

1.1 Call to Order

The regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Education on February 8, 2016 was held in the James W. Zick Board Room and was called to order at 7:15 PM by Mr. Barhite, Board President.

1.2 Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance

1.3 Roll Call – Board Members Present:

Mr. Michael Barhite, President; Mr. Jason Casselbury, Second Vice President; Mrs. Monica Miller, Treasurer; Mr. Kenneth Decker, Dr. Christine Plonski-Sezer, Mr. David Schulte, Mrs. Sondra Stine, Mrs. Casey Webster and Ms. Brittany Wilkins, Secretary; Non-Member

Absent: Mr. Jason Richmond, First Vice President

Administration Present

Mrs. Karen Voigt, Superintendent; Mr. Thomas Witiak, Business Manager; Ms. Rachel Terry, Asst. Business Manager; Mrs. Christine Kelly, Elementary Principal; Dr. Christopher Lake, Director of Curriculum & Instruction; Mr. Robert Presley, H S Principal; Ms. Gail Wnorowski, Director of Special Services; Attorney Gaughan, Solicitor.

1.4 PRIDE OF MOUNTAIN VIEW:

Abby Mecca- SGA Liaison

Abby discussed all the upcoming events for the high school organizations.

1.5 Approval of the Minutes – January 25, 2016

The motion is made by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, second by Mr. Casselbury, to approve the minutes dated January 25, 2016 as presented.

Motion 236 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent.

1.6 First Hearing of Visitors – You may speak about anything on the agenda. (Please state your name and where you are from when being recognized)

2. **Finance Committee: Jason Richmond, Chairperson**

Committee Members: Christine Plonski-Sezer, Monica Miller

Financial Reports

2.1 Approve February Bill List

The motion is made by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, second by Mrs. Stine, to approve the list of bills for the February 8, 2016 General Fund and Cafeteria Fund bill lists in the amount of \$96,493.11.

Motion 237 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent.

3. **Personnel Committee: Sondra Stine, Chairperson**

Committee Members: Jason Casselbury, David Schulte

3.1 Approve Volunteers

The motion is made by Mrs. Stine, second by Mr. Casselbury, to approve the following volunteers:

Kelly Miller, Kingsley, PA – Elementary Volunteer

Motion 238 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent.

3.2 Approve Substitute

The motion is made by Mrs. Stine, second by Mr. Casselbury, to approve the following additions to the substitute lists, pending receipt of all documentation

Shelbey Twining, Thompson, PA, to the Clerical, Cafeteria, Hall/Cafeteria Monitor and Paraprofessional substitute lists.

Motion 239 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent.

3.3 Approve Comprehensive Planning Committee

The motion is made by Mrs. Stine, second by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, to approve the following individuals for the Comprehensive Planning Committee 2016-2019:

Janet Adams, George Barbolish, Anthony Borgia, Elaine Chichura, Kristie Congdon, Cherie DeManicor, Patricia Dietrich, Edlyn Flannery, Corey Gesford, Susan Gesford, Ernest Griffis, Christine Henke, Jennifer Housel, Andrea James, Christine Kelly, Terri Kelsey, Hunter Kozloski, Lisa Kozloski, Karen Krizauskas, Dr. Christopher Lake, Marybeth Langdon, Alisha Marmo, Charleene Martens, Corrine McNabb, Abby Mecca, Monica Miller, Brandi Miller, Dr. Christine Plonski-Sezer, Donna Porter, Robert Presley, Carole Rainey, Cindy Reynolds, Lisa Schmidt, Sondra Stine, Mason Stiver, Diane Supancik, Kathy Tuttle, Karen Voigt, Kathy Walker and Gail Wnorowski

Motion 240 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent.

Discussion: Mrs. Voigt stated there is a correction; Dr. Elaine Chichura.

3.4 Approve Job Description

The motion is made by Mrs. Stine, second by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, to approve the job description for Transition Coordinator as presented.

Discussion: Ms. Wnorowski stated this is a mandated requirement in the plan. All districts are currently seeking a transition coordinator.

Motion 241 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent.

3.5 Create Transition Coordinator Position

The motion is made by Mrs. Stine, second by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, to approve the creation of a Transition Coordinator Position effective immediately at a rate of \$37,000 with benefits per the Non-Act 93 Agreement.

