 per member per month. Approximately \$3,960 per year. (Exhibit)
- 3.9 The committee is recommending approval to accept the UPMC Dental Advantage quote to provide administrative services for the District's dental plan for the 2015-

16 fiscal year at \$3.25 per member per month. Approximately \$12,450 per year. (Exhibit)

- 3.10 The committee is recommending approval to accept the renewal proposal as submitted by Amcom Office Systems for print management services effective July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2017. The approximate cost \$15,360 per year. (Exhibit)
- 3.11 The committee is recommending approval to authorize the School District's Administration to work with Public Financial Management, as Financial Advisor, Dinsmore & Shohl LLP as Bond Counsel, Janney Montgomery Scott, LLC, as Underwriter and the local Solicitor in conjunction with issuance of the General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2015, for the purpose of advance refunding the School District's General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2012, provided that, the refunding can achieve net debt service savings of \$271,000 (3.00%) and further provided that final approval of a financing requires formal Board of School Directors approval. Additionally, the Board of School Directors authorizes Dinsmore & Shohl LLP to take such actions as may be required to prepare the proceeding for the approving of the Obligations, when appropriate, as required by the Local Government Unit Debt Act (including, specifically, the publishing of required notices).

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

- *4.1 Approval is recommended to employ the following summer custodial staff at a rate of \$9.00 per hour pending clearances:
 - a. Eric Stein, bulk delivery
 - b. Lillian Scrucci, custodial
 - c. Sharon LeBlanc, custodial
 - d. Shawn Weyend, custodial
 - e. Renee Hupp, custodial
 - f. Timothy Bollig, custodial
 - g. Jacob Goehring, seasonal grass cutter
 - h. Geri Carver, custodial
 - i. Judy Smith, custodial
- *4.2 Approval is recommended to employ the following summer IT staff at a rate of \$9.00 per hour:
 - a. Alex Devic
 - b. Eric Aulbach
 - c. Dan Levine
- 4.3 The committee is recommending finalizing the Blackhawk High School Cyber Coordinator position.
- 4.4 The committee is recommending approval to accept the Notice of Retirement from the following teachers and staff effective at the end of the 2014-15 school year:

- a. Alberta Oravitz, high school teacher
 - b. Robert Amalia, high school teacher
 - c. Rebecca Arbogast, middle school nurse
 - d. Colleen Anzio, middle school teacher
 - e. Tona Bobbino-Recce, intermediate school teacher
 - f. Nanette Boggs, intermediate school teacher
 - g. Nancy Drogus, cafeteria
 - h. Carol Durham, primary teacher
 - i. Jenan Gouldsbarry, intermediate school teacher
 - j. Doreen Grafton, cafeteria
 - k. Diane Huston, high school teacher
 - l. Mary Jane Lombardo, middle school teacher
 - m. Carol McMillen, intermediate school teacher
 - n. Sam Nardone, high school teacher
- 4.5 The committee is recommending approval to accept the resignation of Alex Bougher, BHS English teacher, cross country coach and track coordinator effective July 31, 2015.

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

- 5.1 The committee is recommending approval for the following field trips: (Exhibit)
- a. BIS PRIDE (9), Dianne Sarver, CBI – Library, Park, Fire Station, Police Station, Chippewa, May 22, 2015 (\$150 expenses budgeted).
 - b. HMS PRIDE (4), Tracy Yowler, End of Year Picnic, BIS, May 29, 2015 (no expense).
 - c. HMS PRIDE (4), Tracy Yowler, Sims Bowling, June 1, 2015 (expenses collected from other).
 - d. AP Environmental Science (48), Rob Puskas, Global Passport Presentation, May 28, 2015 (\$140 expenses budgeted).
 - e. TSA (10), Ashley Biega, Tim Linkenheimer, National TSA Conference, Dallas, TX, June 28-July 1, 2015 (expenses are budgeted and collected from students and other sources).
 - f. Sixth Grade (200), Amy Anderson, Children’s Literature Book read aloud, PPS and NPS, May 29, 2015 (\$516 expenses budgeted).
 - g. PRIDE (2), Dianne Sarver, Special Olympics State Summer Games, Penn State Main, June 4-6, 2015 (no expense).
- 5.2 The committee is recommending approval for the Private Industry Council to occupy one classroom at BIS for the Head Start Program for the 2015-2016 school year. (Exhibit)
- 5.3 The committee is recommending approval to participate in the Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit’s “Beaver County Summer Academy for 2015” at a cost of \$500.00. (Exhibit)

6. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS/REAL ESTATE

Perry Pander, Chairperson

- 6.1 The committee is recommending approval to accept the contract with Trane Building Services, 400 Business Center Dr., Pittsburgh, PA 15205, in the amount of \$50,000 for coil replacements in Air Handling Units 1 and 2 at Blackhawk High School. This contract is awarded in accordance with the Provisions of The Cooperative Purchasing Network (CTCPN) as set forth in the provision of Contract #R5045 dated September 23, 2010. The repairs are partially covered by school district insurance payment of \$42,475.27.

