

**GREENSBURG SALEM SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING JANUARY 15, 2014**

PRESENT

Mrs. Angela DeMarino-Toooh
Mr. Frank Gazze
Mr. Richard Guerrieri
Mr. Lee Kunkle
Mr. Ronald Mellinger, Jr.
Mr. Jeff Metrosky
Mr. Richard Payha
Mr. Stephen D. Thomas
Mrs. Barbara Vernail

ABSENT

NON-VOTING MEMBERS

Dr. Eileen Amato, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. James Meyer, Director of Business Affairs
Mr. John Scales, Solicitor

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Mr. Kenneth Bissell, Coordinator of Secondary Education and Instruction
Mr. Erik Doran, Greensburg Salem Education Association Representative
Mrs. Justine Federico, Principal, James H. Metzgar Elementary School
Mr. Dennis Flock, Assistant to the Director of Informational Services
Mrs. Lisa Hauswirth, Acting Coordinator of Student Services
Miss Lisa Malloy, Greensburg Salem Education Association Representative
Mrs. Ashley Nestor, Coordinator of Elementary Education, Federal Programs and Instruction
Ms. Anita Rometo, Community Liaison/Assistant Coordinator of Technology and Transportation
Mrs. Lindsay Scarpo, Associate Principal, Amos K. Hutchinson Elementary
Dr. Chris Suppo, Coordinator of Technology, Transportation and Community Relations
Mr. Stephen Tribble, Greensburg Salem Education Association Representative
Mr. David Zilli, Principal, Senior High School

Approximately seventy-five citizens of the community

NEWS MEDIA

Mr. Bob Stiles, *Greensburg Tribune Review* Newspaper Reporter
Ms. Linda Lyman, *Penn-Franklin-Salem-DeLmont* Newspaper Reporter

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Ronald Mellinger, Jr., School Board President, called the meeting to Order at 7:00 P.M. in Room 003 of the Greensburg Salem Middle School, 301 North Main Street, Greensburg, PA 15601. Mr. James Meyer called the Roll, which is indicated above.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Board Member Barbara Vernail thanked the crowd and administration for attending the meeting. Dr. Amato announced that January was School Director Recognition Month and thanked all the School Board Directors for the various ways they give of their time to the district. Board President Ronald Mellinger Jr., shared that Dr. Amato had a birthday on January 11, 2014. Mrs. Lisa Hauswirth, Acting Coordinator of Student Services shared there is a Special Education parent meeting on Wednesday, February 26, 2014.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

The following people addressed the Board with concerns: Mr. Ken Dzialowski - money and handed a petition to the Board; Mrs. Pam Dzialowski - fiscal issues and ACCESS secretary; Mrs. Anita Leonard – Metzgar teacher and ACCESS billing; Ms. Sarah Harrison - school safety at James H. Metzgar Elementary School; Ms. Becky Graham - school taxes; Mrs. Connie Mattei - pension audit; Ms. Peggy Slezak - Special Education (Life Skills class); Ms. Rose Ann Orr - School Board responsibility; John Boyle - fiscal matters; Mr. Frank Valles - where politics does, does not belong; and, Mr. Jim Barbe - pension audit.

REORGANIZATION MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 4, 2013

A motion was made by Vernail/Guerrieri to approve the minutes of the Reorganization Board Meeting of December 4, 2014.

Section 508 vote: All nine Board Members present voted in the affirmative.

SEE ATTACHMENTS 1-5

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 3, 2012

A motion was made by Guerrieri/DeMarino-Toooh to approve the minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting of December 4, 2013.

Section 508 vote: All nine Board Members present voted in the affirmative.

SEE ATTACHMENTS 6-13

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Mr. James Meyer, Director of Business Affairs, asked if there were any questions regarding the following reports: Bank Reconciliation – December; Bond Fund Reconciliation – December; Tax Report – December; Year-to-Date Revenue Function Totals and Year-to-Date Expenditure Function Totals.

SEE ATTACHMENTS 14-24

DISBURSEMENTS MADE SINCE LAST MEETING/BILLS TO BE PAID

A motion was made by Guerrieri/Gazze to approve the following: Disbursements Made Since Last Meeting: General Fund - \$3,281,471.16; Bills to be Paid: General Fund - \$559,718.70; and Bills to be Paid: Cafeteria Fund - \$231,662.31. Section 508 Vote: All nine Board Members present voted in the affirmative.

