

BLACKHAWK SCHOOL DISTRICT
500 BLACKHAWK ROAD
BEAVER FALLS, PA 15010

BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS VOTING SESSION
Blackhawk High School Library
March 13, 2018

Mr. Schaefer called the meeting to order at 7:06PM. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call was taken. Those in attendance were:

Mr. Battaglia	Mrs. Goehring	Dr. Makoczy	Mr. Schaefer
Mr. Jones	Mrs. Ziegler	Mr. Woods	Mr. Wimmel
Mr. Morrison - present by phone			

Also in attendance:

Mr. Brandenburg – Business Manager
Dr. Postupac – Superintendent
Mr. Webster – Solicitor
Lauren Ostrom – Student Representative

Mr. Schaefer announced there was an executive session prior to the meeting.

Mr. Schaefer announced there will be a public meeting in the next month with local law enforcement and behavioral specialists to discuss school safety.

Mr. Jones made a motion, Mrs. Ziegler seconded to approve the amendments and addendum, items 4.3 – 4.9, 5.2k-m, 6.4, 6.5, 7.6, 13.1g.

Verbal Vote 9 yes; 0 no; Motion Passed

PUBLIC RELATIONS AND COMMUNITCATIONS

2.1 Congratulations to all the parents, students, community members and staff that have participated in preparing for the school play, Fiddler On The Roof. Opening night is Friday, March 15, 2018. Please come see the many talents of Blackhawk!

2.2 Blackhawk School District implemented an anonymous tip hotline, scheduled to go live Tuesday, March 13, 2018. The 724-506-1811 tip hotline number will be monitored by administration in the district on a 24 hour basis.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No Comment

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mr. Woods made a motion, Mr. Battaglia seconded to approve items 3.2 through 3.7.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Battaglia- Yes
Mrs. Goehring – Yes
Mr. Jones – Yes
Dr. Makoczy – Yes

Mr. Morrison – Yes
Mr. Schaefer – Yes
Mr. Wimmel – Yes
Mr. Woods – Yes
Mrs. Ziegler – Yes

Verbal Vote 9 yes; 0 No; Motion Carried

3.1 Informational Item: Monthly Insurance Report for February.

a. UPMC Health Fund: \$373,707.01

b. UPMC Dental: \$10,727.25

c. UPMC Vision: \$2,387.00

3.2 It is recommended to approve the Financial Report for February.

3.3 It is recommended to approve the payment of bills.

a. Fund 10 – General Fund: \$435,289.75

b. Fund 32 – Capital Projects Fund: \$1,370.00

BAAG : \$0

c. Fund 51 – Cafeteria Fund: \$35,289.15

d. Fund 66 - Health Fund: \$0

Payroll: February \$1,192,563.96

3.4 It is recommended to approve the athletic activity account for February.

3.5 It is recommended to approve the participation in the Allegheny Intermediate Unit Gasoline/Diesel Consortium.

3.6 It is recommended to approve Edward Jones as a 403b TSA Provider.

3.7 It is recommended to approve the 2018 – 2019 Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit’s General Operating Budget as presented. The Budget totals \$1,547,232.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Mr. Goehring made a motion Mrs. Ziegler seconded to approve items 4.1 through 4.9 as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Dr. Makoczy – Yes

Mr. Morrison – Yes

Mr. Schaefer – Yes

Mr. Wimmel – Yes

Mr. Woods – Yes

Mrs. Ziegler – Yes

Mr. Battaglia - Yes

Mrs. Goehring - Yes

Mr. Jones – Yes

Verbal Vote 9 yes; 0 No; Motion Carried

4.1 The Superintendent recommends approval to employ Aaron Funkhouser as Maintenance Worker at a rate of \$22.60 effective TBD and benefits according the CBA.

4.2 The Superintendent recommends approval to employ Lena Pitzer as part time cafeteria worker at a rate of \$8.65 per hour effective March 6, 2018.

4.3 It is recommended to approve the Settlement Agreement and Release between former employee #1154 (ProSoft) and the Blackhawk School District, as presented.

The District reached its \$20,000 deductible through defense costs for services provided by the Beard Legal Group, LLC. The remaining cost of litigating and settling this matter are covered by the District's insurance carrier, C.M. Regent.

4.4 It is recommended to deny Blackhawk Education Association Grievance #1 dated 10/19/2017. While the Administration did not violate the Collective Bargaining Agreement, the Administration is nevertheless instructed to immediately repost the vacant Family Consumer Science position and the Administration shall advertise this vacancy as widely as practically possible to draw a strong candidate pool.

4.5 It is recommended to deny Blackhawk Educational Support Association Grievance #1.

4.6 It is recommended to deny Blackhawk Educational Support Association Grievance #2. The Administration is instructed, however, to communicate with the BESPAA to discuss whether a second Tuesday to Saturday custodial shift is warranted.

