

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

**BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS VOTING SESSION
Blackhawk High School Library
7:30PM
Thursday, December 14, 2023**

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 There was an executive session prior to tonight's meeting.

1.6 Administrative Report

1.7 Student Representative Report – Andrew Woods

1.8 The Chair hereby appoints the following individuals as chair persons and committee members of the following committees:

Public Relations and Communications

Finance –

Personnel –

Education –

Building and Grounds –

Athletics –

Transportation –

Food Service –

Negotiations –

Policy –

Board/Staff Enrichment
Beaver County Career & Technology –
Intermediate Unit –

2. PUBLIC RELATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

- 2.1 Blackhawk is very proud of our student’s achievements and we encourage the extracurricular activities that happen in each grade. Please visit each school’s website for updates and happenings in our buildings including holiday events and concerts.

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

Discussion on non-consent agenda items added following Work Session:

- 3.5 Motion to approve the property tax exemption from The State Veterans Commission dated July 13, 2023.
- 3.6 Motion to adopt the Act 1 Resolution which certifies the Board will not increase the 2024-2025 millage at a rate not to exceed the adjusted index 5.1% for Beaver County and 7.1% for Lawrence County established by Pennsylvania Department of Education. (Exhibit)
- 4.2 Motion to amend Marianne LeDonne’s retirement date to February 5, 2024.
- 4.3 Motion to approve Shayla Landsbaugh as Paraprofessional at a rate of \$15.00 per hour and all benefits according to the BESPAs pending clearances with a start date of January 3, 2024.
- 4.4 Motion to approve the resignation of Tanusia Trent, Paraprofessional, effective immediately.
- 7.2 Motion to accept resignation of Middle School Track Assistant, Sarah Secules.
- 7.3 Motion to approve Nate Sarver as Pool Tech.
- 7.4 Motion to approve Gretchen Logan as Patterson Bus Supervisor.
- 7.5 Motion to approve the resignation of Kyle Braddock as Volleyball Assistant Coach effective immediately.
- 11.1 Motion to suspend policy 817 until further review from the administration.
- 11.2 Motion to rescind and replace Policies 109 and 109.1, from the amended policies to the original policies.

***Motion to approve the consent agenda for all items in section 3 through 12 as presented.**

3. FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion to approve items 3.1 through 3.6

- *3.1 Approval is recommended for the Financial Report for November. (Exhibit)
- *3.2 Motion to approve payment of bills: (Exhibit)
 - a. Fund 10 – General Fund: \$ 662,461.76
 - b. Fund 51 – Cafeteria Fund: \$ 49,048.37Payroll: \$ 1,414,269.04
- *3.3 Motion to approve membership with PSBA at a cost not to exceed \$19,937.33. (Exhibit)
- *3.4 Motion to participate in the Allegheny Intermediate Unit Joint Purchasing Program for the 24-25 school year. (Exhibit)
- *3.5 Motion to approve the property tax exemption from The State Veterans Commission dated July 13, 2023.
- *3.6 Motion to adopt the Act 1 Resolution which certifies the Board will not increase the 2024-2025 millage at a rate not to exceed the adjusted index 5.1% for Beaver County and 7.1% for Lawrence County established by Pennsylvania Department of Education. (Exhibit)

3. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Motion to approve item 4.1 through 4.3

- *4.1 Motion to approve the retirement of Joyce Strickler effective February 15, 2024.
- *4.2 Motion to amend Marianne LeDonne retirement date to February 5, 2024.
- *4.3 Motion to approve Shayla Landsbaugh as Paraprofessional at a rate of \$15.00 per hour and all benefits according to the BESPAs pending clearances with a start date of January 3, 2024.
- *4.4 Motion to approve the resignation of Tanusia Trent, Paraprofessional, effective immediately.

5. EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Motion to approve item 5.1 through 5.3

- *5.1 Motion to approve the following Field Trips: (Exhibit)

- a. Fifth Grade (184), Camp Kon-O-Kwee Spencer, Amy Anderson, Fombell, May 13-16, 2024 \$54,854.24 expenses budgeted. (Presentation 12/14/2023)
 - b. Senior Class (150), Senior Trip, Joy Winters, Sandusky Ohio, May 24, 2024, no expense.
 - c. Band (18), Beaver County Band, Brandon Tambellini, Ambridge High School, January 5, 2024 \$450 expenses budgeted.
 - d. Tri-M Officers and Seniors (11), Tri M to HMS, Maura Saint, January 22, 2024 no expense.
 - e. HMS Travel Club (45), Cleveland Cavaliers Game, Mr. Hanna, January 17, 2024, Cleveland OH, no expense
 - f. Chess Club (15), Beaver County Chess Tournament, Meredith Wilkinson, HMS, March 4, 2024 \$150 expenses budgeted.
 - g. Academic Games (30), Theme and Current Events, Meredith Wilkinson, HMS, January 25, 2024, \$300 expenses budgeted.
 - h. Jazz Band/Orchestra (75+), BIS, PPS, Maura Saint, December 20 and 21, 2023, \$300 expenses budgeted.
- *5.2 Motion to approve Title 1 Nonpublic Programs and Services with Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit. (Exhibit)
 - *5.3 Motion to modify the HMS student calendar to make May 17, 2024 a Flexible Instruction Day for 5th grade students. On this day, there will be a scheduled 4th Grade Orientation. (Presentation 12/14/2023)

6. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS/REAL ESTATE
No Report

7. ATHLETICS COMMITTEE
Motion to approve items 7.1 through 7.5

- *7.1 Motion to approve the resignation of Chandler Kincade.
- *7.2 Motion to accept resignation of Middle School Track Assistant, Sarah Secules.
- *7.3 Motion to approve Nate Sarver as Pool Tech.
- *7.4 Motion to approve Gretchen Logan as Patterson Bus Supervisor.
- *7.5 Motion to approve the resignation of Kyle Braddock as Volleyball Assistant Coach effective immediately.

8. TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
Motion to approve item 8.1 and 8.2

- *8.1 Motion to approve the updated driver list from McCarter's. (Exhibit)

*8.2 Motion to approve updates to McCarter’s bus schedule.

9. FOOD SERVICE COMMITTEE

No Report

10. NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE

No Report

11. POLICY COMMITTEE

Motion to approve item 11.1 and 11.2

*11.1 Motion to suspend policy 817 until further review from the administration.

*11.2 Motion to rescind and replace Polices 109 and 109.1, from the amended policies to the original policies.

12. BOARD/STAFF ENRICHMENT

Motion to approve item 12.1

*12.1 Motion to approve the following Conferences: (Exhibit)

- a. Michael Simon, Three Rivers Educational Technology, South Fayette, January 15, 2024 \$235. expenses budgeted.
- b. Ryan Hardesty, Title 1 Improving School Conference, Pittsburgh, February 25, 2024 \$150 no expense.
- c. Ryan Hardesty, University of Pittsburgh Keynote and Workshop, March 12-13, 2024, \$225 expenses budgeted.
- d. Dana Cox, Barb Mallozzi, Amy Muslin, Meredith Wilkinson, Melinda Haddox, Wes Chismar, A.I. For Educators, BVIU, January 9, 2024, \$695 expenses budgeted.
- e. HMS Math Teachers, Open Ended Responses PSSA, Zoom, January 23, 2024 no expense

13. BEAVER COUNTY CAREER & TECHNOLOGY

13.1 Congratulations to Dan Jones for receiving a Resolution of Praise from the BCCTC Joint Operating Committee for his dedication, support and service. (Exhibit)

14. INTERMEDIATE UNIT

No Report

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

- A. Visitors
- B. Administration
- C. Solicitor
- D. School Directors
- E. Next Meeting—January 11 2024, 6:30PM.

- F. Adjournment
- G. Executive Session if needed.