

**BIG BEAVER FALLS AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS**

JANUARY 18, 2024

A. PERSONNEL

1. Retirements

- a. Mrs. Cindy Lokey has submitted her letter of intent to retire as a para-professional at Central Elementary School effective January 8, 2024 with 21 years of service with the District.

MOTION

*I move the Board **approve/disapprove** Mrs. Cindy Lokey's retirement as a para-professional at Central Elementary School effective January 8, 2024 with 21 years of service with the District.*

- b. Ms. Peggy Lavery has submitted her letter of intent to retire as Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent effective August 1, 2024 with 25 years of service with the District.

MOTION

*I move the Board **approve/disapprove** Ms. Peggy Lavery's retirement as the Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent effective August 1, 2024 with 25 years of service with the District.*

- c. Mrs. Doris Haffey has submitted her letter of intent to retire as a server in the High School cafeteria effective June 7, 2024 with 27 years of service with the District.

MOTION

*I move the Board **approve/disapprove** Mrs. Doris Haffey's retirement as a server in the High School cafeteria effective June 7, 2024 with 27 years of service with the District.*

2. Resignations

- a. Mr. Mike Johnson submitted his resignation as a maintenance man effective December 20, 2023.

MOTION

*I move the Board **approve/disapprove** Mr. Mike Johnson's resignation as a maintenance man effective December 20, 2023.*

- b. Mr. Nick Nardone has submitted his letter of resignation as the Head Varsity Football Coach effective immediately.

MOTION

*I move the Board **approve/disapprove** Mr. Nick Nardone's resignation as the Head Varsity Football Coach effective immediately.*

3. Appointments

- a. The Building & Grounds Director recommends appointing Mr. Bret Bailey as a custodian at the High School at a Step 1 hourly rate of \$19.23 effective January 22, 2024.

MOTION

*I move the Board **approve/disapprove** appointing Mr. Bret Bailey as a custodian at the High School at a Step 1 hourly rate of \$19.23 effective January 22, 2024.*

- b. The Administration recommends appointing Ms. Shayla Landsbaugh as a para-educator at Central Elementary School effective January 22, 2024 at a Step 1 rate of \$15.65 per hour.

MOTION

*I move the Board **approve/disapprove** appointing Ms. Shayla Landsbaugh as a para-educator at Central Elementary School effective January 22, 2024 at a Step 1 rate of \$15.65 per hour.*

- c. The Food Service Director recommends appointing Ms. Janine Sparrow as a cafeteria server at Central Elementary School at a Step 1 hourly rate of \$14.37 effective January 22, 2024.

MOTION

*I move the Board **approve/disapprove** appointing Ms. Janine Sparrow as a cafeteria server at Central Elementary School at a Step 1 hourly rate of \$14.37 effective January 22, 2024.*

- d. The Athletic Director recommends appointing Mr. Lance Jeter as an Assistant Varsity Boys Basketball Coach at a salary of \$2,000.00 effective the 2023/2024 school year.

MOTION

*I move the Board **approve/disapprove** appointing Mr. Lance Jeter as an Assistant Varsity Boys Basketball Coach at a salary of \$2,000.00 effective the 2023/2024 school year.*

- e. The Athletic Director recommends appointing Mr. Kevin Nesmith as 9th/Varsity Boys Assistant Coach at a salary of \$2,000.00 effective the 2023/2024 school year.

MOTION

*I move the Board **approve/disapprove** appointing Mr. Kevin Nesmith as 9th/Varsity Boys Assistant Coach at a salary of \$2,000.00 effective the 2023/2024 school year.*

- f. The Athletic Director recommends appointing Mr. Joseph Wynn as the 7th grade Boys Basketball Coach at a salary of \$1,650.00 effective the 2023/2024 school year.

MOTION

*I move the Board **approve/disapprove** appointing Mr. Joseph Wynn as the 7th grade Boys Basketball Coach at a salary of \$1,650.00 effective the 2023/2024 school year.*

- g. The Athletic Director recommends appointing Mr. Kairi Harris as a Volunteer Varsity Boys Assistant Basketball Coach effective the 2023/2024 school year.

MOTION

*I move the Board **approve/disapprove** appointing Mr. Kairi Harris as a Volunteer Varsity Boys Assistant Basketball Coach effective the 2023/2024 school year.*

- h. The Athletic Director recommends appointing Mr. Jason Wallace as a Volunteer Varsity Boys Assistant Basketball Coach effective the 2023/2024 school year.

MOTION

*I move the Board **approve/disapprove** appointing Mr. Jason Wallace as a Volunteer Varsity Boys Assistant Basketball Coach effective the 2023/2024 school year.*

- i. The Athletic Director recommends appointing Ms. Jayla Coachman as the 7th/8th grade Girls Volleyball Coach at a salary of \$1,500.00 effective the 2023/2024 school year.

