

# BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING

JANUARY 18, 2011 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, Sandy Evans, Jeanette Black, Bill Marshall, Dane Harrold, Jeff Baird, Cindy Pacifico, Dave Beck, Lewis Hale, Joe Geisweidt, Susan Veitch, Christen Perrone, Justin Eger, Jonna Nesbella, Elizabeth Wilt, Dave Campbell, Robin Lappi, George Edwards

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

**SPOTLIGHT**

*Brittany Hufford* and *Katelyn Miorelli* were selected to **PMEA District 6 Band**.

**Fall Sports Most Valuable Players– Laurel Highlands Athletic Conference**

Football – *Andrew Buck, Jordan Fuller, Anthony Guzic, Trevor McConnell*

Volleyball – *Stephanie Basile*

Cross Country – *Nick Frank* and *Jalynn Smithmyer*

Golf – *Kevin Quinn*

Soccer – *Kaitlyn Krug* and *Kate Reese*

Keystone Achievement Awards, given to schools achieving AYP for 2 consecutive years, were presented to Mr. Baird, Principal, PC Middle School as well as Mrs. Pacifico, Elementary Principal, for PC Primary School.

In honor of Board Appreciation Month, Mrs. Whited expressed her appreciation for the dedication of the Board of Directors.

APPROVAL OF  
MINUTES

A motion was offered by Miss Pyo, seconded by Mr. Behe, and approved unanimously by voice aye vote, to accept the following resolution:

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the organization and regular meeting held December 7, 2010, be approved as recorded in the copies mailed to the Board prior to this meeting.

PAYMENT  
OF BILLS

On a motion offered by Mrs. Claar and seconded by Mr. Albright, the Board unanimously passed the 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

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

**RESOLVED:** That the Treasurer's Reports for November and December, 2010, be accepted as mailed to the Board and that a copy be filed with the official records of the School District.

BUSINESS  
ADMINISTRATOR'S  
REPORT

On a motion duly made by Mr. Nileski, seconded by Mr. Krug, and affirmatively voted upon by all present, the Board approved the Business Administrator's Report by adopting the following resolutions:

FINANCIAL  
STATEMENTS

**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.

REVISION TO TAX  
WORKBOOKS

**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Education authorizes the payment to local tax collectors of \$1.00 (one dollar) for each addition, deletion or address change to the tax workbooks. The district's tax collector will provide guidelines for this compensation to the local tax collectors at the time new tax workbooks are distributed. The district's tax collector will validate all changes prior to reimbursement.

ANNUAL  
DONATIONS

**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Education authorizes the Business Administrator to continue past practice of making donations to local fire companies and libraries.

LOCAL AUDIT  
REPORT

**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Directors hereby accept the Auditor's Reporting Package for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010, as prepared and presented by Wessel & Company.

APPOINT LOCAL  
AUDITOR

**RESOLVED:** That Wessel & Company, Certified Public Accountants, located in Johnstown, PA, be authorized to conduct the annual audit for the Penn Cambria School District for three fiscal years, commencing with the current fiscal year ending June 30, 2011, base fees not to exceed \$20,100, \$20,700 and \$21,300 respectively. The audit will be conducted in accordance with Pennsylvania School Code and all applicable auditing and reporting requirements of the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

SOLICITOR'S  
REPORT

Ms. Bristol announced that Andrews and Beard are hosting an Education Law Seminar March 17, 2011 at the Blair County Convention Center. Formal invitations will be mailed in February.

SUPERINTENDENT'S  
RECOMMENDATIONS

Mr. Roberts offered the motion which was seconded by Mr. Krug and passed unanimously to adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLVED:** That the Superintendent's recommendations be approved as follows:

**1. APPROVE THE FOLLOWING PERSONNEL ACTIONS**

**A. ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING RETIREMENTS**

- *Ms. Jan Pehinec*, First Grade, PC Primary School, effective at end of 2010-2011 school year, following 25 years of service.
- *Ms. Mary Davis*, Fourth Grade, PC Intermediate School, effective at end of 2010-2011 school year, following 38 years of service.
- *Ms. Liz Wilt*, Computer Applications, PC Middle School, effective at end of 2010-2011 school year, following 36 years of service.
- *Ms. Janet Bozella*, Speech Therapist, PC Elementary Schools, effective at end of 2010-2011 school year, following 33 years of service.
- *Ms. Carol Wess*, Special Education, PC High School, effective at end of 2010-2011 school year, following 30 years of service.

