

BLACKHAWK SCHOOL DISTRICT  
500 BLACKHAWK ROAD  
BEAVER FALLS, PA 15010  
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS REORGANIZATION MEETING  
Blackhawk High School Library  
December 9, 2021

Dr. Makoczy called the Session to order at 7:00PM. Following the pledge of allegiance, roll call was taken. Those in attendance were:

Lynn Kalcevic	Mr. Yonkee	Mr. Battaglia	Mr. Jones	
Andrew Huzyak	Dr. Makoczy	Mrs. Cline	Mrs. Helsing	Mrs. Mansell

Also in attendance:

Dr. Postupac – Superintendent    Danielle Guarasico – Solicitor    Erin Cline – Student Representative

**1.5 Mrs Helsing made a motion to appoint the Solicitor as Temporary President.**

**1.7 Election of the President for the Ensuing Year: Mrs. Guarasico opened nominations**

Mr. Yonkee nominated Dr. Makoczy

Mrs. Cline nominated Mr. Jones

Roll Call Vote:

**Mr. Jones:** Mrs. Cline, Mr. Jones

**Dr. Makoczy:** Mrs. Helsing, Mr. Huzyak, Mrs. Kalcevic, Dr. Makoczy, Mrs. Mansell, Mr. Yonkee, Mr. Battaglia

**Dr. Makoczy, 7 yes, Motion Carried**

**1.8 Election of Vice President for the ensuing year. Dr. Makoczy opened nominations.**

Mrs. Kalcevic nominated Mr. Battaglia

Mr. Jones nominated Mrs. Cline

**Mr. Battaglia:** Mrs. Helsing, Mr. Huzyak, Mrs. Kalcevic, Dr. Makoczy, Mrs. Mansell, Mr. Yonkee, Mr. Battaglia

**Mrs. Cline:** Mr. Jones, Mrs. Cline

**Mr. Battaglia, 7 yes Motion Carried**

**1.9 Election of Board Secretary for the ensuing year. Dr. Makoczy opened nominations.**

Mrs. Helsing nominated Mrs. Kalcevic

Mrs. Cline nominated Mr. Jones

**Mrs. Kalcevic:** Mr. Huzyak, Mrs. Kalcevic, Dr. Makoczy, Mrs. Mansell, Mr. Yonkee, Mr. Battaglia, Mrs. Helsing

**Mr. Jones:** Mr. Jones, Mrs. Cline

**Mrs. Kalcevic, 7 yes Motion Carried**

**1.10 Election of Treasurer. Dr. Makoczy opened nominations.**

Mrs. Kalcevic nominated Mrs. Helsing

Mr. Jones nominated Mrs. Cline

**Mrs. Helsing:** Mrs. Kalcevic, Dr. Makoczy, Mrs. Mansell, Mr. Yonkee, Mr. Battaglia, Mrs. Helsing, Mr. Huzyak

**Mrs. Cline:** Mr. Jones, Mrs. Cline  
**Mrs. Helsing 7 yes Motion Carried**

**1.11 Mr. Huzyak made a motion Mrs. Helsing seconded to table item 1.11**

Election of School Solicitor: Approval is recommended for the District to appoint \_\_\_\_\_ to provide services as a School Solicitor, effective for the 2022 calendar year at a \$ \_\_\_\_ monthly retainer and an hourly rate of \$\_\_ for all matters not covered by the retainer.

Roll Call Vote yes, Mrs. Helsing, Mr. Huzyak, Mr. Jones, Mrs. Kalcevic, Dr. Makoczy, Mrs. Mansell, Mr. Yonkee, Mr. Battaglia, Mrs. Cline

**9 yes, 0 no Motion Carried to table**

**1.12 Mrs. Helsing made a motion, Mr. Jones seconded to approve**

Election of Physician: Approval is recommended for Dr. Hagberg, Physician, be elected 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.

Roll Call Vote yes, Mr. Huzyak, Mr. Jones, Mrs. Kalcevic, Dr. Makoczy, Mrs. Mansell, Mr. Yonkee, Mr. Battaglia, Mrs. Cline, Mrs. Helsing

9 yes, 0 no Motion Carried

**1.13 Mr. Jones made a motion, Mrs. Cline seconded to approve**

Election of School Dentist: Approval is recommended for Dr. Logan be elected to the position of school dentist for the coming year. He will be compensated at the rate of \$10.00 per student examination.

