HOLLIDAYSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT MINUTES

The Hollidaysburg Area School Board met for a **Committee of the Whole and Voting Meeting** on **Wednesday, October 19, 2022** in the Senior High Library, 1510 N. Montgomery Street, Hollidaysburg. Ms. Hartman called the meeting to order at 7:44p.m and opened the meeting with the pledge to the flag.

Roll Call was taken by Mrs. Fiscus with eight members present. Attending were Ms. Hartman, President, Ms. Frye, Mr. Snyder, Dr. Sommer, Mr. Brenneman, Mr. Stephens, Ms. Bilek and Ms. Costanza. Mr. Nichols was absent.

Also attending were Dr. Gildea, Superintendent, Mrs. Koehle, Director of Special Education, Mrs. Fiscus, Business Manager/Board Secretary, Mrs. Thomas, Director of Accounting Operations, Mr. Caldwell, Director of Human Resource/Transportation, Mr. Nihart, Director of Physical Plant, Mrs. Summerville, Data Management Administrator, Mr. Arthur, Director of Technology, Attorney Beard, Sr., Solicitor, Mr. Harrington, Mr. McCall, Mr. Hartline, Mr. DeLattre, Mr. Keagy, Dr. Letcher, Mrs. Snyder, Mr. Madden, Mr. Krott and a representative from Channel 6 News.

Public Comment

Patricia Haight, 211 Clubhouse Drive, Hollidaysburg, voiced her concerns with board meeting agendas and curriculum.

Ms. Hartman announced that the board discussed scheduling a work session to place the gender identity policy/administrative regulation on the November agenda to give the board time to review the solicitor's recommendations that had been decided prior to the meeting.

Per Board Policy 004.2-Student Representatives to the Board, Senior Representatives Regan Farringer and Riley Hensley and Junior Representatives Connor Owen and Jacob Ott presented their monthly reports to the board.

Presentation

Michael Waible Maharaj, President of the Junior High Student Council and National Junior Honor Society, presented information to the Board on the Best Buddies International Program.

Committee Report / Mr. Nihart

Mr. Nihart presented a report of the September 14, 2022 Physical Plant Committee meeting with recommendations.

Business Office Report / Mrs. Fiscus

The board met in executive session Wednesday, October 19, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. for personnel, confidential student matters and an informational session on the upcoming GESA project with no deliberations.

Meetings for November, 2022:

Alternative Funding Committee - CANCELLED Wednesday, November 9, 2022 Senior High Library 1510 N. Montgomery Street Hollidaysburg PA 16648 5:00p.m.

Athletic Committee Wednesday, November 16, 2022 Senior High Library 1510 N. Montgomery Street Hollidaysburg PA 16648 Time: 5:00 p.m.

Committee of the Whole/Voting Wednesday, November 16, 2022 Senior High Library 1510 N. Montgomery Street Hollidaysburg PA 16648 Time: 7:00 p.m.

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On motion of Ms. Frye, seconded by Dr. Sommer, per Board Policy 006 Meetings, the board approved the following minutes with a correction to the September 14, 2022 COW/Voting Meeting:

June 8, 2022 - Special Voting and COW - Budget Discussion June 15, 2022 - COW/Voting - Budget Adoption August 3, 2022 - Special Voting August 10, 2022 COW/Voting September 14, 2022 Physical Plant Committee September 14, 2022 COW/Voting

Ms. Bilek recommended an amendment to the September 14, 2022 COV/Voting Minutes as follows: In addition to the minutes where it addresses gender identity and some other issues, she would like to add that Ms. Costanza and Ms. Bilek were to work together to come up with policy recommendations. Ms. Bilek asked if anyone else would like to be involved in that discussion. Manny Nichols volunteered. Attorney Dambeck was to put some thoughts around guidelines. Ms. Costanza and Dr. Gildea were to review when that was complete.

The motion carried on a roll call vote with eight yes votes and zero no votes.

On motion of Mr. Stephens, seconded by M. Brenneman, the board approved financial reports for September, 2022, items 1 through 5. The reports included the Treasurer's Report, List of Payments, Investment Portfolio, YTD Expenditures/Revenues, and Budget Transfers for October, 2022. The motion carried on a roll call vote with eight yes votes and zero no votes. **Exhibit 1**

On motion of Dr. Sommer, seconded by Ms. Bilek, the board approved Per Board Policy 006 Meetings & 818 Contracted Services, contracts/agreements 1 through 5 as follows:

- 1. Agreement with Southwood Psychiatric Hospital effective August 24, 2022 through June 9, 2023 for academic tutoring services Cost: \$90/day Exhibit 2
- 2. Rental Agreement with The Casino for the 2023 Senior Prom, Friday, May 26, 2023. Total rental fee \$9,454 (includes \$1,000 security deposit); additional food costs dependent on attendance, 20% gratuity on subtotal. **Exhibit 3**
- 3. 2022-2023 Unified Champion Schools Memorandum of Understanding with Special Olympics Pennsylvania effective September 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023, to support the Hollidaysburg Area Senior High School with the Unified Indoor Bocce program Revenue: \$1,000 Exhibit 4
- 4. Revised Contract of Service with Pennsylvania Educators' Clearinghouse, PA-Educator.net effective October 19, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Professional recruitment services for teachers. No Cost Exhibit 5
- 5. Addendum to Educational Services Agreement and Addendum for 1-1 Support with Pyramid Healthcare, Inc. t/d/b/a Soaring Heights School effective August 1, 2022 through July 31, 2023 for special education and related services to students placed at Pyramid's private academic school

Cost: \$225/day/student enrolled for Emotional Support Services \$293/day/student enrolled for Autism Support Services \$130/day/student for 1:1 Paraprofessional Support Exhibit 6

The motion carried on a roll call vote with eight yes votes and zero no votes.

