

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

**BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS WORK SESSION  
Blackhawk High School Library  
June 18, 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 Paul Poole, First Assembly of God
- \*1.6 Approval of minutes from May 21, and 28, 2015. (Exhibit)
- 1.7 There were executive sessions for personnel matters on June 10, 2015 and tonight, June 18, prior to the Work Session.
- 1.8 The June Voting Session will be on June 30, 2015 in the High School Library.

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

- 2.1 Commendations along with presentations to the following retirees of 2015.
  - a. Alberta Oravitz
  - b. Robert Amalia
  - c. Rebecca Arbogast
  - d. Colleen Anzio

- e. Tona Bobbino-Recce
- f. Nanette Boggs
- g. Carol Durham
- h. Jenan Gouldsbarry
- i. Diane Huston
- j. Mary Jane Lombardo
- k. Carol McMillen
- l. Sam Nardone

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

Presentation: Anthony Ditka, Dinsmore & Shohl, Advanced Refunding of 2012 Bond Issue

**3. FINANCE COMMITTEE  
Ken Yonkee, Missy Kaszer, Co-Chairperson**

- 3.1 The committee is recommending approval to accept the Financial Report for May. (Exhibit to be provided before the Voting Session)
- \*3.2 Approval is recommended for the payment of bills. (Exhibit)
  - a. Fund 10 – General Fund: \$412,474.69
  - b. Fund 32 – Capital Projects Fund: \$8,500
  - c. Fund 51 – Cafeteria Fund: \$35,937.96
  - d. Fund 66 – UPMC Health Fund: \$
  - e. Fund 67 – UPMC Dental: \$
  - f. Fund 68 – UPMC Vision: \$

Payroll: May \$737,055.29
- 3.3 Informational Item: Monthly Insurance Report for May. (Exhibit to be provided before Voting Session)
- 3.4 The Committee is recommending approval to adopt the 2015-2016 Blackhawk School District General Fund, proposed budgets as previously approved by the Board for review and modified as needed. General Fund (Fund 10) expected expenditures total \$34,514,917 and expected revenues total \$34,624,844.
- 3.5 The Committee is recommending approval to accept A-G detailing the District’s tax levies, tax collectors, tax collection procedures, and compensation rates for tax collectors:
  - A. REAL ESTATE LEVY: Resolved that the Board of School Directors does hereby levy and impose a tax upon all taxable real estate property for the 2015-2016 fiscal year at a rate of 59.12 mills based upon the assessed valuation of the properties in the District’s municipalities located in Beaver County; and, at a rate of 18.50 mills based upon the assessed valuation of the properties in Enon

Valley Borough in Lawrence County. This equates to \$ 5.912 per \$100 of assessed value for properties in Beaver County and \$1.850 per \$100 of assessed value for properties in Lawrence County.

**B. SCHOOL CODE PER CAPITA TAX:** Resolved that pursuant to the authority granted under Section 679 of the Pennsylvania Public School Code of 1949, as amended, the School Board of Directors does hereby levy and impose a Per Capita Tax of \$5.00 for the 2015-2016 fiscal year on each resident or inhabitant of the School District 18 years of age or older. The determination of those taxable and the assessment, collection and enforcement of the tax shall conform to the provisions of the standing Act 511 Per Capita Tax Resolution adopted by the School Board of Directors heretofore.

**C. ACT 511 TAXES:** Resolved that the levy of one percent (1%) on all earned income and net profits levied by under the authority of the Local Tax Enabling Act 511 of 1965, as amended, is hereby renewed for the 2015-2016 fiscal year and for an indefinite term thereafter, and all taxes levied under Act 511 of 1965 including the earned income and net profits tax and the real estate transfer tax be reenacted without substantial change.

