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Board of School Directors Meeting
“Students Are the Center of the Decision Making Process”
January 17, 2017

***AN EXECUTIVE SESSION WAS HELD AT THE COMMITTEE MEETING ON
JANUARY 10, 2017 TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL MATTERS***

COMMUNICATIONS:

- A. Open School Communications: Positive and Constructive Comments between School Board Members, Administrators and Community:
1. Presentation by Fortune 500 Club
 2. Freedom Area High School Student of the Month Awards for December 2016 (Theme – “Most Motivational”) (**Administrative Report**):
 - 12th Grade:
 - Boy - Joey Pail
 - Girl - Linsey Moldovan
 - 11th Grade:
 - Boy - Carson Gilarno
 - Girl - Rachel Decesaris
 - 10th Grade:
 - Boy - Danny Jones
 - Girl - Raven Olson
 - 9th Grade:
 - Boy - Casey Collins
 - Girl - Jalynn Falk
 3. Freedom Area Middle School H.O.P.E. and Student of the Month Awards for January 2017 (**Administrative Report**):
 - H.O.P.E. Award (Theme – “Engaging and Creative”)
 - Lisa Finch, 7th/8th Grade Reading Teacher

COMMUNICATIONS, CONT'D:

- Student of the Month Awards (Theme – “ A Joy to Have in Class”)
 - 8th Grade:
 - Boy - Gianni Gagliardi
 - Girl - Christina Wrhen
 - 7th Grade:
 - Boy - Tie: Joseph Hartle and Christopher Hartley
 - Girl - Jessica Majors
 - 6th Grade:
 - Boy - Vincenzo Fiorenza
 - Girl - Finley Paxton
 - 5th Grade:
 - Boy - Tie: Anthony Battaglia and Wyatt Boyer
 - Girl - Libby Coe
- B. Other:
 - 1. **February 2017 Board Meetings to be Held on February 7 (Committee) and February 14 (Regular)**
- C. Use of School Facilities Schedule (According to Policy) (**Enclosure**)

PUBLIC/COMMUNITY RELATIONS:

Per Board Policy 903: Public Participation in Board Meetings, members of the public must preface their comments with their name, address, and group affiliation (if appropriate). All comments should be addressed to the Presiding Officer, be relevant to business that is before the Board and observe required timelines (Prior Formal Request – 10 Minutes, Informal Request – 5 Minutes). Comments should not be personally directed, abusive, or obscene.

MINUTES:

- A. Approve Minutes of December 8, 2016 (Reorganization/Regular Board Meetings)

ENCLOSURES:

- A. Use of School Facilities Schedule (According to Policy) (**Communications-Item C.**)
- B. Free-Reduced Lunch Report as of January 9, 2017 – **District at 47.83%**
- C. January 2017 Budget Transfers (**Finance, Item G.**)
- D. Bid Specifications for Security Cameras (**Operations, Item G.**)

ENCLOSURES, CONT'D:

Information:

- E. Cyber/Charter School Enrollment as of December 14, 2016 – Current Projected Annual Cost for 2016-2017 School Year **\$786,029.86**;
30 Cyber/Charter Students, **38** Brick and Mortar Students – Total No. of Students - **68**

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

- A. 2017 Polar Plunge
B. Accept the Grant from the Beaver County Educational Trust for the Annual Story Walk (**Administrative Report**):
 - Kim Smith, Elementary Title One Specialist – Project Proposal “Story Walk 2017 – Blast Off to Reading” is an Approved Project, Amount \$1,000
- C. Approve Attendance for the Following at the REMS-TA Center’s Developing Emergency Operations Plans Course, January 25, BVIU, Cost Mileage:
 1. Jeffrey Fuller, Superintendent
 2. Ryan Smith, Middle School Principal
 3. Steven Mott, High School Assistant Principal
 4. Tom Liberty, High School Resource Officer
 5. Dave Matthews, Middle School Security Monitor
- D. Approve Settlement Agreement Dated January 10, 2017 (**Signatures Required**)
- E. Property Tax Elimination

LEGISLATION:

Open

FINANCE:

- A. Approve Bills in the Amount of \$242,495.31 (Second Check Run for December 2016)
B. Approve Bills in the Amount of \$484,418.80 (First Check Run for January 2017)
C. Approve Capital Projects Second Check Run for December 2016 in the Amount of \$494.17
D. Approve Capital Projects First Check Run for January 2017 in the Amount of \$7,325.00
E. Approve December 2016 Treasurer’s Report
F. Approve December 2016 Cafeteria Report
G. Approve January 2017 Budget Transfers (**Enclosure**)

FINANCE, CONT'D:

- H. Approve Actuarial Proposals from Hawley Consulting Group, Saving an Average of \$5,300 per Year for Five years:
2016-2017 - \$3,000
2017- 2019 - \$4,000
2019-2021 - \$4,000
- I. Approve Released Time, According to Contract, for Noriene Plate, Business Manager, to attend the Commonwealth Budget Overview, February 9, Mars, Cost Registration Fee and Mileage
- J. Discuss Tax Exoneration for Property Located at 903 6th Avenue, Freedom (For Tax Years 2014 and 2015) (**Administrative Report**)

EDUCATION

- A. Approve Released Time According to Act 48:
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:
 - 1. **Gifted:**
 - a. Sara Miller, K-8 Gifted Coordinator, Gifted Boot Camp–Day 2, April 18, AIU, Cost Mileage
 - 2. **Special Education:**
 - a. Joe Testa, School Psychologist, Psychological Counseling as a Related Service, February 10, PaTTAN – Pittsburgh, Cost Mileage
 - b. Renae Bogdan, Elementary Speech/Language Teacher, Tools for Skeptical Thinking: Evaluating Science in Speech, February 13, PaTTAN - Pittsburgh, Cost Mileage
 - 3. **Other:**
 - a. Bonnie Adams, School Nurse, “School Nurses: Best, Current Practices for School Medical Emergencies” Seminar, March 20, Coraopolis, Cost Registration Fee and Mileage
 - b. High School Social Studies Teachers, Holocaust Training, February 2, BVIU, Cost Substitute, Registration Fee and Mileage

STUDENTS AND STAFF TRAVEL:

- 1. **Gifted:**
 - a. Sara Miller, K-8 Gifted Coordinator, Thermo Fisher K'Nex STEM Challenge, March 30, Penn State-Beaver, No Cost to District, Will Use School Van
- 2. **Special Education:**
 - a. Carnegie Science Center, January 31, No Cost to District (Transportation Costs Paid by Beaver County Job Training):
 - i. Jessika Fontaine, High School Life Skills Teacher
 - ii. Gretchen Meyer, Middle School Special Education Teacher

EDUCATION, CONT'D:

- b. Jessika Fontaine, High School Life Skills Teacher, No Cost to District, Will Use School Van:
 - i. Eat and Park, February 3, Monaca
 - ii. Giant Eagle, February 9, Baden
- 3. **Other:**
 - a. Craig Bohon, High School Spanish Club Sponsor, Ice Skating at PPG Place and Dinner, February 3 (After School), Pittsburgh (No Cost to District)
 - b. Amanda Krampy, High School Guidance Office Secretary, BCCTC – Half Day Visit, February 7, No Cost to District
 - c. Keith Kovalic, High School Music Teacher/Band Director, PMEA District 5 Band, February 9-10, Butler Intermediate High School, Cost Substitute, Registration Fees and Lodging (One Night, Kovalic Only)
 - d. Beth Majors, High School Business/Technology Teacher, State DECA Career Development Competition, February 21-24, Hershey, Cost Substitute, Registration Fees, Lodging and Meals, Will Use School Van
 - e. Ellen Hill, High School Job Coach, and Members of the High School Staff, College Visits to Multiple Schools for Tenth Grade Students, March 3, Cost Substitute and Transportation
 - f. Peru Trip, April 13-21, Lima and Cuzco, Peru, South America, Cost Substitute:
 - i. Ruthanne Gudzan, High School Spanish Teacher
 - ii. Aaron Fitzpatrick, High School English Teacher
- B. Approve \$10,000 Establishment Grant through PaTTAN (**Administrative Report by Misty Slavic, 12-8-16**)
- C. Approve Acceptance and Distribution of an Educational Support Mini-Grant from the Pennsylvania Association of School Retirees – Beaver County Chapter, in the Amount of \$50 to Emily Mather, K-6 Instructional Coach, for Supplies Needed to Support the K-2 Guided Reading Curriculum
- D. Accept Resignation of Amanda Hayhurst, Middle School Instructional Aide, Effective December 21, 2016
- E. Accept Resignation of Linda Haffner as Title I After-School Tutor, Effective January 19, Will Substitute if Needed
- F. Approve Maternity Leave for Colleen Tyler, Third Grade Teacher, Beginning December 19, 2016 thru January 11, 2017, Followed by FMLA, According to Policy, Beginning January 12, 2017 through February 23, 2017
- G. Approve the Following as Instructional Aides, 5.75 Hours per Day, Five Days per Week, at \$11.60 per Hour:
 - 1. Timothy Weick, Retroactive to January 3, 2017 (**Pending Receipt of Act 126 Training and New Employee Drug Screening**)
 - 2. Kathleen Crago (**Clearances on File**)
 - 3. Ashley Reba (**Clearances on File**)