Motion 242 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent.

3.6 Advertise for Transition Coordinator Position

The motion is made by Mrs. Stine, second by Mrs. Miller, to advertise for Transition Coordinator Position.

Motion 243 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent.

4. Policy Committee: Christine Plonski-Sezer Chairperson

Committee Members: Casey Webster, David Schulte

4.1 First Reading- Policy 819- Suicide Counseling Team
Dr. Plonski-Sezer read the policy as presented.

Mr. Schulte mentioned a revision for the policy. He said that health tech needs to be removed. He stated that the elementary number should be added. Also, both elementary and high school counselors' phone numbers should be listed. Mr. Barhite said we should add 570 before the phone numbers.

5. Education Committee: Sondra Stine, Chairperson

Committee Members: Casey Webster, Christine Plonski-Sezer

5.1 Approve Field Trip Requests

The motion is made by Mrs. Stine, second by Mr. Casselbury, to approve the following field trip requests:

1. Erin Rupp, Rebekah Ihlefeldt and 5 students on Saturday, March 5, 2016, to attend PA Jr. Academy of Science Regional Meeting, Wilkes University (Transportation Cost- \$118.00, Registration Cost- \$105.00; Total Cost- \$223.00)

Motion 244 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent.

2. Terri Kelsey, Rebekah Ihlefeldt, Katie Ross and 24 students on Friday, May 6, 2016, to attend Physics Day in Hershey Park, Hershey, PA (Transportation Cost- \$795.56, Registration Cost- \$90.00, Substitute Cost- \$285.00; Total Cost \$1170.56)

Motion 245 Carried: 7 Yes, 1 No, and 1 Absent.

3. Corinne Ross, Kate Sekely, Robert Presley, one nurse and 40 students on Wednesday through Saturday, April 20, 2016 to April 23, 2016, to attend the Senior Class Trip in Orlando Florida (Substitute Cost- \$570.00)

Motion 246 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent.

4. Steven Farrell, Holly James, Marybeth Langdon, Susan Gravine, Adrienne Brown, Rebekah Ihlefeldt and Dr. Christopher Lake on Thursday, May 12, 2016, to attend NEIU Spring Reading Competition, Western Wayne School District (Transportation \$226.46, Registration \$135.00; Total \$271.46)

Motion 247 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent.

5.2 Approve Conference Requests

The motion is made by Mrs. Stine, second by Mr. Casselbury, to approve the following conference requests:

1. Roberta Harvey, Amy Seamans, Katie Naegele, Jaimie Mirabelli, Heidi Page, Rebecca Giordano on Monday, February 22, 2016, to attend Everyday Math Special Education Training, Archbald, PA (Substitute cost \$570.00) (Title II-A)
2. Matthew Georgetti and James Soya on every 3rd Thursday from now until June 2016, to attend Monthly Technology Coordinator Meetings, Archbald, PA (Transportation \$156.18)
3. Melody Haley on Friday through Sunday, April 8, 2016 to April 10, 2016, to attend PASNAP 2016, Penn State Conference Center (Transportation Cost- \$195.48, Lodging- \$128.00, Registration- \$385.00, Substitute Cost- \$95.00; Total Cost \$803.48)
4. Carole Rainey, Robin Phillips and Karen Krizauskas on Thursday, February 18, 2016, to attend LGBTQ 101, Montrose Bible Conference (Registration \$75.00, substitute teacher \$190.00; Total \$265.00)

Motion 248 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent.

5.3 Approve Homebound Instruction

1. The motion is made by Mrs. Stine, second by Mr. Casselbury, to approve homebound instruction for Student #18165 beginning immediately with ending date to be determined.

Motion 249 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent.

5.4 Appoint to 21st Century Program

The motion is made by Mrs. Stine, second by Mr. Casselbury, to appoint Jenny Keating as a teacher for the 2015/2016 21st Century Program.

Motion 250 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent.

5.5 Adopt Biology Book

The motion is made by Mrs. Stine, second by Mr. Casselbury, to adopt *Campbell Biology: Concepts and Connections*, Author- Reece/Taylor/Simon/Dickey, Copyright 2015 by Pearson, for Grade 10.

Discussion: Mr. Schulte asked how much the books will cost.

Motion 251 Carried: 8 Yes, 1 Absent.