On motion of Mr. Brenneman, seconded by Ms. Frye, per Board Policy 702, Gifts, Grants and Donations, the board approved the following donations:

PA Department of Health and PEMA:

- 1 case face shields
- 1 case gowns size XL/XXL
- 2 cases hand sanitizer
- 1 case N95 masks size regular
- 1 case ear loop procedure masks
- 1 case disinfectant wipes
- 1 case gloves (size medium)

Approximate Cost: \$1,584

The Grable Foundation for the Junior High Library (T.I.G.E.R. Den): \$50,000 The Grable Foundation for Western PA Learning 2025 Alliance: \$18,380

Remake Learning for the Little Tugboat: \$32,250

MACGrant: \$375

The motion carried on a roll call vote with eight yes votes and zero no votes. Exhibit 7

Superintendent's Report / Dr. Gildea

On motion of Ms. Bilek, seconded by Mr. Stephens, per Board Policy 706.1 Disposal of Surplus Property/Textbooks/Supplies, the board approved the disposal of various obsolete equipment and books. The motion carried on a roll call vote with eight yes votes and zero no votes. **Exhibit 8**

Dr. Gildea presented the board with the Annual Plan. The Annual Plan contains goals and anticipated outcomes established by district leaders for the 2022-2023 school year.

On motion of Mr. Brenneman, seconded by Mr. Snyder, the board approved the Annual Plan. The motion carried on a roll call vote with eight yes votes and zero no votes. **Exhibit 9**

On motion of Mr. Snyder, seconded by Ms. Bilek, per Board Policy 312 Evaluation of Superintendent, the board approved the Superintendent's Objective Performance Standards. The motion carried on a roll call vote with eight yes votes and zero no votes. **Exhibit 10**

On motion of Ms. Bilek, seconded by Mr. Snyder, the board approved an update to the Health and Safety Plan effective October 19, 2022. The updated plan reflects changes recommended by Ms. Bilek. The motion carried on a roll call vote with eight yes votes and zero no votes. **Exhibit 11**

Hully Hoover presented the board with the results of the 2022 Life Track Senior Exit Survey.

On motion of Mr. Snyder, seconded by Mr. Brenneman, the board approved an update to the district's Emergency Operation Plan. The motion carried on a roll call vote with eight yes votes and zero no votes. **Exhibit 12**

Ms. Bilek initiated a motion, seconded by Mr. Stephens, to approve the following working draft curriculum maps. These maps will then be open for this school year in order for teachers to make minor tweaks to the curriculum, such as pacing, and will come back to the Board next year for final approval. Crafts 2

HS Mobile App Design 8th Grade Literary Studies Introduction to Coding and Turing Tumble Exploratory Languages and Cultures ESL Curriculum Intro to Computer Coding

Ms. Costanza initiated a motion, seconded by Ms. Bilek to table the Curriculum Maps until the November 16, 2022 COV/Voting Meeting. The motion carried on a voice vote with eight yes votes and zero no votes.

On motion of Ms. Bilek, seconded by Ms. Frye, the board approved Settlement and Release Agreements between the district and the parents of students, ID# ending in 48 and 49 and to authorize the Board President to execute any necessary paperwork to effectuate same and Addendums to Settlement and Release Agreements between the district and the parents of students, ID# ending in 48 and 49 and to authorize the Board President to execute any necessary paperwork to effectuate same. The motion carried on a roll call vote with eight yes votes and zero no votes. Exhibit 13

On motion of Ms. Costanza, seconded by Mr. Snyder, Per Board Policy 618, Student Activity Fund Control, the following new student activity:

Best Buddies - No. 50

To be a part of a global volunteer movement that creates opportunities for one-to-one friendships, integrated employment and leadership development for people with disabilities. The motion carried on a roll call vote with eight yes votes and zero no votes. Exhibit 14

On motion of Ms. Bilek, seconded by Mr. Snyder, Per Board Policies 230.1 Student Expenses for Conferences/Competitions and 121 Field Trips, the board approved the following field trip: Art Club Seniors to New York City

Date: Friday, April 14, 2023

District Cost: \$360 (Cost of Substitute)

The motion carried on a roll call vote with eight yes votes and zero no votes. Exhibit 15

On motion of Ms. Frye, seconded by Mr. Brenneman, Per Board Policy 810 Transportation, the board approved the following bus routes:

2022-2023 Maxwell Transportation Routes 2022-2023 Fullington Bus Company Routes

The motion carried on a roll call vote with eight yes votes and zero no votes. Exhibit 16

On motion of Mr. Snyder, seconded by Ms. Costanza, Per Board Policy 614 Payroll Authorizations, the board approved personnel items 1 through 91 dated 10/19/2022 REV 10/19/2022 at 2:40p.m. Mr. Caldwell read in Line 39 the approval of a substitute teacher, Walter Tomassetti which was not prepared within the 24-hour posting requirement. The motion carried on a roll call vote with eight yes votes and zero no votes. **Exhibit 17**

President's Report / Ms. Hartman

There being no further business to be brought before the board, Ms. Hartman declared the meeting adjourned at 8:49p.m.

Autumn Fiscus Board Secretary