

**Bloomsburg Area School District
Board of School Directors Meeting
Monday, 16 July 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 Monday, 16 July 2018 in the district office board room, followed by the pledge to the flag. Directors in attendance were: Mrs. Stephanie Andreacci, Mr. Brent Hock, Mrs. Tina Howell, Mr. Jonathan Jones, Mr. Joshua Klingerman Sr., Ms. Marianne Kreisher, and Mr. Leo “Joe” Yodock III. Ms. Stephanie Dunn Haney and Ms. Bryne Lewis were absent from the meeting.

Bloomsburg Area School District administrators in attendance were: Mrs. Melissa Everhart, Mr. Gary Honabach, Mr. David Marsiglio, and Dr. Donald Wheeler.

Others present were: Ms. Jean Crane, Ms. Terri Drucker, Mr. Michael Kakaley, and Ms. Stephanie Kessler, Mrs. Susan McGarry (left at 7:29 p.m.), and Mr. Brad Remig (left at 7:15 p.m.).

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS & PERSONS WISHING TO SPEAK

Mr. Brad Remig from PFM Financial Advisors LLC made a presentation to the board about financing options available to the district. He told directors that borrowing money through a bond (rather than a bank) was the better economical decision. He said that if the board chose to go this route, he would advertise the bond through an online auction venue, and that the board could vote on a bond approval resolution for \$9 million at its 20 August 2018 meeting.

Next, Mrs. McGarry presented to the board information on the Beaver-Main Elementary School HVAC, generator, and kitchen upgrade project. She explained the change orders that the board would be voting on that meeting.

MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Hock made the motion, which was seconded by Mr. Klingerman, to approve the minutes of the 18 June 2018 and the 9 July 2018 Bloomsburg Area School District Board of Directors’ meetings. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Mr. Klingerman made the motion, which was seconded by Mr. Yodock, to approve the financial reports for June 2018. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

BILLS PAYABLE

Mr. Klingerman made the motion, which Mr. Yodock seconded, to approve the bills payable for 19 June 2018 – 30 June 2018, ranging from check #00045203 – check #00045270, including wire transfers in the amount of \$1,146,163.20, in the total amount of \$1,341,309.86; and to approve the bills payable for 1 July 2018 – 16 July 2018, ranging from check #00045271 – check #00045337, including wire transfers in the amount of \$170,855.66, in the total amount of \$2,308,487.40. The motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

BILLS PAYABLE – CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

Mrs. Howell made the motion, which Mrs. Andreacci seconded, to approve the bills payable for the Capital Reserve Fund 1 July 2018 – 16 July 2018, ranging from check #00001835 – check #00001842, in the amount of \$160,394.93. The motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

REPORTS

There was no athletic report for the month.

The board had no questions relative to the written business administrator and food service reports.

Mr. Hock asked if the custodial crew was poised to complete cleaning in all buildings prior to the start of school, and Ms. Kessler responded that they were ahead of schedule at that point. Mr. Klingerman asked that Ms. Kessler put together a presentation on elementary playground improvements for the next school board meeting. Dr. Wheeler said he felt that purchasing playground equipment was the responsibility of the district.

Mr. Klingerman asked Mr. Honabach if the Surface Pros were coming in as expected, and Mr. Honabach replied that the price was actually lower than anticipated.

OLD BUSINESS – ACTION ITEMS

Request for Home-School Student to Enroll Part-Time at Bloomsburg High School

Mrs. Howell made the motion, which Mr. Yodock seconded, to approve a Bloomsburg Area School District resident student who is home schooled to enroll part-time at Bloomsburg High School in order to take Band and Driver's Education and also participate in the school musical and driver's education on-the-road training during the 2018-2019 school year. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

OLD BUSINESS – DISCUSSION ITEMS

There were no discussion items under Old Business at this meeting.

