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 19, 2015 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. Terry Krug
Mr. Henry Nileski
Mr. George Pyo
Miss Patricia Pyo
Mr. Justin Roberts

TOTAL .................. 8

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mrs. JoAnn Ivory

TOTAL .................. 1

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
Mrs. Carrie Conrad, Special Education Coordinator
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. Ann Ciavarella, High School Art Teacher
Ms. Tammy Weakland, Middle School Art Teacher
Mrs. Samantha Cretin, Elementary Schools Art Teacher
Mrs. Kim Beck, Recording Secretary
Mr. Brian Fronk, Reporter – Mainline Newspapers
Ms. Deb Baker, President, PCEA
Mrs. Robin Lappi, PCESPA President
Mr. Greg Shingle, Teacher
Ms. Lisa Dillon, Teacher

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the following were the items of business and discussion.
ANNOUNCEMENT
Congratulations to PCHS Senior Mike Eckenrode on his 1st Team selection to the Pennsylvania Wrestling Coaches Association All-Academic Team. Mike has a 4.0 GPA, and was 1 of only 19 Seniors in PA to have been awarded this honor. PC Senior Nolan Link, with a 3.6 GPA, was a 3rd Team selection.

ART SPOTLIGHT
Elementary Students:
Grade 1 Haylee Bisignano
Grant Gides
Masyn Hann
Grade 2 Jordan Bateman
Marcus Eckenrode
Reese Swires
Grade 3 Sienna Bianconi
Jacob Poldiak
Grade 4 Aliya O’Donnell
Lily Sheehan

Middle School Students:
Southern Allegheny Museum of Art Show
Grade 7 Kaitlyn Eger
Makenzie Shuangis
Grade 8 Laken Guzic
Victoria Kochara
Jason McElheny
Grade 8/9 Lauren Michina

Arts and Bloom Show
Grade 5 Noah Noel
Grade 7 Alyssa Crynock
Zoey Hartline
Hannah Krug
Sydnie Reese
Grade 8 Sydney Cannonie
Chris Freeman
Gabby Long
Anna Smith

High School Students:
Grade 9 Cassidy Myers
Kayla Simanski
Abigail Williamson
Hannah Grace Wirfel
Grade 10 Jocelynn Galat
Samantha Osman
Alexis Strittmatter
Tyler Weakland
Hannah Westin
Grade 11 Amber Waite
Grade 12 Casey Williams

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 21, 2015, 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. 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. Krug, and approved unanimously by voice aye vote, to accept the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the Treasurer’s Report for April 2015, 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. Nileski, seconded by Mr. Albright, 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, 2015, 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, 2015 and ending June 30, 2016.

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, 2015, for general school purposes, are hereby re-enacted without change for the school fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2016: 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 2014-2015.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT
Mr. Repak verbally shared with the board a recent publication in the Education Law Report regarding inequitable funding.
SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATIONS
A motion was offered by Mr. Roberts, 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 LETTER OF INTENT TO RETIRE
Ms. Patricia Strenko, Language Arts Teacher, PC Middle School, effective the end of the 2014-2015 school year, after 19 years at Penn Cambria

ACCEPT RESIGNATIONS
Mr. Jordan Fees, Patton, Special Education PK-8/Early Childhood PK-4, Long-Term substitute for the remainder of the 2014-2015 school year

Mr. Jason Grassi Assistant Coach, Boys Varsity Basketball, effective immediately

APPROVE LEAVE REQUEST
Ms. Jessica Burlingame, Social Studies Teacher, PC High School, FMLA/Maternity leave effective on or about September 3, 2015 through November 10, 2015

APPROVE APPOINTMENTS
Ms. Amy Bistline, Duncansville, School Nurse, Bachelor’s Step 1, salary $34,771 with benefits per PCEA contract, prorated through the end of the current school year, effective May 22, 2015

Mr. J Douglas Skrout, Wilmore, Full-Time Custodian, 3rd Shift, PC High School, effective May 20, 2015. Wages $9.15 per hour plus shift differential and benefits, per PCESPA contract

Mr. David Warfield, Patton, Full-Time Custodian, 2nd Shift, PC High School, effective May 20, 2015. Wages $9.15 per hour plus shift differential and benefits, per PCESPA contract

