

BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING

MAY 19, 2009 7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Pat Albright, Lawrence Behe, Karen Claar, Tom Creehan, Terry Krug, Henry Nileski, Patricia Pyo, George Pyo, Justin Roberts

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Mary Beth Whited, Jason Imler, Jeanette Black, John Lizik, Bill Marshall, Jeff Baird, Dave Beck, Lewis Hale, Christen Perrone, Judy Muldoon, Justin Eger, Sue Halloran, Tammy Weakland, Joan Casale, David Campbell, John Krise, Koreen Krise, Danielle Krug, Carri Link & family, Lauren Michina, Bridget Michina, Barbara Petyak, Dennis Petyak, Paul Sklodowski, Sue Creehan, Andrea Boito, Laura Hildebrand, Caitlin Stewart, Cynthia Wood, Jay Stiffler & family

Mr. George Pyo, Board President, opened the Meeting, which was held in the Penn Cambria High School Library, with the Pledge of Allegiance.

SPOTLIGHT

The Arts at PC:

- **PCSD Permanent Art Collection**

- ⇒ **Elementary students:** **Grade 1** – Evan Scott, Livia Shultz; **Grade 2** – Gabrielle Krug, Caitlin Stewart; **Grade 3** – Jenna Gailey, Gavin Link, Lauren Michina, Dominic Stiffler; **Grade 4** – Riley Anderson, Victoria Costlow, Laura Hildebrand, Jared McCready.
- ⇒ **Middle School students:** **Grade 5** – Abigale Bowen, Karingtin Sklodowski; **Grade 7** – Briana Decoskey; **Grade 8** – Jude Bailey, Ian Brooks, Kelly Minor, Kim Sanders, Richelle Sleboznick, Kayla Uveges.
- ⇒ **High School students:** **Grade 9** – Jonelle Krise, Kayla McMullen, Samantha O'Donnell, Elana Wood; **Grade 10** – Kelsey Seaman, Josh Summerville; **Grade 11** – Adam Kochara, Joe Petyak; **Grade 12** – Chelsie Conklin.

- **Poster Competition**

- ⇒ Penn Cambria has two winners of a state sportsman's poster contest. The winning posters will be published in "**On Target**" magazine/newspaper and will be on display at the Ned Smith Art Museum in Millersville. The winners are *Mackenzie McIntosh*, 2nd place and *Nathan Vinglas*, 1st place.

SPOTLIGHT
(CONTINUED)

- *Ms. Sandra Evans*, Business Administrator, has completed all requirements for renewal of her status of Pennsylvania Registered School Business Administrator. Once attained, this status is registered for four years.
- *Ms. Sharon Glass*, PCHS English teacher, has been selected to attend the Keystone Technology Summit this summer. The top 100 candidates in the state are selected to attend. This is the second consecutive year a PCHS teacher has been selected.

APPROVAL
OF
MINUTES

On a motion offered by Miss Pyo, seconded by Mr. Behe, the Board unanimously approved the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the regular meeting held April 21, 2009, be approved as recorded in the copies mailed to the Board prior to this meeting.

PAYMENT
OF
BILLS

Mrs. Claar offered a motion which was seconded by Mr. Krug, and approved unanimously, to adopt following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the invoices as mailed to the Board prior to the meeting, and as evaluated and reviewed, reconciled, and recommended for payment by the Business Office be hereby approved for payment. (See Addendum "A")

TREASURER'S
REPORT

A motion was offered by Mr. Krug, seconded by Mr. Creehan and unanimously approved to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the Treasurer's Report be accepted as mailed to the Board and that a copy be filed with the official records of the School District. (See Addendum "B")

BUSINESS
ADMINISTRATOR'S
REPORT

On a motion duly made by Mr. Albright, seconded by Mr. Nileski, and affirmatively voted upon by all present, the Board approved the Business Administrator's request to adopt the following resolutions:

FINANCIAL REPORT

RESOLVED: That the reports of grants, projects and federal programs and current budget reports for the general fund and cafeteria fund be accepted as presented to the Board and that a copy be filed with the official records of the School District. (See Addendum "C")

