

BLACKHAWK SCHOOL DISTRICT
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BEAVER FALLS, PA 15010
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS VOTING SESSION
Blackhawk High School Auditorium
October 15, 2019

Mr. Schaefer called the Voting Session to order at 7:08PM. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call was taken. Those in attendance were:

Mr. Heckathorn	Mr. Jones	Dr. Makoczy	Mrs. Goehring	Mr. Battaglia
Mrs. Ziegler	Mr. Morrison	Mr. Schaefer	Mrs. Helsing	

Also in attendance:

Dr. Postupac – Superintendent Molly Yowler – Student Representative
Mr. Vic Kustra– Solicitor

Not in attendance:

Mr. Brandenburg – Business Manager

**Mr. Morrison made a motion, Mr. Jones seconded to approve the September Minutes.
Verbal Vote, 9 yes, 0 no: Motion Carried**

Dr. Makoczy made a motion, Mr. Jones seconded to approve items 3.1 through 3.3.

3.1 Approval is recommended for the Financial Report for September.

3.2 Approval is recommended for the payment of bills:

a. Fund 10 – General Fund: \$967,513.28

b. Fund 32 – Capital Projects Fund: \$1,729.00

BAAG : \$

c. Fund 51 – Cafeteria Fund: \$41,346.79

d. Fund 66 - Health Fund: \$0

Payroll: September \$1,154,682.50

3.3 Approval is recommended for the athletic activity account.

Dr. Makoczy asked about a payable to Blackhawk Golf Course in the amount of \$4,700. Dr. Postupac stated that bill will be included with the November payables so clarification can be made.

Roll Call Vote: yes, Mr. Heckathorn, Mrs. Helsing, Mr. Jones, Dr. Makoczy, Mr. Morrison, Mr. Schaefer, Mrs. Ziegler, Mr. Battaglia, Mrs. Goehring

9 yes, 0 no: Motion Carried

Mrs. Goehring made a motion, Mr. Morrison seconded to approve items 4.1 through 4.5

4.1 Approval is recommended for the Independent Contract Agreement with Heather West.

4.2 Approval is recommended for ProSoft Employee #1521 FMLA beginning October 30, 2019 and ending approximately January 2, 2019.

4.3 Approval is recommended for ProSoft Employee #1383 FMLA beginning October 8, 2019 and ending October 21, 2019.

4.4 Approval is recommended to employ Andrea Thomas Mowad as Assistant Elementary Principal, at a rate of \$74,000 beginning upon release of her position at Aliquippa Elementary School.

4.5 Approval is recommended for the following substitutes:

a. Elizabeth Onuska – Cafeteria

b. Laura Houk – Secretary

Roll Call Vote: yes, Dr. Makoczy, Mr. Morrison, Mr. Schaefer, Mrs. Ziegler, Mr. Battaglia, Mrs. Goehring, Mr. Heckathorn, Mrs. Helsing, Mr. Jones

9 yes, 0 no: Motion Carried

Mrs. Ziegler made a motion, Mr. Morrison seconded to approve item 5.1

5.1 Approval is recommended for the following field trips:

- a. Fourth Grade Students (25), Academic Games, Michael Simon, various locations and dates, expenses budgeted \$345.
- b. Gifted Support (40), Jeff Tripodi, various locations and dates, expenses budgeted \$2,026.
- c. English Club (30), Anita Steppe, Romeo and Juliet, Midland, February 14, 2020, \$250 expense budgeted.
- d. Kindergarten (50), Jenn Sharek, Children’s Museum of Pittsburgh, May 28, 2020, no expense.
- e. First Grade (61), Don Bunney, Carnegie Science Center, May 27, 2020, no expense.
- f. Second Grade (66), Chelsea Haight, Carnegie Natural History Museum, May 28, 2020, no expense.
- g. Eighth Grade (130), Ryan Hardesty, Washington D.C. Trip, may 8-10, 2020, no expense.
- h. Applied Engineering (13), Chain Reaction Contraption Competition, Carnegie Science Center, December 10, 2019, \$550 expense budgeted.
- i. Expressions (35), Expression Performance, various locations and dates throughout the school year \$250 expenses budgeted.
- j. STEM Enrichment Club, Lego Mindstorm Robotics, Meredith Oliver, December 6, 2019 and January 23, 2020, \$250 expense budgeted.
- k. Concert Choir (75), Maura Underwood, High Notes Festival, West Mifflin, May 21, 2020 \$678 sub and bus expense.
- l. Music Academy (2), Maura Underwood, ACDA All-Eastern National Honor Choir, Rochester, NY, March 4-7, 2020 \$2,120 expenses budgeted.
- m. Concert Choir (60), Maura Underwood, University of Pittsburgh Men’s Glee Club and Women’s Chamber Ensemble, Oakland, December 7, 2019 \$400 expense budgeted.
- n. Concert Choir (20), Maura Underwood, Beaver County Chorus, Blackhawk High School, November 20-21, 2019, \$1,500 expense budgeted and collected from students.
- o. Ninth Grade Chorus (8), Maura Underwood, PMEA Jr. High District Chorus, Mercer, January 23, 2020 \$1,000 expenses budgeted and collected from students.
- p. Concert Choir (7), Maura Underwood, PMEA Region Chorus, Hickory High School, February 26-28, 2020, \$1,365 expense budgeted.
- q. Concert Choir (3), Maura Underwood, PMEA All-State Chorus, Poconos, April 22-25, 2020, \$2,000 expense budgeted.
- r. Concert Choir (7), Maura Underwood, PMEA District, Greenville, January 16- 18, 2020 \$1,240 expenses budgeted.
- s. Honors English (10), Dana Cox, Drama Day 2019, Beaver Falls High School, December 13, 2019 \$270 expenses budgeted.
- t. Junior Historians (80), Ryan Hardesty, Moundsville Prison, West Virginia, October 31, 2019, student funded.
- u. Accounting (15), Kelli Ambler, Accounting Career Day, Thiel College, November 7, 2019 \$325 expense budgeted.
- v. Seventh and Eighth Grade (8), George Hoydich, Beaver County Band, Beaver High School, November 21, 2019, \$280 expenses budgeted.
- w. Eighth Grade (30), Katie Singletary, Beaver County Energy and Advanced Manufacturing, CCBC, October 17, 2019, \$400 expenses budgeted.

