

HOLLIDAYSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES

The Hollidaysburg Area School Board met for a **Committee of the Whole/Voting Meeting** on **Wednesday, November 16, 2022** in the Junior High Auditorium. Ms. Hartman called the meeting to order at 7:19p.m. and opened the meeting with the pledge to the flag.

Roll call was taken by Ms. Hartman with nine members present. Attending were Ms. Hartman, President, Mr. Nichols, Vice-President, Ms. Frye, Mr. Snyder, Dr. Sommer, Mr. Brenneman, Mr. Stephens, Ms. Bilek, and Ms. Costanza.

Also present were Dr. Gildea, Superintendent, Dr. Palazzi, Director of Curriculum, 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 Benjamin, Solicitor, Mr. Harrington, Mr. McCall, Mr. Hartline, Mr. DeLattre, Mr. Keagy, Dr. Letcher, Mr. Madden, Mrs. Albarano, and Mr. Krott.

Recognitions

Fall Sports Participants:

- Recognition of District Champions / PIAA Qualifiers
 - District 6 Class AAA Volleyball
 - District 6 Class AAA Boys Soccer
 - District 6 Class AAA Girls Soccer
 - District 6 Class AAA Doubles Tennis- Gretta Rhodes and Megan Ferris and Coach Denis
 - District 6 Class AAA Girls Golf – Ashden Stitt and Jill Hileman, Coach

Student Representative Report

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

Public Comment

The following individuals provided comment on Policy 824: Trish Haight, Mason Koehle, Krista Murphy, George Foster, Richard Latker, Madeline Shanafalt, Eric Daum, Carrie Freie, Michelle Dale, Diane Krueger, Kathy Daugherty, Nina Meadows, Charles Howells, Amber Lewis, and Peg Murphy.

Hollidaysburg Area School District Foundation

Jodie Albarano, HASD Foundation Director presented report from the HASD Foundation.

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Business Office Report / Mrs. Fiscus

The board met in executive session Monday, November 7, 2022 at 5:20p.m. for personnel and Wednesday, November 16, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. for personnel and potential litigation.

Meetings for December, 2022:

Committee of the Whole - Finance
Wednesday, December 7, 2022
Senior High Library
1510 N. Montgomery Street
Hollidaysburg PA 16648
Time: 5:00p.m.

Reorganization and COW/Voting Meeting
Wednesday, December 7, 2022
Senior High Library
1510 N. Montgomery Street
Hollidaysburg PA 16648
Time: 7:00 p.m.

All board meeting agendas are available in detail for public viewing (3) days prior to each meeting date on BoardDocs. BoardDocs web address is <https://www.boarddocs.com/pa/hasd/Board.nsf>. Interested parties should enter the public site.

Per Board Policy 006 Meetings, on motion of Mr. Brenneman, seconded by Dr. Sommer, the board approved the minutes of the September 14, 2022 Committee of the Whole/Voting (Corrected) and October 19, 2022 Committee of the Whole/Voting meetings. The motion carried on a roll call vote with nine yes votes and zero no votes.

On motion of Ms. Frye, seconded by Mr. Stephens, the board approved Financial Reports for October, 2022, items 1 through 6. The reports included Treasurer's Report, List of Payments, Investment Portfolio, YTD Expenditures/Revenues, Budget Transfers and Senior High Student Store for September, 2022. The motion carried on a roll call vote with nine yes votes and zero no votes. **Exhibit 1**

On motion of Ms. Bilek, seconded by Mr. Brenneman, Per Board Policy 006 Meetings & 818 Contracted Services, the board approved the following contracts/agreements:

1. Author Appearance Confirmation with James Ponti, Children's Author effective April 4, 2023 through April 5, 2023 for two days of in-person visits with students in grades 4-5 at Charles Longer, Foot of Ten and Frankstown Elementary Schools
Cost: \$2,000/day plus travel and lodging expenses paid by the Elementary School Scholastic

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Book Fair profits. **Exhibit 2**

2. Author Appearance Confirmation with Luke Flowers, Children's Author effective April 12, 2023 through April 13, 2023 for two days of in-person visits with students in grades K-3 at Charles Longer, Foot of Ten and Frankstown Elementary Schools
Cost: \$550/day plus travel and lodging expenses paid by the Elementary School Scholastic Book Fair profits. **Exhibit 3**
3. Certificate of Agreement with Scholastic Book Fairs for Charles W. Longer, effective November 16, 2022 through March 27, 2023 (Fair dates March 20, 2023 through March 27, 2023), to raise money to buy books for their library.
Cost: Parent/Student Paid **Exhibit 4**
4. Certificate of Agreement with Scholastic Book Fairs for Foot of Ten, effective November 16, 2022 through March 27, 2023 (Fair dates March 20, 2023 through March 27, 2023), to raise money to buy books for their library.
Cost: Parent/Student Paid **Exhibit 5**
5. Certificate of Agreement with Scholastic Book Fairs for Frankstown, effective November 16, 2022 through March 27, 2023 (Fair dates March 20, 2023 through March 27, 2023), to raise money to buy books for their library.
Cost: Parent/Student Paid **Exhibit 6**
6. Letter of Amendment with Juniata College effective October 26, 2022 through June 1, 2023 for the Dual Enrollment/Dual Credit Program No Cost **Exhibit 7**
7. Contract with Broadway Media effective January 8, 2023 through February 6, 2023 for the JH Performance of Getting to Know: Cinderella Cost: \$450 (Paid out of JH Student Activity Fund) **Exhibit 8**
8. Hosted Services Agreement with Lancaster-Lebanon Intermediate Unit 13 effective October 28, 2022 through October 28, 2025 for assistance with the employee history review process required by Act 168 of 2014) Cost: \$500 Implementation Fee; \$5 per employee processed **Exhibit 9**