SEE ATTACHMENTS 25-35

ADDITIONAL DISBURSEMENTS MADE SINCE LAST MEETING

A motion was made by Guerrieri/Thomas to approve the following: Additional Disbursements Made Since Last Meeting: General Fund - \$129,100.83; Additional Bills to be Paid: General Fund - \$64,381.45; Additional Bills to be Paid: Cafeteria Fund - \$450.00; and Additional Bills to be Paid: Construction Fund - \$14,975.40.

Section 508 vote: All nine Board members present voted in the affirmative.

SEE ATTACHMENTS 1-6

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ESEA Title I, II and V – No report at this time.

Legal Report – Spring sports bids have been reviewed and are in order to be voted on later in the meeting and the contract for volunteer background checks has been reviewed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An executive session of the Board was held for personnel and legal matters beginning at 8:15 P.M. and the regular meeting was reconvened at 8:57 P.M.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

All appointments and additions to the substitute lists under the Personnel Report are pending receipt of governmental clearances, certification records, and physical and tine test, where applicable.

RESIGNATIONS

A motion was made by DeMarino-Toooh/Guerrieri to approve the following resignations: William Wisniewski, Assistant Varsity Baseball Coach, effective January 15, 2014; Rich Lewis, Head Boys' Varsity Tennis Coach, effective January 15, 2014; and Ron Silvis, Assistant Boy's Middle School Football Coach, effective January 15, 2014.

Section 508 vote: All nine Board Members present voted in the affirmative.

SEE ATTACHMENTS 38-40

RESIGNATION

A motion was made by Kunkle/DeMarino-Toooh to approve the following resignation: Joel Pantalone, Senior High School Custodian, effective retroactive to January 3, 2014.

Section 508 vote: All nine Board Members present voted in the affirmative.

SEE ATTACHMENT 41

PAID LEAVE OF ABSENCE/EXTENSION OF PAID LEAVE OF ABSENCE

A motion was made by Vernail/Gazze to approve the following paid leave of absence and extension of a paid leave of absence: Brian Minick, paid leave of absence, Computer Teacher at the James H. Metzgar/Dr. Robert F. Nicely Elementary Schools, effective January 2, 2014 through and including January 28, 2014; and Marlene Hizer, extension of a paid leave of absence, Sixth Grade Teacher at the Middle School, effective January 2, 2014 through and including January 29, 2014.

Section 508 vote: All nine Board Members present voted in the affirmative.

SEE ATTACHMENT 42-43

APPOINTMENTS

A motion was made by Vernail/Guerrieri to approve the following appointments: Teresa Noel, After School Kids' Express Program Teacher at Amos K. Hutchinson Elementary School, effective for the 2013-2014 school year, \$28.75 supplemental hourly rate; and, Taylor Roddy, Volunteer Ninth Grade Girls' Volleyball Coach, effective for the 2013-2014 school year

Section 508 vote: All nine Board Members present voted in the affirmative.

ADDITION TO THE SUBSTITUTE LIST

A motion was made by Guerrieri/DeMarino-Toooh to approve the following addition to the substitute list: Jason Emery, 718 Sewickley Street, Greensburg PA 15601, custodian.

Section 508 vote: All nine Board Members present voted in the affirmative.

ACCEPT DONATIONS

A motion was made by Vernail/Guerrieri for the proper officers of the District to accept three separate donations of \$400.00 each from Robert Allshouse of Kades-Margolis to be used for needy students at Amos K. Hutchinson, James H. Metzgar and Dr. Robert F. Nicely Elementary Schools

Section 508 vote: All nine Board Members present voted in the affirmative.

ACCEPT GRANT MONIES

A motion was made by Guerrieri/Kunkle for the proper officers of the District to accept \$5,000.00 in grant monies from the Highmark Foundation to enhance the Middle School physical education program for our commitment to Creating a Healthy School Environment.

Section 508 vote: All nine Board Members present voted in the affirmative.

