

MINUTES OF OCTOBER 2, 2019 BOARD MEETING

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Meyersdale Area School District was held October 2, 2019 in the Central Office Conference Room, 309 Industrial Park Road, Meyersdale, PA. The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Board President, Ron Donaldson.

Dr. Karlie opened the meeting with an invocation and led those present in the flag salute.

Roll call was taken.

Members present: Gidget Brooks, Brian Deist, Heather Reese, Jeffory McKenzie, Erik Schafer, Bryan Stanczyk, Tammy Witherite, Ron Donaldson .....8

Members absent: Jami Gindlesperger .....1

Others present: Tracey Karlie-Superintendent, Shannon Brant-Bus.Mgr./Bd. Sec., Ron Repak-Solicitor, John Wiltrout-HS Principal, Wayne Miller-MS Principal, Devin Pritts-Elem. Principal, Dan Johnson-Maint. Supervisor, Craig Gindlesperger-Athletic Director, Angela Boutiller, Brandy Paulman, Janine Sechler -MAEA, Patti Shaulis-MAESP, Becky Sanner, Cody McDevitt-Press, Kevin Masciantonio-Nutrition Group, Brian Witherite-resident.

Remarkable Raiders for October were recognized.

A motion was made by Tammy Witherite, seconded by Brian Deist to recommend approval of the minutes of the September 4, 2019 board meeting. Section 508: All members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Tammy Witherite, seconded by Heather Reese, to approve payment of the general fund bills in the amount of \$298,269.88 and athletic fund bills in the amount of \$9,321.13. Section 508: All members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Brian Deist, seconded by Erik Schafer, to recommend approval of the following Personnel items:

- 1. Recommend approval for Joey Emerick to attend *Somerset County SAP Networking Day*

October 24, 2019 in Somerset. Approximate cost to the district will be:

i.	Registration	\$ 25.00
ii.	<u>Mileage</u>	<u>\$ 20.00</u>
	Total	\$45.00

- 2. Recommend approval for Matt Gombita, John Wiltrout, Wayne Miller, Craig Gindlesperger, Angel Floyd, and Julie Stahl to attend *Somerset County SAP Networking Day* October 24, 2019 at Somerset Technology Center. Approximate cost to the district will be:

i.	<u>Registration</u>	<u>\$ 150.00</u>
	Total	\$ 150.00

- 1. Recommend approval to add Lauren Hartman and Michael Swinger to the approved substitute teacher list for Ignite Education Solutions.

Section 508: All members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Gidget Brooks, seconded by Heather Reese, to recommend approval of the following Academic Education items:

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1. Recommend permission for Katie Howard and Labrina Ritchey to take students to *Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra* on January 29 & 30, 2020. Approximate cost to the district will be:
  - i. Substitute \$ 90.00
  - Total \$ 90.00
2. Recommend permission for Katie Howard and Labrina Ritchey to take students to *Gatlinburg, Tennessee to perform at Dollywood* and use the school van on May 1, 2, 3, 2020. ***This trip replaces the previously approved trip to Disney.*** Approximate cost to the district will be:
  - i. Substitute \$ 90.00
  - Total \$ 90.00
3. Recommend permission for Cassie Arnold and Dan Pletcher to take students to Mount Aloysius for a *Health Quest*. Approximate cost to the district will be:
  - i. Mileage \$ 74.24
  - ii. Substitute \$ 90.00
  - Total \$ 164.24
4. Recommend permission for Angela Boutiller take students to the Somerset Technology Center on November 6, 2019 for a *Job Fair*. There will be no cost to the district.
5. Recommend permission for Tom Miller to take students to PSU Fayette Campus on November 1, 2019. Approximate cost to the district will be:
  - i. Substitute \$ 90.00
  - Total \$ 90.00

Section 508: All members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Jeff McKenzie, seconded by Heather Reese, to recommend the following policies for review and to be recommended for approval at the November 6, 2019 board meeting:

- a. Updated policies: 004 and 208

Section 508: All members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Tammy Witherite, seconded by Jeff McKenzie, to recommend approval of the following Purchasing items:

1. Recommend a motion to authorize the Business Manager to transfer the amount of \$1,080,000 from the Fund Balance PSERS Designated Account to the General Fund for payment of the Somerset Trust Company outstanding Loan Redemption Price, inclusive of the accrued interest.
2. The Board of School Directors of the Meyersdale Area School District (the "School District") does hereby authorize the Administration to work with Somerset Trust Company (STC") as holder of the Bank note funding the refinancing of the State Public School Building Authority's, Meyersdale Area School District Project, Series B of 2004, , in the original principal issuance amount of \$1,715,000 ("2011 Note").
3. The School District hereby authorizes and directs the Administration to request a written response from Somerset Trust Company for the Redemption Price (including accrued interest) for said 2011 Note, as of November 1, 2019.
4. The School District hereby authorizes and directs the Administration that it shall fund the Redemption Price of said note, and shall use as a source of funds, a portion of monies existing presently in the District's Committed Fund Balance of its Public School Employees Retirement Account ("PSER Account").