NEW BUSINES – ACTION ITEMS

Change Orders

Mr. Klingerman made the motion, which Mr. Jones seconded, to approve as presented change orders relative to the Beaver-Main Elementary School air conditioning, generator, and kitchen upgrade project, at a cost not to exceed \$27,611.00. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Field and Athletic Trip Mileage Rate

Mr. Yodock made the motion, which Mr. Jones seconded, to approve increasing the mileage rate for field trips and athletic trips for Bloomsburg Area School District bus contractors from \$2.41 per mile in 2017-2018 to \$2.46 per mile in 2018-2019, effective 1 July 2018. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Bids

Mr. Hock made the motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Howell, to accept the following bids for items from the Beaver-Main Elementary School kitchen, which were sold on Municibid:

- Hobart Mixer - \$437;
- 5' x 45" x 34" Stainless Steel Work Table - \$270;
- 4' L x 30" W x 34" H Stainless Steel Work Table with Two Drawers - \$162;
- 4' L x 30" W x 34" H Stainless Steel Work Table - \$76;
- 4' 10" L x 24" W x 34" H Stainless Steel Table with Two Drawers and Can Opener - \$52;
- Doubles Stainless Steel Sink - \$330;
- Hand Sink - \$52.

The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Facility Usage Agreement with Bloomsburg University

Mrs. Howell made the motion, which Mrs. Andreacci seconded, to approve as presented the agreement with Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania for use of BU athletic facilities for fall, winter, and spring sporting events during the 2018-2019 school year, on an as-needed basis. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Flood Mitigation Expansion Project Phase III Scope of Services Contract

Mrs. Andreacci made the motion, which was seconded by Mr. Yodock, to approve the Borton-Lawson Phase III Scope of Services Contract for the Flood Mitigation Expansion Project, with Bloomsburg Area School District's financial obligation being \$156,068, representing 20% of the overall contract amount of \$780,340. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

NEW BUSINES – DISCUSSION ITEMS

Additional Trainer for Events at Bloomsburg University

The board was provided with a proposed service agreement with Bloomsburg University for an additional trainer at athletic events held at Bloomsburg University for review/discussion, with the intent being to vote on this item at the 6 August 2018 school board meeting.

PERSONNEL – ACTION ITEMS

Classified Staff Resignation

Mr. Klingerman made the motion, which Mrs. Howell seconded, to accept the resignation of Bloomsburg Middle School Custodian Gregg McKee, effective 15 June 2018. The motion passed by a vote of six yes votes to one no vote (being Mr. Hock).

Professional Staff Resignations

Mr. Klingerman made the motion, which Mrs. Andreacci seconded, to accept the following professional staff resignations:

- W.W. Evans Elementary School Teacher Nicole Anderson, effective 1 August 2018;
- Bloomsburg High School Social Studies Teacher Jared Stetts, effective 1 August 2018;
- Bloomsburg High School Dean of Students Andrew Brown, effective 1 August 2018.

The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Athletic Coach Resignation

Mrs. Andreacci made the motion, which was seconded by Mr. Hock, to accept the resignation of Junior High Wrestling Coach Marc Freeman, effective 6 July 2018. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Classified Staff Leave of Absence Request Revision

Mr. Klingerman made the motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Howell, to approve the revised leave of absence request of W.W. Evans Elementary School Custodian Deewaynea Van Blargan from 10 July 2018 with an anticipated return date of 10 October 2018 to 7 August 2018 with an anticipated return date of 7 November 2018. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Long-Term Volunteers/Overnight Chaperones

Mr. Klingerman made the motion, which Mrs. Andreacci seconded, to approve the following individuals as long-term volunteers/overnight chaperones, as per Policy 916: School Volunteers:

- Barbara Cotner;
- Amy Matthews.