SEE ATTACHMENTS 44-45

ACCEPT MONIES

A motion was made by Guerrieri/DeMarino-Toooh for the proper officers of the District to accept \$1,000.00 from Communities in Schools of Pennsylvania to participate in "My Life, My Choice," a positive messaging youth-led campaign.

Section 508 vote: All nine Board Members present voted in the affirmative.

ACCEPT CASH CONTRIBUTION

A motion was made by Guerrieri/Kunkle for the proper officers of the District to accept an anonymous \$350.00 cash contribution to the Greensburg Salem Athletic Department to be allocated as follows: Football \$190.00; Track and Field \$140.00; and Basketball \$20.00.

Section 508 vote: All nine Board Members present voted in the affirmative.

SEE ATTACHMENT 46

E-RATE FUNDING

A motion was made by Guerrieri/Vernail for the proper officers of the District to apply for E-Rate Funding for the 2014-2015 school year.

Section 508 vote: All nine Board Members present voted in the affirmative.

AGREEMENT WITH BERKHEIMER ONESOURCE

A motion was made by Guerrieri/Vernail to enter into an Agreement with Berkheimer OneSource for the completion of Act 80 under the Pennsylvania Department of Revenue at an approximate cost of \$735.00.

Section 508 vote: All nine Board Members present voted in the affirmative.

SEE ATTACHMENTS 47-51

2014-2015 SCHOOL CALENDAR

A motion was made by Vernail/Kunkle to approve the Greensburg Salem School District's 2014-2015 School Calendar as presented.

Section 508 vote: All nine Board Members present voted in the affirmative.

SEE ATTACHMENTS 52-53

AWARD SPRING SPORTS EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLY BIDS

A motion was made by Thomas/Guerrieri to award spring sports equipment and supply bids as presented. Note that all bids were awarded to the lowest, responsible bidder meeting bid specifications.

Section 508 vote: All nine Board Members present voted in the affirmative.

SEE ATTACHMENTS 54-58

EXTEND UTILIZING SERVICES

A motion was made by Vernail/DeMarino-Tooch to approve extending utilizing the services of Ronald Tarosky in the special education office for ten (10) additional days in January 2014, ten (10) additional days in February 2014, and three (3) additional days in March 24 (total of 23 days) at a rate of \$300.00 per day, not to exceed \$6,900.00.

Voting Aye: DeMarino-Tooch, Gazze, Kunkle, Mellinger, Metrosky, Payha, Thomas and Vernail.

Voting Nay: Guerrieri.

Motion passed.

APPOINT TAX COLLECTOR

A motion was made by Guerrieri/DeMarino-Tooch to appoint Corry Sheffler as the tax collector for Act 511 and Act 679, delinquent earned income tax (prior to January 1, 2012), and per capita tax for residents of Southwest Greensburg.

Section 508 vote: All nine Board Members present voted in the affirmative.

ACKNOWLEDGE ADDITIONAL LIST OF BUS MONITORS

A motion was made by DeMarino-Tooch/Guerrieri to acknowledge the additional list of bus monitors for First Student, Inc. for the 2013-2014 school year, pending receipt of all governmental clearances, certification records, safety training, physicals and tuberculin tests where applicable.

Section 508 vote: All nine Board Members present voted in the affirmative.

SEE ATTACHMENT 62

MEETING ATTENDANCE

A motion was made by Vernail/Guerrieri granting approval for Barbara Garofola to attend the PSSA ELA Writing Ranging (Grades 6-8) Meeting on February 24-28, 2014 in Harrisburg PA at no cost to the District.

Section 508 vote: All nine Board Members present voted in the affirmative.

SEE ATTACHMENTS 59-61

FACILITY USAGE

A motion was made by Thomas/Guerrieri granting approval for the following facility usage:

- Greensburg Recreation Department to use the Senior High School gymnasium for indoor soccer practices and clinics for all youth age groups as follows: 6:00-9:30 P.M. on January 3, 2014, January 10, 2014, January 24, 2014, March 7, 2014, March 13, 2014, March 21, 2014, March 28, 2014; and 8:00-9:25 P.M. on February 7, 2014, February 14, 2014, February 21, 2014, and February 28, 2014;
- Winter Travel Basketball League, Girls Grades 4, 5 and 7,8 to use the Middle and Senior High School gymnasiums as follows: Middle School: 6:30-8:00 P.M. on December 18, 2013, January 21, 2014, January 24, 2014, January 28, 2014, January 29, 2014, February 5, 2014; 7:00-8:30 P.M. on December 9, 2013, December 10, 2013, January 16, 2014, February 4, 2014, 7:00-9:00 P.M. on February 18, 2014, February 24, 2014, February 26, 2014; 7:30-8:30 P.M. on December 17, 2013, January 6, 2014; 7:30-9:00 P.M. on January 7, 2014, January 10, 2014, January 15, 2014, February 11, 2014, February 12, 2014; 12:00-2:00 P.M. on February 15, 2014, February 22, 2014; and, from 12:00-2:30 P.M. on January 4, 2014 and Senior High School: 9:30-11:00 A.M. on December 27, 2013; 1:00-3:00 P.M. on December 30, 2013; 1:30-2:30 P.M. on December 21, 2013; 5:15-7:00 P.M. on January 3, 2014, January 31, 2014; and 6:30-8:00 P.M. on February 7, 2014;
- Help the People Program, Inc. to use the Senior High School cafeteria and kitchen for a pasta dinner fundraiser for a former Greensburg Salem School District student/athlete from 1:30-9:30 P.M. on Saturday, January 25, 2014;
- Lions Clubs of District 14-E to use the Senior High School auditorium for their Youth Talent Show from 6:00-11:00 P.M. on Friday, May 2, 2014; and
- Greensburg Salem Baseball Boosters Association to use the Senior High School gymnasium to conduct a Baseball Skills Camp from 7:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M. on Saturday, March 22, 2014.

Section 508 vote: All nine Board Members present voted in the affirmative.

SEE ATTACHMENTS 63-70, 11

SKIP ITEM R ON THE AGENDA, INCLUDED IN ITEM S

ADVERTISE POSITIONS/READVERTISE POSITIONS

A motion was made by Guerrieri/Gazze to advertise the following supplemental contract positions: Assistant Coach – Varsity Baseball, effective beginning with the 2013-2014 school year; \$3,540.00 as per the negotiated Agreement, Head Coach – Boys' Varsity Tennis, effective beginning with the 2013-2014 school year \$3,773.00 as per the negotiated; and Assistant Coach – Boys' Middle School Football, effective beginning with the 2014-2015 school year, \$3,621.00 as per the negotiated Agreement; and to readvertise the following supplemental contract positions: Assistant Coach – Ninth Grade Baseball, effective beginning with the 2013-2014 school year, \$2,1717.00 as per the negotiated Agreement, and, Assistant Coach – Girls' Varsity Lacrosse, effective beginning with the 2013-2014 school year, \$2,119.00 as per the negotiated Agreement.

Section 508 vote: All nine Board Members present voted in the affirmative.

ADVERTISE POSITION

A motion was made by Kunkle/DeMarino-Toooh to advertise the following supplemental contract position: Head Coach – Girls' Varsity Soccer, effective beginning with the 2014-2015 school year, \$3,529.00 supplemental contract as per the negotiated Agreement.

Voting Aye: DeMarino-Toooh, Kunkle, Mellinger, Metrosky, Payha, Thomas and Vernail.

Voting Nay: Gazze and Guerrieri.

Motion passed.

ITEM U – ADVERTISE CUSTODIAN POSITION

A motion was made by Kunkle/DeMarino-Toooh to table motion.

Section 508 vote: All nine Board Members present voted in the affirmative.

APPLY FOR GRANT MONIES

A motion was made by Vernail/Kunkle for the proper officers of the District to apply for a \$10,000.00 grant from Standard (Bank) Charitable Foundation to support the purchase of new strength and aerobic conditioning equipment for the alumni Fitness Center.

Section 508 vote: All nine Board Members present voted in the affirmative.

APPLY FOR GRANT MONIES

A motion was made by Vernail/Guerrieri for the proper officers of the District to apply for a \$5,000.00 grant from The Community Foundation of Westmoreland County to support the purchase of new strength and aerobic conditioning equipment for the Alumni Fitness Center.

Section 508 vote: All nine Board Members present voted in the affirmative.