Roll Call Vote yes, Mr. Huzyak, Mr. Jones, Mrs. Kalcevic, Dr. Makoczy, Mrs. Mansell, Mr. Yonkee, Mr. Battaglia, Mrs. Cline, Mrs. Helsing

9 yes, 0 no Motion Carried

**1.14 Mr. Battaglia made a motion, Mrs. Mansell seconded to approve**

Work Sessions and Voting Meetings of the Board of School Directors for 2022: Approval is recommended for the following dates for public Work Sessions and Voting Meetings of the Board of School Directors during 2022. All meetings will be held at the Blackhawk High School Library at 7:30PM unless otherwise advertised.

January 13, 20	February 10, 17
March 10, 17	April 7, 21
May 12, 19	June 16, 23
July 14, 21	August 11, 18
September 8, 15	October 13, 20
November 10, 17	December 8 (Reorganization), 15

Roll Call Vote yes, Mrs. Kalcevic, Dr. Makoczy, Mrs. Mansell, Mr. Yonkee, Mr. Battaglia, Mrs. Cline, Mrs. Helsing, Mr. Huzyak

No, Mr. Jones

**8 yes, 1 no Motion Carried**

**Mrs. Cline made a motion, Mr. Jones seconded, to offer Zoom meetings in conjunction with live meetings between December and March.**

Roll Call Vote yes, Mrs. Kalcevic, Dr. Makoczy, Mrs. Mansell, Mr. Yonkee, Mr. Battaglia, Mrs. Cline, Mrs. Helsing, Mr. Huzyak, Mr. Jones

**9 yes 0 no Motion Carried**

**1.15 Mr. Jones made a motion, Mrs. Kalcevic seconded to approve**

Newspaper of General Circulation: Approval is recommended to designate The Beaver County Times as the newspaper of general circulation to be used for official notices.

Roll Call Vote yes, Dr. Makoczy, Mrs. Mansell, Mr. Yonkee, Mr. Battaglia, Mrs. Cline, Mrs. Helsing, Mr. Huzyak, Mr. Jones, Mrs. Kalcevic

**9 yes 0 no Motion Carried**

**1.16 Mrs. Cline made a motion Mrs. Kalcevic seconded to**

Facsimile Signatures: Approval is recommended to authorize the Solicitor to file with the Secretary of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania a request for permission to use facsimile signatures.

Roll Call Vote yes, Mrs. Mansell, Mr. Yonkee, Mr. Battaglia, Mrs. Cline, Mrs. Helsing, Mr. Huzyak, Mr. Jones, Mrs. Kalcevic, Dr. Makoczy

**9 yes, 0 no Motion Carried**

**1.17 Mrs. Helsing made a motion, Mrs. Mansell seconded to approve**

Depositories of School Funds: Approval is recommended for the following depositories of school funds:

- A. Wells Fargo
- B. PLGIT
- C. PSDLAF
- D. Bank of America
- E. Blackhawk Federal Credit Union
- F. First National Bank
- G. Zion Bank

**Roll Call Vote yes**, Mr. Battaglia, Mrs. Cline, Mrs. Helsing, Mr. Huzyak, Mr. Jones, Mrs. Kalcevic, Dr. Makoczy, Mrs. Mansell, Mr. Yonkee

**9 yes, 0 no Motion Carried**

**1.18 Mr. Jones made a motion, Mrs. Cline seconded to approve**

Investments of School Funds: Approval is recommended that the following depositories be used for investments:

- A. WesBanco
- B. Wells Fargo
- C. PLGIT
- D. PSDLAF
- E. Citizens Bank
- F. Bank of America
- G. Blackhawk Federal Credit Union
- H. PNC Bank
- I. First National Bank
- J. First Commonwealth Bank
- K. Huntington Bank

Roll Call Vote yes, Mrs. Cline, Mrs. Helsing, Mr. Huzyak, Mr. Jones, Mrs. Kalcevic, Dr. Makoczy, Mrs. Mansell, Mr. Yonkee, Mr. Battaglia

**9 yes, 0 no Motion Carried**

**1.19 Mrs. Cline made a motion, Mr. Battaglia seconded to approve November minutes**

Roll Call Vote yes, Mrs. Helsing, Mr. Huzyak, Mr. Jones, Mrs. Kalcevic, Dr. Makoczy, Mrs. Mansell, Mr. Yonkee, Mr. Battaglia, Mrs. Cline