4.7 It is recommended to deny Blackhawk Educational Support Association Grievance #3.

4.8 It is recommended to deny Blackhawk Educational Support Association Grievance #5.

4.9 The Superintendent recommends approval to accept the resignation of Kelly Detka, paraprofessional, effective March 16, 2018.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Mrs. Ziegler made a motion, Mr. Battaglia seconded to approve items 5.1 through 5.4 as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Morrison – Yes

Mr. Schaefer – Yes

Mr. Wimmel – Yes

Mr. Woods – Yes

Mrs. Ziegler – Yes

Mr. Battaglia – Yes

Mrs. Goehring – Yes

Mr. Jones – Yes

Dr. Makoczy – Yes, (5.1- 5.3), No, (5.4)

Verbal Vote 5.1-5.3, 9 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried

Verbal Vote 5.4, 8 Yes; 1 No; Motion Carried

5.1 The Superintendent recommends approval for Ashleigh Nealer, (Westminster) to student teach with Nathan Goodrich and Jayne McDonald for the Fall semester, 2018.

5.2 The Superintendent recommends approval for the following field trips: (Exhibit)

a. Spanish 1 & 2 (42), Kristie Bresh-Wilson, Ashley Biega, Cuban Art Exhibit, California University, April 17, 2018 (substitute and bus expense budgeted through Foreign Language – see attached)

b. Ninth Grade (150), Philip Mackin, Missy Balaski, Joe Boyer, Iain Eastman, Jason Farone, Jamie Moon, Ninth Grade Carnegie Science Center, Pittsburgh, (substitute and bus expense budgeted through the High School)

c. PRIDE (50), Tracy Yowler, Mariah Brown, Movies with PRIDE Partners, Robinson, March 23, 2018 (bus expense budgeted through Special Ed)

d. Fifth Grade (8), Krsten Neeley, Jayne McDonald, Elementary Chorus Fest, Hopewell High School, April 6, 2018 (bus, substitute, student cost budgeted through the Music Department)

e. Orchestra/Band (120), Nate Goodrich, George Hoydich, High Notes Festival, CMU, Kennywood, May 30, 2018 (bus expense budgeted through Music Department)

f. Orchestra (5), Nate Goodrich, Western Region Orchestra, Sharon PA, March 22- 24, 2018, (Substitute and travel expenses budgeted through Music Department)

- g. Northwestern Primary Kindergarten (96), Kindergarten teachers, Living Treasures, May 3, 2108 (no expense).
 - h. English Students (11), Leah Lindenman, Floyd Panella, YSU English Festival, Youngstown, April 18, 2018 (Substitute budgeted through English department)
 - i. Special Olympics (40), Mariah Brown, Tracy Yowler, Dianne Sarver, Rachelle DeFrank, Special Olympics Day, Blackhawk High School, April 5, 2018 (no expense).
 - j. High School Students (40), Missy Bender, After Prom Cedar Point Trip, Sandusky, May 12, 2018 (no expense).
 - k. Patterson Primary First Grade, First Grade Teachers, Ian Taylor, Carnegie Science Center, April 13, 2018 (no expense).
 - l. Academic Games (3), Tim Linkenheimer, PENNDOT Innovations Challenge Presentation, Bridgeville, April 9, 2018 (substitute expense budgeted through gifted)
 - m. Eleventh Grade (30), Joy Winters, Waterways Association of Pittsburgh Symposium, Pittsburgh, April 19, 2018 (substitute expense budgeted through English Department)
- 5.3 The Superintendent recommends approval of the Special Education Plan as presented.
- 5.4 The Superintendent recommends approval to accept the Agreement for the Pennsylvania’s Education for Children and Youth Experiencing Homelessness Program. (Exhibit)

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Mrs. Goehring made a motion, Mrs. Ziegler seconded to approve items 6.1 through 6.5 as presented.

Mrs. Goehring, Mrs. Ziegler, and Mr. Schaefer commented on item 6.4. A discussion followed Mr. Woods made a motion, Mr. Jones seconded to amend the NJM Masonry Contract to include a “not to exceed 10% or \$12,000, and occupancy by 2 weeks prior to the first football game of 2018.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Schaefer – Yes

Mr. Wimmel – Yes

Mr. Woods – Yes

Mrs. Ziegler – Yes

Mr. Battaglia – Yes (6.1-6.4), No (6.5)

Mrs. Goehring – Yes (6.1-6.3), No (6.4)

Mr. Jones – Yes

Dr. Makoczy – Yes (6.1-6.3), No (6.4, 6.5)

Mr. Morrison – Yes

Verbal Vote Yes 9; No 0 Motion Carried (6.1-6.3)

Verbal Vote Yes 7; No 2 Motion Carried (6.4, 6.5)

6.1 The Superintendent recommends approval to purchase an AED to be located near the High School Auditorium at a cost of \$1,699.00

6.2 The Superintendent recommends approval for Northwestern Primary School to be used as an active shooter training facility on April 8-10, 2018 and Blackhawk High School on June 6, 2018.

6.3 The Superintendent recommends approval of the Semi Annual Emergency Operation Plan (Nuclear Evacuation Drill). This is in collaboration with Beaver County Emergency Services.

