

**MINUTES**  
**CATASAUQUA AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Monday, April 7, 2014**  
**7:00 P.M. – District Administration Office**

**1. CALL TO ORDER** ..... **President, Penny Hahn**  
*Vice President Carol Cunningham Called the Meeting to Order at 7:00 P.M*

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**  
*The Pledge of Allegiance was given*

**3. ROLL CALL**

Board Members		Non Board Members	
Penny Hahn		Robert J. Spengler	X
Carol Cunningham	X	Dave Knerr	X
Donald Panto	X	Christina Lutz-Doemling	X
Duane Deitrich	X	Lois Reed	X
Mary Alice Hartranft	X	Kathleen Kotran	X
Carol McCarthy	X	Wayne Karess	X
Dawn Berrigan		William Gasper	X
Christine Naegel	X	David Ascani	X
Christine Nace	X	Melissa Inselmann	X
		Eric Dauberman	X
		Bryan Klass	
		Jason Magditch	
		Thomas R. Moll, II	X

*X = Present*

*Carol McCarthy arrived at 7:04pm*

*Mary Alice Hartranft arrived at 7:06*

*Thomas R. Moll, II arrived at 7:15 pm and left at 7:40 pm*

*Visitors: See list inserted in Permanent Minute Book*

**4. NOTICE OF EXECUTIVE SESSIONS**  
*No Executive Session Held*

**5. PRESENTATIONS/AUDIENCE INPUT ON AGENDA**

- A. Catasauqua Middle School Star Players of the Month – Dec 2013 – 8<sup>th</sup> graders only, January 2014 – 8<sup>th</sup> graders only, February 2014 - 8<sup>th</sup> graders only and March 2014 – Grades 5 – 8 - Melissa Inselmann

GRADE 5	GRADE 6	GRADE 7	GRADE 8
Sabrina Safadi	Janayshia Brown	Hailey Baez	Bree Sheldon
			Makenzie Bradley
			Brett Foster
			Grant Gebhardt

- B. Catasauqua High School – Improvement Plan Update – David Ascani

- *Mr. Ascani provided an overview of the activities associated with the Catasauqua High School Plan. Use of PVAAS was detailed for algebra, literature, and biology. Classroom Diagnostic Tools (CDT) were also discussed.*

**6. ADMINISTRATION/BOARD DISCUSSION & REPORTS**

- A. Athletics

- *Mr. Thomas R. Moll II provided an update on games status. Make-up games are being scheduled. Over the next month, eighteen (18) games need to be played. Revenue projections indicate that the goal should be met. Football coach interviews will be held next week with a Board recommendation occurring in May. Band Director Interviews are also being scheduled.*

- B. Building and Grounds

- *Mr. William Gasper announced the final Catasauqua Middle School Boiler adjustments are being made. The bus fleet is being repaired and maintained. At least one bus replacement is included in the 2014-2015 Budget. Student Summer Workers interviews were held last week and six (6) names will be included for a May Board approval. Colonial Landscaping has agreed to provide flowers for graduation.*

- C. Carbon-Lehigh Intermediate Unit #21 – Penny Hahn

*No Report*

- D. Borough of Catasauqua – Christine Nace

*No Report*

- E. Borough of North Catasauqua – Duane Deitrich

*No Report*

- F. Hanover Township – Christine Naegel

*No Report*

- G. Student Representatives – Janae Matos and Rachel Sell

- *SADD sponsored a Teen Driver Safety check at Catasauqua High School. SADD Officers will attend a regional Teen Safety Driving Week Conference. Student Council held a three on three basketball fundraiser, earning \$1,250.00 for a family in need. The Student Council Egg Hunt will occur on April 17, 2014 at Sheckler Elementary.*