RE-ENACTMENT OF
PER CAPITA TAX
UNDER SCHOOL
CODE OF 1949

RESOLVED: That the Board of School Directors of the Penn Cambria School District, Cambria County, Pennsylvania, under and by virtue of Section 679 of the School Code of 1949 P.L. 30, and its supplements and amendments, declares that the resolution by which a per capita tax had been levied for the school fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, for general school purposes in the sum of FIVE (\$5.00) DOLLARS upon each and every person residing in the Penn Cambria School District of the age of eighteen (18) years and over is hereby re-enacted without change for the school fiscal year beginning July 1, 2009 and ending June 30, 2010.

RE-ENACTMENT OF
ACT 511 TAXES

RESOLVED: That the Board of School Directors of the Penn Cambria School District, Cambria County, Pennsylvania, under and by virtue of the authority vested in it by Act No. 511 of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, approved December 31, 1965, as amended, declares that the resolutions have been levied for the school year ending June 30, 2009, for general school purposes, are hereby re-enacted without change for the school fiscal year beginning July 1, 2009, and ending June 30, 2010: (1) **REAL ESTATE TRANSFER TAX;** (2) **EARNED INCOME TAX;** (3) **GAINFULLY EMPLOYED TAX (FLAT OCCUPATION);** (4) **PER CAPITA TAX;** (5) **OCCUPATIONAL PRIVILEGE TAX.**

SECTION 356
AGREEMENT—
STATE TAX TAPE

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education authorizes the School Business Administrator to complete the Section 356 Agreement and request the necessary taxpayer information on a CD-ROM at a cost of \$200. Information will facilitate the collection of Earned Income Taxes.

AUTHORIZE SCHOOL
BUSINESS ADMINIS-
TRATOR TO INVOICE
FOR SPECIAL
EDUCATION
SERVICES

RESOLVED: That the Board of School Directors hereby authorize the School Business Administrator to prepare invoices and bill school districts for special services provided to special education non-resident students attending Penn Cambria in 2008-2009.

SOLICITOR'S
REPORT

Mr. Imler stated that he has been working closely with bond counsel and approves Resolution #15. He also reminded the board of upcoming time mediation with PCEA, scheduled to begin Friday, May 29th.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S
RECOMMENDATIONS**

A motion was offered by Mr. Krug, seconded by Mrs. Claar and unanimously approved by voice aye vote to accept the Superintendent's recommendations as follows:

A. APPROVE FOLLOWING PERSONNEL ACTIONS**1. Retirements**

- a. *Connie Stauski*, Food Service, effective with the end of the current school year after 10 years of service.
- b. *Joan Latoche*, Food Service, effective with the end of the current school year, after 13 years of service.
- c. *Janet Knapp*, Aide, effective with the end of the current school year, after 14 years of service.

2. Strengthening Families Program Position

- a. Approve *Allison Burley* as a substitute assistant for the grant-funded Strengthening Families Program at extra-duty rate of \$25 per hour.

3. Extended School Year

Costs for the ESY program to be held at Penn Cambria this summer will be shared among the sending districts according to enrollment. Staffing is approved as follows:

- a. Teachers, *Michele Cicero* and *Jessica Wyland*, will be paid at extra duty rate of \$25 per hour.
- b. Aides, *Donna Adams*, *Carmella Drass*, *Loretta McCoy*, *Connie McIntosh*, *Denise O'Donnell*, and *Debbie Rabatin* will be paid at their contracted hourly rate.

