MINUTES

CATASAUQUA AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Tuesday, October 6, 2015 7:00 P.M. – District Administration Office

1.	CALL TO ORDER	President, Penny	Hahr
	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 VOTE

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

X = Present

Visitors: See List inserted in Permanent Minute Book

4. NOTICE OF EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

A. Executive Session for Personnel and Legal Reasons - Tuesday, October 6, 2015 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 – September 2015 – Eric Dauberman

GRADE 1	GRADE 2	GRADE 3	GRADE 4
AUTUMN TEDESCO	JULIA HARTH	JADA KEYS-PUJOLS	ETHAN KULP
ROBERT OLIVER	ELLA DORSEY	AMANDA TEDESCO	KYA FAUSTNER

B. ESL Video Project - Mrs. Margie DeMarchi and Neiomy Perez-Algarin, Naiomy Perez-Algarin, and Natalie Burgos-Ramos

Christina introduced Ms. DeMarchi and students who provided an overview of the ESL program. The number and level of need of ESL students is increasing.

6. ADMINISTRATION/BOARD DISCUSSION & REPORTS

A. Academics & Education

We are holding off on approval of the Astronomy Textbook due to issues with the Pilot. Building level action plans will be presented during the November 5th Board Meeting.

B. Policy

• School Uniform Discussion

The survey results were 50/50, indicating no clear direction from stakeholders. Dr. Haytmanek spoke regarding the Medical Charter School's experience and provided a handout. He also spoke regarding his displeasure with the Medical Academy Charter School teacher who led the Allentown School District student walkout. The teacher is being reprimanded. Mrs. Hahn announced the level of support for student uniforms is not there at this time. Mr. Deitrich expressed his thoughts and disappointment.

- Suicide Prevention Policy Item held for future discussion
- Student Searches

 Item held for future discussion

C. Finance – Act 1 Index

Mr. Spengler announced the Catasauqua Area School District Index is 3.1%

7. FINANCIAL

A. None

8. PERSONNEL

A. Substitute Employees – 2015-2016

The following applicants have requested to be added to the Substitute Employment List for the 2015-2016 School Year as follows:

Name	Assignment
Elena Krupa	Substitute Teacher
Emma Jones	Substitute Teacher

ROLL CALL VOTE

MOTION BY: Cunningham SECONDED BY: Deitrich

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

NAY: 0

Seven Ayes, Zero Nays, Motion carried

9. CURRICULUM

10. BOARD APPROVALS

- 11. OLD BUSINESS
- 12. NEW BUSINESS
- 13. COMMENDATIONS
- 14. INFORMATION ITEMS
- 15. CORRESPONDENCE

Items 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15 were combined by Board request

Penny Hahn – Discussed the concept of holding one Board Meeting per month beginning in January 2016. Board Members discussed and agreed with the idea. The Board Meeting Calendar will reflect these changes and be presented for approval during the December 3rd Board Meeting.

Christina Lutz-Doemling – School Performance Profile scores are delayed. Teacher and Principal Evaluations are delayed.

16. RECOGNITION OF GUESTS & VISITORS

17. NEXT MEETING DATES

A. Tuesday, October 13, 2015	7:00 P.M.	School Board Meeting
B. Thursday, November 5, 2015	5:30 P.M. 7:00 P.M.	Dinner at LCTI School Board Meeting
C. Monday, November 9, 2015	7:00 P.M.	School Board Meeting

18. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY: <u>Cunningham</u> SECONDED BY: <u>Deitrich</u>

Motion carried

Time Adjourned: 7:42 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Duane Deitrich Secretary