

**1.1. Call to Order**

The special meeting of the Board of Education was held on October 6, 2014 in the James W. Zick Board Room. The meeting was called to order at 07:35 PM by President Stoddard.

**1.2. Roll Call – Board Members Present:**

Mr. Thomas Stoddard, President, Mrs. Ellen Aherne, First Vice President, Mr. Michael Barhite, Treasurer, Mr. Jason Casselbury, Mr. Stephen Kilmer Mr. Jason Richmond, Mr. Roy Twining and Mrs. Diane Makosky, Secretary, Non-Member

Absent

Dr. Christine Plonski-Sezer Second Vice President and Mrs. Sondra Stine

**1.3. Administration Present**

Mrs. Voigt, Acting Superintendent and Director of Curriculum & Instruction & Federal Programs, and Attorney Gaughan, Solicitor

Absent

Laurie Cobb, Assistant Business Manager Mr. Joseph Patchcoski, Business Manager, Mrs. Christine Kelly, Elementary Principal, Mr. Robert Presley, High School Principal, and Ms. Gail Wnorowski, Director of Special Services

**1.4 Approval of the Minutes – September 22, 2014.**

The motion is made by Mr. Twining, second by Mrs. Aherne, to approve the minutes dated September 22, 2014 as presented.

Resolution 289 – Motion Carried (7 Yes, 2 Absent)

**1.5 First Hearing of Visitors – You may speak about anything on the agenda.****2. Finance Committee: Roy Twining, chairperson**

Committee Members: Jason Casselbury, Stephen Kilmer

Financial Reports

**2.1 Approve Fact Finding Report**

The motion is made by Mr. Twining, second by Mr. Casselbury to approve the fact finding report as presented.

Resolution 290 – Motion Failed (7 No, 2 Absent) – Roll call vote.

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

Committee Members: Ellen Aherne, Jason Casselbury

**3.1 Appoint Supplemental Positions**

The motion is made by Mrs. Aherne, second by Mr. Richmond to appoint the following supplement salary positions:

1. Katherine Holzman, Mentor – 20 Hours - \$576.50

2. Scott Fisher – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Washington Trip Coordinator - \$550.00

Resolution 291 – Motion Carried (7 Yes, 2 Absent)

#### **4. Policy Committee: Christine Plonski-Sezer Chairperson**

Committee Members: Sondra Stine, Jason Richmond

- 4.1 Mr. Richmond presented the second reading Policy #246 Student Wellness.

#### **5. Education Committee: Ellen Aherne, Chairperson**

Committee Members: Christine Plonski-Sezer, Jason Richmond

##### **5.1 Approve Conference Requests**

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

1. Leslie Gossage on Tuesday, October 7, 2014 to attend Meeting the Challenge of the Common core with the Collins Writing Program at NEIU 19, Archbald, PA (Registration Cost - \$80.00)
2. Tracy Bazil, Jenifer Pliska, Debra Earley and Laurie Barlow on Tuesday October 7, 2014 and Tuesday, February 3, 2014 to attend Common core Math 2014-2015 – Everyday Math at NEIU 19, Archbald, Pa. (Substitute Cost - \$760.00, paid by RTTT funds)
3. Corrine McNabb and Megan Clough on Tuesday, October 14, 2014 to attend ESL Overview at NEIU 19, Archbald, PA. (Substitute Cost - \$190.00, paid by Title III funds)
4. Corrine McNabb, Cheryl Decker, Megan Clough and Leslie Gossage on Wednesday, October 15, 2014 to attend Working with ELL Learners in your Classroom at NEIU 19, Archbald, PA. (Substitute Cost - \$285.00, paid by Title III Funds)
5. Karen Krizauskas on Wednesday, December 17, 2014 to attend PA Core for ELA Grades 6-8; Opportunity 2 at NEIU 19, Archbald, PA. (Transportation Cost - \$10.88, Substitute Cost - \$95.00 – Total Cost - \$105.08)
6. Karen Krizauskas and Marilyn Jackson on Tuesday, October 21, 2014 to attend Asset Science, Bloomsburg, Pa. (Substitute Cost - \$190.00)

Resolution 292 – Motion Carried (7 Yes, 2 Absent)

##### **5.2 Approve Field Trip Request**

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

1. Cheryl Decker, Joy Bognatz, Kristy Bayle, 20 parent Chaperones and 20 Students on Monday, October 27, 2014 to visit Roba's Family Farm, N. Abington Township, PA. (Transportation Cost - \$187.70, Entrance Fee - \$318.00 – Total Cost \$505.70)
2. Kevin Haugland and 3 Students on Wednesday, October 8, 2014 to Participate in PMEA district 9 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Honors Festival at Dallas High School, Dallas, PA. (Transportation Cost - \$101.56, Registration Cost - \$105.00, Substitute Cost - \$95.00 – Total Cost - \$301.56.

Resolution 293 – Motion Carried (7 Yes, 2 Absent)

**6. Building and Site Committee: Michael Barhite, Chairperson**

Committee Members: Jason Casselbury, Roy Twining

Mr. Taylor's report

**7. Transportation Committee: Stephen Kilmer, Chairperson**

Committee Members: Michael Barhite, Jason Richmond

**8. Labor Relations Committee: Mr. Stoddard, Chairperson**

MVEA Committee Members: Ellen Aherne, Michael Barhite, Christine Plonski-Sezer  
MVESPA Committee Members, Stephen Kilmer, Sondra Stine, Roy Twining

**9. Administration**

**9.1 Principal's Comments**

**Elementary Principal – Mrs. Christine Kelly**  
**High School Principal – Mr. Rob Presley**

**9.2 Director of Special Services – Ms. Gail Wnorowski**

**9.3 Business Manager – Mr. Joseph Patchcoski**

**9.4 Director of Curriculum & Instruction and Federal Programs – Mrs. Karen Voigt**

- Mrs. Voigt reported NEIU 19 received the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Grant for another three years that will be distributed among 6 Districts.

**9.5 Acting Superintendent's Comments – Mrs. Karen Voigt**

**New Business from Board Members**

**Second Hearing of Visitors**

Nate Tompkins expressed concerns with the scheduling at the elementary school. His daughter would like to participate in Band however to do so she would be pulled from science. His daughter was selected to participate in chimettes however to do so she would be pulled from math. He does not feel this is right.

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

**HELD:**

- Monday, September 22, 2014 – 8:05 PM to 9:10 PM for Personnel
- Monday, October 6, 2014 – 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM for Personnel

**SCHEDULED:**

- Monday, October 6, 2014 following the meeting for Personnel
- Monday, October 13, 2014, before and after the meeting for Personnel
- Monday, October 27, 2014, before and after the meeting for Personnel

10. Adjourn

The motion was made by Mr. Twining, second by Mrs. Aherne to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:46 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Diane Makosky  
Board Secretary