4. Additional Substitute Teachers

- a. *Jenna Carland*, Hollidaysburg, Instructional I, Elementary & Special Education
- b. *Sarah Leahey*, Hollidaysburg, Instructional I, Elementary
- c. *Jenna Raptosh*, Loretto, Instructional I, Elementary & Special Education
- d. *Lori Bower*, Altoona, IU 08 Emergency Permit
- e. *Matthew Conlon*, Roaring Spring, IU 08 Emergency Permit
- f. *Orville Ormsby, Jr.*, Tyrone, IU 08 Emergency Permit

5. Remove from Substitute Lists

- a. *Catherine Dignan* as Substitute Food Service Worker
- b. *Charlene Link* as Substitute Teacher Aide

NEW BUSINESS

ADOPTION OF
PROPOSED FINAL
BUDGET FOR
2009-2010

A motion was offered by Mr. Behe, seconded by Krug, and approved, to adopt the following resolutions:

RESOLVED: That in accordance with Section 687 of the School Laws of Pennsylvania, a Proposed Final Budget for the 2009-2010 school year, beginning July 1, 2009, and ending June 30, 2010, be adopted and advertised and be available for public review at least twenty (20) days prior to final adoption. Copy to be made part of the minutes. (See Addendum “D”)

MILLAGE LEVY FOR
2009-2010
SCHOOL YEAR

RESOLVED: The Penn Cambria School District Board of Directors, in Regular Session assembled, that for the purpose of providing revenue for said district for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2009 and ending June 30, 2010, a tax of forty-eight and six hundredths (48.06) mills is hereby laid and levied and assessed upon each dollar of assessed valuation, or \$4.806 per \$100 of assessed valuation, of all property in said district upon which Cambria County tax is levied and assessed. Properties within the District lying in Blair County shall be taxed at one hundred ten and 94 hundredths (110.94) mills or \$11.094 per \$100 of assessed valuation. These mill rates are in compliance with Section 24 of the Public School Code 6-672.1 (re-balancing). This resolution adopted this 19th day of May, 2009.

HOMESTEAD/
FARMSTEAD
EXCLUSION

RESOLVED: by the Board of Directors of Penn Cambria School District, that homestead and farmstead exclusion real estate tax assessment reductions are authorized for the school year beginning July 1, 2009, under the provisions of the Homestead Property Exclusion Program Act (part of Act 50 of 1998) and the Taxpayer Relief Act (Act 1 of 2006). (See Addendum “E”)

TITLE I, PART A,
IMPROVING BASIC
PROGRAMS, TITLE
II, PART A, IMPROV-
ING TEACHER QUAL-
ITY, TITLE II PART
D, TITLE V, PART A,
INNOVATIVE EDUCA-
TION—PUBLIC LAW
107-110, THE NO
CHILD LEFT BEHIND
ACT OF 2001

Miss Pyo offered a motion which was seconded by Mr. Albright and unanimously approved to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the attached **Parental Involvement Policy Statement** is approved. (See Addendum “F”)

APPOINTMENT OF
SCHOOL DISTRICT
SECRETARY

On a motion offered by Mr. Krug and seconded by Mr. Albright, the Board unanimously agreed to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That in accordance with Section 404 of the School Laws of Pennsylvania, Karen S. Claar be appointed as Secretary of the Penn Cambria School District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2013.

PROJECT
REFINANCING

A motion was offered by Mr. Creehan, seconded by Mrs. Claar, and approved unanimously to accept the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the Board of Directors does hereby approve a proposal for refinancing from Boenning & Scattergood, Inc. (the "Underwriter") for the purchase of the School District's General Obligation Bonds. The net return to the school district will be no less than \$100,000.

FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Directors does hereby authorize the sale at private negotiated sale and the issuance of Series A Bonds and Series B Bonds, in an estimated aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$9,675,000 and \$825,000, respectively, awards the Bonds to the Underwriter; approves the form of the Bonds; fixes the rates of interest to be paid; pledges the full faith and credit of the School District for the payment thereof; creates a sinking fund; and authorizes the proper officers to take the necessary steps to issue the Bonds. The funds to be obtained from the Bonds will be used to (a) current refund all of the School District's outstanding General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2004, (b) current refund the School District's outstanding General Obligation Notes, Series of 2003, and (c) to pay the costs of issuing and insuring the Bonds. (See Addendum "G")

ADJOURNMENT

Following a motion by Miss Pyo with a second by Mr. Krug, the Board approved the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That there being no further business, this meeting is adjourned at 7:52 PM.