MOTION

*I move the Board **approve/disapprove** appointing Ms. Jayla Coachman as the 7th/8th grade Girls Volleyball Coach at a salary of \$1,500.00 effective the 2023/2024 school year.*

4. Leave of Absence

- a. Ms. Catherine Brown is requesting the use of intermittent unpaid leave days beginning January 9, 2024 for the remainder of the school year.

MOTION

*I move the Board **approve/disapprove** Ms. Catherine Brown's request to use intermittent unpaid leave days beginning January 9, 2024 for the remainder of the school year.*

- b. Mrs. Carrie Witter is requesting the use of intermittent unpaid leave days beginning January 16, 2024 for the remainder of the school year.

MOTION

*I move the Board **approve/disapprove** Mrs. Carrie Witter's request to use intermittent unpaid leave days beginning January 16, 2024 for the remainder of the school year.*

- c. Mr. John Tisdale is requesting a Family and Medical Leave of Absence to be used intermittently beginning January 17, 2024 through the end of the 2023/2024 school year.

MOTION

*I move the Board **approve/disapprove** John Tisdale's request for a Family and Medical Leave of Absence to be used intermittently beginning January 17, 2024 through the end of the school year.*

5. Additions to the 2023/2024 Instructional/Non-instructional Substitute List

The Administration recommends approving the additions to the 2023/2024 Instructional/Non-instructional substitute list.

MOTION

*I move the Board **approve/disapprove** the additions to the 2023/2024 Instructional/Non-instructional substitute list.*

6. Conference Request

Mrs. Cobb, Mr. Maruca and Mr. Rowe are requesting permission attend the LinkCrew Student Leadership Mentoring training for the High School in Cincinnati, Ohio February 26-28, 2024. The expenses will be paid through ESSERS III funding.

MOTION

*I move the Board **approve/disapprove** Mrs. Cobb, Mr. Maruca and Mr. Rowe's request to attend the LinkCrew Student Leadership Mentoring training for the High School in Cincinnati, Ohio February 26-28, 2024.*

B. FIELD TRIP REQUESTS

1. Mr. Goode is requesting permission to take 55 students in the marching band to Niagara Falls and to perform at Six Flags on May 3rd and 4th, 2024.
2. Mr. Shakespeare and Mrs. Lindsey are requesting permission to take 40 students to Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hall and Museum in Pittsburgh on Wednesday, February 7, 2024 to attend the Student Black History Month Summit and Essay Contest.
3. Mrs. Ezop and Mrs. Wilson are requesting permission to take 25 students to the Allegheny County Office of the Medical Examiner in Pittsburgh on Thursday, April 11, 2024. Students will tour the forensics lab and learn about careers available in criminology, forensics and mortuary science.
4. Ms. Manno is requesting permission to take 30-40 juniors to the David L. Lawrence Convention Center in Pittsburgh on Wednesday, February 7, 2024 to attend the Pittsburgh College Fair.

MOTION

*I move the Board **approve/disapprove** the field trip requests on dates and at locations as listed above.*

C. ACH AUTHORIZATION

The Administration recommends adding Tiffany Bowser as an additional ACH authorized signature on the School District's tax account through First National Bank.

MOTION

*I move the Board **approve/disapprove** adding Tiffany Bowser as an additional ACH authorized signature on the School District's tax account through First National Bank.*

D. EXONERATION OF TAX COLLECTORS

The Administration recommends approval to exonerate the local tax collectors from further collection of the 2023 Real Estate Tax.

MOTION

*I move the Board **approve/disapprove** exonerating the local tax collectors from further collection of the 2023 Real Estate Tax.*

E. HEALTH AND SAFETY PLAN REVIEW

The Board of Education has reviewed and approved the District Health and Safety Plan as of January 11, 2024.

MOTION

*I move the Board **approve/disapprove** the District Health and Safety Plan as of January 11, 2024.*

F. LEE M. DORAN AND AMBER LUTES TAX ASSESSMENT APPEAL SETTLEMENT

The Administration recommends approving the settlement in the Lee M. Doran and Amber Lutes tax assessment appeal for property located at 1101 7th Avenue in the City of Beaver Falls as recommended by the solicitor. The settlement decreases the 2024 reassessment from \$887,100 to \$130,000 which reflects a school tax reduction of \$1,014 from 2023 to 2024.

MOTION

*I move the Board **approve/disapprove** the settlement in the Lee M. Doran and Amber Lutes tax assessment appeal decreasing the property reassessment from \$887,100 to \$130,000 for 2024, as recommended by the Solicitor.*

G. FLOURISH BEAVER COUNTY SCHOLARSHIP MODEL MOU

The Administration recommends approving participation in the Flourish Beaver County Scholarship Model MOU.

MOTION

*I move the Board **approve/disapprove** participating in the Flourish Beaver County Scholarship Model MOU.*