**7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETING(S)**

**A. School Board Meeting Held on March 4, 2014 (attachment)**

**B. School Board Meeting Held on March 10, 2014 (attachment)**

*Items 7A and 7B were combined*

*MOTION BY: McCarthy*

*SECONDED BY: Nace*

*Motion carried*

**8. APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT FOR MARCH 2014 (attachment)**

*MOTION BY: McCarthy*

*SECONDED BY: Deitrich*

*Motion carried*

**9. APPROVAL OF BUDGET TRANSFERS MARCH 2014 (attachment)**

**ROLL CALL**

*MOTION BY: Hartranft SECONDED BY: McCarthy*

*AYE: Hartranft, Naegel, McCarthy, Nace, Cunningham, Deitrich, Panto*

*NAY: 0*

*Seven Ayes, Zero Nays, Motion carried*

**10. APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT OF ALL A/P BILLS APRIL (attachment)**

**11. APPROVAL TO RATIFY ALL MANUAL BILLS MARCH 2014 (attachment)**

*Items 10 and 11 were combined*

*MOTION BY: McCarthy*

*SECONDED BY: Hartranft*

*Motion carried*

**12. FINANCIAL**

**A. No Agenda Items at this time**

**13. PERSONNEL****A. Substitute Employees 2013-2014 School Year**

The following applicants have requested to be added to the Substitute Employment List for the 2013-2014 school year as Follows:

NAME	ASSIGNMENT
Sara Gareca	Substitute Teacher

**B. Substitute Employees 2014-2015 School Year**

The following applicants have requested to be added to the Substitute Employment List for the 2014-2015 School Year as follows:

NAME	ASSIGNMENT
Ronald Farner	Substitute Bus Driver
Robert Bydlon	Substitute Teacher

**C. Appointment of Extra-Curricular Positions 2013-2014 School Year**

It is recommended that the names listed below of extra-curricular positions be appointed as noted for the 2013-2014 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Dylan Haklar	Assistant Track & Field	Volunteer

**D. Letter of Resignation**

1. Name: Thomas Falzone
- Status: Head Football Coach
- Assignment: Catasauqua High School
- Reason: Personal
- Effective: March 12, 2014

*Items 13A, 13B, 13C, and 13D were combined*

*MOTION BY: McCarthy*

*SECONDED BY: Hartranft*

*Motion carried*

**E. Approval to Employ Six (6) Student Summer Workers - 2014**

Approval is requested for employment of up to six (6) temporary summer workers for up to six (6) weeks during the Summer of 2014 (transportation - 2 and custodial - 4).

**ROLL CALL**

*MOTION BY: Deitrich*

*SECONDED BY: McCarthy*

*AYE: Hartranft, Naegel, McCarthy, Nace, Cunningham, Deitrich, Panto*

*NAY: 0*

*Seven Ayes, Zero Nays, Motion carried*

#### 14. BOARD APPROVALS

##### A. Approval of Summer School at Allentown City, Northampton Area, Whitehall-Coplay School Districts, and eBridge Online Academy

Approval is requested to ask for permission from Allentown City School District, Northampton Area School District, Whitehall-Coplay School District, and eBridge Online Academy to allow students from the Catasauqua Middle School (grades 5, 6, 7 and 8) and the Catasauqua High School (grades 9, 10, 11, and 12) to attend summer school for the Summer of 2014 in the Allentown City School District, Northampton Area School District, Whitehall-Coplay School District, and eBridge Online Academy at a tuition rate designated by their school board, and that tuition payment is the responsibility of the parent/guardian.

*MOTION BY: Hartranft*

*SECONDED BY: McCarthy*

*Motion carried*

##### B. Approval of Facilities Plan Committee Report of the Carbon-Lehigh Intermediate Unit #21

Request approval of the 2014-2015 Facilities Plan Committee Report as unanimously adopted by the Carbon-Lehigh Intermediate Unit Facilities Plan Committee on February 25, 2014. In addition, the board reaffirms its commitment to the original construct of the Facilities Planning, approved November 1, 1989, which consists of a series of prioritized inquiries to be considered in determining the future location of the CLIU and school district special education classes (attachment).

