# BLACKAHWK SCHOOL DISTRICT 500 BLACKHAWK ROAD

## BEAVER FALLS, PA 15010

# BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS JANUARY VOTING SESSION Blackhawk High School Library

January 20, 2022

Dr. Makoczy called the Session to order at 8:15PM. Following the pledge of allegiance, roll call was taken. Those in attendance were:

Mr. Jones Mr. Yonkee Mr. Battaglia Mrs. Kalcevic Mrs. Cline

Mrs. Mansell Dr. Makoczy Mr. Huzyak Mrs. Helsing

#### Also in attendance:

Dr. Postupac, Superintendent, Erin Cline, Student Representative, Attorney Jordan Shuber, Solicitor

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Barb Brown commented on 6.1 and 6.3 and board procedures Laurie Morrison commented on 4.10 and Jake's Way purchasing Northwestern property Neil Morrison commented on 4.10

#### **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

#### Dr. Makoczy made a motion, Mrs. Mansell seconded to approve items 3.1 through 3.5

- 3.1 Approval is recommended to adopt the following resolution Resolved: The Board of School Directors of Blackhawk School District (the "School District") has determined that it is in its best financial interest to consider the issuance of general obligation bonds for the purpose of refunding its currently outstanding General Obligation Bonds Series of 2017 and General Obligation Bonds Series A of 2017 and does hereby authorize the School District's School Board and Administration to work with PNC Capital Markets LLC, as Investment Banker, in connection with the structuring, marketing and issuing of the bonds.
- 3.2 Approval is recommend to adopt the following resolution Resolved: The Board of School Directors of Blackhawk School District does hereby appoint Dinsmore & Shohl LLP, as Bond Counsel, with respect to the proposed issuance of its General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2022 (the "2022 Bonds") for the purpose of for the purpose of refunding its currently outstanding General Obligation Bonds Series of 2017 and General Obligation Bonds Series A of 2017, and authorizes Dinsmore & Shohl LLP to take such actions as may be required to prepare the proceeding for the approving of the 2022 Bonds as required by the Local Government Unit Debt Act (including, specifically, the publishing of required notices).
- 3.3 Approval is recommended for the payment of bills:
- a. Fund 10 General Fund:\$1,002,095.23
- b. Fund 32 Capital Projects Fund:\$8,100.00
- c. Fund 51 Cafeteria Fund:\$46,182.11

Payroll: \$1,270,401.30

- 3.4 Approval is recommended to adopt the Act 1 Resolution which certifies the Board will not increase the 2022-2023 millage at a rate not to exceed the adjusted index (4.5%) as calculated by PDE (3.105 mills Beaver County) (.96615 mills Lawrence County).
- 3.5 Approval is recommended to authorize the Solicitor to attend the January 27, 2022, court hearing and enter into a consent order regarding the Estate of Phyllis F. Haney Petition.

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**

#### Mrs. Helsing made a motion, Mr. Yonkee seconded to approve items 4.1 through 4.10

- 4.1 Approval is recommended for the following ProSoft employees to use FMLA:
- a. 2069
- b. 2226
- c. 99
- d. 1277
- e. 1277
- f. 1886
- 4.2 Approval is recommended to accept the resignation of Christina Welsh, Paraprofessional, effective January 16, 2022.
- 4.3 Approval is recommended to accept the resignation of Natalie Syka, Paraprofessional, effective December 23, 2021.
- 4.4 Approval is recommended to accept the retirement request of Jayne McDonald, Music Teacher, effective June 30, 2022.
- 4.5 Approval is recommended to accept the retirement request of Joseph Verbosky, Physical Education Teacher, effective March 6, 2023.
- 4.6 Approval is recommended to accept the retirement of Renee Zenisek, Elementary Teacher, effective December 31, 2022.
- 4.7 Approval is recommended to accept the retirement of Rosemary Highbergber, Paraprofessional, effective June 30, 2022.
- 4.8 Approval is recommended for Bonnie Lewis, Cafeteria, to be employed as custodian at a rate of \$18.98 per hour and all benefits according to the BESPA effective date January 24, 2022.
- 4.9 Approval is recommended to accept the resignation of cafeteria employee, Cherie Brown, effective January 10, 2022.
- 4.10 Approval is recommended authorizing the solicitor to file a Declaratory Judgement Action regarding the Superintendent Contract.

