

**BOARD WORKSHOP AGENDA**  
**Monday, October 15, 2012**  
**District Office Conference Room – 7:00 p.m.**

**1. AGENDA/CALL TO ORDER – Mr. Stauffer**

- ✓ The Board met in executive session on Monday, October 1, 2012 at 6:15 p.m. to discuss a personnel matter.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - September 24, 2012**

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**4. TREASURER’S REPORT – Mrs. Swartz**

**5. FINANCE COMMITTEE – Mrs. Swartz**

- ✓ The Finance Committee met on October 10<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.
- ✓ The Finance Committee will meet on October 24<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.
- Ratify participation with Lower Alsace Township for a community parks & recreation study, not to exceed \$500.

- Approve budget transfers for the 2012-2013 school year, as presented.

*Enclosure*

- Approve resolution to commit \$591,890 of the 2011-2012 general fund fund balance for retirement expenditures in the upcoming years.

**6. PROPERTY COMMITTEE – Mr. Faro**

**7. BERKS EARNED INCOME TAX BUREAU – Mr. Stauffer**

**8. POLICY COMMITTEE – Mr. Saylor**

- Ratify 9 hours/week of in-home instruction for a 7<sup>th</sup> grade student, effective October 1, 2012.

- Approve the submission of the request for Act 80 day exceptions for the 2012-2013 school year.

- Approve the new residency affidavits for the 2012-2013 school year for the following students: one student in kindergarten, one student in 1<sup>st</sup> grade and one student in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, as presented.

*Enclosure*

- Approve the reissued residency affidavits for the 2012-2013 school year for the following students: one student in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, one student in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, one student in 4<sup>th</sup> grade, one student in 6<sup>th</sup> grade, and one student in 8<sup>th</sup> grade, as presented.

*Enclosure*

- Approve the revised guardianship affidavit for the 2012-2013 school year for the following student: one student in 7<sup>th</sup> grade, as presented.

*Enclosure*

- Approve the final reading of the following new policy:

No. 448.1 – Relationships Between Adults and Students

**9. BERKS CAREER & TECHNOLOGY CENTER – Mr. Saylor**

**10. BERKS COUNTY INTERMEDIATE UNIT – Mrs. Kerchner**

**11. ATHLETIC/ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE – Mr. O’Boyle**

- ✓ The Athletics/Activities Committee met on October 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.
- Rescind the motion for the proposed senior class trip to New York City on May 8, 2013, at no cost to the district.
- Approve the itinerary for the proposed *theatre* trip to New York City on May 8, 2013, at no cost to the district, as presented. *Enclosure*
- Approve the itinerary for the proposed senior class trip to Orlando, Florida, on April 25-28, 2013, at no cost to the district, as presented. *Enclosure*

**12. CURRICULUM COMMITTEE – Mrs. Kerchner**

- ✓ The Curriculum Committee met on October 10, 2012 at 6 p.m.
- Approve the 2012-2013 6<sup>th</sup> grade educational trip to Baltimore Inner Harbor on Friday, May 31, 2013, at no cost to the district.
- Approve the following new elective courses at the middle-senior high school for the 2013-14 school year:
  - Drama II – ½ credit elective
  - Speech & Debate II – ½ credit elective
  - Pottery & Ceramics II – ½ credit elective
- Approve elimination of MS Word and Spreadsheet courses at the middle-senior high school and replace them with a new course, Advanced Computer Applications, for the 2013-14 school year.
- Approve the course change eliminating AP Biology I and AP Biology II and replace them with AP Biology, full year, one credit course, for the 2013-14 school year.
- Approve the addition of Automation and Robotics (extension of Project Lead the Way) for all grade 8 students for the 2013-14 school year, with a projected expenditure of \$33,500.

**13. LEGISLATIVE/COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE – Mr. Fielding**

**14. NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE – Mrs. Sellers**

**15. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE – Ms. Calabria**

- Accept the resignation of Stephen Sanchez, full-time Chemistry teacher, effective
- Accept the resignation of Denise Hymes, part-time instructional assistant at the Antietam Middle-Sr. High School, effective October 5, 2012.
- Ratify Melissa Schaeffer as part-time instructional assistant at the Mt. Penn Elementary Center, 5.5 hours/day, \$9.36/hour, without benefits, effective October 15, 2012.
- Ratify Deian Seymour, Boys' varsity soccer coach, and Ralph Hertzog, Boys' JV soccer coach, to coach the Boys' middle school soccer team for the remainder of the 2012 season, effective September 18, 2012, with pro-rated salaries in accordance with the co-curricular agreement.
- Ratify Lori Martin as a long-term substitute ESL teacher, \$150/day, without benefits, effective TBD.
- Ratify Lisa Landis to provide 8 hours/week of in-home instruction to a 7<sup>th</sup> grade student, \$25/hour, effective October 1, 2012.
- Ratify Kathy Groom to provide 1 hour/week of in-home related services to a 7<sup>th</sup> grade student, \$25/hour, effective October 1, 2012.
- Ratify Courtney Stunz as a part-time van assistant, 1 hour/day, \$10.02/hour, effective September 26, 2012.
- Ratify an increase in hours for Courtney Stunz, part-time instructional assistant at the Mt. Penn Elementary Center, from 4.5 hours/day to 5.5 hours/day, effective October 9, 2012.
- Ratify an increase in hours for Billie Jean Buckland, part-time instructional assistant at the Mt. Penn Primary Center, from 4.5 hours/day to 5.5 hours/day, effective October 15, 2012.
- Approve the termination of support staff employee #08-25-08-1, effective September 26, 2012.
- Accept the resignation of Staci Fink, Cheerleading Coach, for the 2012-2013 school year.
- Accept the resignation of Mary Benischeck and Tanya Hoffmann, co-advisors of the Elementary Craft Club, effective the 2012-2013 school year.
- Approve Katie Fisher and Jessica Hanley as co-advisors of the Elementary Craft Club, for the 2012-2013 school year, in accordance with the co-curricular agreement.
- Approve Katie Mosser as advisor of the Mock Trial team for the 2012-2013 school year, in accordance with the co-curricular agreement.
- Approve the transfer of 31.5 sick days from the Reading School District for Grace Cavanagh, district nurse.
- Approve the following persons to be added to the substitute list for the 2012-2013 school year:

Marti Benson – BCIU Guest Teacher  
Starr Cooper-Fleming-BCIU Guest Teacher

Laura Hartman – Social Studies  
Sharon Karas – Instructional Assistant  
Sharon Kolb – BCIU Guest Teacher  
Zachary McDonough – BCIU Guest Teacher  
Abigail Oswald - Elementary  
Rochelle Oswald – BCIU Guest Teacher  
Franck Pluviose – BCIU Guest Teacher  
Cynthia Roper – BCIU Guest Teacher  
Robert Seitzinger – BCIU Guest Teacher  
Letty Vazquez – BCIU Guest Teacher  
Denise Wilkinson - Elementary

**16. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**17. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**18. NEW BUSINESS**

**19. ADJOURN**