6.4 The Superintendent recommends approval for Eckles Architecture and Engineering to conduct a comprehensive community based study of the Blackhawk educational program and facilities. Approval will be tentative based on a fee structure provided by Eckles.

6.5 The Superintendent recommends approval to appoint NJM Masonry as owner representative for the completion of the Stadium Project pending solicitor recommendations.

ATHLETIC COMMITTEE

Mr. Jones made a motion, Mrs. Ziegler seconded to approve items 7.1 through 7.6 as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Mrs. Ziegler – Yes

Mr. Battaglia – Yes

Mrs. Goehring – Yes

Mr. Jones – Yes

Dr. Makoczy – Yes

Mr. Morrison – Yes

Mr. Schaefer – Yes

Verbal Vote 9 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried

7.1 The Athletic Director recommends to appoint Deb Regner as Assistant Varsity Girls Soccer Coach for the 2018/2019 school year (Supplemental Contract \$3,365.40).

7.2 The Athletic Director recommends approval to appoint Mike Stoner as MS Softball Coach for the 2017/2018 school year (Supplemental Contract \$1,753.80).

7.3 The Athletic Director recommends approval to appoint Julie Ours as Volunteer MS Softball Coach for the 2017/2018 school year.

7.4 The Athletic Director recommends approval to appoint Evie Kaszer as Volunteer MS Softball Coach for the 2017/2018 school year.

7.5 The Athletic Director recommends approval to accept the resignation of Molly Morris, Assistant Lacrosse Coach.

7.6 The Athletic Director recommends approval for the following volunteer Lacrosse Coaches pending clearances:

a. Doug Schaefer

b. Leah Hornfeck

ADMINISTRATIVE LIAISON

No Report

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

No Report

FOOD SERVICE COMMITTEE

No Report

NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE

No Report

POLICY COMMITTEE

No Report

BOARD/STAFF ENRICHMENT

Mr. Wimmel made a motion, Mr. Jones seconded, to approve item 13.1 as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Battaglia – Yes
Mrs. Goehring – Yes
Mr. Jones – Yes
Dr. Makoczy – No
Mr. Morrison – Yes
Mr. Schaefer – Yes
Mr. Wimmel – Yes
Mr. Woods – Yes
Mrs. Ziegler – Yes

Verbal Vote; 8 Yes; 1 No; Motion Carried

13.1 The Superintendent recommends approval for the following conferences:

- a. Jeff Cienik, Bree Filip, National Athletic Trainers' Symposium Convention, New Orleans, June 26-28, 2018, \$2,850 expenses budgeted, see attached. (This is a required conference)
- b. Krystal Kier, Christy Desselle, Sound Evidence, BVIU, April 27, 2108, no expense
- c. Ashley Biega, National Council on Education for the Ceramic Arts National Conference, Pittsburgh, March 14-16, 2018 (substitute expense budgeted through the Art Department)
- d. Marianne LeDonne, Kristi Leiper, PA Association of Federal Program Coordinators Conference, Hershey, April 29-May 1, 2018 (Travel, lodging, registration budgeted through Title 1)
- e. Dianne Sarver, IEP Writer Focus Meeting, BVIU, May 10, 2018 (substitute expense budgeted through Special Ed Department)
- f. Kristi Lieper, Pittsburgh Autism Conference, Pittsburgh, March 30, 2018 (no expense)
- g. Jamie Planitzer, Don Couch, Pool certification, Monroeville, May 1, 2, 8, 2018(substitute expense budgeted through Maintenance)

BEAVER COUNTY CAREER & TECHNOLOGY

No Report

INTERMEDIATE UNIT

No Report

VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL SCHOOL

No Report

PSBA LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Mrs. Ziegler made a motion, Mr. Jones seconded, to approve item 15.1 as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Mrs. Goehring – Yes
Mr. Jones – Yes
Dr. Makoczy – Yes
Mr. Morrison – Yes
Mr. Schaefer – Yes
Mr. Wimmel – Yes
Mr. Woods – Yes
Mrs. Ziegler – Yes
Mr. Battaglia – Yes

Verbal Vote 9 Yes; 0 No; Motion Carried

15.1 If the Board wishes to adopt Resolution 03132018 affirming its commitment to PSBA's principles of good governance and effective leadership.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Visitors

Mr. Dean Fleischman made a comment about billable hours from Eckles

Administration

Dr. Postupac expressed appreciation on item discussions

Solicitor

Mr. Webster thanked the PRIDE program, and all teacher involved for their presentation at the Work Session

Student Representative

Lauren Ostrom made a comment regarding student entrance at the high school

School Directors

Mr. Woods commended Mrs. Anderson and HMS Team for STEAM night

Mr. Jones asked the board to consider voting on the ESA Voucher Program

Mr. Schaefer asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting, Mr. Jones made a motion, Mr. Woods seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm

Respectfully,

Missy Delmonico

Blackhawk School Board Recording Secretary