

APRIL 3, 2014

The Freedom Area School Board held their Agenda Board Meeting on April 3, 2014, in the Middle School Library. President Barbara Heyman called the Business Meeting to order at 7:20 pm, EST.

Board Members Present:

Alan Colorito (Arrived 7:40 PM)
Dawn Greene
Barbara Heyman
Lori Pail
Mary Ann Petcovic
Lorraine Rocco
Jennifer Sayre

Board Members Absent:

Harry Gilarno
Dennis Sharpless

School Staff Present:

Dr. Jeffrey Fuller, Superintendent
Noriene Plate, Business Manager
Misty Slavic, Director of Curriculum & Instruction
Darlene Corris, Middle School Principal
Richard Edder, Elementary School Principal
Gary Mortimer, Director of Buildings & Grounds
John Rosa, Faculty & AD (Arrived 7:50 pm)

Guests: **Public sign-in sheet is attached to the minutes in the minute book.**

Note: An Executive Session was held on Tuesday April 1, 2014, for Legal and Personnel Matters

Note: Executive Session was held beginning at 6:00 pm for interviews conducted prior to the start of the Agenda Meeting.

PUBLIC/COMMUNITY RELATIONS:

John & Tamra Rosa, Parents of Middle School student, were in attendance to discuss their concern regarding a student discipline matter. President Heyman, advised the parents of Board Policy regarding length of discussion and cautioned the parents not to use any students name during "open session". Mr. & Mrs. Rosa then requested an Executive Session to discuss their concern.

Motion by Greene, seconded by Sayre, for the board to go into Executive Session at 7:22 pm.

Roll Call Yea Votes – Petcovic, Rocco, Heyman, Sayre, Greene, and Pail.
Vote Motion carried – 6 Yeas

Note: Board Member Alan Colorito arrived at the meeting at 7:40 PM

Motion by Greene, seconded by Petcovic, for the Board to go out of Executive Session at 7:45 pm.

Roll Call Yea Votes – Petcovic, Rocco, Heyman, Sayre, Greene, Colorito, and Pail
Vote Motion carried – 7 Yeas

COMMUNICATIONS:

Motion by Petcovic, seconded by Sayre, to confirm and approve Lori Pail, Board Member, attendance at the 2013-2014 New Board Member Training, March 8-9, IU4-Grove City, Cost \$375 Registration fee plus mileage.

Roll Call Yea Votes – Petcovic, Rocco, Heyman, Colorito, Sayre, Greene, and Pail
Vote Motion carried – 7 Yeas

FINANCE:

Motion by Rocco, seconded by Sayre, to not approve the BVIU 2014-2015 General Operating Budget in the amount of \$2,451,465 until the District receives additional information (Increase of \$1,241,248 from 2013-2014 Budget – No Increase to District).

Roll Call Yea Votes – Petcovic, Rocco, Heyman, Colorito, Sayre, Greene, and Pail
Vote Motion carried – 7 Yeas

EDUCATION:

Motion to approve the following Education items was made by Petcovic, seconded by Pail, and was unanimously approved through consent agenda according to Act 48:

CA:1 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:

Special Education:

1. a. Francine Palak, High School Special Education Teacher, Hosanna Industries - New Sewickley Township, April 8, Cost Substitute

STUDENTS AND STAFF TRAVEL:

1. Other:

- a. Beth Majors, High School Business/Technology Teacher, Veka Inc., Fombell, April 7,10,14 and 17, No cost to District (Will use school van)

CA:2 Alisha Murray, Student Teacher from Geneva College, placed with Keith Kovalic, High School Music Teacher, from March 17 thru May 2, 2014 (Clearances on File)

CA:3 Resignation of Jill Doedyns, Middle School Learning Support Aide, effective March 25, 2014

CA:4 Approve two (2) year contract with IU13 for the purchase of Microsoft Group Educational Licenses (PA EES Package B), \$12,526.32 per year (Signature required)

Roll Call Yea Votes – Petcovic, Rocco, Heyman, Colorito, Sayre, Greene, and Pail
Vote Motion carried – 7 Yeas

OPERATIONS:

Motion to approve the following Operations items was made by Rocco, seconded by Pail, and unanimously approved through consent agenda:

CA:1 The following resignations:

1. Lawrie Borgman, Middle School Part-Time Food Service Employee, effective March 19, 2014
2. Brenda Smith, Conway Elementary part-time Custodian, effective March 20, 2014

CA:2 Janice Moore as part-time Lunchroom Monitor for Conway Elementary (Clearances on File, pending receipt of New Employee Drug Screening Test)

CA:3 Kathy Wisener as Substitute Custodian (Clearances on File)

Roll Call Yea Votes – Petcovic, Rocco, Heyman, Colorito, Sayre, Greene, and Pail
Vote Motion carried – 7 Yeas

Buildings & Gary Mortimer, Director of Buildings & Grounds, provided the following report:
Grounds Report

General information: General plumbing and electrical repairs have been completed at all four of the district buildings; Removal of the field restroom trailer will be completed Saturday, April 5th, by Beaver Area School District.

High School: A new portable space cooler has been ordered for the air conditioning of Chemical Room 210; additional parts to be ordered when the unit is installed. Work continues with the overhead and walkway lights at the auditorium with the upcoming play. The industrial arts dust collector has a faulty speed reducer motor, receiving quotes.

Middle School: Replaced boiler pump #3 bearing assembly (in house); quotes being received on a new motor. The spring service has been completed on the HVAC equipment. Work has resumed with the installation of the new electrical service on 8th Avenue.

Conway: Repairs have been completed to the hot water coil from Room 205. The coil passed a 100psi test and was reinstalled.

Big Knob: D.E.P. and Director completed a water supply inspection on March 18, 2014. Upon recommendation from D.E.P., working on a required bacteria sampling plan for the raw water testing and a chlorine injection plan. Both plans need to be approved by the D.E.P. Once completed, all updates will be discussed in regards to the additional testing and requirements.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR:

Motion to approve the following Extra-Curricular Items was made by Rocco, seconded by Petcovic, and unanimously approved through consent agenda:

CA:1 Resignation of Kylee Wolf as Middle School Softball Coach

CA:2 Jeff Tindall as Volunteer Jr. High Baseball Coach (Pending receipt of Acts 151 and 114 Clearances)

CA:3 Double Plus Single event rate for all track event workers for all multi-team meets (Cost savings agreement with event workers) (Administrative Report)

Roll Call Yea Votes – Petcovic, Rocco, Heyman, Colorito, Sayre, Greene, and Pail

Vote Motion carried – 7 Yeas

Athletic Director John Rosa, Athletic Director, gave the following monthly report:

- 1) Spring season is finally underway thanks to the weather – Complimented B. Weiss for getting the fields and track ready for the games/meets
- 2) Requesting a meeting of the Extra-Curricular Committee to discuss the following items: 1) Annual Athletic Pass and District Personnel Presence at Events – proposal made last month; 2) Off Season and Post Season Pay Structure and New Athletic Contract Format - proposal made last month
- 3) Proposal for game officials' stipends based on WPIAL and MAC recommendations
- 4) Event worker fee rate for multi-team meets
- 4) Concern about the status of track resurfacing and the moving of field events (and its affect on softball)

FACILITIES MASTER PLAN:

Dr. Jeffrey Fuller, Superintendent, reported that the Board is currently conducting interviews for the Owner's Representative and that a pre-construction meeting will be held on Monday, April 7, at 2:00 pm.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Executive Session Motion by Greene, seconded by Petcovic, for the Board to go into Executive Session at 8:32 pm to discuss the following:

- Personnel Matter

Roll Call Yea Votes – Petcovic, Rocco, Heyman, Colorito, Sayre, Greene, and Pail

Vote Motion carried – 7 Yeas

Adjourn Executive Session Motion by Rocco, seconded by Colorito, to adjourn Executive Session at 9:40 pm, EST.

Roll Call Yea Votes – Petcovic, Rocco, Heyman, Sayre, Colorito, and Pail.

Vote No Vote – Greene. Motion carried – 6 Yeas

Note: No action taken following Executive Session.

Adjourn Motion by Petcovic, seconded by Rocco, to adjourn. All members voting Yea.

7 Yeas. Adjourned at 9:41 pm, EST.

Submitted by:

Lorraine Rocco, Board Secretary