

PENN CAMBRIA SCHOOL DISTRICT

201 6TH STREET
CRESSON, PENNSYLVANIA 16630

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting

January 15, 2013

MEMBERS: Pat Albright, Lawrence Behe, Karen Claar, JoAnn Ivory, Terry Krug, Henry Nileski, George Pyo, Patricia Pyo, Justin Roberts

A Regular Meeting of the Penn Cambria School District Board of Education was called to order by George Pyo, President, at 7:00 P.M., Tuesday, January 15, 2013 in the Library of the Penn Cambria High School.

ROLL CALL WAS TAKEN:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Pat Albright
Mr. Larry Behe
Mrs. Karen Claar
Mr. Henry Nileski
Mr. George Pyo
Miss Patricia Pyo
Mr. Justin Roberts

TOTAL 7

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Terry Krug
Mrs. JoAnn Ivory

TOTAL 2

AMONG OTHERS PRESENT:

Mrs. Mary Beth Whited, Superintendent
Ms. Sandra Evans, Business Administrator
Ms. Emily Bristol, School Solicitor– Andrews & Beard Law Offices
Mrs. Jeanette Black, Director of Curriculum & Instruction
Mr. Dave Beck, Facilities Manager
Mr. William Marshall, High School Principal
Mr. Dane Harrold, Assistant High School Principal
Mrs. Cindy Pacifico, Elementary Schools Principal
Mr. Jeff Baird, Middle School Principal
Mrs. Carrie Conrad, Special Education Director
Mr. Lewis Hale, Network Administrator
Mrs. Christen Perrone, Food Service Director
Mr. Joe Geisweidt, Nutrition, Inc

Mrs. Kim Beck, Recording Secretary
Mr. Justin Eger, Reporter – Mainline Newspapers
Mrs. Robin Lappi, President, PCESPA
Ms. Kimberly Sanders, Student
Ms. Shawna Ramsey, Student
Mr. Calvin Venesky, Student
Ms. Lex Dignan, Student
Ms. Kaylee Ronan, Student
Mr. James Mardula, Student
Mr. Gene Pietrowski, Student
Mr. Mike Szpala, Student
Mr. Todd Proudfit, Parent
Mr. James Green, Parent
Ms. Toni Green, Parent

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the following were the items of business and discussion

SPOTLIGHT ON STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

PC students qualifying for PMEA District Band

Monica Lee, Piccolo 2 – second overall in District 6*

Shawna Ramsey, Piccolo 1 – first overall in District 6*

Courtney Ruckinger, Trumpet

*(Monica and Shawna qualified on both Flute and Piccolo)

PC students named to All-State teams

Taylor Freeman and *Tori Shingler*, Class AA Volleyball

Mack Behe, Class AA Football

Keystone Achievement Awards, recognizing achievement of AYP for two consecutive years, were received for Penn Cambria Primary and Middle Schools. The awards were presented to the principals and will be displayed in the buildings.

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 Mrs. Claar, and approved unanimously by voice aye vote, to accept the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the regular meeting held December 4, 2012, be approved as recorded in the copies mailed to the Board prior to this meeting.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

A motion was offered by Mr. Albright, seconded by Mr. Behe, and approved unanimously by voice aye vote, to accept 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

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

RESOLVED: That the Treasurer’s Reports for November and December, 2012, 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

A motion was offered by Mrs. Claar, seconded by Mr. Roberts, and approved unanimously by voice aye vote, to accept the following resolutions:

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

RESOLVED: That the reports of grants, projects and federal programs and current budget reports for the general fund, capital reserve 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”)

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 will provide guidelines for this compensation to the local tax collectors at the time new tax workbooks are distributed. The district's Business Administrator will validate all changes prior to payment.

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, 2012 and Real Estate Tax Collector Audit Report for the period ended January 15, 2012, as prepared and presented by Wessel & Company.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Ms. Bristol updated the Board on the Governor's budget.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

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

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

APPROVE THE FOLLOWING PERSONNEL ACTIONS

APPROVE LETTER OF INTENT TO RETIRE

Ms. Joan Casale, Art, at the end of the current school year, with 25.8 years of service

Mr. Tim Whited, Social Studies, at the end of the current school year, with 26.7 years of service

Ms. Deborah Leberfinger, Elementary, at the end of the current school year, with 34.78 years of service

Ms. Karen Jones, Gifted Education, at the end of the current school year, with 32.92 years of service

ACCEPT FOLLOWING RESIGNATION

Ms. Cheri Heiss, Food Service, effective December 21, 2012

APPROVE LEAVE REQUESTS

Ms. Loretta McCoy, intermittent FMLA, up to 12 weeks inclusive of available paid leave options, effective 12/12/2012

Ms. April Gergely, 6-8 weeks maternity leave inclusive of paid leave options, effective on or before February 9, 2013

Ms. Amanda Mullen, extension of maternity leave retroactive from Tuesday, November 27 through Friday, December 17, 2012

APPROVE APPOINTMENTS

Ms. Janice Cox, Food Service, from 3.0 hour position at PC Middle School to 4.75 hour position at PC Pre-Primary School, effective January 16, 2013

APPROVE LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE FOR MATERNITY/PARENTING LEAVE

Mr. Jason Zaffuto, Ebensburg, Long Term Substitute for Ms. Gergely's maternity leave, effective on or about February 9, 2013

APPROVE SUBSTITUTE TEACHER

Ms. Kourie Ofcansky, Greensburg, Special Education N-12/Elementary K-6

REMOVE THE FOLLOWING SUBSTITUTES

Mr. Bret Berkhimer, Substitute Teacher

Ms. Nicole Brooks, Substitute Teacher

Ms. Kristyn Dudinack, Substitute Teacher

Ms. Kristine Durbin, Substitute Teacher

Ms. Katlyn Durica, Substitute Teacher

Ms. Danielle Eckert, Substitute Teacher

Ms. Amanda Grice, Substitute Teacher

Ms. Julie Hoover, Substitute Teacher

Ms. Lauren Lender, Substitute Teacher

Mr. Ethan Maneval, Substitute Teacher

Mr. Kyle Nale, Substitute Teacher

Mr. William Noyle, Substitute Teacher

Ms. Stephanie Sharp, Substitute Teacher

Ms. Emily Stephens, Substitute Teacher

APPROVE ADDITIONAL SUBSTITUTE SUPPORT STAFF

Ms. Karen Konwinsky, Cresson, Food Service

Ms. Robin Lee, Lilly, Food Service

Ms. Annette Smychynsky, Lilly, Food Service

Ms. Georgeann Spade, Ebensburg, Food Service/Aide

APPROVE REVISED CURRICULUM MAP(S)

Physical Education – all grade levels

NEW BUSINESS

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

POLICY UPDATES

RESOLVED: That the Board approve the following updated policy:
Policy 331-AR Job Related Expenses

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

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.

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

LHAC PARTICIPATION

RESOLVED: That the Board approve the letter of commitment for continued participation in the LHAC for the 2013 through 2017 school years.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board adjourned to Executive Session at 7:20 P.M. They returned to the Regular Session at 7:46 P.M. A motion was offered by Mrs. Claar, seconded by Mr. Nileski, to approve Mr. Dane Harrold as interim Athletic Director at \$100 per day, until such time as the position is permanently filled.

ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

Mr. Lewis Hale, Network Administrator updated the Board on district technology.

Ms. Christen Perrone, Food Service Director presented an update on cafeteria events.

ADJOURNMENT

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

RESOLVED: That there being no further business, this meeting is adjourned at 7:59 P.M.