

**ANTIETAM SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING ON AUGUST 25, 2014**

The Antietam School Board met in regular session on Monday, August 25, 2014 in the district office conference room. Mr. David Stauffer, president, called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. followed by the pledge of allegiance. He asked if there were any corrections to the agenda. None were noted.

The following members were present:

Chris Faro	Walter Saylor
John Fielding	Ann Sellers
Kristin Kerchner	David Stauffer
Julia Kleiman-Baer	Judith Swartz
Larry O'Boyle	

Also present:

Larry W. Mayes	- Superintendent
Felice Stern	- Secondary Principal
Shirley Feyers	- Elementary Principal
Amy Spina	- Special Education Supervisor
Tracy Detwiler	- Business Manager
Pam Janda	- Board Secretary

Dr. Mayes welcomed the Board back! He introduced several new teachers who were in attendance, who stated their names and what they are teaching. Dr. Mayes conveyed his appreciation to Kyle Schaeffer and the support staff for the hard work over the summer. The first day was a great day! The staff all wore their orange "Antietam Strong" t-shirts, and the theme for the year will be to keep a positive attitude.

No student representative was present.

Mr. Stauffer noted that the minutes of the June 23rd meeting had been distributed and asked if there were any corrections. None were noted. A poll of the Board by a voice vote resulted in the minutes being approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mrs. Swartz reported year-to-date revenue of \$1,222,977.40; year-to-date expenditures of \$913,075.94, leaving a balance (unaudited) of \$5,496,722.36, cash and investments as of June 30, 2014 of \$6,037,220.17 and July 31, 2014 of \$6,129,622.46.

Mrs. Swartz moved, seconded by Mr. Faro, to approve the Treasurer's Report, petty cash activity reports, Cash and Investments as of June 30, 2014 and July 31, 2014, and payment of bills for August 2014, as presented.

A poll of the Board resulted in the following vote:

Yes 9 Mmes. Kerchner, Kleiman-Baer, Sellers, and Swartz; Messrs. Faro, Fielding, O'Boyle, Saylor, and Stauffer

Motion carried.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mrs. Swartz moved, seconded by Mr. Faro, to approve the resolution to deny the Catholic Housing tax exoneration/forgiveness request, as presented.

Authorize the administration to proceed with the special education settlement agreement and release for student "Z", as presented.

Approve the 2013-2014 Investment Policy Review, as presented.

Approve the agreement between New Story and the Antietam School District for the 2014-2015 school year, as presented.

Approve the agreement between NHS School and the Antietam School District for the 2014-2015 school year, as presented.

Approve the contract between the Reading Hospital Center for Mental Health and the Mt. Penn Elementary Center for Student Assistance Program (SAP) services for the 2014-2015 school year, as presented.

Approve the Special Education Contract between Berks County Intermediate Unit and the Antietam School District for the 2014-2015 school year, as presented.

Approve the agreement between the Antietam School District and Berks County Intermediate Unit for Berks Online Learning for the 2014-2015 school year, as presented.

Approve the re-appointment of Tracy Detwiler as the management representative to the Berks County School Districts Health Trust for a two-year term.

A poll of the Board resulted in the following vote:

Yes 9 Mmes. Kerchner, Kleiman-Baer, Sellers, and Swartz; Messrs. Faro, Fielding, O'Boyle, Saylor, and Stauffer

Motion carried.**POLICY COMMITTEE**

Mrs. Kerchner moved, seconded by Mrs. Swartz, to approve the first reading of a revision to Policy No. 810.2, Audio/Video Cameras on School Buses.

Approve the elementary testing program schedule for the 2014-2015 school year, as presented.

Approve the requests for home school study for the 2014-2015 school year, as presented.

Approve the new residency affidavits for the 2014-2015 school year, as presented.

Approve the reissued residency affidavits for the 2014-2015 school year, as presented.

Approve the new guardianship affidavits for the 2014-2015 school year, as presented.

Approve the reissued guardianship affidavits for the 2014-2015 school year, as presented.

Approve the elementary and secondary student handbooks for the 2014-2015 school year, as presented.

A poll of the Board resulted in the following vote:

Yes 9 Mmes. Kerchner, Kleiman-Baer, Sellers, and Swartz; Messrs. Faro, Fielding, O'Boyle, Saylor, and Stauffer

Motion carried.

CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

Mrs. Sellers moved, seconded by Mrs. Swartz, to ratify the new course, Foundations of Biology, as a semester-long remediation course in the Antietam Middle-Sr. High School, effective the 2014-2015 school year.

A poll of the Board resulted in the following vote:

Yes 9 Mmes. Kerchner, Kleiman-Baer, Sellers, and Swartz; Messrs. Faro, Fielding, O'Boyle, Saylor, and Stauffer

Motion carried.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Mrs. Kleiman-Baer moved, seconded by Mrs. Swartz, to accept the letter of resignation from Grace Cavanagh, full-time certified school nurse, effective July 1, 2014.

Accept the letter of resignation from Tiffany Salaga, full-time secondary special education teacher, effective July 7, 2014.

Accept the letter of resignation from Kate Miklos, full-time secondary guidance counselor, effective July 21, 2014.

Accept the letter of resignation from Michelle DeStefano, full-time secondary Math teacher, effective July 29, 2014.