**B. ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING RESIGNATIONS**

1. *Mr. Robert Morgart*, Substitute Custodian, effective 1/14/2011, to accept other employment.
2. *Mr. Benjamin Kalwasinski*, Custodian, effective 11/24/2010, to accept other employment.

**C. APPROVE COACHING APPOINTMENTS**

1. *Ms. Marissa Cerully*, Assistant Coach Cross Country, effective 2011-2012 season. Stipend \$1689.80 per PCEA contract.
2. *Ms. Marissa Cerully*, Assistant Coach Girls Track, effective 2010-2011 season. Stipend \$1603.70 per PCEA contract

**D. APPROVE ADDITIONAL SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS**

1. *Mr. Anthony Cortese*, Hollsopple, IU8 Certified
2. *Mr. Darryl Decoskey* Hollidaysburg, IU8 Certified
3. *Ms. Sarah Wolford*, Portage, IU8 Certified

**E. APPROVE SUBSTITUTE CUSTODIAN**

1. *Mr. Douglass Dietrich*, Loretto

**F. REMOVE FROM SUBSTITUTE LIST**

1. *Thomas Minana*, Substitute Teacher
2. *Stephanie Griffin*, Substitute Teacher
3. *Theodore Pisula*, Substitute Custodian

**G. APPROVE EXTRACURRICULAR POSITION**

1. Science Olympiad Advisor, *Ms. Deborah McCool*, Stipend \$1128 per PCEA contract.

**H. DELETE OBSOLETE EXTRACURRICULAR POSITION**

1. Odyssey of the Mind Advisor
2. Odyssey of the Mind Advisor Assistant
3. Scholastic Scrimmage Advisor

**I. UNPAID LEAVE**

1. Deny request for extension of unpaid leave for Sharon Smith

**2. APPROVE CURRICULUM MAPS**

1. U.S. History 2
2. Honors U.S. History 2
3. English Composition 9
4. Honors English Composition 9
5. Anatomy & Physiology 2

OTHER BUSINESS

A motion was offered by Mr. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Nileski, and unanimously approved to adopt the following resolutions:

GRANT  
AUTHORIZATION

**RESOLVED:** That the Superintendent is authorized to apply for grants, including state, federal and private foundations, to sign for the Directors citing this resolution; and when successful, to submit required contracts.

RESOLUTION IN LIEU OF  
PRELIMINARY BUDGET

**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Directors, in lieu of adopting a preliminary budget will not raise the rate of any tax for the support of public schools for 2011-2012 fiscal year by more than its index (2%).

TRANSPORTATION  
CONTRACT

**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Directors of Penn Cambria School District enter into an agreement with Wilkinson Bus Lines, Inc., to provide transportation for students of the District for both normal school and extracurricular activities from 7/1/2013 through 6/30/2016.

SCHOOL PICTURE'S  
CONTRACT

**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Directors enter into an agreement with Henry's Studio, for school pictures from 7/1/2011 through 6/30/2016.

INFORMATION ITEMS

First reading of the following:  
2011-2012 School Calendar  
Policy 718 Service Animals in the Schools  
Administrative Regulation 123-AR-3:Recognition of Student Athletes

ADMINISTRATOR'S  
REPORT

Mr. Lewis Hale, Network Administrator, reported on district technology.  
Ms. Christen Perrone, Food Service Director presented an update on cafeteria events. Additionally Ms. Perrone and her staff prepared an impressive array of refreshments as a special thank you for Board Appreciation Month.

HEARING OF  
VISITORS

Mr. Dave Campbell extended an invitation to Board Members on behalf of PCEA to attend a dinner honoring their commitment and dedication.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was offered by Mr. Roberts, seconded by Miss Pyo, and approved unanimously to adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLVED:** That there being no further business, this meeting is adjourned at 7:30 PM.