

BLACKAHWK SCHOOL DISTRICT
500 BLACKHAWK ROAD
BEAVER FALLS, PA 15010
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS JULY VOTING SESSION
Blackhawk High School Library
July 20, 2023

Dr. Makoczy called the Session to order at 7:30PM. Following the pledge of allegiance, roll call was taken. Those in attendance were:

Mr. Battaglia	Mrs. Deluca	Mrs. Mansell	Mr. Huzyak	Mr. Jones (phone)
Mrs. Cline	Dr. Makoczy	Mrs. Helsing	Mrs. Kalcevic	

Also in attendance:
Jordan Shuber- Solicitor

Not in attendance:
Dr. Pettigrew – Acting Superintendent

Dr. Makoczy made a motion, Mrs. Deluca seconded to table item 4.8

4.8 Motion to approve MOU with BESPAs regarding ProSoft employee #30.

Verbal vote yes 9, no 0 Motion Carried to table

PUBLIC COMMENT

Leslie Benedetto commented on 4.18, and asked the board to follow procedure when hiring any position.

Tracy Shaffer commented on 4.7 and the number of Superintendents in 10 years.

Dr. Makoczy made a motion, Mrs. Mansell seconded to approve items 4.13 through 5.8.

*4.13 Motion to approve the resignation of Sydney Migliore, Teacher, effective August 22, 2023.

*4.14 Motion to approve the resignation of Emily Grus, Music Teacher, effective August 11, 2023.

*4.15 Motion to amend Donna Holt's retirement date to December 29, 2023.

*4.16 Motion to approve MOU with BESPAs regarding the temporary vacancy grievance.

*4.17 Motion to approve the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, as presented, regarding Dr. Postupac's, July 6, 2023, hearing before the Board of School Directors and to approve the removal of Dr. Postupac as the Superintendent of the Blackhawk School District pursuant to Section 10-2080 of the Public School Code, 24 P.S. §10-1080, et seq., effective immediately.

*4.18 Motion to authorize the Acting Superintendent to advise the Western Beaver County School District of the removal of Dr. Robert H. Postupac as the Superintendent of Blackhawk School District, effective immediately.

*4.19 Motion to authorize the Administration to advertise, as appropriate, for a Superintendent of Schools.

*5.8 Motion to approve the mediated settlement with student number 24335 to resolve a due process complaint.

Roll Call Vote yes, Lynn Kalcevic, John Battaglia, Dr. Makoczy, Mr. Huzyak, Mrs. Helsing, Mrs. Deluca, Mrs. Mansell, Mrs. Cline (4.13-4.16, 5.8), Mr. Jones (4.13-4.16, 5.8)

4.13-4.16, 5.8 - 9 yes 0 no Motion Carried

4.17-4.19 - 7 yes, 2 no Motion Carried

Mrs. Deluca made a motion, Mrs. Mansell seconded to table item 5.2

5.2 Motion to renew the membership with Pennsylvania Association of Rural and Small School for the 2023-2024 at a cost of \$940.

Roll Call Vote yes, Lynn Kalcevic, John Battaglia, Dr. Makoczy, Mr. Huzyak, Mrs. Helsing, Mrs. Deluca, Mrs. Mansell

No, Mr. Jones, Mrs. Cline

7 yes, 2 no Motion Carried to table

Mrs. Deluca made a motion, Dr. Makoczy seconded to table 5.3

5.3 Motion to approve Highland Middle School to form a National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) Chapter.

Roll Call Vote yes, John Battaglia, Dr. Makoczy, Mrs. Helsing, Mrs. Deluca, Mrs. Mansell

No, Mrs. Kalcevic, Mr. Huzyak, Mrs. Cline, Mr. Jones

5 yes, 4 no Motion Carried to table

Dr. Makoczy made a motion, Mr. Battaglia seconded to approve the consent agenda for all items in section 3 through 12 as presented

FINANCE COMMITTEE

*3.1 Motion to approve the Financial Report. (Exhibit)

*3.2 Motion to approve payment of bills: (Exhibit)

a. Fund 10 – General Fund: \$353,060.70 (2022-2023) \$66,040.39 (2023-2024)

b. Fund 32 – Capital Improvements: \$46,930.95 (2022-2023)

b. Fund 51 – Cafeteria Fund: \$201.26 (2022-2023)

Payroll: \$1,362,012.07

*3.3 Motion to approve the property tax exemption from The State Veterans Commission dated June 6, 2023.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

*4.1 Motion to approve Madelyn Krochka as Paraprofessional for the 2023-2024 school year at a rate of \$13.19 per hour and all benefits according to the BESPA pending clearances.

*4.2 Motion to approve Danielle Bozic as Paraprofessional for the 2023-2024 school year at a rate of \$13.19 per hour and all benefits according to the BESPA pending clearances.

*4.3 Motion to approve Drew Wright as Maintenance Electrician beginning (date to be determined) at a rate of \$25.40 per hour and all benefits according to the BESPA pending clearances.

*4.4 Motion to move the following employees on the salary schedule per BEA contractual language for the 2023-24 school year as listed below:

a. Lyndsay Wilcox, Bachelors to Masters

b. Karla Campagna, Masters +12 to Masters +21

c. Brandon Tambellini, Bachelors to Masters pending August completion

*4.5 Motion to approve Prosoft employee #735 request for leave of absence from July 3, 2023 through August 28, 2023.