Ratify Julianne Bentley as full-time Business/Computer teacher, Master's Step 2, \$43,400, with benefits, temporary professional contract, effective August 25, 2014.

Ratify Sarah Fritz as full-time secondary Music teacher, Bachelor's Step 1, \$40,500, with benefits, temporary professional contract, effective August 25, 2014.

Ratify Julianne Beck as full-time certified school nurse, Bachelor's Step 4, \$44,250, with benefits, temporary professional contract, effective August 25, 2014.

Ratify Aaron Kopetsky as full-time Dean of Students at the Mt. Penn Elementary Center, Bachelor's Step 5, \$45,300, with benefits, professional contract, effective August 25, 2014.

Ratify Kristen Worman as a full-time secondary Guidance Counselor, Master's Step 8, \$52,000, with benefits, professional contract, effective August 25, 2014.

Ratify Marc Strackbein as a full-time secondary Math teacher, Bachelor's Step 6, \$46,370, with benefits, temporary professional contract, effective August 25, 2014.

Ratify Jason Neuhoff as a full-time secondary Special Education teacher, Master's Step 2, \$43,400, with benefits, temporary professional contract, effective August 25, 2014.

Ratify Lauren Morrow as a full-time, long-term substitute teacher at the Mt. Penn Primary Center, Bachelor's Step 1, \$40,500, with benefits, effective August 25, 2014 for the 2014-2015 school year.

Ratify a change of status for Heather Deitz from part-time secondary Health/PE teacher to full-time Health/PE teacher, effective August 25, 2014, for the first semester of the 2014-2015 school year.

Ratify the following part-time contract at the Mt. Penn Elementary Center, without benefits, except as stated in the collective bargaining agreement, effective August 25, 2014, for the 2014-2015 school year: Jennifer Cox as part-time elementary Reading Specialist, Master's Step 1, at a salary of \$30,660 (\$42,000 pro-rated at 73%).

Approve Amy Oestreich as a part-time, long-term substitute secondary Health/PE teacher, Bachelor's Step 1, \$6,718 (\$40,500 pro-rated at 33%), effective August 25, 2014, for the first semester of the 2014-2015 school year.

Ratify the termination of support staff employee #083109 effective June 6, 2014.

Ratify Stanley Durlak as full-time, 12-month custodian at the Antietam Middle-Sr. High School, with benefits, \$9.98/hour, effective August 18, 2014.

Ratify Amber Mayberry as a part-time ISS monitor at the Antietam Middle-Sr. High School, \$9.77/hour, 5.5 hours/day, without benefits, effective August 25, 2014.

Ratify LeeAnn VanSciver as a part-time Instructional Assistant II at the Mt. Penn Elementary Center, \$9.77/hour, 5.5 hours/day, without benefits, effective August 25, 2014.

Ratify Shana Kelly as a part-time Instructional Assistant I at the Mt. Penn Elementary Center, \$10.81/hour, 5.5 hours/day, without benefits, effective August 25, 2014.

Ratify Nora Kubacki as a part-time Instructional Assistant I at the Mt. Penn Elementary Center, \$9.36/hour, 5.5 hours/day, without benefits, effective August 25, 2014.

Ratify a change of classification for Gina Katrinak from part-time Instructional Assistant I to part-time Instructional Assistant II at the Antietam Middle-Sr. High School, \$11.45/hour, 5.5 hours/day, effective the 2014-2015 school year.

Ratify Crystal Weand as a part-time van assistant, 1.25 hours/day, \$10.36/hour, effective August 25, 2014.

Approve Caitlin Peck as a full-time, long-term substitute secondary English teacher, Bachelor's Step 1, \$40,500 (pro-rated), with benefits, effective October 16th for the remainder of the 2014-2015 school year.

Approve the following teachers as mentors for the 2014-2015 school year, in accordance with the co-curricular contract, as presented.

Approve tenure to be awarded to the following secondary teacher effective the 2014-2015 school year: Alexander Krick.

Approve tenure to be awarded to the following elementary teacher effective the 2014-2015 school year: Christopher Bieber.

Approve the transfer of five sick days for Caitlin Mehle from the Wilson School District.

Approve the list of proposed fall coaches and salaries, pending receipt of clearances, as presented.

Approve the list of staff accumulated sick days for the 2014-2015 school year, as presented.

Approve the list of 2014-2015 teacher salaries, as presented.

Approve the support personnel hours and hourly rates for the 2014-2015 school year, as presented.

Approve the district substitute lists for the 2014-2015 school year, as presented.

Approve the list of SMILES volunteers for the 2014-2015 school year, as presented.

Approve the homebound rate of \$25/hour for the 2014-2015 school year.

Approve the substitute rate of \$85/day for professional employees for the 2014-2015 school year, in accordance with the current policy.

A poll of the Board resulted in the following vote:

Yes 9 Mmes. Kerchner, Kleiman-Baer, Sellers and Swartz; Messrs. Faro, Fielding, O'Boyle, Saylor, and Stauffer

Motion carried.

Mr. Stauffer announced that the Board would go into executive session at the conclusion of the meeting to discuss a personnel item and they would not re-convene. As there was no further business to discuss, Mr. Stauffer adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Submitted by,

Pamela S. Janda, Board Secretary