

**Bloomsburg Area School District
Board of School Directors Meeting
Tuesday, 4 September 2018
7:00 p.m.
District Office Board Room**

MINUTES

Attendance

This meeting of the Bloomsburg Area School District Board of Directors was called to order by President Marianne Kreisher at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, 4 September 2018 in the district office board room, followed by the pledge to the flag. Directors in attendance were: Ms. Stephanie Dunn Haney, Mr. Brent Hock, Mr. Jonathan Jones, Mr. Joshua Klingerman Sr., Ms. Marianne Kreisher, Ms. Bryne Lewis, and Mr. Leo “Joe” Yodock III (arrived at 7:17 p.m.). Mrs. Stephanie Andreacci and Mrs. Tina Howell were absent from the meeting.

Bloomsburg Area School District administrators in attendance were: Mrs. Melissa Day, Mr. Marc Freeman, Mr. Chris Malatesta, Mr. Jerome Manley, Mr. David Marsiglio, Mr. Jason Moser, and Dr. Donald Wheeler.

Others present were: Mrs. Allison Burrell, Ms. Jean Crane, Ms. Terri Drucker, Ms. Stephanie Kessler, Mr. Michael Lester, Mrs. Denise Stone, and Mr. Matthew Stone.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS & PERSONS WISHING TO SPEAK

Mrs. Day made a presentation on Act 44 of 2018, which required school districts to designate a Safety and Security Coordinator. [The board approved Mrs. Day to fill this role at its 20 August 2018 meeting.] Mrs. Day told directors that on 11 September 2018, first responders and law enforcement would be touring all of the schools in the district. Mrs. Day shared with directors a sample security guard job description. She said that there had been three options available to the district with regards to security staff, those options being a school resource officer, a school police officer, and a school security guard.

Mr. Freeman made a presentation to the school board on athletic field usage for fall sports. He said that Bloomsburg University had been very accommodating with plans to use its fields, especially in light of the recent flooding. Mr. Freeman said that due to the condition of the district’s athletic fields and that fact that hurricane season was forthcoming, it was decided that all games – with the exception of Homecoming – would be played at Bloomsburg University.

OLD BUSINESS – ACTION ITEMS

Administrative Assistant – Business Office/Human Resources Job Description

Mr. Yodock made the motion, which was seconded by Ms. Lewis, to approve as presented the Administrative Assistant – Business Office/Human Resources job description. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Programmed Maintenance Proposal

Mr. Yodock made the motion, which Mr. Jones seconded, to approve as presented the programmed maintenance proposal with Hillyard. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

OLD BUSINESS – DISCUSSION ITEMS

There were no discussion items under Old Business to come before the board at this meeting.

NEW BUSINESS – ACTION ITEMS

Driver's Education Car

Mr. Klingerman made the motion, which was seconded by Mr. Yodock, to approve the purchase of a 2018 Ford Focus SE in the amount of \$14,922.76 for the district's driver education program. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS – DISCUSSION ITEMS

PTO/Booster Club Approvals

The board was provided with the 2018-2019 approval forms for the district's parent-teacher organizations and booster clubs, with the intent being for those items to be voted on at the next school board meeting.

PERSONNEL – ACTION ITEMS

Classified Staff Resignation

Mr. Hock made the motion, which Ms. Lewis seconded, to accept the resignation of W.W. Evans Elementary School Cook Patricia Longenberger, effective 24 August 2018, and add her to the classified substitute list. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Classified Staff Transfers

Mr. Klingerman made the motion, which Mr. Jones seconded, to approve the following classified staff transfers:

- Valerie Kraycar from the position of Classified Substitute to the position of Bloomsburg High School Food Service Aide (4 hours per day), effective 23 August 2018;
- Vicky Gurnsey from the position of W.W. Evans Elementary School Food Service Aide (2 hours per day) to the position of Bloomsburg Middle School Food Service Aide (4 hours per day), effective 23 August 2018;
- Areal Mello from the position of Classified Substitute to the position of W.W. Evans Elementary School Food Service Aide (2 hours per day), effective 23 August 2018;
- Lorie Sands from the position of Classified Substitute to the position of Memorial Elementary School Personal Care Aide (6.5 hours per day), effective 21 August 2018;

- Jennifer Anderson from the position of Memorial Elementary School Paraprofessional to the position of Bloomsburg High School Paraprofessional, effective 21 August 2018.