*4.6 Motion to renew the agreement with Liken Healthcare Staffing. (Exhibit)

*4.7 Motion to approve Cassandra Majors resignation effective July 7, 2023.

~~*4.8 Motion to approve MOU with BESPA regarding ProSoft employee #30.-(Tabled)~~

*4.9 Motion to approve agreement with BESPA regarding ProSoft employee #1360.

*4.10 Motion to approve Kristyn Kimmel as part time cafeteria worker at a rate of \$10.38 per hour and all benefits according to the BESPA effective for the 2023-2024 school year pending clearances.

*4.11 Motion to approve Krystal Greer as part time cafeteria worker at a rate of \$10.38 per hour and all benefits according to the BESPA effective for the 2023-2024 school year pending clearances.

*4.12 Motion to approve Lara Houk as part time cafeteria worker at a rate of \$10.38 per hour and all benefits according to the BESPA effective for the 2023-2024 school year pending clearances.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

*5.1 Motion to approve the following field trips:

- a. Special Education Life Skills (8), Weekly CBI's, Mariah Brown, various dates and locations throughout the community, no expense.
- b. Special Education (9), BC YES for Success, Mariah Brown, 8 dates throughout the year, BVIU, substitute expense \$1,200 budgeted.
- c. Marching Band (10), 2023 Student Leadership Camp, Brandon Tambellini, North Hills High School, \$200 expenses budgeted.
- d. Fifth Grade (190), BizTown, Sami Hanna, Bridgeville, May 28 and 29, 2024, \$6,990 expenses budgeted.

(Tabled) ~~5.2 Motion to renew the membership with Pennsylvania Association of Rural and Small School for the 2023-2024 at a cost of \$940.~~

(Tabled) ~~5.3 Motion to approve Highland Middle School to form a National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) Chapter.~~

*5.4 Motion to approve MOU's for district reunification sites.

*5.5 Motion to continue Restorative Practices for the 23-24 school year.

*5.6 Motion to contract with The Center for Hearing & Deaf Services. (Exhibit)

*5.7 Motion to approve the transition agreement between Head Start of Beaver County and the District for the 2023-2024 school year. (Exhibit)

ATHLETICS COMMITTEE

*7.1 Motion to approve Carolina Lucci as volunteer Assistant Girls Soccer Coach pending clearances.

*7.2 Motion to approve the resignation of Jared McCowin as Head Track coach effective immediately.

*7.3 Motion to approve the resignation of Bernie Hysong as Head Middle School Softball Coach effective immediately.

*7.4 Motion to approve Vince Gratteri as the Volunteer Assistant Middle School Football Coach pending clearances.

*7.5 Motion to approve Austin Nicely as the Volunteer Assistant Varsity Football Coach pending clearances.

*7.6 Motion to approve Eric Davis as the Assistant Varsity Football Coach (Supplemental Contract \$3,332.00) pending clearances.

*7.7 Motion to approve Dustin Pringle as the Assistant Middle School Football Coach (Supplemental Contract \$2,185.40) pending clearances.

*7.8 Motion to approve Ruel Jordan Roberts as the Assistant Varsity Soccer Coach (Supplemental Contract \$3,185.00) pending clearances.

*7.9 Motion to approve Brendan Kearney as the Assistant Varsity Football Coach (Supplemental Contract \$3,332.00) pending clearances.

*7.10 Motion to approve the resignation of Chuck Ziegler as Technical Director of the Musical effective immediately.

*7.11 Motion to approve the resignation of Sarah Frey as Music Director for the Musical effective immediately.

9. FOOD SERVICE COMMITTEE

Lynn Kalcevic (Chairperson)

*9.1 Motion to approve the following lunch prices for the 2023-2024 school year. This is a \$.25 increase for all buildings.

- a. PPS/BIS \$3.25
- b. HMS \$3.50
- c. BHS \$3.75
- d. Breakfast for all buildings, \$1.75

BOARD/STAFF ENRICHMENT

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

a. HMS Staff, Science and Social Studies Apps, BVIU-virtual, October 31, 2023, \$100 expenses budgeted.

b. Carolyn Clyde and Kristie Wilson, PA State Modern Language Association Fall Conference, Seven Springs, November 2-4, 2023, \$1,495 expenses budgeted.

- c. Mariah Brown, BC Transition Council Meeting, various dates and locations in the community, \$1,050 substitute expense budgeted.
- d. Trisha Huston, Council of Administrators of Special Education Conference, Pittsburgh, November 8-10, 2023, \$530 expenses budgeted.
- e. Trisha Huston, PA Community of Practice Transition Conference, State College, August 9-10, 2023, \$1,010 expenses budgeted.
- f. Ryan Hardesty, East Stroudsburg University, January 31- Feb 1, 2024, \$300 expenses budgeted.
- g. Ryan Hardesty, NSTOY-PA TEACH Conference, West Chester, November 3-4, 2023, \$150 expenses budgeted.
- h. Ryan Hardesty, PDE SAS and TOY Conference, Hershey, December 11-13, 2023, \$450 expenses budgeted.

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

9 yes, 0 no Motion Carried

Dr. Makoczy read a statement regarding board action against former Superintendent.

Dr. Makoczy adjourned the meeting at 8:03 PM