KARNS CITY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD ACTION

April 8, 2024

CALL TO ORDER

--The regular meeting was called to order by Mr. Price at 8:04 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

--Approved minutes of the March 11, 2024 regular and special board meeting.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

--No Report.

PUBLIC TO BE HEARD

--Joshua Smith, Boys Varsity Baseball Head Coach, addressed the Board regarding the status of a baseball field for the school district. He shared renderings and pricing prepared by outside organizations regarding a potential field opportunity at the Sugarcreek Community Park. The pricing included the installation of fields based upon prevailing wage rate and non-prevailing wage rate. He also noted that there was support from local organizations and individuals willing to assist, specifically mentioning Dick McCall, Inc. Information regarding a softball field was also shared. He also shared that Redbank Valley contributed towards developing their local field, and felt that Karns City should contact them about doing the same.

BOARD LIAISONS

--No Report.

CAFETERIA

--Approved Cafeteria Financial Statement, as submitted.
--Approved Cafeteria Bills, as submitted.
--Renewed the agreement between the Karns City Area School District and Metz Culinary Management as the Food Service Management Company (FSMC) for the 2024-2025 school year to provide services to the district for food service operations.

ATHLETICS

--Approved Slippery Rock Golf Club and Event Center as the Karns City Area School District home golf course.

TRANSPORTATION

--Approved the addition(s)/deletion(s) to the bus driver list submitted by Shriver Bus Contracting Services for the 2023-2024 school year, pending successful completion and receipt of all required clearances and forms.

- Add: Kaylynn Ford

BUILDING & GROUNDS

--Approved request(s) for Use of School Facilities, as submitted.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

--Approved field trip(s), as submitted.
--Approved Scholarship Recipients to the recognized at graduation, as submitted.
John A. Beck-Isabel Beck Johnson Memorial Scholarship – This selection is made by vote of the High School Faculty. Hoch Memorial Scholarship: This selection is based on the results of the PSSA test. *(Selection made public at gradation)

CURRICULUM AND TEXTBOOKS

--Approved the Inter-Governmental Agreement between the Karns City Area School District and the Midwestern Intermediate Unit IV for the Continuum of Instructional Programs/Services for the 2024-2025 school year, as submitted.
--Approved Summer Physical education with a maximum course fee of $200 with tentative dates of June 10 – June 27, 2024 for the 2024-2025 school year, as submitted. (same fee structure as last year)
--Approved summer school for the Acceleration and Credit Recovery at a cost of a half credit course at $140, and a full credit course at $280, as submitted.
--Approved the first read of Big Ideas Math: Modeling Real Life textbooks for grades 7 and 8 for the 2024-2025 school year, as submitted.

POLICY

--Approved the second and final read of revised Policy 201 – Admission of Students, as submitted.
--Approved the second and final read of revised Policy 903 – Public Comment in Board Meetings, as submitted.

FINANCE

--Approved General Fund Bills, as submitted.
--Approved Treasurer's Report, as submitted.
--Approved Student Activities Fund Report, as submitted.
--Approved the Regent Solutions, United Concordia Dental Rates for the 2024-2025 school year, as submitted.
Employee $31.76; Employee + Spouse $63.52; Employee + Child(ren) $66.71; Employee + Family $95.28 (9% increase from 2023-2024)

--Accepted the WPSHCC Medical and Prescription rates for the 2024-2025 school year, as submitted:
Employee $727.92; Employee + Child(ren) $1,492.28; Employee + Spouse $1,666.99; Employee + Family $1,921.73

PERSONNEL

--Accepted the resignation of Mr. Clair Pistorius, Custodian, for the purpose of retirement effective June 30, 2024, as submitted.
--Accepted the resignation of Ms. Debra Bossinger, Health Technician, for the purpose of retirement effective July 1, 2024, as submitted.
--Accepted the resignation of Mr. Patrick Preston, Elementary Instructor, for the purpose of retirement at the end of the 2023-2024 school year, as submitted.
--Accepted the resignation of Mrs. Dorinda Aigner, Elementary Instructor, for the purpose of retirement at the end of the 2023-2024 school year, as submitted.
--Accepted the resignation of Mrs. Mary Lavella. Elementary Instructor, for the purpose of retirement at the end of the 2023-2024 school year, as submitted.
--Accepted the resignation of Mr. David McElroy, Elementary Instructor, for the purpose of retirement at the end of the 2023-2024 school year, as submitted.
--Accepted the resignation of Mrs. Terri McElroy, Elementary Instructor, for the purpose of retirement at the end of the 2023-2024 school year, as submitted.
--Accepted the resignation of Mrs. DeAnn Pistorius, Elementary Instructor, for the purpose of retirement at the end of the 2023-2024 school year, as submitted.
--Accepted the resignation of Mrs. April Sanner, Secondary Instructor, for the purpose of retirement at the end of the 2023-2024 school year, as submitted.
--Accepted the resignation of Mrs. Kristen Fleeger, Elementary Instructor, for the purpose of retirement at the end of the 2023-2024 school year, as submitted.
--Accepted the resignation of Mrs. Beth Ackelson, Secondary Instructor, for the purpose of retirement at the end of the 2023-2024 school year, as submitted.
--Accepted the resignation of Mr. Kurt Crosbie, Secondary Instructor, for the purpose of retirement at the end of the 2023-2024 school year, as submitted.
--Accepted the resignation of Mrs. LeAnn Pfeifer, Elementary Instructor, for the purpose of retirement at the end of the 2023-2024 school year, as submitted.
--Accepted the resignation of Mr. Joseph Schumacher, Elementary Instructor, for the purpose of retirement at the end of the 2023-2024 school year, as submitted.
--Accepted the resignation of Mr. Charles Davies, Secondary Instructor, for the purpose of retirement at the end of the 2023-2024 school year, as submitted.
--Accepted the resignation of Mrs. Stephanie Markle, Sugarcreek Secretary, for the purpose of retirement effective June 30, 2024, as submitted.
--Approved travel requests, as submitted.
--Approved addition(s)/deletion(s) to the Karns City Area School District's Driver List, as submitted.

