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BOARD REPORT

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This report summarizes the actions taken by the Penn Cambria Board of Education at its regular meeting, June 23, 2015. Routine business, such as approval of minutes, treasurer's report, financial reports and payment of bills was accomplished. The Board also took the following actions:

- I. Designated depositories for school district funds for the fiscal year July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016.
- II. Authorized the Superintendent or her designee to invest funds from the various school district accounts in interest bearing accounts in compliance w/District Investment Policy.
- III. Authorized the Business Office to pay 2014-15 invoices as of June 30, 2015 that are received from the date of the regular meeting on June 23, 2015, up to and including June 30, 2015, and also make the necessary budgetary transfers as required in July.
- IV. Approved budget transfers under the 2014-15 general fund budget.
- V. Approved premiums for Multi-Peril Insurance, Workers' Compensation, Board Liability, Umbrella and Student Accident Insurance.
- VI. Authorized the Bollinger Insurance Company to provide voluntary Student Accident Insurance Coverage. Primary Basis premium for school-time coverage is \$30 and twenty-four hour coverage premium is \$113 and both will be available for parents to purchase.
- VII. Approved the acceptance of fuel bids as recommended by the Business Administrator.
- VIII. Set school breakfast/lunch/ala carte prices for 2015-16: Elementary breakfast (pre-k to grade 4) \$1.30 and lunch \$2.00; Secondary breakfast (grades 5 – 12) \$1.30 and lunch \$2.10; reduced prices remain \$.30 for breakfast and \$.40 for lunch.
- IX. Approved the Superintendent's personnel recommendations as follows:

APPROVED THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENTS

Mr. John Bianconi, Ashville, Physical Education Teacher, \$53,793, Master's Step 10, with benefits per PCEA contract, effective with the start of the 2015-2016 school year

Mr. Travis Welch, Ebensburg, Social Studies Teacher, \$35,193, Bachelor's Step 1, with benefits per PCEA contract, effective with the start of the 2015-2016 school year

Ms. Melissa Kane, Carrolltown, Science Teacher, \$38,593, Master's Step 2, with benefits per PCEA contract, effective with the start of the 2015-2016 school year

Ms. Jenna Montag, Johnstown, Language Arts Teacher, \$38,593, Bachelor's Step 3, with benefits per PCEA contract, effective with the start of the 2015-2016 school year

Mr. Keith Saleme, Cresson, Head Coach, Varsity Girls Basketball, effective immediately, stipend \$5848.20 (90% of \$6498 stipend with credit for previous coaching experience), per PCEA contract

Mr. Tom Creehan, Lilly, Volunteer Coach, Soccer, effective immediately

APPROVED LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE

Mr. Dylan Link, Ebensburg, Instructional I, Social Studies 7-12, long-term substitute for Ms. Jessica Burlingame, effective on or about September 3, 2015 through November 10, 2015, compensation per PCSD Administrative Regulation 305-AR

APPROVED SUBSTITUTE TEACHER

Mr. Bruce Frycklund, Windber, Instructional II, Health & Physical Education

APPROVED EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR STAFF

Teachers to be compensated at the extra-duty rate per PCEA contract; Aides at their hourly rate per PCESPA contract

Teachers:

Ms. Jenna Carland

Ms. Chelsey McMahon

Ms. Michele Smith

Ms. Natalie Watt

Ms. Adrienne Rabatin – Substitute

Ms. Brianna Gillin - Substitute

Ms. Lauren Madonna – Substitute

Speech Therapist:

Ms. Jocelyn Eger

Aides:

Ms. Connie McIntosh

Ms. Bev Nadolsky

Ms. Debora Rabatin

Ms. Diana Rieg

Ms. Erin Healy

Substitutes – All Board Approved Para-educators

Nurse: (To be shared with elementary summer school program)

Ms. Connie Cretin

RETAINED *Dr. Capriotti and Dr. Oravec* as school dentists, \$3.50 per exam.

RETAINED *Mainline Medical Associates* as school physicians at \$8.00 per student physical exam to provide services as requested by the district in accordance with the School Code.

ESTABLISHED the daily substitute teacher rate at \$80 for the 2015-2016 school year.

AUTHORIZED GRANT APPLICATIONS - Superintendent is authorized to apply for various state and federal grants, including those administered by PDE, and also is authorized to sign and file related contracts.

APPROVED salary increases effective July 1, 2015, for the Network Administrator and Facilities Manager, 2-5% based upon performance evaluation.

APPROVED salary increases of \$1200 for each of the confidential personnel in Central Office and the Computer Technician, effective July 1, 2015.

APPROVED salary increases of 2-5% effective July 1, 2015, for Act 93 personnel, Athletic Director and Business Administrator, per performance based contracts.

- X. Adopted the Final Budget for the 2015-2016 School Year, in the amount of \$24,079,357.
- XI. Accepted the Auditor General's Performance Audit Report recommendations and response for the years ended June 30, 2009 and 2010.
- XII. Appointed *Patricia Pyo* as Treasurer of the Penn Cambria School District for the fiscal year July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016.
- XIII. Approved the following Administrative Re-assignments effective July 1, 2015:
 - a. Ms. Cindy Pacifico, Principal Grades PreK-2
 - b. Mr. Jeff Baird, Principal Grades 7-8, with additional duties as assigned by the Superintendent
- XIV. Approved Mr. Dane Harrold, as Penn Cambria School District Principal Grades 3-6, effective July 1, 2015, at a salary of \$80,137 with benefits per PCSD Act 93 Agreement.
- XV. Approved Mr. James Abbott, Altoona, as Penn Cambria School District High School Principal, effective July 1, 2015, at an annual salary of \$88,000 with benefits per Act 93 Agreement.

- XVI. Authorized Altoona Area School District's ELECT Program to apply for and expend funds on behalf of the Penn Cambria School District through the AASD ELECT Consortium, to operate the ELECT program and activities for eligible students through 2018.
- XVII. Approved a request from the PCSD Softball Boosters for improvements to the HS Softball field and facilities at no cost to the district.
- XVIII. Approved the **second** reading and adoption of the following:
 - Policy 819: Suicide Prevention
 - Administrative Regulation 216-AR: Student Records Retention
- XIX. Scheduled a School Board Meeting on July 29, 2015 with a regular meeting for general purposes at 7:00 P.M. preceded by Committee of the Whole Meeting at 6:00 P.M. in the Library of the Penn Cambria High School.

ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

Ms. Carrie Conrad, Special Education Director, conveyed her excitement about the opportunity that has been granted to open a new classroom for our elementary students with Autism. Over the past couple of months a lot of focus has been put into this classroom and Mrs. Conrad highlighted the steps that have been taken up to this point. She stated that she is very proud of the special education program and will continue to strive to meet the needs of all students at Penn Cambria School District that have special needs.

HEARING OF VISITORS

Mr. Pyo expressed his gratitude to Mrs. Whited upon her retirement and wished her success with her future plans.