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**Board of School Directors  
Committee Meeting Agenda  
January 10, 2017**

**Athletics/Extra-Curricular Committee**

- Athletic Director's Report
- Junior High Football
- Varsity Golf Co-Operative Agreement with New Brighton
- Updated Master Plan Proposal for Track Facility

**Policy Committee**

- Policy No. 251 – Homeless Students
- Policy No. 255 – Educational Stability for Children in Foster Care
- Policy No. 606 – Tax Collection
- Policy No. 610 – Purchases Subject to Bid/Quotation
- Policy No. 611 – Purchases Budgeted

**Agenda Review**

**Personnel**

- An Executive Session will be held to discuss Personnel Matters

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**Board of School Directors Meeting**  
**“Students Are the Center of the Decision Making Process”**  
**January 10, 2017**

**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 H.O.P.E. and Student of the Month Awards for \_\_\_\_\_ (**Administrative Report**):
    - H.O.P.E. Award (Theme – “\_\_\_\_\_”)
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    - Student of the Month Awards (Theme – “\_\_\_\_\_”)
      - 12<sup>th</sup> Grade:
        - Boy -
        - Girl -
      - 11<sup>th</sup> Grade:
        - Boy -
        - Girl -
      - 10<sup>th</sup> Grade:
        - Boy -
        - Girl -
      - 9<sup>th</sup> Grade:
        - Boy -
        - Girl -
  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 – “\_\_\_\_\_”)
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**COMMUNICATIONS, CONT'D:**

- Student of the Month Awards (Theme – “ A Joy to Have in Class”)
  - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade:
    - Boy - Gianni Gagliardi
    - Girl - Christina Wrhen
  - 7<sup>th</sup> Grade:
    - Boy - Tie: Joseph Hartle and Christopher Hartley
    - Girl - Jessica Majors
  - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade:
    - Boy - Vincenzo Fiorenza
    - Girl - Finley Paxton
  - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade:
    - Boy - Tie: Anthony Battaglia and Wyatt Boyer
    - Girl - Libby Coe
- 4. Freedom Elementary School H.O.P.E. Award for \_\_\_\_\_  
(Theme – “ \_\_\_\_\_”) **(Administrative Report):**
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- 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)



**ACTION AGENDA:**

• **EDUCATION:**

A. Approve Released Time According to Act 48:

**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:**

1. **Other:**

- a. Misty Slavic, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Aspiring to Leadership Workshop, January 17-18, Harrisburg, Cost Registration Fee, Lodging, Meals and Mileage

**STUDENTS AND STAFF TRAVEL:**

1. **Gifted:**

- a. Sara Miller, K-8 Gifted Coordinator, National Robotics Engineering Center and Robomatter Office Tour, Pittsburgh, January 12, No Cost to District

2. **Special Education:**

- a. **Confirm:** Carnegie Science Center, January 10, 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

• **ATHLETICS/EXTRA-CURRICULAR:**

A. **Confirm:** Approve Released Time, According to Policy, for Jim Covert, Head Wrestling Coach, Wrestling Staff and Team, to Attend the Power-Ade Wrestling Tournament, December 29-30, Canonsburg, No Cost to District (Boosters Will Pay for Lodging and Meals), Will Use School Vans

**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

**Information:**

- D. **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

**LEGISLATION:**

Open

**FINANCE:**

- A. Approve Bills in the Amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (Second Check Run for December 2016)
- B. Approve Bills in the Amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (First Check Run for January 2017)
- C. Approve December 2016 Treasurer's Report
- D. Approve December 2016 Cafeteria Report
- E. Approve January 2017 Budget Transfers
- F. 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
- G. Approve Resolution Establishing Tax Collector Salaries for Years 2018 thru 2021 (**Signatures Required**):
  - 1. New Sewickley Township - \$ \_\_\_\_\_
  - 2. Freedom - \$ \_\_\_\_\_
  - 3. Conway - \$ \_\_\_\_\_



**EDUCATION:**

- A. Approve Released Time According to Act 48:

**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:**

1. **Special Education:**

- a. Renae Bogdan, Elementary Speech/Language Teacher, Tools for Skeptical Thinking: Evaluating Science in Speech, February 13, PaTTAN - Pittsburgh, Cost Mileage
- b. Bonnie Adams, School Nurse, "School Nurses: Best, Current Practices for School Medical Emergencies" Seminar, March 20, Coraopolis, Cost 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. **Other:**

- a. Amanda Krampy, High School Guidance Office Secretary, BCCTC – Half Day Visit, February 7, No Cost to District
- b. 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)
- c. 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
- d. 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
- e. 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

**EDUCATION, CONT'D:**

- 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 (**Pending Receipt of Act 126 Training and New Employee Drug Screening**)
  - 2. Kathleen Crago (**Pending Receipt of New Employee Drug Screening**)
- H. Approve Elizabeth Porter as Personal Student Aide, 6.5 Hours per Day, Five Days per Week, at \$11.60 per Hour (**Pending Receipt of Act 168 Disclosures, Act 126 Training and New Employee Drug Screening**)

**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 (**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

**FACILITIES MASTER PLAN:**

- A.

**ATHLETICS/EXTRA-CURRICULAR:**

- A. **1-10-17:** Athletic Director's Monthly Report
- B. Approve Barbara Martz as High School Youth Ambassador Facilitator, Stipend of \$360 is Grant Funded through Beaver County Rehabilitation Center (**Clearances on File**)
- C. 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



**POLICY:**

- A. Approve the Following Revised Board Policies (**Pending Solicitor Review**):
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
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**MEET AND DISCUSS:**

Open