

BLACKHAWK SCHOOL DISTRICT  
500 BLACKHAWK ROAD  
BEAVER FALLS, PA 15010  
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS WORK MEETING  
Blackhawk High School Library  
March 12, 2020

Mr. Morrison called the Session to order at 7:00PM. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call was taken. Those in attendance were:

Mr. Heckathorn	Mr. Jones	Dr. Makoczy	Mrs. Cline
Mr. Battaglia	Mr. Morrison	Mr. Yonkee	Mrs. Helsing

Also in attendance:

Dr. Postupac – Superintendent	Molly Yowler – Student Representative
Mr. Ira Weiss– Solicitor	Amanda Jewell - Solicitor
Nate DiBenedetto – Business Services	

Not in attendance:

Mrs. Ziegler

**Mrs. Helsing made a motion Mr. Jones seconded to approve the February minutes  
Verbal Vote: 8 yes, 0 no, Motion Carried**

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Mrs. Ziegler joined the meeting at 7:51PM**

**Mrs. Cline made a motion Mrs. Ziegler seconded to approve items 3.1 through 3.4**

3.1 Approval is recommended to authorize the Treasurer to pay March payable bills at the Treasurer's discretion and to be subsequently approved by the Board at the April voting meeting.

3.2 Approval is recommended for the athletic activity account.

3.3 Approval is recommended to accept the Proposal for Auditing Services from Marc Turnley for years ending June 30, 2020, 2021, and 2022.

3.4 Approval is recommended to accept the Proposal from Hawley Group for completing a GASB 75 valuation report (post-retirement medical liability) and 1095-C completion (active, terminated, and retiree who had or was offered health coverage) as presented.

Roll Call Vote yes; Mr. Heckathorn, Mrs. Helsing, Mr. Jones, Dr. Makoczy, Mr. Morrison, Mr. Yonkee, Mrs. Ziegler, Mr. Battaglia, Mrs. Cline

**9 yes, 0 no; Motion Carried**

**Mrs. Helsing made a motion Mr. Heckathorn seconded to approve item 4.1**

4.1 Approval is recommended to accept the resignation of Tammy Bartolone, Nurse Para, effective June 12, 2020.

Roll Call Vote yes; Mrs. Helsing, Mr. Jones, Dr. Makoczy, Mr. Morrison, Mr. Yonkee, Mrs. Ziegler, Mr. Battaglia, Mrs. Cline Mr. Heckathorn

**9 Yes, 0 no; Motion Carried**

**Mr. Yonkee made a motion, Mrs. Ziegler seconded to approve items 5.1 and 5.2**

5.1 Approval is recommended to accept the Resolution Calling for Charter School Funding Reform.

5.2 Approval is recommended for the Cyber Services Agreement for the 2020-2021 through 2024-2025 school years.

**Roll Call Vote yes; Mr. Jones, Dr. Makoczy, Mr. Morrison, Mr. Yonkee, Mrs. Ziegler, Mr. Battaglia, Mrs. Cline, Mr. Heckathorn, Mrs. Helsing**

**9 Yes, 0 no; Motion Carried**

**Mr. Battaglia made a motion, Mr. Jones seconded to approve item 6.1**

6.1 Approval is recommended to authorize Eckles to bid the Blackhawk High School Alterations Project.

Roll Call Vote yes; Dr. Makoczy, Mr. Morrison, Mr. Yonkee, Mrs. Ziegler, Mr. Battaglia, Mrs. Cline Mr. Heckathorn, Mrs. Helsing, Mr. Jones

**9 Yes, 0 no; Motion Carried**

**Mr. Heckathorn made a motion, Mrs. Ziegler seconded to approve items 7.1 through 7.4**

7.1 Approval is recommended to appoint Danielle Levato as volunteer Assistant Softball Coach for the 2019-2020 school year pending clearances.

7.2 Approval is recommended to appoint Emily Ethridge as Volunteer Assistant MS Track Coach for the 2019-2020 school year pending clearances.

7.3 Approval is recommended to appoint Steve Gumpf as Volunteer Assistant Baseball Coach for the 2019-2020 school year pending clearances.

7.4 Approval is recommended to appoint Nate Lindner as Volunteer Assistant MS Softball Coach for the 2019-2020 school year pending clearances.

Roll Call Vote yes; Mr. Morrison, Mr. Yonkee, Mrs. Ziegler, Mr. Battaglia, Mrs. Cline, Mr. Heckathorn, Mrs. Helsing, Mr. Jones, Dr. Makoczy

**9 Yes, 0 no; Motion Carried**

**Mr. Battaglia made a motion, Mr. Heckathorn seconded to approve item 9.1**

9.1 Approval is recommended for the updated McCarter's bus and van drive list.

Roll Call Vote yes; Mr. Yonkee, Mrs. Ziegler, Mr. Battaglia, Mrs. Cline, Mr. Heckathorn, Mrs. Helsing, Mr. Jones, Dr. Makoczy, Mr. Morrison

**9 Yes, 0 no; Motion Carried**

**Mrs. Helsing made a motion, Mr. Jones seconded to approve item 13.1**

13.1 Approval is recommended for the following conferences:

a. Courtney Frengel, John DeCaria, SRU Mini Convention, March 25, 2020, \$350 expenses budgeted.

b. Katie Phelps, Teaching Lincoln and the Civil War, Pittsburgh, March 20, 2020, \$126 expenses budgeted.

c. Marianne LeDonne, Kristi Leiper, Mandie Payne, PAFPC Federal Conference, Seven Springs, May 3, 2020, no expense.

Roll Call Vote yes; Mr. Battaglia, Mrs. Cline, Mr. Heckathorn, Mrs. Helsing, Mr. Jones, Mr. Morrison, Mr. Yonkee, Mrs. Ziegler

No, Dr. Makoczy

**8 Yes, 1 no; Motion Carried**

**Mr. Jones made a motion, Mrs. Helsing seconded to approve items 15.1 and 15.2**

15.1 Approval is recommended to adopt the 2020 – 2021 Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit's General Operating Budget as presented. The Budget totals \$1,490,348.

15.2 Approval is recommended for the Agreement between the Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit and Blackhawk School District regarding the Technology Council Pool at a cost of \$175.00 beginning February 24, 2020 through June 30, 2020.

Roll Call Vote yes; Mrs. Cline, Mr. Heckathorn, Mrs. Helsing, Mr. Jones, Dr. Makoczy, Mr. Morrison, Mr. Yonkee, Mrs. Ziegler, Mr. Battaglia

**9 Yes, 0 no; Motion Carried**

#### **ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

Dr. Postupac spoke regarding Covid 19 planning, online education, and pre-planning updates according to the state.

Rachel Cline commented on the planning for Covid 19 and commended Blackhawk Administration and staff for working together.

Paul Heckathorn commented on the cohesive administration and working through the unprecedented future.

Dr. Makoczy commented on interest rates, and the gas supplier rates during the next few weeks.

John Battaglia asked about the Northwestern Primary School Auction, and RFP.

**Mr. Battaglia made a motion Mrs. Cline seconded to adjourn the meeting.**

**Verbal Vote 9 yes, 0 no; Motion Carried**