x. Chemistry Connections (34), Faraday Lecture, Kim Baker, University of Pitt, November 20, 2019, \$450 expenses budgeted.

y. Honors History (35), Pittsburgh 1892: Industry, Society and Conflict, Jeff Tripodi, Pittsburgh, November 22, 2019, \$500 expenses budgeted.

z. Concert Band (8), Beaver County Band, Brandon Tambellini, Beaver Area High School, \$250 expenses budgeted.

Roll Call Vote: yes, Mr. Morrison, Mr. Schaefer, Mrs. Ziegler, Mr. Battaglia, Mrs. Goehring, Mr. Heckathorn, Mrs. Helsing, Mr. Jones, Dr. Makoczy (5.1 d. e. f. t)

No, Dr. Makoczy (5.1 a.-c., g.-s., u.-z)

9 yes, 0 no, 5.1 d. e. f. t Motion Carried

8 yes, 1 no, 5.1 a.-c., g.-s., u.-z Motion Carried

Mrs. Goehring made a motion, Mr. Jones seconded to approve items 6.1 through 6.4

6.1 Approval is recommended that the Board of School Directors permanently close the Northwestern Primary School located at 256 Elmwood Blvd, Darlington, PA 16115 pursuant to the Public School Code of 1949, as amended, 24 P.S. §7-780.

6.2 Approval is recommended to repair the front window well at Blackhawk Intermediate School at a cost not to exceed \$4,200.

6.3 Approval is recommended for the Agreement with Eckles Architect to develop a secure entrance and existing elevator upgrades at Blackhawk High School.

6.4 Approval is recommended to authorize the Solicitor to develop an RFP for the sale of Northwestern Primary School.

Roll Call Vote: yes, Mr. Schaefer, Mrs. Ziegler, Mr. Battaglia (6.3), Mrs. Goehring (6.3), Mr. Heckathorn, Mrs. Helsing (6.2-6.4), Mr. Jones, Dr. Makoczy (6.3), Mr. Morrison

No, Mr. Battaglia (6.1, 6.2, 6.4), Mrs. Goehring (6.1, 6.2, 6.4), Mrs. Helsing (6.1), Dr. Makoczy (6.1, 6.2, 6.4)

5 yes, 4 no (6.1) Motion Carried

6 yes, 3 no (6.2, 6.4) Motion Carried

9 yes, 0 no (6.3) Motion Carried

Mr. Jones made a motion, Mr. Morrison seconded to approve items 7.1 through 7.6

7.1 Approval is recommended to appoint Alan Gumbert as the Assistant Men's Basketball Coach for the 2019-2020 school year pending clearances. (Supplemental Contract \$3,910.50)

7.2 Approval is recommended to appoint Chad Ours as the 8th Grade Boys MS Basketball Coach for the 2019-2020 school year pending clearances. (Supplemental Contract \$2,073.75)

7.3 Approval is recommended to appoint Gennifer Dusold as Winter Percussion Instructor for the 2019-2020 school year pending clearances. (Supplemental Contact \$2,720.48)

7.4 Approval is recommended to appoint Amanda Pacifico as the Musical Director for the 2019-2020 school year pending clearances. (Supplemental Contract \$2,650.00)

7.5 Approval is recommended to contract with Vance's Landscape Supply to renovate the existing softball field at BIS for the MS Softball Team. The cost of the project is \$5,100.00. The project will be funded between the district and the Recreational Softball Program.

7.6 Approval is recommended to contract with Vance's Landscape Supply to renovate the existing baseball field at BHS for Varsity, JV and Freshman Baseball Teams. The cost of the project is \$9,400.00.