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5. The School District authorizes and directs the Administration to request and obtain in writing any bank costs expected to be remitted, on a not to exceed basis, that is expected from Somerset Trust Company, as part of this 2011 Note redemption and report the costs to be advanced to the Board of School Directors prior to the November 1, 2019 Redemption Date.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Mr. Deist, Mr. McKenzie, Mrs. Reese, Mr. Schafer, Mr. Stanczyk, Mrs. Witherite, Ms. Brooks, Mr. Donaldson .....8  
 Nays: .....0  
 Motion carried

A motion was made by Heather Reese, seconded by Gidget Brooks to recommend approval for Christopher Brown to be added to the approved drivers list for bus and van drivers.  
 Section 508: All members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Erik Schafer, seconded by Gidget Brooks, to recommend approval of the following Athletics and Extracurricular items:

1. Recommend the following coaches be approved, as listed, for the upcoming 2019-20 seasons, pending completion of all relevant clearances and other paperwork and acceptance thereof by the district:
    - b. Brady McKenzie – Assistant Varsity Wrestling Coach
    - c. Doug Robertson – Junior High Wrestling Coach
    - d. Fred Walters – Varsity Girls Basketball Coach
    - e. Joe Kretchman – Varsity Boys Basketball Coach
    - f. Kevin Yoder – Junior Varsity Boys Basketball Coach
    - g. Mike Seibert – Junior High Girls Basketball Coach
    - h. Ginger Geiger – 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Basketball Coach
  2. Recommend the following volunteer coaches be approved, as listed, for the upcoming 2019-20 seasons, pending completion of all relevant clearances and other paperwork and acceptance thereof by the district:
    - a. Christian Hutzell – Volunteer Wrestling Coach
    - b. Tracey Karlie – Volunteer Wrestling Coach
    - c. Rich Berkley – Volunteer Boys Basketball Coach
    - d. Tonya Daniels – Volunteer Girls Basketball Coach
    - e. Gabe Broadwater – Volunteer Wrestling Coach
  3. Recommend Michael Whitacre be approved as the assistant High School Ski Club Advisor, pending completion of all relevant clearances and other paperwork and acceptance thereof by the district.
  4. Recommend Jim Whitacre be approved as the assistant Middle School Ski Club Advisor, pending completion of all relevant clearances and other paperwork and acceptance thereof by the district.
- Section 508: All members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Erik Schafer, seconded by Tammy Witherite, to recommend the following volunteer coach be approved, as listed, for the upcoming 2019-20 seasons, pending completion of all relevant clearances and other paperwork and acceptance thereof by the district:

- a. Lyle Moody, volunteer wrestling coach.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Mr. Deist, Mrs. Reese, Mr. Schafer, Mr. Stanczyk, Mrs. Witherite, Mr. McKenzie, Mr. Donaldson .....7  
 Abstention: Ms. Brooks.....1

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Motion carried.

A motion was made by Erik Schafer, seconded by Tammy Witherite, to recommend the following volunteer coach be approved, as listed, for the upcoming 2019-20 seasons, pending completion of all relevant clearances and other paperwork and acceptance thereof by the district:

a. Jeff McKenzie, volunteer wrestling coach.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Mr. Deist, Mrs. Reese, Mr. Schafer, Mr. Stanczyk, Mrs. Witherite, Ms. Brooks, Mr. Donaldson .....7  
Abstention: Mr. McKenzie.....1  
Motion carried.

A motion was made by Bryan Stanczyk, seconded by Brian Deist, to recommend approval of the following Buildings and Grounds items:

1. Recommend permission for County Chorus to be held at Meyersdale School District November 25-26, 2019.
2. Recommend permission for the Meyersdale Elks Lodge #1951 to hold their Annual Hoop Shoot in the High School Gymnasium on Saturday, January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020, with a snow date of Saturday, January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020.
3. Recommend permission for the Meyersdale Red Raider Athletic Boosters to host a 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament, as a fundraiser, in the High School Gymnasium on Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019.
4. Recommend permission for the Meyersdale Area Merchants Association, along with Don Witt and Cassie Arnold, to hold a self-defense course for females, both students and the community from 4:00-8:00 pm, once in October and once in November, 2019. The training will take place in the MAHS wrestling room.

Section 508: All members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Bryan Stanczyk, seconded by Heather Reese, to approve the lowest responsible bid and contract with Fort Construction Group, Inc. in the amount of \$189,310.00; pending solicitors final review. Copy in folder attached to minutes.

Discussion: Mr. Stanczyk announced there were two bids received and the recommendation is to accept the lowest responsible bid. An invitation for public comment was given with no response.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Mr. Deist, Mr. McKenzie, Mrs. Reese, Mr. Schafer, Mr. Stanczyk, Mrs. Witherite, Ms. Brooks, Mr. Donaldson .....8  
Nays: .....0  
Motion carried

A motion was made by Heather Reese, seconded by Bryan Stanczyk, to adjourn the meeting at 7:40pm. Section 508: All members present voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.