6. Building and Site Committee: Jason Casselbury, Chairperson

Committee Members: Jason Richmond, Kenneth Decker

Mr. Taylor's report

- The safety grant walkie talkies are in and dvrs are ordered.
- The film for the windows are being installed.
- Two new basketball rims have been ordered for the high school gym.
- We are waiting on bids for the digital sign for the high school.

Mr. Schulte was wondering why the back lid for the toilet in the faculty bathroom in elementary was not on.

7. Transportation Committee: Jason Richmond, Chairperson

Committee Members: Jason Casselbury, Kenneth Decker

Mrs. Voigt stated on Wednesday that there was a tree down on a bus route. Parents were contacted about the bus being late. Also, on Friday we had a bus break down in the school parking lot. Mrs. Voigt stated that all car/van drivers need to have their school student signs on their vehicles.

8. Labor Relations Committee: Michael Barhite, Chairperson

MVEA Committee Members: Jason Casselbury, Monica Miller, Kenneth Decker

MVESPA Committee Members, Christine Plonski-Sezer, Jason Richmond, Sondra Stine

MVESPA meeting was held on January 28, 2016 and there will be one on February 16, 2016.

9. Administration

9.1 Principals' Comments

Elementary Principal – Mrs. Christine Kelly

- Kindergarteners celebrated the 100th day of school.
- Parent/teacher conferences will be held on Wednesday.
- The Science Showcase is on March 17.

High School Principal – Mr. Rob Presley

- Family and Consumer Science put on an assembly for 10th graders. It was a Jeopardy-style game on financial literacy sponsored by Ever-Fi and People Security Bank.
- Students of the Month for January were selected
- Artist-in-residence Vince Brust has been teaching dancing in gym classes.
- Parent/teacher conferences are on Wednesday.

9.2 Director of Special Services – Ms. Gail Wnorowski

- There was another Indicator 13 training.
- Mr. Presley and Dr. Lake were thanked for attending the extended day meeting.

- Parent/teacher conferences are on Wednesday.

9.3 Director of Curriculum & Instruction –Dr. Christopher Lake

- Access training for ESL student will be finished on Friday.
- We were contacted by a Ever-Fi, for a final literacy pilot with elementary students.
- Curriculum writing for ELA and Social Studies was on Friday and Monday. It is going well. All four groups have the same goals.
- There will be 2 presentations from two different companies for new language arts materials.

9.4 Business Manager – Mr. Thomas Witiak

- Tax exception is about \$103,616.00; the state has to review it.
- It is an additional .53 mil which is about \$16.00 per tax payer.
- And 1.09 mils more would mean an extra \$33.00 per tax payer.
- PSERs came in at 29.27%

Mr. Decker asked about the district's gas royalties.

Barb Kelly asked if we know what the previous Board of Education members had planned for the gas royalty money.

9.5 Superintendent and Federal Programs – Mrs. Karen Voigt

- On Thursday's extended day, the PTO met with the faculty about upgrading the elementary playground.
- On Friday, Kim George from the Farm Bureau asked about hosting a farmer's market in the elementary parking lot from May-November.
- Several Board of Education members attended a PSBA training at Abington Heights School District.

New Business from Board Members

Mr. Schulte asked about the health and safety meetings. He also asked about the emergency code team at the high school.

Second Hearing of Visitors

Executive Session – Announcement of executive sessions held and/or scheduled.

HELD:

- Monday, January 25, 2016 - 6:00 PM to 7:10 PM for Personnel
- Monday, February 8, 2016 - 6:00 PM to 7:10 PM for Personnel

SCHEDULED:

- Monday, February 8, 2016, after the public meeting
- Monday, February 22, 2016, before and after the public meeting

10. Adjourn

The motion was made by Dr. Plonski-Sezer, second by Mr. Casselbury, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:26 PM.

Enclosures:

- 1.5-January 25, 2016 minutes
- 2.1- February 8, 2016 bill list\
- 3.4- Job Description
- 4.1- Policy 819
- FYI 1-Conference Reports
- FYI 2-Safe School Grant
- FYI 3- Comprehensive Plan Submission and Approval
- FYI 4- Health Report
- FYI 5-School Counseling
- FYI 6-Comprehensive Planning Committee

Respectfully Submitted by,

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