Roll Call Vote yes, Mrs. Helsing, Mr. Huzyak, Mr. Jones (4.1-4.9), Mrs. Kalcevic, Dr. Makoczy, Mrs. Mansell, Mr. Yonkee, Mr. Battaglia, Mrs. Cline (4.1-4.9)

No, Mr. Jones (4.10), Mrs. Cline (4.10)

9 yes 0 no, (4.1-4.9) Motion Carried

7 yes 2 no, (4.10) Motion Carried

#### **EDUCATIOM COMMITTEE**

#### Mrs. Kalcevic made a motion, Mr. Huzyak seconded to amend item 5.2

5.2 Approval is recommended *to investigate* the production of a bi-annual (April/Oct) newsletter at a cost not to exceed \$7,000 for layout, printing, and postage.

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

#### Mrs. Kalcevic made a motion, Mr. Huzyak seconded to approve item 5.1 and 5.2

5.1 Approval is recommended for 520.1 Emergency Instructional Time Template to ensure that any hours of remote instruction can count toward your LEA's minimum instructional hour requirements.

5.2 Approval is recommended to investigate the production of a bi-annual (April/Oct) newsletter at a cost not to exceed \$7,000 for layout, printing, and postage.

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

#### **BUILDING AND GROUNDS/REAL ESTATE**

# Mr. Battaglia made a motion, Mrs. Kalcevic seconded to approve items 6.1 through 6.5

- 6.1 Approval is recommended for the agreement with Advanced Fire Company to monitor the fire alarm system at Blackhawk Intermediate School pending solicitor review.
- 6.2 Approval is recommended to install an Exterior AED Cabinet at the Stadium at a cost of \$654.
- 6.3 Approval is recommended to contract with the following Elevator Maintenance Corporations for maintenance and inspections pending solicitor review:
- a. Schindler Elevator Corporation (BHS)
- b. TK Elevator (HMS, BIS)
- 6.4 Approval is recommended for C.M. Eichenlaub Company to evaluate the LGI bleachers at Highland Middle School at a cost of \$1,000.
- 6.5 Approval is recommended to schedule a walk through of Northwestern Primary School located at 256 Elmwood Blvd. Darlington, PA 16115 for the Board of School Directors. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

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

#### **ATHLETIC COMMITTEE**

#### Dr. Makoczy made a motion, Mrs. Mansell seconded to approve items 7.1 through 7.5

- 7.1 Approval is recommended to accept the resignation of Dan Muir, Head Middle School Volleyball Coach effective immediately.
- 7.2 Approval is recommended to employ Kyle Braddock as Head Middle School Volleyball Coach at a rate of \$1,943.40.
- 7.3 Approval is recommended to accept the resignation of Dan Mensch, Assistant Softball Coach effective immediately.
- 7.4 Approval is recommended to accept the resignation of CJ Burawa, Assistant Track Coach effective immediately.
- 7.5 Approval is recommended to accept the resignation of Angela McCowin, Assistant Track Coach effective immediately.

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

#### **TRANSPORTATION**

### Mr. Battaglia made a motion, Mr. Yonkee seconded to approve item 8.1

8.1 Approval is recommended for the updated McCarter's bus and van driver list as presented. 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

#### **INTERMEDIATE UNIT**

# Mr. Jones made a motion, Mrs. Cline seconded to approve item 14.1

14.1 Approval is recommended to contract with Allegheny Intermediate Unit for Translations Services effective February 10, 2022 at annual fee of \$120 and costs related per the contract.

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

#### **VISITORS**

Gwen DeLuca commented on ESSER's funds Barb Brown commented on policy changes

Mr. Huzyak made a motion Mrs Kalcevic seconded to adjourn the Voting Session at 9:00PM Verbal Vote, 9 yes, 0 no Motion Carried