

MINUTES
CATASAUQUA AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Tuesday, April 12, 2016
7:00 P.M. – District Administration Office

1. **CALL TO ORDER** **President, Penny Hahn**
President Penny Hahn 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	X	Robert J. Spengler	X
Carol Cunningham	X	Dave Knerr	X
Donald Panto	X	Christina Lutz-Doemling	X
Duane Deitrich	X	Lois Reed	X
Carol McCarthy		Kathleen Kotran	X
Dawn Berrigan	X	Wayne Karess	X
Christine Nace	X	William Gasper	X
Rodney L. Nace	X	David Ascani	X
Mary Alice Hartranft	X	Melissa Inselmann	
		Eric Dauberman	X
Student Representatives		Bryan Klass	X
Amber Labezius	X	Jean Susko	
Joselyne Mera	X	Thomas Moll	X

X = Present

Visitors: See List inserted in Permanent Minute Book

4. **NOTICE OF EXECUTIVE SESSIONS**
 - A. An Executive Session for Legal and Personnel Reasons Will be Held Prior to the Meeting at 6:00 P.M.
Executive Session was held from 6:00 P.M. until 6:50 P.M

5. **PRESENTATIONS/AUDIENCE INPUT ON AGENDA**
 - A. Sheckler Elementary School Students of the Month – March 2016 –
Eric Dauberman

GRADE 1	GRADE 2	GRADE 3	GRADE 4
LIAM MCGINLEY	FRANKLIN PUJOLS	JONATHAN CORDON-PINTO	AIDEN GANNON
ELIZABETH BASS	JAZALIE LUGO	MAXINE KOVACS	MICHAEL JOPLING
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B. Catasauqua Middle School Star Players of the Month –March 2016 –
Melissa Inselmann

GRADE 5	GRADE 6	GRADE 7	GRADE 8
Gabriela Diaz	Madison Harth	Annabelle Cline	Love Villaceran

- C. Catasauqua High School Band and Chorus Disney Trip Report – Rob Arnold
Mr. Arnold and student representatives provided an overview of the activities and performances experienced during the Florida trip. Appreciation was expressed to the Board for their support of this endeavor.
- D. Recognition of Mrs. Penny A. Hahn and her service to the Carbon Lehigh Intermediate Unit #21 – Presenters Attending:
CLIU Administration: Dr. Elaine Eib, Executive Director; Kim Talipan, Assistant to the Executive Director
CLIU Board Officers: Bob Bold, President; Darryl Schafer, VP; Mary Ziegler Treasurer; and Diane Carfara, Board Secretary
Formal recognition and appreciation was expressed by all CLIU representatives for Mrs. Hahn's long term service to the students of Lehigh and Carbon Counties.

** NOTE: At this time, 7:38 p.m., Mrs. Cunningham requested Board Action on Item 13F The proposed summer workers introduced themselves and expressed their gratitude for being considered for employment with the Catasauqua Area School District.*

Hahn exited the meeting from 7:40 to 7:43p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE

*MOTION BY: Deitrich SECONDED BY: Hartranft
AYE: C. Nace, R. Nace, Deitrich, Berrigan, Panto, Cunningham, Hartranft
NAY: 0
Seven Ayes, Zero Nays, Motion carried*

6. ADMINISTRATION/BOARD DISCUSSION & REPORTS

- A. Academics and Education - None
- B. Athletics
The spring athletic season has begun. The golf tournament is scheduled for Saturday, June 4, 2016.
- C. Building and Grounds
A general update was provided on current initiatives. At this time, Carol Cunningham made a motion for the Board to authorize reimbursement for Summer Student Worker clearances. Catasauqua Borough was discussed and Mr. Spengler was directed to again contact Mr. Gene Goldfeder regarding the status of the reduction request.