Roll Call Vote: yes, Mrs. Ziegler, Mr. Battaglia (7.1-7.4), Mrs. Goehring (7.1-7.4), Mr. Heckathorn, Mrs. Helsing, Mr. Jones, Dr. Makoczy (7.1-7.4), Mr. Morrison, Mr. Schaefer

No, Mr. Battaglia (7.5, 7.6), Mrs. Goehring, (7.5, 7.6), Dr. Makoczy (7.5, 7.6)

9 yes, 0 no (7.1-7.4) Motion Carried

6 yes, 3 no (7.5, 7.6) Motion Carried

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

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

Roll Call Vote: yes, Mr. Battaglia, Mr. Heckathorn, Mrs. Helsing, Mr. Jones, Dr. Makoczy, Mr. Morrison, Mr. Schaefer, Mrs. Ziegler

Abstain, Mrs. Goehring

8 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain, Motion Carried

Mrs. Ziegler made a motion, Mr. Battaglia seconded to approve item 12.1

12.1 Approval is recommended for the following amended policies:

- a. 210.1
- b. 351
- c. 451
- d. 551

Roll Call Vote: yes, Mr. Battaglia, Mrs. Goehring, Mr. Heckathorn, Mrs. Helsing, Mr. Jones, Dr. Makoczy, Mr. Morrison, Mr. Schaefer, Mrs. Ziegler

9 yes, 0 no, Motion Carried

Mr. Jones made a motion, Mr. Morrison seconded to approval item 13.1

13.1 Approval is recommended for the following conference:

- a. Lyndsay Wilcox, Elite Elevation, Atlanta, March 26-27, 2020 \$260 substitute expense.
- b. Tim Linkenheimer, Ashley Biega, Dale Moll, TSA Regional Conference Planning, Pittsburgh, October 11, 2019, \$450 expenses budgeted.
- c. Kelsey Hanna, Barb Mallozzi, digital Creation and Publication with iPad, Green Tree, October 17, 2019, \$126 expenses budgeted.
- d. Shannon Parish, FCS Teacher Day, IUP, November 8, 2019, \$175, expenses not budgeted.
- e. Jeff Tripodi, BCEC/BCAGL planning meeting, BVIU, 5 various dates, \$450 expenses budgeted.
- f. Amy Winner, Heather Stein, Megan Anderson, Wes Chismar, Amy Taylor, Jake Anderson, Kyle Braddock, Nanette DeSanzo, Nicole Holiday, Heather Ream, Sarah Kelley PSSA Math Open Ended Workshop, BVIU, October 24, 2019, \$1,460 expenses budgeted.
- g. Leah Lindemann, American Association of School Librarians National Conference, Louisville, November 13-16, 2019, \$1,000 expenses budgeted.
- h. Kyleigh Squicquero, Katie Singletary, Jenna Gailey, Sarah Sobota, JoAnn Cox, Writing IEP's for Educational Benefit, BVIU, November 19, 2019, \$630 expenses budgeted.
- i. Sarah Shuleski, Rachael Omogrosso, TDA Instructional Series, BVIU, 4 various dates, \$1,010 expenses budgeted.
- j. Christine Andrews, FCS Teacher Day, IUP, November 8, 2019 \$126 expenses not budgeted.
- k. Dr. Joy Winters, Scott Nelson, Career Ready PA Stakeholder Forum, CCBC, October 25, 2019, \$65 expense budgeted.
- l. Marianne LeDonne, Sami Hanna, Scott Nelson, Amy Anderson, 3 secondary teachers TBD, Downingtown STEM Academy, November 21-22, 2019 no expense.
- m. Susan Hullihen, Current Trends in School Health 2019, Greensburg, November 2, 2019, \$125 expenses budgeted.

Roll Call Vote: yes, Mrs. Goehring, Mr. Heckathorn, Mrs. Helsing, Mr. Jones, Dr. Makoczy (l.) Mr. Morrison, Mr. Schaefer, Mrs. Ziegler, Mr. Battaglia, Mrs. Goehring
No, Dr. Makoczy (a.-k., m.)

9 yes, 0 no (5.1 l.) Motion Carried

8 yes, 1 no (5.1 a.-k., m.) Motion Carried

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Molly Yowler commented on the scholarship opportunities, college resumes, and dual enrollment.

Dr. Postupac announced Blackhawk was approved by PDE for Flexible Instruction Days, thanked the teachers for their work on implementing Rubicon Atlas.

Mrs. Goehring commented on the building appraisals and was answered they would be available on the website under the CAC tab.

Mrs. Ziegler asked about a board vote on August 13, 2019 and commented on candidate campaigns

Dr. Makoczy commented on tax referendum, the fund balance, and recapped activities at Applebees.

Mrs. Goehring commented that politics should be left outside the board meeting, and stated she has enjoyed being on the Board of Directors.

Mr. Schaefer commented on his reasons for running a write-in campaign for the school board, and the tax increases should be decided after the budget has been set.

Mr. Morrison made a motion, Mr. Jones seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:10PM

Verbal Vote 8 yes, 0 no: Motion carried

Missy Delmonico

Blackhawk School Board Recording Secretary