

VOTING SESSION

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Long, Board President, at 7:10 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mr. Long led the Board and all present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

ROLL CALL:

Present:

Mrs. Marian R. Acon
Mr. George A. Bauer
Mr. Lawrence Blackwell
Mrs. Annette Hubbard (Via cell phone)
Ms. Michelle L. Hubbard
Mrs. Christine Kronk
Mr. James M. Long
Mr. Thomas W. Majors
Mr. Floyd B. Tame

Absent:

NON-VOTING MEMBERS AND ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:

Dr. Jane Bovalino	Mrs. Kathleen Onuska
Mr. Michael Damon	Mr. Louis Paul Campisi
Miss Amanda Cwynar	
Mr. Nick Long	

CITIZEN INPUT - ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:

There were no citizens wishing to address the Board on agenda items.

PRESENTATION:

Miss Jessica Smith presented the Middle School Students of the Month for October as follows:

6th Grade ----- Jewell Ours – Present
7th Grade ----- Marissa Aronhalt – Not present this evening
8th Grade ----- Abigail Martin – Not present this evening

Jewel Ours was congratulated and encouraged to keep up the good work.

Dr. Bovalino gave recognition to Ms. Jennifer Milne on behalf of the Board of School Directors for 17 years of Girls' Basketball and Softball Coaching for the Rochester Area School District.

CORRESPONDENCES TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD:

Dr. Bovalino reported that a thank you letter had been received from the Rochester Public Library thanking the Rochester Area School District for the October 3, 2017 donation of \$5,000 which is gratefully appreciated by the Directors of the Library.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of the September 25, 2017 Voting Session and the October 9, 2017 Work Session were approved as submitted by motion of Mr. Bauer, second of Mrs. Acon, and unanimous roll call vote.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT/PRESENTATION:

Dr. Bovalino reported that Mrs. Annette Hubbard is now present at this meeting via cell phone and joined us at the beginning of the presentation of the Students of the Month.

Dr. Bovalino reported that there had been an Active Shooter Training on the premises on October 23, 2017 which was very successful. There were well over 50 emergency personnel on hand and all staff including teaching, maintenance, cafeteria, nursing, paraprofessionals, secretaries, administration, etc. were involved in this training. All went well. They had two simulations of a shooting event in the afternoon. They learned many things that they do well and some that need some additional work and training. Overall it was felt that this was a very successful and instructive training program. It was noted that in this building it is very difficult to ascertain exactly where to go to reach certain areas. Even the local police are not familiar with our building. The numbering of the rooms is not sequential which is also a problem. There were also representatives from the Freedom and Beaver Falls Area School Districts present as they are interested in this procedure. The Freedom Area School District has already had one of these trainings. We are the second district in our area to have this training experience.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Attorney Garen Fedeles reported that Mr. Timothy McBride succumbed to a heart attack on November 10, 2017. He also reported that a litigation meeting scheduled for November 10, 2017 has been cancelled. Also, they have still not received an answer from the Attorney's Office regarding the yearbook issue. This can be discussed in the executive session regarding the litigation in progress.

BOARD COMMITTEE ACTIONS

FINANCE:

Mr. Tame motioned to approve the following financial reports:

A. Treasurer's Report for the month of September.

B. Payment of Bills

a. General Fund	\$1,002,626.49
b. Cafeteria Fund	\$ 126,858.41

C. Monthly Financial Reports

- a. General Fund – Revenue Report
- b. General Fund – Expenditure Report
- c. Cafeteria Fund – Revenue Report
- d. Cafeteria Fund – Expenditure Report

D. Informational Reports

- a. Tax Collector Reports

Mr. Bauer seconded this motion and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

Mr. Tame motioned to approve Resolution #102317-02 to participate in the Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit's "Joint Purchasing Program" for the 2018-2019 school year at a cost of \$600. Mr. Bauer seconded this motion and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

TEACHERS AND PERSONNEL:

Ms. Michelle Hubbard motioned to approve Miss Amanda Cwynar to attend the 2018 Pennsylvania State Athletic Directors Association Conference on Tuesday, March 20, 2018 through Friday, March 23, 2018 at the Hershey Lodge and Convention Center, Hershey, Pennsylvania at a cost of \$250 for registration, plus transportation and lodging. The above motion was seconded by Mr. Majors and unanimously approved upon a unanimous roll call vote.