** NOTE: At this time, 7:52 p.m., The Board voted on the above 6C item*

ROLL CALL VOTE

MOTION BY: Cunningham SECONDED BY: Hahn

AYE: C. Nace, R. Nace, Deitrich, Berrigan, Panto, Cunningham, Hartranft, Hahn

NAY: 0

Eight Ayes, Zero Nays, Motion carried

- D. Carbon Lehigh Intermediate Unit # 21 – Duane Deitrich
A presentation on Catasauqua Area School District’s MDS program continuum of services occurred at the most recent CLIU meeting. CASD was recognized for this significant accomplishment.
- E. Borough of Catasauqua – Christine Nace
Two-way traffic on Front Street was discussed. A June /July groundbreaking will occur for the new Municipal Complex.
- F. Borough of North Catasauqua – Duane Deitrich - None
- G. Hanover Township – Lois Reed
Amazon Company will now be using LVIA for significant freight distribution.
- H. PSBA Liaison Update – Duane Deitrich
A general budget status update was provided.
- I. Lehigh Career & Technical Institute Update – Dawn Berrigan
Several schedule changes are now in effect.
- J. Student Representatives – Amber Labezius and Joselyne Mera
End of the year activities are happening, including Prom, Spirit Week, Keystones, and Graduation preparation.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETING(S)

- A. School Board Meeting Held on March 8, 2016**

8. APPROVAL OF TREASURER’S REPORT FOR MARCH 2016

9. APPROVAL OF BUDGET TRANSFERS MARCH 2016

10. APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT OF ALL A/P BILLS APRIL 2016

11. APPROVAL TO RATIFY ALL EXPENSES OTHER THAN A/P MARCH 2016

12. FINANCIAL

- A. No Agenda Items at this time**

13. PERSONNEL**A. Intent to Retire**

Approval is requested to accept the Intent to Retire, effective last contractual day of the 2015-2016 School Year.

Name	Assignment	Years of Service
Ann Cooke	Catasauqua Middle School	38
Christine Hivizdak	Catasauqua High School	19
Susan Santa Maria-Ritter	Catasauqua High School	14
Joanne Santoroski	Sheckler Elementary	29
Elaine Smith	Health Room Assistant	4
Jean Sukso	CHS Assistant Principal	34

B. Appointment of Extra-Curricular Positions – 2015-2016 School Year

It is recommended that the names listed below of extra-curricular positions be appointed as noted for the 2015-2016 school year

#	Name	Position	Stipend
1	Erika Proctor	Assistant Girls Softball Coach	\$2,671.00
2	Taryn Zietlow	Assistant Girls Softball Coach	Volunteer
3	David Morgan	Head Boys Volleyball Coach	\$250.00*

*change in stipend from \$1,500.00

C. Approval for Days Without Pay

- Name: Casey Gillespie
Reason: Personal
Effective: March 14, 2016 Half Day
April 12, 2016 Full Day
April 13, 2016 Full Day

D. Change of Employment Status

- Name: **Rachel Rose**
From: Daily Substitute
To: Short Term Substitute
Assignment: High School Special Education
Salary: \$180.00 per day
Effective: April 1, 2016

E. Approval of Collective Bargaining Agreement Negotiations and Proposals

Superintendent recommends the approval of the negotiations and proposals of the Superintendent for a new six-year collective bargaining agreement between the

Catasauqua Area School District and Teamsters Local 773 for the bargaining unit consisting of full-time custodians, maintenance, and grounds workers as presented to the Board, and authorizing the Superintendent to finalize the written agreement, obtain the approval and signatures of the union representatives, and submit the same to the School Board for final approval at the May board meeting.