The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Classified Staff

Mr. Klingerman made the motion, which was seconded by Ms. Lewis, to approve the following classified staff:

- Danita DeFrain as a Classified Substitute (cafeteria), effective upon receipt of her three clearances and her tuberculosis test results;
- Danielle Shultz as a Classified Substitute (cafeteria), effective upon receipt of her three clearances and her tuberculosis test results;
- Joanne Lapinski as a Part-Time Custodian to clean the district office at a rate of \$9.50 per hour, effective 5 September 2018;
- Donald Lynn as a Bloomsburg Middle School Second-Shift Custodian at a rate of \$12.00 per hour and with benefits as outlined in the classified staff bargaining agreement, effective upon receipt of his FBI Clearance and his tuberculosis test results;
- Deborah Mourey as a Classified Substitute (cafeteria), effective upon receipt of her three clearances and her tuberculosis test results.

The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Professional Step Revision

Ms. Lewis made the motion, which was seconded by Mr. Hock, to approve revising the step for 2018-2019 Beaver-Main Elementary School Long-Term Professional Substitute First-Grade Teacher Sophie Pence from Bachelors Step 2 and a salary of \$40,428 to Masters Step 2 and a salary of \$42,454. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Bus Driver

Mr. Hock made the motion, which was seconded by Mr. Klingerman, to table the motion to approve Dave Van Horn as a bus driver for Buses 20/40 (Columbia County Christian School and Saint Columba School students) through MS Bond Busing for the 2018-2019 school year. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Professional Staff Retirement

Mr. Klingerman made the motion, which was seconded by Mr. Hock, to accept the retirement of Bloomsburg Middle School Librarian Jean Crane, effective at the end of the 2018-2019 school year. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Superintendent Contract

Mr. Yodock made the motion, which Mr. Hock seconded, to approve as presented the contract for employment of Bloomsburg Area School District Superintendent Donald Wheeler for the term of five years, effective 23 August 2019 and ending on 22 August 2024. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Classified Staff Leave of Absence Request

Mr. Klingerman made the motion, which was seconded by Mr. Jones, to approve the leave of absence request of Bloomsburg Middle School Food Service Aide Patricia Leiby, effective 10 August 2018 through 23 September 2018. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Professional Staff Leave of Absence Request

Mr. Hock made the motion, which was seconded by Ms. Lewis, to approve the leave of absence request of Bloomsburg Middle School Life Skills Teacher Nicole Del Gotto, effective on or about 22 October 2018 with an anticipated return date of 15 May 2019. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Professional Day-to-Day Substitute

Mr. Klingerman made the motion, which was seconded by Mr. Jones, to approve Kathy Price (CSIU Guest Teacher Program) as a professional day-to-day substitute for the 2018-2019 school year as per Policy 405: Employment of Substitute Professional Employees, effective upon receipt of her three clearances. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Professional Staff Resignation

Mr. Klingerman made the motion, which was seconded by Ms. Lewis, to accept the resignation of Beaver-Main Elementary School and Memorial Elementary School Art Teacher Jillette Smith, effective no later than 60 days from 24 August 2018. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Long-Term Volunteer/Overnight Chaperone

Mr. Klingerman made the motion, which was seconded by Mr. Yodock, to approve Douglas Gerasimoff as a Long-Term Volunteer/Overnight Chaperone as per Policy 916: School Volunteers. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Athletic Coach

Mr. Yodock made the motion, which was seconded by Mr. Jones, to approve Madison McCarty as an Assistant Varsity Field Hockey Coach at Step 1 and a salary of \$1,738. The motion passed by a voice vote of six yes votes and one abstention (being Mr. Hock, being a relative of Ms. McCarty).

Professional Staff Transfer

Mr. Klingerman made the motion, which was seconded by Mr. Jones, to approve transferring Kim Kerchusky from the position of .4-Time W.W. Evans Elementary School Art Teacher to the position of Full-Time Beaver-Main Elementary School and Memorial Elementary School Art Teacher, effective upon the hire of a new .4-Time W.W. Evans Elementary School Art Teacher. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

PERSONNEL – DISCUSSION ITEMS

There were no discussion items under Personnel to come before the board at this meeting.

INFORMATION

Ms. Kreisher reported that the fund-raising committee would be giving a presentation at the 17 September 2018 school board meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Kreisher announced that the next school board meeting would be held on Monday, 17 September 2018 at 7 p.m. in the district office board room.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND PERSONS WISHING TO SPEAK

Mr. Lester asked if the board would be voting on anything after it went into executive session, and Ms. Kreisher responded that it would not.

ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:37 p.m., Mr. Hock made the motion, which was seconded by Mr. Yodock, to adjourn the public meeting and move into executive session to discuss safety and security matters. The motion passed by a voice vote of six yes votes to one no vote (being Mr. Klingerman). The executive session concluded at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephanie Kessler
Recording Secretary

* All documents referenced in the minutes are retained electronically at the district office. *