

PENN CAMBRIA SCHOOL DISTRICT

201 6TH STREET
CRESSON, PENNSYLVANIA 16630

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting

May 20, 2014

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, May 20, 2014 in the Library of the Penn Cambria High School.

ROLL CALL WAS TAKEN:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

TOTAL..... 6

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Larry Behe
Mrs. JoAnn Ivory
Mr. Terry Krug

TOTAL..... 3

AMONG OTHERS PRESENT:

Mrs. Mary Beth Whited, Superintendent
Ms. Sandra Evans, Business Administrator
Mr. Ron Repak, School Solicitor – Andrews & Beard Law Offices
Mrs. Jeanette Black, Director of Curriculum & Instruction
Mr. William Marshall, High School Principal
Mr. Dane Harrold, Assistant High School Principal
Mr. Jeff Baird, Middle School Principal
Mrs. Cindy Pacifico, Elementary Schools Principal
Mr. Dave Beck, Facilities Manager

Ms. Caitlin Sowers, High School Art Teacher
Ms. Tammy Weakland, Middle School Art Teacher
Ms. Samantha Cretin, Elementary Schools Art Teacher
Mrs. Kim Beck, Recording Secretary
Mr. Rachel Vasilko, Reporter – Mainline Newspapers
Ms. Deb Baker, President, PCEA
Mrs. Robin Lappi, PCESPA President
Ms. Toni Green, parent

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

ART SPOTLIGHT

Elementary Students:

- Grade 1** Jake Waddell
- Grade 2** Madison Farabaugh
Aarika Jacobs
- Grade 3** Abigail Crossman
Julia Gil
Emily Hite
Austin Wagner
- Grade 4** Connor Heiss
Bayle Kunsman
Nick Wirfel

Middle School Students:

- Grade 5** Brody Vinglish
- Grade 7** Dani Capraun
Kendra Chapaloney
Makelyn Clapper
Ryanna Hockenos
Stephen Nileski
- Grade 8** Miche' Burkett
Raimee Eger
Lexie Strittmatter
Anna Sweeney

High School Students:

- Grade 9** Kaitlin Hollen
Stefanie Madonna
- Grade 11** Lily Bailey
Lily Krull
- Grade 12** Sara Flis
Brandy Gibbons
Dylan Olsick
Dean Pacino
Allissa Reese
Nathan Vinglas

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the regular meeting held April 15, 2014, be approved as recorded in the copies mailed to the Board prior to this meeting.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

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

RESOLVED: That the Treasurer's Report for April 2014, 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 Mr. Albright, seconded by Miss Pyo, and approved unanimously by voice aye vote, to accept the following resolutions:

FINANCIAL REPORTS

RESOLVED: That the reports of grants, projects and federal programs and financial 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")

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 capital tax had been levied for the school fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, 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, 2014 and ending June 30, 2015.

RE-ENACTMENT 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 levied for the school year ending June 30, 2014, for general school purposes, are hereby re-enacted without change for the school fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, and ending June 30, 2015: The Act 511 taxes includes:

- i. Real Estate Transfer Tax (.5%)
- ii. Earned Income Tax (.5%)
- iii. Per Capita Tax (\$5.00)
- iv. Flat Occupation Tax (Gainfully Employed Tax) (\$5.00)
- v. Local Services Tax (formerly Occupation Privilege Tax) (\$5.00)

AUTHORIZE SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR TO INVOICE FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES

RESOLVED: That the Board of School Directors hereby authorizes 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 2013-2014.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Mr. Repak requested that the Board go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing pending litigation.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board unanimously approved adjournment to Executive Session on a motion by Mr. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Nileski at 7:40 PM. A motion was offered by Mr. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Nileski, and approved unanimously by aye vote, to adjourn the Executive Session at 7:56 PM.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

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

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

APPROVE SUBSTITUTE TEACHER

- Ms. Rebecca Brown*, Ebensburg, Instructional I, Early Childhood PK-4
- Ms. Maren Jubas**, Duncansville, Instructional I, Early Childhood PK-4
- Mr. Timothy Michrina**, Portage, Instructional I, Secondary English
- Ms. Amy Oberholtzer**, Loretto, Instructional I, Early Childhood PK-4
- Ms. Emily Russell**, Martinsburg, Instructional I, Early Childhood PK-4

*Pending Certification

APPROVE 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. Megan Frederick*
- Ms. Chelsey Sheehan*
- Mr. Joe Smorto*
- Ms. Pat Tarwater – Substitute*

Speech Therapists:

Ms. Amanda Morningstar – Contracted through Portage Area School District

Ms. Amanda Stefanik – Substitute

Aides:

Ms. Loretta McCoy

Ms. Connie McIntosh

Ms. Bev Nadolsky

Ms. Debora Rabatin

Ms. Diana Rieg

Ms. Ruth Taylor

Ms. Susan Thomas – Substitute

Nurses:

Ms. Dot Storm

Ms. Leah Montgomery

REMOVE SUBSTITUTES

Ms. Marlana Malcotti, IU08 EP Substitute Teacher

Ms. Christina Knott, Substitute Food Service

AUDIT REPORT

Acknowledge receipt of the Commonwealth Law Enforcement Assistance Network (CLEAN) Audit Report. (See Addendum “D”)

NEW BUSINESS

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

ADOPTION OF PROPOSED FINAL BUDGET FOR 2014-2015

RESOLVED: That in accordance with Section 687 of the School Laws of Pennsylvania, a Proposed Final Budget for the 2014-2015 fiscal year, beginning July 1, 2014, and ending June 30, 2015, 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 “E”)

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

MILLAGE LEVY FOR 2014-2015 FISCAL 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, 2014 and ending June 30, 2015, a tax of fifty-two and eighty-two hundredths (52.82) mills or \$5.282 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 seventy-three and eighty-one hundredths (73.81) mills or \$7.381 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 20th day of May, 2014.

Minutes of the May 20, 2014 Board of Education Meeting

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

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, 2014, 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). Complete resolution to be made a part of the minutes. (See Addendum “F”)

INFORMATION ITEMS

Second reading of Proposed Board Policies

Policy 215: Promotion/Transfer/Retention

Policy 217: Graduation Requirements

Administrative Regulation 217-AR: Graduation Requirements

(See Addendum “G”)

HEARING OF VISITORS

A parent questioned the Board regarding communication with parents when incidents occur.

ADJOURNMENT

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

RESOLVED: That there being no further business, this meeting is adjourned at 8:13 p.m.