7. ATHLETICS COMMITTEE

Dean Fleischman, Tory Aquino, Co-Chairperson

- 7.1 The committee is recommending approval to accept the resignation of Dave Florentine as the 9th grade head football coach.
- 7.2 The committee is recommending approval to accept the resignation of Amy Anderson as the Women's Tennis Coach.
- 7.3 The committee is recommending approval to accept the resignation of Josh Bears as the Men's Basketball Coach.
- 7.4 The committee is recommending approval for a 3 year contract for Joe Lamenza as the Head Football Coach.
- 7.5 The committee is recommending approval for a 3 year contract for Brooks Roorback as the Head Men's Basketball Coach.
- 7.6 The committee is recommending approval for the Blackhawk School District to continue their \$5,000 support of the Blackhawk Hockey program. (Exhibit)
- 7.7 Congratulations to the Boys Tennis Team. 2AA Sections Champions for the third year in a row. The team advanced to the Quarter Finals of the WPIAL Championships.
- 7.8 The following Athletes participated in the WPIAL Track Championships on 5/14/15:
Morgan Bartoles – 100 Meter and 200 Meter Event
Mariah Evans – Discuss
Brandon Butcher – Shot
Britany Adrian – Long and Triple Jumps
Michael Savilisky – 400 Meter Event
Alex Desmond, Danny Savilisky, Noah Ross and Michael Savilisky in the 4 x 400 Meter Relay with Lukas Goehring and Will Portzline as alternates.

- 7.9 The Varsity Baseball Team has advanced to the Second Round of the WPIAL Playoffs.
- 7.10 The Varsity Softball Team has advanced to the Second Round of the WPIAL Playoffs
- 7.11 The Varsity Lacrosse team has advanced to the Semi-Finals of the WPIAL Championships.
- 7.12 The Spring Middle School Sports Dinner was held on Monday, May 18th at 5 pm in the Orange Cafeteria.
- 7.13 On Thursday, May 28 at 7:30 am the Athletic Department and BCCI will be hosting the Annual Scholar Athlete Breakfast. 180 student athletes who maintained a 3.5 GPA or above during the 2014/2015 school year will be honored. If Board Members are interested in attending please contact the Athletic Office.
- 7.14 The following four students received a Varsity Letter in 3 sports this past school year:
 Mariah Evans – Cheerleading, Basketball and Track
 Devon Gabauer – Golf, Hockey and Tennis
 Owen Schaefer – Golf, Hockey and Tennis
 Courtney Vannoy – Golf, Basketball and Softball
 The students will be recognized and receive a plaque at the Scholar Athlete Breakfast.
- 7.15 The Women’s Basketball Team and Coaching Staff was recognized at the Capital in Harrisburg on Monday, May 11th by the Governor and also by the Beaver County Commissioners at the Beaver County Court House on Thursday, May 14th.
- 7.16 Informational Item: Athletic Department’s proposed 2015/2016 Capital Projects and Budget is attached.
- 7.17 Courtney Vannoy was honored at a WPIAL Luncheon on Monday, May 18th as one of 10 outstanding Female Student Athlete in the WPIAL
- 7.18 Courtney Vannoy has earned 11 Varsity Letters during her career at Blackhawk High School.
- 7.19 Joe Campagna was named AAA Player of the year by the WPIAL Baseball Coaches Association.
- 7.20 Heather Barrett (Varsity Softball) was named the Beaver County Times Athlete of the Week. Week of 5/18

- 7.21 Brendan McKay (2014 BHS graduate) was named ACC baseball freshman of the year as well as earning spots on the all-ACC first team as a pitcher, second team as a utility player and the all-freshman team. McKay is a candidate for the John Olerud Award, given to the nation's top two-way player, with an 8-2 record, 1.64 ERA and an ACC-leading 100 strikeouts plus a .318 batting average with two home runs, 29 RBIs and four stolen bases.

**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 The committee is recommending approval for, Policy 547; Workers' Compensation Transitional Return-To-Work Program.

- 12.2 The committee is recommending approval for the revision of Policy 100; Comprehensive Plan.

- 12.3 Second Reading, Policy 004.1; Student Representative to the School Board.

**13. BOARD/STAFF ENRICHMENT
Matt Young, Chairperson**

- 13.1 The committee is recommending approval for the following conferences:
a. Heather Pastor, Steamy Stem K-1, BVIU, June 8, 2015 (expenses budgeted).
b. Dianne Sarver, PSU State Games-Special Olympics, Penn State Main, June 3-6, 2015 (no expense).

14. **VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL SCHOOL**
Missy Kaszer, Chairperson

14.1 Informational Item: Vo-Tech Report

15. **PSBA LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE**
Dean Fleischman, Chairperson

No Report

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—May 28, 2015, Highland Middle School LGI room,
7:30PM.
- F. Adjournment
- G. Executive Session, if needed.