Ms. Michelle Hubbard motioned to approve Kathy Onuska to attend the Pennsylvania Association of School Business Officials (PASBO) Annual Conference on Wednesday, March 7, 2018 through Friday, March 9, 2018 in Hershey, Pennsylvania at a cost of \$357 for registration, plus transportation and lodging. Mrs. Acon seconded this motion and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

Ms. Michelle Hubbard motioned to approve the following field trips:

- a. Wednesday, November 1, 2017 – 7th & 8th Grade students to attend the Community College of Beaver County to expose the students to careers in Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics (STEAM).
- b. Tuesday, November 7, 2017 – Selected High School Chorus students to attend Beaver County Arts Education Consortium (BCAEC) at Central Valley High School to learn about singing, acting and dancing as it relates to musical theater.
- c. Thursday, November 9, 2017 – Four Middle School student athletes to attend the 2017 WPIAL Sportsman Summit at Heinz History Center to listen to various speakers on sportsmanship.
- d. Tuesday, November 14, 2017 – Selected Middle School Chorus students to attend Beaver County Arts Education Consortium (BCAEC) at Central Valley High School to learn about singing, acting and dancing as it related to musical theater.
- e. Monday, November 20, 2017 – Selected High School students to participate in the Beaver County Chorus Festival rehearsals. (Rochester High School is hosting the Festival.)
- f. Tuesday, November 28, 2017 – Grades 5-12 G.A.T.E. students to attend Geneva College Field House for the Academic Games Competition, *Propaganda*.
- g. Wednesday, November 29, 2017 – Grades 10 & 11 Transition students to attend Monroeville Convention Center to expose the students in different careers.
- h. Wednesday, December 13, 2017 – Grades 7 & 8 English students to attend the Benedum Center to see the musical, “*A Christmas Carol*,” to learn to compare and contrast the different mediums from the musical and the novel.
- i. Thursday, January 4, 2018 – Grades 5-12 G.A.T.E. students to attend Center Stage for the Academic Games Competition, *Equations*.
- j. Thursday, January 25, 2018 – Grades 5-12 G.A.T.E. student to attend Ambridge High School for the *World Events Tournament*.
- k. Thursday, February 8, 2018 – Grades 5-12 G.A.T.E. students to attend Center Stage for the Academic Games Competition, *LINGUISHTIKS*.
- l. Thursday, February 22, 2018 – Grades 5-12 G.A.T.E. students to attend Geneva College for the Gifted Academic Games League, *Mr. President’s Tournament*.
- m. Wednesday, March 7, 2018 – Grades 4-12 G.A.T.E. students to attend Penn State, Beaver Campus, for the *Math 24 Competition*.
- n. Wednesday, May 2, 2018 – Grades 5 & 7 students to attend the Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit to compete in the “*Battle of the Books*.”
- o. Tuesday, May 15, 2018 – Elementary G.A.T.E. student to attend Central Elementary School in Beaver Falls, to complete in the Beaver County Invention Convention.

Mrs. Acon seconded the above motion and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

Brandy Rossi-Tesnovich was approved to serve as the Art Club Sponsor (Grades 6-12) at a supplemental base salary of \$500 for the 2017-2018 school year by motion of Ms. Michelle Hubbard, second of Mrs. Annette Hubbard (via cell phone), and unanimous roll call vote.

Ms. Michelle Hubbard motioned to approve Sarah Stewart to serve as the Student Council Sponsor (Grades K-5) at a supplemental base salary of \$100 for the 2017-2018 school year. This was seconded by Mrs. Annette Hubbard, and a unanimous roll call vote.

Ms. Michelle Hubbard motioned to approve Chuck Bennett to serve as a full-time custodian effective October 24, 2017 due to the retirement of Mae Radcliffe. Mrs. Annette Hubbard seconded this motion and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

Dave “Buddy” Ferguson was approved to serve as a full-time custodian (Floater) effective October 24, 2017, previously Chuck Bennett’s position. This was seconded by Mrs. Annette Hubbard and unanimously approved upon roll call vote.