**D. PAYMENT PERIOD FOR REAL ESTATE AND PER CAPITA TAXES:** Resolved that in compliance with statutes, the Real Estate Taxes, Section 679 and Act 511 Per Capita taxes for fiscal year 2015-2016 shall be payable at a 2% discount during the months of July and August, at face the months of September and October and at a penalty of an additional 10% of the face value after November 1, 2015. The real estate taxes may be paid at face without discount or penalty in three equal installments if the same are paid on or prior to August 31, 2015, October 31, 2015, and December 31, 2015 respectively as provided by law. The payment of the first installment prior to or on August 31, 2015 shall be conclusive evidence of intent to pay the tax by installments. If such installments become delinquent, the full face amount plus an added 10% of the face amount penalty shall become immediately due.

**E. COMMISSION FOR COLLECTION OF SECTION 679 PER CAPITA TAXES:** Resolved that for the 2015- 2016 fiscal year collectors of the Section 679 Per Capita Tax and Act 511 Per Capita Tax will be paid per contracted amount with Berkheimer Associates Inc. (Berkheimer)

**F. DELINQUENT SECTION 679 AND ACT 511 PER CAPITA:** Resolved that Berkheimer is hereby appointed the collection agency during fiscal year 2015-2016 for delinquent Per Capita Taxes levied. Charges will be as contracted.

**G. APPOINTMENT OF EIT, LST, AND MECHANICAL DEVICES COLLECTORS:** Resolved that during the 2015- 2016 fiscal year collectors for Earned Income Tax, Local Services Tax, and Mechanical Devices Tax will be Berkheimer. Rates for collection will be as per existing agreement between the

District and Berkheimer. Berkheimer will be responsible for delinquent collection for any EIT, LST and mechanical devices taxes uncollected for the year.

H. APPOINTMENT OF AMUSEMENT TAX COLLECTOR: Resolved that the District Business Manager be appointed as interim Amusement Tax Collector.

- 3.6 The committee is recommending approval to accept Resolution 06292015 regarding Homestead/Farmstead exclusions real estate tax assessment reductions for the school year beginning July 1, 2015. (Exhibit)
- 3.7 The committee is recommending approval to renew insurance (Commercial, Automobile, Umbrella, Workers Compensation, School Leaders, Cyber Liability) as discussed. (Exhibit)
- 3.8 The committee is recommending approval for the following Tax Collectors and Deputy Tax Collectors:
  - a. Chippewa; Linda Rawding, tax collector, Tom Householder, deputy
  - b. Patterston Twp; Joann Ferrazzano, tax collector, Kathy Brewer, deputy
  - c. Patterson Heights; Susan Phillipp, tax collector, Robin Huston, deputy
  - d. South Beaver; Robin Huston, tax collector, Susan Phillipp, deputy
  - e. Darlington Twp; Tom Householder, tax collector, Kristi Funkhouser, deputy
  - f. West Mayfield; Kathy Brewer, tax collector, Joann Ferrazzano, deputy
  - g. Enon Valley; Vonnie Dombrosky, tax collector, no deputy
- 3.9 The committee is recommending to contract with \_\_\_\_Services for district substitutes.

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

- 4.1 The committee is recommending approval for David Rice to intern with Andrew Yuhaniak, high school guidance counselor from August 2015 until December 2015.
- 4.2 The committee is recommending to employ the following summer and sub custodial staff at a rate of \$9.00 per hour pending clearances:
  - a. Tabitha Markusic, summer custodial
  - b. Matt Marasco, custodial
- 4.3 The committee is recommending approval to accept the Notice of Retirement from the following staff members:
  - a. Karen Fritzley, effective June 30, 2015
  - b. Pam Kromka, effective July 31, 2015
  - c. Teresa Morelli, effective August 5, 2015
  - d. Patricia Primerano, effective July 30, 2015
  - e. Nancy Shebish, effective July 31, 2015
  - f. Beth Smith, effective July 31, 2015