F. Student Custodian Summer Employment – Summer of 2016

Recommendation to hire the following for districtwide summer employment effective July 11, 2016:

Name	Start/End Time	Pay Rate
Shane Brader	7:00 - 12:00	\$7.50/hour
Oscar Cordon*	7:00 - 12:00	\$7.50/hour
Shane Dolon*	7:00 - 12:00	\$7.25/hour
Connor McCully*	7:00 - 12:00	\$7.25/hour
Gavin Phillips*	7:00 - 12:00	\$7.25/hour
Steven Ritter*	7:00 - 12:00	\$7.25/hour

*pending receipt of employment clearances

** This item was acted upon during item 6C*

14. BOARD APPROVALS

A. Approval of Agreement with Family ID Inc.

Administration recommends approval of this contract from April 1, 2016 to June 30, 2016 and a renewal from July 2016 to June 30, 2017. This product will streamline the submission and approval of athletic registration related documentation electronically.

B. Approval of Agreement With UGI Energy Services, LLC

Administration recommends approval of this (3) three year agreement providing natural gas at a rate of \$2.920/DTH. The current rate is \$4.66/DTH. Effective May 1, 2016 through April 30, 2019.

C. 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 2016 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.

D. Approval to Establish a Student Activity Account, The Whitehead Scholarship Fund

- E. Approval to Establish a Student Activity Account, The Whitehead Program Fund**
- F. Approval to Establish a Student Activity Account, The Class of 1956 Lucille Lambert Scholarship Fund**
- G. Approval of Additional Revised Van/Bus Stops – 2015-2016 School Year**
Approval is requested of the revised Van/Bus Stops for the 2015-2016 School Year, effective immediately. Indicated Stops are subject to change due to additional student enrollments/withdrawals, alternate educational placements, new students/changes that occur at an address that is classified by the state as a hazardous road, or change/addition to a student IEP. All revisions will be maintained by the Transportation Operation Office, and will be made available at all times. Additionally, changes are stored within the transportation software management system.

Stop Light @ Dunkin Donuts- (Catasauqua Rd for homeless students staying at Red Roof Inn)
Behavioral Health Associates- Lehighton

Items 7A, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13A, 13B, 13C, 13D, 13E, 14A, 14B, 14C, 14D, 14E, 14F, and 14G were combined by Board request

ROLL CALL VOTE

MOTION BY: Cunningham SECONDED BY: Berrigan
AYE: R. Nace, Deitrich, Panto, Berrigan, Cunningham, Hahn, Hartranft, C. Nace
NAY: 0
Eight Ayes, Zero Nays, Motion carried

- 15. OLD BUSINESS**
- 16. NEW BUSINESS**
- 17. COMMENDATIONS**
- 18. INFORMATION ITEMS**
- 19. CORRESPONDENCE**
- 20. RECOGNITION OF GUESTS & VISITORS**

Items 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, and 20 were combined by Board request

Eric Dauberman – The annual Easter Egg Hunt was held on March 22, 2016. Kindergarten registration has been completed. Various updates and acknowledgements were provided.

Bryan Klass – CMS is in the midst of PSSA Testing. Numerous highlights were provided.

Christina Lutz-Doemling – Several district representatives attended the Education Stakeholders Session in Harrisburg.

Wayne Karess – A few career class students spent time with the CLIU I.T. staff and benefited from the experience.

Thomas Moll – The athletic training contract has been negotiated and will be on the May 2016 Board Agenda for consideration.

David Ascani – CHS is preparing for graduation. The Musical was well attended. Five hundred dollars was received from the Mas Grant (Taco Bell).

Lois Reed – We have paid Charter Schools through March 2016.

Carol Cunningham – Inquired when we will be discussing the 2016-2017 Budget. Carol shared how Northampton S.D. utilized online kindergarten registration.

Robert Spengler – We have received a record number of testing opt out requests this year.

Penny Hahn – Expressed her gratitude to the IU and those representatives who came this evening.

21. NEXT MEETING DATES

A. Tuesday, May 10, 2016 7:00 P.M. School Board Meeting

22. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY: Cunningham

SECONDED BY: Deitrich

Motion carried

Time Adjourned: 8:40P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Duane Deitrich
Secretary