

BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

HIGHLIGHTS FROM MAY 2021 BOARD MEETINGS

Anna Jean Patalano, Student Council Representative, provided a Student Council update. She mentioned they are in the process of election of officers. Anna Jean also mentioned they are planning something for Teacher Appreciation Week and she mentioned summer leadership camp.

Superintendent's Report: Dr. Johns recognized and thanked Mrs. Klicker and all those involved in the high school play. She mentioned the upcoming end-of-school year events, such as National Honor Society Induction Ceremony and Senior Awards night, as well as Prom and the High School Graduation night. Dr. Johns spoke about the first-round of the Pfizer vaccinations taking place at the high school for students. She reminded everyone of May 18 being a remote learning day for the elementary schools due to the buildings being used for primary election day.

The Board approved the following items at their May 17, 2021 Board meeting:

- Approved the Treasurer's Report, Bill List and Tax Refunds.
- Designated the following multiple depositories for the fiscal year July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. [PNC, Citizens, PA School District Liquid Asset Fund (PSDLAF); PA Treasurer's Investment Program for Local Governments; PA Local Government Investment Trust (PLGIT)].
- The Per Capita Tax item was Tabled
- Approved renewal of the following bonds: School Board Secretary's Bond, 7/1/21 – 6/30/22 - \$100; Treasurer's Bond, 7/1/21 - 6/30/22, \$100; Activities Account Coordinator's Bond, 8/16/21 - 8/15/22, \$100.
- Mrs. Amy Joy Robinson was elected as Treasurer for the 2021-22 school year (July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022).
- Accepted the Recommendation of the Local Tax Study Commission that the Board NOT approve a Resolution authorizing a referendum question for voters at the 2021 municipal election on whether to increase the Homestead Exclusion to a maximum amount allowable by law, with resulting tax reduction, and corresponding increase in Earned Income Tax to fund the property tax reduction.

- The Board of Northgate School Directors, with great appreciation, discharged the Local Tax Study Commission from its duties of making a non-binding recommendation to the Board relating to reducing property taxes and increasing earned income taxes. The Commission satisfied its obligations under Act 1 when it presented its Recommendation at the May 10, 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting.
- Approved the issuance of High School Master Keys to Amy Pizzica and Eileen Shamonsky, Secretaries in the Middle/High School.
- Approved Justin Gamblin as a part-time custodian.
- Approved Christian Packard as summer help for the custodial staff.
- Approved Spring Math as a supplemental program at a cost of \$10 per student.
- Approved a grant funded, summer program for elementary students delivered by Assemble. This program is pending grant approval.
- Approved Bryan Kyle as Athletic Director for a one-year term beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022 at an annual salary of \$20,000.
- Approved the following athletic supplementals:

Spring 2020-21

Approved the following athletic supplemental contract for the spring season of the 2020-21 school year as shown below:

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Position</u> |
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| Ed Marcellus | Spring Weightlifting |

Fall 2021-22

Approved the following athletic supplemental contracts for the fall season of the 2021-22 school year as shown below:

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Position</u> |
|---------------------|---------------------------|
| Todd Goble | Golf |
| Michael Fulmore | Head Football Coach |
| Chris Lucas | 1st Asst. Football Coach |
| Lewis Clark | Asst. Football Coach |
| Anthony Barron | Asst. Football Coach |
| Darrell Barron, Jr. | Asst. Football Coach |
| Max Schaar | Head Volleyball Coach |
| Brian Veshio | Head Cross Country Coach |
| Bill Silay | Asst. Cross Country Coach |

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| Anthony Barron | M.S. Girls' Basketball Coach |
| Liz Zeigler | M.S. Girls' Basketball Coach |
| Shelby Szakelyhidi | Varsity Cheerleading |
| Brandon Hogle | Weightlifting |

Winter 2021-22

Approved the following athletic supplemental contracts for the winter season of the 2021-22 school year as shown below:

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Position</u> |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Danielle Blackburn | Head Girls' Basketball Coach |
| Betty Howards | 1st Asst. Girls' Basketball Coach |

- Approved Laureen Dowd, Board Secretary, to record each board member's vote on the AWBCC 2021-22 Budget and sign on behalf of the individual board members. This motion was made due to the voting process being conducted virtually.
- Approved the proposed A.W. Beattie Career Center 2021-22 Budget, as approved by A.W. Beattie Career Center Joint Operating Committee on April 22, 2021, in the amount of \$10,342,641.
- Approved the installation of network cabling and equipment and the purchase of network switching pending the receipt of an FCC E-rate funding commitment letter covering 85% of the project. District obligation will be in the amount of \$29,111.26.
- Approved the purchase of GoGuardian Suite for filtering, monitoring, and classroom & device management of District owned Chromebooks at a first-year cost of \$11,025 and an annual recurring cost of \$11,410.
- Approved to renew its agreement with Sodexo Management, Inc. for one year starting July 1, 2021. The agreement may be renewed by mutual agreement of both parties for up to four additional one-year periods beyond the initial year of the agreement.
- Approved a three-year custodial agreement (July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2024).
- Approved the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between and among the Avalon Police Department, the Bellevue Police Department and the Northgate School District.
- Approved Eileen Maiette, Mollie Gallagher, Alyssa May, and Sarah Clunan as Extended School Year Teachers (ESY), during the summer of 2021.

- Approved Jayci Ross, Amy Dombrowski, Elizabeth Entz, Lynn Bonnett, Joni Cousins, Donna LaLonde, Linda Sozanski, Megan Mueller, Linda Haag, Lisa Sefick, Veronica Geyer, Donna Sherman, and Mary Berie as Extended School Year (ESY) Teacher Assistants during the summer of 2021.
- Accepted the retirement resignation of Alison Deramo (Teacher Assistant) with her last work day being June 11, 2021.
- Approved an Agreement with Templeton Advantage to conduct a professional training series for the Board of School Directors at a cost of \$5,500.
- Approved to continue the services of Laureen Dowd as Secretary for the Board of School Directors for a term commencing July 1, 2021 until June 30, 2025.

The Board approve the following items at their May 10, 2021 Committee of the Whole Meeting:

- Approved the Proposed Final General Fund Budget for the 2021-2022 fiscal year in the amount of \$26,306,225 and place the budget on public display. The millage rate, for Proposed Final Budget purposes only, is set tentatively at 26.32 mils. The Board will continue to review the Budget Plan in preparation for the final adoption of the budget scheduled for Monday, June 21, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. (via zoom or in the Northgate Administrative Center Boardroom). Members of the public will be able to access the budget beginning May 19, 2021 by going to the District website (www.northgatesd.net), selecting "Budget", and then selecting "Budget Information".
- Approved the Adoption of Resolution 05-21-01, as presented by Note Counsel, authorizing the issuance of General Obligation Notes in an aggregate principal amount of \$2,339,000, in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Unit Debt Act, for the purpose of financing capital improvements.
- Approved the request of the Borough of Avalon to use the Avalon Elementary Auditorium for a zoning hearing on Thursday, May 20, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.
- Accepted the resignation of Robert Abramowicz as part-time custodian effective May 14, 2021.
- Approved the following one-year positions (2021-22 school year), which will be paid for with ESSER III funds: secondary reading specialist, two elementary math specialists and three elementary online teachers.
- Approved a two-year position for a half-time Director of Partnerships and Equity in the amount of \$50,000 per year. This position will be paid for by grant funding and/or ESSER III funding.

- Approved a change for Tuesday, May 18, 2021, from a remote learning day for all students to a remote learning day for just the Elementary buildings and an in-person learning day for the Middle/High School.