#### **ROLL CALL**

*MOTION BY: McCarthy*      *SECONDED BY: Deitrich*

*AYE: Hartranft, Naegel, McCarthy, Nace, Cunningham, Deitrich, Panto*

*NAY: 0*

*Seven Ayes, Zero Nays, Motion carried*

##### C. Approval of Catasauqua Area School District Special Education Plan Report

Approval is requested of the Catasauqua Area School District Special Education Plan Report, effective 07/01/2014 to 06/30/2017 as required by the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

*MOTION BY: Hartranft*

*SECONDED BY: McCarthy*

*Motion carried*

#### 15. OLD BUSINESS

#### 16. NEW BUSINESS

#### 17. COMMENDATIONS

**18. INFORMATION ITEMS****19. CORRESPONDENCE**

*Items 15 through 19 were combined*

- *Wayne Karess – The Technology Department is preparing for the One:One Initiative and will keep the Board updated regularly.*
- *Kathleen Kotran – The Community Education Program is currently active. John O’Connell instructed a Kiffel class and currently a sign language course is being offered.*
- *Thomas Moll – Commended Student Council for the Three on Three Basketball Fundraiser. also commended Thomas Falzone for his service to the Catasauqua Football program. A birthday cake was provided for Janae Matos and Rachel Sell*
- *Eric Dauberman – PSSA Testing is complete with the exception of make-up exams. April 7, 2014 is Spring picture day. A Spring show will occur on April 15, 2014. Fourth grade egg drop will occur on May 2, 2014.*
- *Melissa Inselmann – Reading and Math PSSA exams were completed last week. Grades. five (5) and eight (8) Writing PSSA exams begin next week. Spring pictures are on April 15, 2014. Report cards will be distributed on April 16, 2014. Grade eight (8) Science PSSA exams will occur on April 29, 2014 and April 30, 2014. Keystone Algebra exam will occur in May.*
- *Donald Panto – Attended the PSADA and recognized Thomas Moll as the Pennsylvania Athletic Director of the Year.*
- *Christina Lutz-Doemling – Planning for One:One Initiative is beginning and we are working with Salisbury School District.*
- *David Ascani – The Scholastic Scrimmage Team was awarded fifth place in last week’s event, having progressed to the semi-final round. LCTI students were recognized for various awards. High School students initiated a Power of Ten anti smoking campaign at the Catasauqua Middle School on March 24, 2014. The prom will occur May 2, 2014 at the Woodstone County Club.*
- *Mr. Robert Spengler – After discussion, a budget meeting was scheduled for Thursday, April 24, 2014 at 6:00 PM in the District Office.*

**20. RECOGNITION OF GUESTS & VISITORS**

- *Shawn Newhart – Expressed his concerns about laptops being used for surveillance and student monitoring. He asked what policy the board will have regarding surveillance. Mr. Spengler responded and indicated the Board will discuss many policies and procedures over the next six months.*
- *John Brobst – Inquired about consideration for special education adaptive technology. His children, a middle school special needs student and an elementary special needs student, would benefit from the use of iPad’s.*
- *Trajano Bastidas – Expressed his gratitude for the Board’s foresight on this One:One Initiative. In the midst of the Stock Market Game, to have the laptop technology at our students’ fingertips would be amazing. Again, he thanked the Board for this opportunity.*

**21. NEXT MEETING DATES**

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|-----------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------|
| A. Thursday, April 24, 2014 | 6:00 P.M. | Special Board Meeting (Budget) |
| B. Tuesday, May 6, 2014     | 7:00 P.M. | School Board Meeting           |
| C. Monday, May 12, 2014     | 7:00 P.M. | School Board Meeting           |

**22. ADJOURNMENT**

*MOTION BY: McCarthy*

*SECONDED BY: Nace*

*Motion carried*

**Time Adjourned: 8:15 P.M.**

Respectfully submitted,

Duane Deitrich  
Secretary