The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Classified Staff Transfers

Mrs. Howell made the motion, which Mrs. Andreacci seconded, to approve the following classified staff transfers, effective for the start of the 2018-2019 school year:

- Pat Milligan from a 3.75-hour-per-day Food Service Aide position at Memorial Elementary School to a 5-hour-per-day Cook position at Memorial Elementary School;
- Colleen Tarantino from a Classified Substitute position to a 5-hour-per-day Cook position at Memorial Elementary School;
- Julia Lehman from W.W. Evans Elementary School Personal Care Aide to Memorial Elementary School Personal Care Aide;
- Heather Starr from Memorial Elementary School Personal Care Aide to Bloomsburg Middle School Personal Care Aide.

The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Professional Staff Transfers

Mrs. Howell made the motion, which Mrs. Andreacci seconded, to approve the following professional staff transfers, effective for the start of the 2018-2019 school year:

- Amanda Zwalkuski from Bloomsburg Middle School Social Studies Teacher to Bloomsburg High School Social Studies Teacher;
- Julie Adams from K-12 Itinerant Autistic Support Specialist to Memorial Elementary School Life Skills Teacher;
- Josh Farr from Bloomsburg High School Emotional Support Teacher to K-12 Itinerant Autistic Support Specialist;
- Melissa DeMent from Memorial Elementary School Life Skills Teacher to Bloomsburg High School Emotional Support Teacher;
- Lauren Mosier from Memorial Elementary School Third-Grade Teacher to W.W. Evans Elementary School First-Grade Teacher;
- Kelsey Smith from Beaver-Main Elementary School Third-Grade Teacher to Memorial Elementary School Third-Grade Teacher;
- Laura Cooper-Shannon from Memorial Elementary School Fifth-Grade Teacher to Beaver-Main Elementary School Third-Grade Teacher;
- Chelsea DeWire from Memorial Elementary School Building Substitute to Memorial Elementary School Fifth-Grade Teacher.

The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Building Substitutes

Mrs. Howell made the motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Andreacci, to approve the following individuals as building substitutes/literacy assistants at Memorial Elementary School for the 2018-2019 school year at a rate of \$100 per day and with eligibility for medical insurance:

- Jennifer Malatesta – transferring from the position of Professional Day-to-Day Substitute to the position of Memorial Elementary School Building Substitute/Literacy Assistant;
- Nancy Richendrfer – transferring from the position of Beaver-Main Elementary School Building Substitute to the position of Memorial Elementary School Building Substitute/Literacy Assistant.

The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Van Driver

Mr. Klingerman made the motion, which Mr. Jones seconded, to approve Joan Reibsome as a van driver through Fishing Creek Transportation for Summer 2018. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Licensed Pool Pesticide Applicator

Mr. Klingerman made the motion, which Mr. Yodock seconded, to approve Chuck LaCroix as a Licensed Pool Pesticide Applicator for the 2018-2019 school year, at a stipend of \$1,000. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Interim Athletic Director

Mr. Klingerman made the motion, which Mrs. Howell seconded, to approve Marc Freeman as the Interim Athletic Director at \$100 per day, effective 1 July 2018. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

High School Principal

Mr. Yodock made the motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Howell, to approve Jason Moser as the Bloomsburg High School Principal at a pro-rated annual salary of \$85,000 and with benefits as outlined in the Act 93 Agreement, effective upon release from his current position. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

PERSONNEL – DISCUSSION ITEMS

Tenure Report

It was reported that the following professional staff members had been granted tenure, as they had met all the requirements of Section 1108 of the Pennsylvania School Code:

- Bloomsburg High School Emotional Support Teacher Josh Farr;
- Beaver-Main Elementary School Reading Specialist Jennifer Mertz;
- K-12 Itinerant Behavior Support Specialist Andra Sauers;

- Memorial Elementary School Special Education Teacher Victoria Van Fleet.

INFORMATION

It was reported that playground improvement recommendations would be discussed at the next school board meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Kreisher announced that the next school board meeting would be held at 7 p.m. on Monday, 6 August 2018.

ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 8:12 p.m., Mr. Hock made the motion to move into executive session to discuss personnel matters. Mr. Klingerman seconded this motion, which then passed by a unanimous voice vote. The executive session concluded at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephanie Kessler
Recording Secretary

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