**9 yes, 0 no Motion Carried**

**Mrs. Helsing made a motion Mr. Huzyak seconded to adjourn the Reorganization Meeting at 7:30PM**

Roll Call Vote yes, Mr Huzyak, Mr. Jones, Mrs. Kalcevic, Dr. Makoczy, Mrs. Mansell, Mr. Yonkee, Mr. Battaglia, Mrs. Cline, Mrs. Helsing

**9 yes, 0 no Motion Carried**

**Dr. Makoczy called the Work/Voting Session to order**

#### **PUBLIC RELTATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

**Mrs. Cline made a motion, Mr. Jones seconded to amend item 2.3 to read: "It is recommended"**  
instead of "I hereby move"

**Roll Call Vote yes, Mr. Jones, Mrs. Kalcevic, Dr. Makoczy, Mrs. Mansell, Mr. Yonkee, Mr. Battaglia, Mrs. Cline, Mrs. Helsing, Mr. Huzyak**

**9 yes, 0 no Motion Carried**

**Mrs. Cline made a motion, Mr. Jones seconded to advertise to hire a solicitor.**

Roll Call Vote yes, Mr. Battaglia, Mrs. Cline, Mr. Jones

No, Dr. Makoczy, Mrs. Mansell, Mr. Yonkee, Mrs. Helsing, Mr. Huzyak, Mrs. Kalcevic

**3 yes, 6 no Motion Failed**

**2.3 Mrs. Cline made a motion, Mrs. Kalcevic seconded to approve**

that the board set a special meeting for general purposes for the 16th day of December, 2021, including but not limited to the hiring of a solicitor, a discussion of the sale of Northwestern Elementary School Building and revisions to school district policies.

Roll Call Vote yes, Mrs. Kalcevic, Dr. Makoczy, Mrs. Mansell, Mr. Yonkee, Mr. Battaglia, Mrs. Helsing, Mr. Huzyak

No, Mrs. Cline, Mr. Jones

**7 yes, 2 no, Motion Carried**

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Barb Brown questioned what policies would be changed at the next meeting and 2.3 being voted on prior to public comment.

Neil Morrison congratulated the new officers and commented on the resignation of the solicitor and JMS, Business Services.

Adam Van Zalinge commented on the sale of Northwestern

Chris Coennen clarified the bid for the sale of Northwestern

Patrick Kutshall spoke to quotes for tearing down Northwestern Primary building

Connie Thorn congratulated the new board members and ask the audience to give them a chance.

Jarrod McCowin congratulated the new board members and offered introductions with the BEA

Scott Nelson asked about item 2.3

Jane Ann Fucci asked about 2.3 and the responsibility of setting the agenda as well as policy and procedure

#### **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**Dr. Makoczy made a motion, Mrs. Kalcevic seconded to approve items 3.1 through 3.4**

3.1 Approval is recommended for the Financial Report for November.

3.2 Approval is recommended for the payment of bills:

- a. Fund 10 – General Fund: \$1,151,987.53
- b. Fund 32 – Capital Projects Fund: \$24,877.00
- c. Fund 51 – Cafeteria Fund: \$85,030.98

Payroll: \$1,407,018.98

3.3 I hereby move to accept the resignation of JMA, Business Services, effective at the close of business December 31, 2021.

I further move that the administration is directed to advertise the position through local newspapers of general circulation, as well as through the available PSBA employment service. Any and all resumes submitted for the position will be circulated to all board members for review before any employment decisions are made. The board will participate in interviews of applicants for the position as may be scheduled through the board president.

3.4 I hereby move to accept the resignation of Weiss Burkardt Kramer, LLC effective December 16, 2021. Roll Call Vote yes, Mrs. Mansell, Mr. Yonkee, Mr. Battaglia, Mrs. Cline (3.1, 3.2, 3.4), Mrs. Helsing, Mr. Huzyak, Mr. Jones (3.1, 3.2), Mrs. Kalcevic, Dr. Makoczy

**9 yes 0 no (3.1, 3.2, 3.4) Motion Carried**

**7 yes 2 no (3.3) Motion Carried**

**Mrs. Cline made a motion, Mrs. Kalcevic seconded to rescind item 2.3 until Public Comment could be made.**

Roll Call Vote yes, Mr. Battaglia, Mrs. Cline, Mrs. Helsing, Mr. Huzyak, Mr. Jones, Mrs. Kalcevic, Dr. Makoczy, Mrs. Mansell, Mr. Yonkee