Ms. Michelle Hubbard motioned to approve Lashawnda Smitherman to serve as a part-time custodian, effective October 24, 2017, previously Dave “Buddy” Ferguson’s position. Ms. Smitherman has been serving as a part-time General Assistant in the Nutritional Service Department. Mrs. Annette Hubbard seconded this motion and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

Ms. Michelle Hubbard motioned to approve Floyd Tame to be added to the approved list of individuals who may drive District owned vans (clearances on file). Mrs. Annette Hubbard seconded this motion and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

Raymond Hall was approved to be added to the substitute van driver list (clearances on file) by motion of Ms. Michelle Hubbard, second of Mrs. Annette Hubbard, and unanimous roll call vote.

Ms. Michelle Hubbard motioned to approve Ashley Smith to be added to the K-12 Volunteer List (clearances on file). Mrs. Annette Hubbard seconded this motion and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS:

Mr. Bauer motioned to approve the request by Maria’s School of Dance to use the building to host a rehearsal and recital on Friday, May 18, 2018 and Saturday, May 19, 2018. Charges include the rental fee, and custodial, maintenance and security charges at an approximate cost of \$1,500.80. Mr. Majors seconded this motion and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

Mr. Bauer motioned to approve the request by Paula Scriva Dance Studio to use the building to host a rehearsal and recital on Friday, May 25, 2018 and Saturday, May 26, 2018. Charges include the rental fee, and custodial, maintenance and security charges at an approximate cost of \$1000.80. Mr. Majors seconded this motion and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

The request of Dana's Dance Center to use the building to host a rehearsal and recital on Saturday, June 2, 2018 and Sunday, June 3, 2018 was approved by motion of Mr. Bauer, second of Mr. Majors and unanimous roll call vote. Charges include the rental fee, and custodial, maintenance and security charges at an approximate cost of \$1000.80.

ATHLETICS/SPECIAL ACTIVITIES:

Mrs. Acon motioned to approve Nadine Witt to serve as the Softball Head Coach at a supplemental base salary of \$1,500 for the 2017-2018 school year, due to the resignation of Jennifer Milne. Mr. Blackwell seconded this motion and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

Mrs. Acon motioned to approve Brian Burton to serve as the Men's Basketball 1st Assistant Coach at a supplemental base salary of \$1,500 for the 2017-2018 school year, due to the resignation of Sean Keaton. This was seconded by Mr. Blackwell and unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

Van Norman (clearances on file) was approved to serve as the Elementary Boy's Head Basketball Coach at a supplemental base salary of \$500 for the 2017-2018 school year due to the resignation of Sam Laure, by motion of Mrs. Acon, second of Mr. Blackwell, and unanimous roll call vote.

The resignation of C.J. Iannini from the position of 7th & 8th Grade Girls' Basketball Head Coach effective September 25, 2017 was accepted by motion of Mrs. Acon, second of Mr. Blackwell, and unanimous roll call vote.

Mrs. Acon motioned to approve Hayden Kimbrough to serve as the Varsity Women's 1st Assistant Coach at a supplemental base salary of \$1,500 for the 2017-2018 school year (clearances on file). Mr. Blackwell seconded this motion and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

Mrs. Acon motioned to approve Benjamin Snowden to serve as the Varsity Women's 2nd Assistant Coach at a supplemental base salary of \$1,500 for the 2017-2018 school year (clearances on file). This was seconded by Mr. Blackwell and unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

Mrs. Acon motioned to approve the following individuals to be added to the K-12 volunteer list (clearances on file):

- Larry Blackwell as the Volunteer Women's Varsity Basketball Assistant Coach
- Brian Burton as the Volunteer Varsity Football Assistant Coach
- Jessica Hauser as the Volunteer Women's Varsity Basketball Assistant Coach
- Sam Laure as the Volunteer Men's Varsity Basketball Assistant Coach
- Wayne Witt as the Volunteer Women's Varsity Basketball Assistant Coach

Mr. Blackwell seconded this motion and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

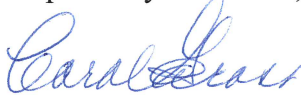
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

There were no citizens wishing to address the Board at this time.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Tame motioned to adjourn this meeting at 7:45 p.m. Ms. Michelle Hubbard seconded this motion and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Carol Gross
Board Secretary