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

On motion of Mr. Stephens, seconded by Dr. Sommer, Per Board Policy, 202. Eligibility of Non-Resident Students, the board approved (M.P.), Grade 7, as a tuition student for the 2022-2023 school year. The motion carried on a roll call vote with nine yes votes and zero no votes.

Ms. Frye initiated a motion, seconded by Mr. Nichols, to approve the following:
Collection Fees Charged to Municipalities for 2023 for the collection of the following taxes:

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Per Capita: \$.55/bill

Collection Fees Charged by Blair County Tax Collection Bureau effective January 1, 2023 paid to the Blair County Tax Collection Bureau for taxes collected on the District's behalf:

Current & Delinquent Earned Income / Net Profit: 3%

Flat Rate Occupation Tax effective January 1, 2023: 3%

(Tax Exempt if income is less than \$1,500)

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

On motion of Mr. Brenneman, seconded by Ms. Bilek, the board approved the disposal of obsolete furniture, books and equipment. The motion carried on a roll call vote with nine yes votes and zero no votes. **Exhibit 10**

On motion of Mr. Snyder, seconded by Dr. Sommer, the board approved, Per Board Policy 702, Gifts, Grants and Donations, the following donations:

Gallagher Insurance "Coats for Kids Program": 4 winter coats

Fullington Auto Bus Company: Elementary Tiger Backpack Program: Amount: \$120.00

The motion carried on a roll call vote with nine yes votes and zero on votes.

Superintendent's Report / Dr. Gildea

Dr. Gildea provided an overview of the 2022 Veterans Day activities held throughout the District.

Mr. Nihart reviewed the options that were discussed at the September Physical Plant Committee meeting to replace the Maintenance Building that was sold to Frankstown Township.

On motion of Mr. Brenneman, seconded by Dr. Sommer, the board approved a Capstone Research Project for Maren Jubas. The motion carried on a roll call vote with nine yes vote and zero no votes.

Exhibit 11

On motion of Ms. Bilek, seconded by Ms. Frye, the board approved the following Curriculum Updates:

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

6th Grade Band: Instrumental Lessons

Grade 5 Band Instrumental Lessons

Novel Approval: Hunger Games

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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. Ms. Costanza requested that these are made accessible to the public in PDF format when complete. **Exhibit 12**

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

On motion of Ms. Frye, seconded by Mr. Stephens, the board, Per Board Policies 230.1 Student Expenses for Conferences/Competitions and 121 Field Trips, approved the Winter Sports Master Field Trip List for student field trips in excess of 150 miles, out of state, or overnight.

*The administration requests authorization for the Superintendent to approve additional trips as needed throughout the 2022-2023 school year resulting from advancement in PIAA school sponsored sports playoffs.

The motion carried on a roll call vote with nine yes votes and zero no votes. **Exhibit 13**

On motion of Mr. Snyder, seconded by Dr. Sommer, Per Board Policy 614 Payroll Authorizations, the board approved personnel actions, items 1 through 76 dated 11-16-2022 REV 11-15-2022 at 1:48p.m. with a read in change to Item 16. It was posted without a rate. The rate is by contract \$17.32 per hour, less \$1.50/hr for new hires of \$15.82/hr. The motion carried on a roll call vote with nine yes votes and zero no votes. **Exhibit 14**

President's Report / Ms. Hartman

Ms. Bilek initiated a motion, seconded by Mr. Nichols, Per Board Policy 000 Board Policy/Procedure/Administrative Regulations, to approve Policy 824 Maintaining Professional Adult/Student Boundaries on a first reading. Ms. Costanza questioned whether the addition of "legal guardians" should be included as discussed at a previous meeting. Ms. Bilek amended her motion, seconded by Mr. Nichols to include "legal guardians" to the policy. The motion failed with four yes votes and five no votes. Ms. Frye, Mr. Stephens, Mr. Brenneman, Dr. Sommer and Ms. Hartman cast the dissenting votes.

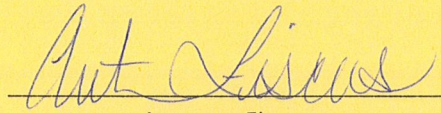
On motion of Mr. Brenneman, seconded by Dr. Sommer, the board approved the Statement of Rights, Waiver of Hearing and Agreement in the case of student ID#s ending in 32, 49, 50 and 92. The motion carried on a roll call vote with nine yes votes and zero no votes. **Exhibit 15**

The board was presented with information on PSBA Travel Accident Insurance for 2023.

New Business

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There being no further business to be brought before the board, Ms. Hartman declared the meeting adjourned at 9:26p.m.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Aut Fiscus", written over a horizontal line.

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Board Secretary