

# BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING

MARCH 17, 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, Sandy Evans, Jason Imler, Jeanette Black, John Lizik, Bill Marshall, Jeff Baird, Cindy Pacifico, Paul Haber, Dave Beck, Lewis Hale, Christen Perrone, Justin Eger, Judy Muldoon, Dave Campbell

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

### SPOTLIGHT ON ACHIEVEMENT

Mrs. Whited highlighted staff & student achievements in the following areas:

- *Penn Cambria Intermediate School* has been named by Pennsylvania Department of Education as a *Distinguished Title I School* for 2008-2009 school year. PDE analyzed math data from 2007 & 2008 PSSA results to determine recipients.
- *Evan Link*, Silver Medalist, State Wrestling Tournament
- *John Julian*, LHAC MVP, Wrestling
- *Joe Dziabo*, LHAC MVP, Boys' Basketball
- *Olivia Urbanek*, LHAC MVP, Girls' Basketball

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the regular meeting held February 17, 2009, be approved as recorded in the copies mailed to the Board prior to this meeting.

PAYMENT  
OF  
BILLS

On a motion offered by Mr. Albright and seconded by Mr. Krug, 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. Roberts offered a motion which was 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. Roberts, seconded by Mrs. Claar, 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. (See Addendum "C")

AUDITING SERVICES

**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Directors authorizes an addendum to the current contract between Penn Cambria School District and Wessel & Company to conduct audits of school taxes collected by the 13 local tax collectors. Audits will be conducted on a 3-year cycle beginning with the current fiscal year. The estimated cost will range between \$750 and \$1000 per audit.

SOLICITOR'S  
REPORT

Mr. Imler stated that the date for timed mediation has not been set, but will notify the board as soon as he has that information. Mr. Imler did request an Executive Session following the regular meeting to discuss personnel, litigation and negotiation matters.

SUPERINTENDENT'S  
RECOMMENDATIONS

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

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

**A. APPROVE THE FOLLOWING PERSONNEL ACTIONS**

**1. ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING RESIGNATIONS**

- a. *Mr. Dominic Ricupero* and *Mr. Bill Bendis*, Assistant Coaches, JV Baseball.

**2. APPROVE FOLLOWING COACHING APPOINTMENTS**

- a. *Mr. Darren J. McClaurin*, Assistant Varsity Football Coach for 2009-2010 school year. Stipend per PCEA contract.
- b. *Mr. Jed Soyka*, Assistant Girls' Track Coach. Position and stipend (1/2 of \$1491.70 or \$745.85) to be shared with *Ms. Rochelle Jones*.
- c. *Mr. Ian Casher*, Assistant JV Baseball Coach at \$1213.80 stipend per PCEA contract, effective immediately.
- d. *Ms. Barbara Trybus*, Assistant Varsity Softball Coach, at \$1213.80 stipend per PCEA contract, effective immediately.

**3. PROMOTE SUBSTITUTE TO FULLTIME**

- a. *Mr. Fred Illig, Sr.*, Gallitzin, to fill 3rd shift custodian vacancy at PCHS. Hourly rate per PCESPA contract.

**4. APPROVE TEMPORARY TITLE I MATH SUPPORT**

- a. Effective March 18 through the end of the 2009-2010 school year, *Dana Despoy* and *Nichole Stohon* will provide Title I math support at the Intermediate, Primary and Pre-Primary Schools. Salary of \$27,500 pro-rated per diem.

**5. APPROVE ADDITIONAL SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS**

- a. *Mr. Lance M. Grimes*, Altoona, Instructional I, Elementary / Special Education.
- b. *Mr. Thomas Asiago*, Hollidaysburg, IU08 Emergency Permit

**6. APPROVE SUBSTITUTE FOOD SERVICE WORKERS**

- a. *Ms. Cherri Heiss*, Lilly
- b. *Ms. Kelly Marshall*, Loretto

**7. APPROVE FLMA**

- a. *Mrs. Adrienne Rabatin*, Maternity/FMLA to begin on or about April 29, 2009, through the end of the current school year.
- b. *Ms. Rhonda Simanski*, intermittent FMLA through the end of the current school year.
- c. *Ms. Patty Frank*, intermittent FMLA through the end of the current school year.
- d. *Ms. Christine Patterson*, intermittent FMLA through exhaustion of FMLA.

**B. APPROVE OUT-OF-STATE FIELD TRIP**

- 1. Honors U.S. History I classes to Smithsonian Museum of American History, Saturday, May 23, 2009.

GENERAL FUND  
BUDGET IU8  
2009-2010

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

**RESOLVED:** That the Board approves the General Fund Budget, 2009-2010, for IU 8 including a total contribution of \$173,000 from the 35 participating school districts. Penn Cambria’s share is \$4,583.59.

ADMINISTRATOR’S  
REPORT

This being *Mr. Paul Haber’s* first year as School Psychologist as a Penn Cambria employee, he explained the role of the school psychologist and shared the duties and goals of his position.

EXECUTIVE  
SESSION

As requested by the solicitor, and following a motion offered by Mr. Roberts and seconded by Mr. Albright the Board adjourned to Executive Session at 7:26 PM. Mr. Roberts and Mr. Creehan excused themselves from Executive Session at 8 PM when discussion turned to negotiations. Board adjourned Executive Session at 8:25 PM on a motion by Mr. Behe and a second by Mr. Nileski.

ADJOURNMENT

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

**RESOLVED:** That there being no further business, this meeting is adjourned at 8:26 PM.