- Add: Robert (RJ) Carson – Boys Soccer Head Coach
- Change: Steven Andreassi – Head Coach Girls Basketball (Previously listed as Admin)
- Remove: Pam Baker-King – Maintenance Secretary

--Approved leave request for Mrs. Mary Kuchta, Paraprofessional, from April 8 through April 9, 2024, as submitted.

--Approved a leave request for Mrs. Melanie Drumm, Paraprofessional, from April 15 through April 17, 2024, utilizing available personal days in conjunction with the unpaid days, as submitted.
--Approved an unpaid leave request for Mrs. Trish Olkowski, High School Secretary, for two days during a period from June 5 through Jun 17, 2024, as submitted.
--Approved the addition(s)/deletion(s) to the volunteer list, for the 2023-2024 school year, pending successful completion of all required clearances under Act 24, Act 34, Act 114, Act 151, & Act 168, as submitted.

- Add: Michael Taylor – Jr. High Baseball
- Add: Dusty Dudzic – Jr. High Softball

--Authorized the administration to post/advertise the position of School Photographer.
--Hired Mr. Travis Beabout for the position of Custodian at a rate of $11.92 per hour, per the current support staff collective bargaining agreement, effective upon a mutually agreeable date, pending successful completion and receipt of all required clearances under Act 24, Act 34, Act 114, Act 151 and Act 168, physical and the results of a current tuberculosis test.
--Authorized the administration to post/advertise for the following positions: Elementary Teacher, Music Teacher, and Secondary Science Teacher.
--Authorized the administration to post/advertise for the following position: Clerk.
--Hired Ms. Ann Martin for the position of part-time Cafeteria Worker at a rate of $11.42 per hour, per the current support staff collective bargaining agreement, effective upon a mutually agreeable date, pending successful completion and receipt of all required clearances under Act 24, Act 34, Act 114, Act 151 and Act 168, physical and the results of a current tuberculosis test.

CAPITAL RESERVE

--Approved Capital Projects Bill(s), as submitted.
--Approved Capital Fund Bill(s), as submitted.
--Accepted General Contractor Change Order GC-023 for the Chicora Project, with a decrease of $2,158.02, as submitted.
--Accepted General Contractor Change Order GC-024 for the Chicora Project, with an increase of $1,696.00, as submitted.
--Accepted Plumbing Contractor Change Order PC-005 for the Chicora Project, with a decrease of $5,000.00, as submitted.
--Accepted Plumbing Contractor Change Order PC-006 for the Chicora Project, with an increase of $18,801.00, as submitted.
--Accepted General Contractor Change Order GC-025 for the Chicora Project, with an increase of $43,586.55, as submitted.
--Accepted General Contractor Change Order GC-026 for the Chicora Project, with an increase of $37,980.00, as submitted.
--Accepted General Contractor Change Order GC-027 for the Chicora Project, with an increase of $6,271.00, as submitted.

BCAVTS REPORT

--No Report.

MISCELLANEOUS

--Approved the Federal Programs Consortium Agreement between Karns City Area School District and Midwestern Intermediate Unit IV, as submitted.
--Tabled the proposed agreement between the Karns City Area School District and Precision Copying Services for printer/copier services within the District with a 60-month agreement at a cost of $7,123/month, as submitted.
--Declared the list of items submitted by Dr. Michael Stimac of no value to the District and authorize the Administration to donate or dispose of items, as submitted.
--Declared the list of items submitted by Mr. Jeff Wagner of no value to the District and authorize the Administration to donate or dispose of items, as submitted.
--Approved the agreement between Karns City Area School District and Ms. Jennifer Martin as the 2024 Graduation Sound Coordinator at a fee not to exceed $600.00, as submitted.

ADJOURNMENT

--The meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m. to Executive Session, not to return.

POSTING

TO: Staff

FROM: Eric D. Ritzert, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

DATE: April 9, 2024

SUBJECT: Posting of Vacancies

The Karns City School Board authorized the Administration to post the following vacancy:

- Elementary Teacher
- Music Teacher
- Secondary Science Teacher

If you are interested in applying for this position, please do so in writing by April 26, 2024.

**Please visit the employment opportunities section of the website to see more information on the position.