EDUCATION, CONT'D:

- H. Approve Elizabeth Porter as Personal Student Aide, 6.5 Hours per Day, Five Days per Week, at \$11.60 per Hour, Retroactive to January 3, 2017 **(Pending Receipt of Act 168 Disclosures, Act 126 Training and New Employee Drug Screening)**
- I. Approve Sherry Perry, Fifth Grade Teacher, as Title I After-School Tutor for the 2016-2017 School Year, One Hour per Day, Two to Three Hours per Week, \$31.00 per Hour, Effective January 23, 2017 **(Funded by Title I)**
- J. Approve Change in School Psychologist Position from Ten Month Employee to Twelve Month Employee, Effective July 1, 2017, Annual Salary of \$69,000 Beginning with 2017-2018 School Year

OPERATIONS:

- A. Director of Buildings and Grounds Monthly Report
- B. Approve Robert Cain as High School Security Monitor, 5.75 Hours per Day, Five Days per Week at \$11.60 per Hour, Retroactive to December 16, 2016 **(Clearances on File)**
- C. Approve the Following as New Bus Drivers **(Clearances on File)**:
 - 1. Mark Redmond
 - 2. Harold Masters
- D. Accept Resignation of Aaron Hansen, Part-Time Custodian, Effective January 3, 2017
- E. Accept Resignation of Annette Chesnoski, Part-Time Administrative Assistant to the Director of Buildings and Grounds, Effective January 6, 2017
- F. Approve Change in Special Education Secretary Position from Part-Time to Full-Time, Effective February 1, 2017, Annual Salary of \$24,000 through June 30, 2018
- G. Approve Bid Specifications for Security Cameras (Separate Bid and Specifications to be issued for Underground Conduit and Fiber Access) **(Enclosure)**

FACILITIES MASTER PLAN:

Open

ATHLETICS/EXTRA-CURRICULAR:

- A. Approve Barbara Martz as High School Youth Ambassador Facilitator, to participate in Youth Ambassador Meetings for the Remainder of the 2016-2017 School Year, Stipend of \$360 is Grant Funded through Beaver County Rehabilitation Center (**Clearances on File**)
- B. Approve Released Time, According to Policy, for Jim Covert, Head Wrestling Coach, Wrestling Staff and Team, to Attend Bedford Wrestling Tournament, January 27-28, Bedford, PA, No Cost to District (Boosters Will Pay for Lodging and Meals), Will Use School Vans
- C. Approve Creation of Junior High Football and Cheerleading Programs

POLICY:

- A. Approve the Following Revised Board Policies:
 - 1. Policy No. 251 – Homeless Students
 - 2. Policy No. 255 – Educational Stability for Children in Foster Care
 - 3. Policy No. 606 – Tax Collection
 - 4. Policy No. 610 – Purchases Subject to Bid/Quotation
 - 5. Policy No. 611 – Purchases Budgeted

MEET AND DISCUSS:

Open