- g. John Cox, effective July 31, 2015
  - h. Tony Sobieski, effective July 31, 2015
- 4.4 The committee is recommending approval to accept the resignation of Danielle Bailey, Blackhawk Intermediate School Principal, effective June 30, 2015.
  - 4.5 The committee is recommending approval to accept the resignation of Kim Steffanina, Computer Teacher at Blackhawk Intermediate School effective August 14, 2015.
  - 4.6 The committee is recommending approval for the following summer school teachers:
    - a. Donald Bunney
    - b. Lori Uslenghi
    - c. Erica Shidlt
    - d. Corinne Pinchotti
    - e. Naomi Neff
    - f. Kaitlyn Thayer
    - g. Jessica Fosnaught
  - 4.7 The committee is recommending approval to accept the resignation of Kevin Whipple, High School Head Custodian, effective July 18, 2015.
  - \*4.8 Approval recommended to accept the resignation of Carol Sprinker, Northwestern Primary School Principal, effective June 30, 2015.
  - \*4.9 Approval is recommended for Jodi Borroni to assume the role of Acting Principal for Northwestern and Patterson Primary Schools at a rate of \$75 per work day in addition to per diem.

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

- 5.1 The committee is recommending approval for high school student parking procedures to include monetary fines as well as behavioral consequences for parking permit violations. (Exhibit)
- 5.2 The committee is recommending approval for the high school Program of Studies. (Exhibit submitted at Work Session)
- 5.3 The committee is recommending to allow Beaver County Cancer & Heart association to conduct a Blood Lipid and Cholesterol Screening program to seventh graders at Highland Middle School with parental consent at a cost of \$5 for students and \$15 for adults. The screening will be held March 2, 2016.

**6. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS/REAL ESTATE**

**Perry Pander, Chairperson**

No Report

**7. ATHLETICS COMMITTEE**

**Dean Fleischman, Tory Aquino, Co-Chairperson, Kathy Helsing**

7.1 The committee is recommending approval to accept the resignation of David Greiner, Middle School Boys' Head Soccer Coach.

7.2 Congratulations to Abby Shope and Aleena Milinski for being selected First Team All WPIAL Division 2, by the WPIAL Coaches in Lacrosse.

**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**

No Report

**13. BOARD/STAFF ENRICHMENT**

**Matt Young, Chairperson**

\*13.1 Approval is recommended for the following conferences:

- a. Susan Hullihen, Integrating Patients Back into the School System, Children's Hospital, August 14, 2015. (\$30.00)

- a. Korin H. McMillen, LuAnne Maginness, Lisa Brown, Beth Watkins, Kristi Leiper, Governor's Early Learning Conference, Monroeville, June 21 – 25, 2015 (Expenses paid by the Governor's Institute)

**14. BEAVER COUNTY CAREER & TECHNOLOGY**  
**Missy Kaszer, Chairperson**

- 14.1 Perfect Attendance was recognized at the Beaver County Career & Technology Center on May 7, 2015. Congratulations to the following Blackhawk students who earned Perfect Attendance in 2014-15.
  - a. LeaOnna Gentsy, Business Information Systems
  - b. Tanner Fritz, Collision Repair Technology
  - c. Alexis Adrian, Cosmetology
  - d. Kyle Lyndes, Greenhouse/Landscaping
  - e. Shayna Wimer, Logistics & Materials Management
  - f. Dalton Bradfor, Welding
  - g. Brandt Foster, Welding
- 14.2 The Beaver County Career & Technology Center hosted their Student Awards Banquet on May 14, 2015. Congratulations to the following Blackhawk students who's accomplishments were recognized with their awards.
  - a. Kyle Lyndes, Star Greenhand Award at the Regional FFA Competition
  - b. Elizabeth Ayres, First Place Transportation Written Event at the State DECA Competition
  - c. Angeliqe Villarreal, A \$250 Award from the Beaver Falls Wolves Club for Carpentry

**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—June 30, 2015, Blackhawk High School Library, 7:30PM.
- F. Adjournment
- G. Executive Session, if needed.