ACCEPT GRANT MONIES

A motion was made by Vernail/Guerrieri for the proper officers of the District to accept a grant from the Lulu Pool Health and Education Fund Monies in the amount of \$900.00 to provide scholarships to the sixth grade camp program.

Section 508 vote: All nine Board Members present voted in the affirmative.

SEE ATTACHMENT 1

APPROVE PROPOSAL FROM RAMPART SECURITY SYSTEMS

A motion was made by Vernail/DeMarino-Toooh to approve the proposal from Rampart Security Systems for the installation of two new proximity card readers, two 1080P HD cameras to upgrade the existing cameras, and a 4 channel DVR recorder to record the video of these two cameras at the Middle School in the amount of \$3,804.20 as per the attached proposal.

Section 508 vote: All nine Board Members present voted in the affirmative.

SEE ATTACHMENT 2

CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE

A motion was made by Kunkle/Guerrieri granting approval for Melanie Callas to attend the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association In-Service Conference on March 26-29, 2014 in Hershey PA with the District paying the cost of a substitute teacher.

Section 508 vote: All nine Board Members present voted in the affirmative.

SEE ATTACHMENTS 3-4

MARCHING BAND TRIP

A motion was made by Thomas/Guerrieri granting approval for the Greensburg Salem High School Marching Band spring trip to New York City NY on Friday, April 25, 2014 through Monday, April 28, 2014.

Section 508 vote: All nine Board Members present voted in the affirmative.

SEE ATTACHMENTS 5-7

SCHOOL CALENDAR

A motion was made by Vernail/Thomas to approve the revised 2013-2014 school calendar to reflect a snow day on Tuesday, January 7, 2014 and Monday, February 17, 2014 as the snow makeup day.

Section 508 vote: All nine Board Members present voted in the affirmative.

SEE ATTACHMENTS 8-9

ACKNOWLEDGE ADDITIONAL BUS MONITOR

A motion was made by Guerrieri/Kunkle to acknowledge the additional bus monitor for First Student, Inc. for the 2013-2014 school year, pending receipt of all governmental clearances, certification records, safety training, physicals and tuberculin tests where applicable.

Section 508 vote: All nine Board Members present voted in the affirmative.

SEE ATTACHMENT 10

BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT PARTICIPATION

A motion was made by Vernail/Guerrieri granting approval for the Boys' Basketball Team to participate in the Boys' Seventh, Eighth and Ninth Grade Basketball Tournament at Indiana School District on January 25, 2014 with a registration cost of \$125.00.

Section 508 vote: All nine Board Members present voted in the affirmative.

BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT PARTICIPATION

A motion was made by Kunkle/Thomas granting approval for the Boys' Basketball Team to participate in the Boys' Seventh Grade Basketball Tournament at Hempfield Area School District on February 1-2, 2014 with a registration cost of \$225.00.

Section 508 vote: All nine Board Members present voted in the affirmative.

VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT PARTICIPATION

A motion was made by Guerrieri/Gazze granting approval for the Girls' Volleyball Team to participate in the Ninth Grade Girls' Volleyball Tournament at Penn Trafford School District on March 21, 2014 with a registration cost of \$160.00.

Section 508 vote: All nine Board Members present voted in the affirmative.

Mr. Mellinger asked if anyone in the audience had questions. Mr. Bob Iuzzolino questioned utilizing the services of a retired special education consultant.

Superintendent Dr. Eileen Amato announced that the Board Discussion Meeting for February will be held on Wednesday, February 5, 2014 at 7:00 P.M. in the Administration Conference Room. The public is invited and encouraged to attend. The Regular School Board Meeting for February will be held on Wednesday, February 12, 2014 at 7:00 P.M., in Room 003 of the Greensburg Salem Middle School.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by DeMarino-Toooh/Kunkle to adjourn the meeting.
Section 508 vote: All nine Board Members present voted in the affirmative.

The Regular School Board Meeting of the Greensburg Salem School District Board of Education was held on Wednesday, January 15, 2014, beginning at 7:00 P.M. in Room 003 of the Greensburg Salem Middle School, 301 North Main Street, Greensburg, PA 15601, was adjourned at 9:20 P.M.

ATTEST:

James J. Meyer, School Board Secretary