**9 yes, 0 no Motion Carried**

Public comment was allowed

**Mr. Huzyak made a motion, Mr. Battaglia seconded to approve item 2.3**

Roll Call Vote yes, Mrs. Cline, Mrs. Helsing, Mr. Huzyak, Mr. Jones, Mrs. Kalcevic, Dr. Makoczy, Mrs. Mansell, Mr. Yonkee, Mr. Battaglia

**9 yes, 0 no Motion Carried**

#### **PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

**Dr. Makoczy made a motion, Mrs. Helsing seconded to approve item 4. 1**

4.1 Approval is recommended for the retirement of Gerald Richeal, Custodian, effective November 8, 2021.

Roll Call Vote yes, Mrs. Helsing, Mr. Huzyak, Mr. Jones, Mrs. Kalcevic, Dr. Makoczy, Mrs. Mansell, Mr. Yonkee, Mr. Battaglia, Mrs. Cline

**9 yes, 0 no Motion Carried**

#### **ATHLETICS COMMITTEE**

**Dr. Makoczy made a motion, Mrs. Cline seconded to table item 7.1**

7.1 Approval is recommended to hire Corbet Kichta as a Volunteer Varsity Wrestling Coach pending clearances.

Roll Call Vote yes, Mr. Huzyak, Mrs. Kalcevic, Dr. Makoczy, Mrs. Mansell, Mr. Yonkee, Mrs. Helsing No, Mr. Jones, Mr. Battaglia, Mrs. Cline

**6 yes, 3 no Motion Carried to Table**

#### **BOARD STAFF ENRICHMENT**

**Dr. Makoczy made a motion, Mrs. Kalcevic seconded to approve item 13.1**

**Mrs. Cline made a motion, Mr. Jones seconded to table 13.1 until January.**

Roll Call Vote yes, Mr. Jones, Mrs. Cline, Mr. Battaglia, Mr. Huzyak

No, Dr. Makoczy, Mrs. Helsing, Mr. Yonkee, Mrs. Kalcevic, Mrs. Mansell

**4 yes, 5 no Motion failed to table 13.1**

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

Public Relations and Communications - Rachel Cline (Chair), Lynn Kalcevic

Finance – Dr. Frank Makoczy (Chair), Roberta Mansell, Ken Yonkee, Lynn Kalcevic

Personnel – Kathy Helsing (Chair), Ken Yonkee, Roberta Mansell

Education – Lynn Kalcevic (Chair), Kathy Helsing, Ken Yonkee

Building and Grounds – John Battaglia (Chair), Andy Huzyak, Dan Jones

Athletics – Dr. Frank Makoczy (Chair), Lynn Kalcevic, Kathy Helsing

Transportation – John Battaglia (Chair)

Food Service – Lynn Kalcevic (Chair), Ken Yonkee

Negotiations – Roberta Mansell (Chair), Andy Huzyak

Policy – Lynn Kalcevic (Chair), Andy Huzyak

Board/Staff Enrichment – Rachel Cline (Chair)

Beaver County Career & Technology – Dan Jones (Chair)

Intermediate Unit – Dan Jones (Chair)

PSBA Legislative – Rachel Cline (Chair)

Roll Call Vote yes, Mrs. Kalcevic, Dr. Makoczy, Mrs. Mansell, Mr. Yonkee, Mr. Battaglia, Mrs. Helsing, Mr. Huzyak

No, Mr. Jones, Mrs. Cline

**7 yes 2 no Motion Carried**

#### **ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

Barb Brown questioned what date the new members took the oath and the date the board spoke to a prospective solicitor.

Gwen DeLuca congratulated the new members and commented on trainings and the upcoming PMLEA conference, and same transgender bathrooms.

Adam VanZalinge commented on the School Code of Ethics

Danielle Guarascio updated the board on the sale of Northwestern.

Mr. Jones asked for a moment of silence for former Blackhawk employees that have passed.

Mrs. Cline spoke about PSBA training that is required of new member, the agenda of the board and procedures.

Mr. Yonkee acknowledged Mrs. Fucci, and Judge Rick Mancini for administering the oath in his office.

Mrs. Mansell spoke about defending the constitution and taking the oath.

**Dr. Makoczy adjourned the meeting at 9:15PM**