Mr. Jason Grassi, Head Coach, Junior High Boys Basketball, effective immediately, stipend $3370 (100% of $3370 stipend with credit for previous coaching experience), per PCEA contract
(Mrs. Claar abstained from voting on this recommendation)

APPROVE SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS
Ms. Abby Bono*, Cresson, Instructional I, Early Childhood PK-4/Special Education PK-8
Ms. Julie Koban*, Portage, Instructional I, Early Childhood PK-4/Special Education PK-8
Mr. Dylan Link*, Ebensburg, Instructional I, Social Studies 7-12

*Pending Certification

REMOVE SUBSTITUTES
Ms. Mandy Eger, Substitute Aide/Food Service
Mr. Jordan Fees, LTS
Ms. Janeen LeComte, Substitute RN
Ms. Tiffnay Parker, Substitute Aide/Food Service/Secretary
Mr. David Pollino, Substitute Teacher
Ms. Miranda Powell, Substitute Teacher
Ms. Laura Scheeler, Substitute Teacher
Ms. Laken Smith, Substitute Teacher
Mr. John-Michael Werking, Substitute Teacher
NEW BUSINESS
A motion was offered by Mr. Albright, seconded by Mr. Krug, and approved unanimously by voice aye vote, to accept the following resolution:

ADOPTION OF PROPOSED FINAL BUDGET FOR 2015-2016
RESOLVED: That in accordance with Section 687 of the School Laws of Pennsylvania, a Proposed Final Budget for the 2015-2016 fiscal year, beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2016, 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 “D”)

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

MILLAGE LEVY FOR 2015-2016 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, 2015 and ending June 30, 2016, 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 nineteen hundredths (73.19) mills or $7.319 per $100 of assessed valuation. These mill rates are in compliance with Section 24 of the Public School Code 6-672.1 (rebalancing). This resolution adopted this 19th day of May, 2015.

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, 2015, 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 “E”)

NATURAL GAS PRICING CONTRACT ADJUSTMENT
RESOLVED: That the Board approve a modification of the current Penn Cambria School District Natural Gas Supply Agreement with Dominion Retail, to reduce the contracted price to $0.57/Dth for the remaining months of June through December, 2015. This is a 13% decrease, which will save the district an estimated $4970 through December 30, 2015.

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

ROLL CALL VOTE:
YES: Mr. Behe, Mrs. Claar, Mr. Krug, Mr. Nileski, Miss Pyo, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Albright, Mr. Pyo
NO: 0

RATIFICATION OF AGREEMENT WITH PENN CAMBRIA EDUCATION ASSOCIATION
RESOLVED: That the Board of Directors hereby ratify the successor agreement with PCEA which covers the period from August 21, 2015 through August 20, 2019.
A motion was offered by Mr. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Krug, and approved unanimously by voice aye vote, to accept the following resolutions:

**PROPOSED ELEMENTARY AUTISTIC SUPPORT CLASS**
**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Directors approve a proposed Elementary Autistic Support Class at PCSD for the 2015-2016 school year pending PDE BSE approval.

**ADDITIONAL VOLUNTEER CHAPERONE**
**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Directors approve the following additional volunteer chaperone:
To accompany qualifying students to the 2015 National Forensics Competition
Mr. Bill Wilkinson

**5TH GRADE ORIENTATION PROGRAM PROPOSAL**
**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Directors approve a revised Back to School night for students entering 5th Grade at PC Middle School for the 2015-2016 School Year. PC Middle School staff will conduct a separate orientation and Back to School night for students entering 5th Grade at PC Middle School, to enhance their transition to the Middle School environment. (See Addendum “F”)

**GALLITZIN NATURAL GAS PIPELINE PROJECT**
**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Directors approve Penn Cambria School District participation in the proposed Gallitzin Natural Gas Pipeline expansion project. The district selects the payment option with the understanding that the District may pay off the remaining balance of the amount financed for the Company Pipeline in full, at any time, without penalty.

**GIRLS SOCCER CO-OP WITH PORTAGE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT**
**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Directors approve a Co-op agreement for Girls Soccer with Portage Area School District to take effect with the 2016-2017 school year.

**INFORMATION ITEMS**
**First reading of Proposed Board Policies**
Policy 819: Suicide Prevention
Administrative Regulation 216-AR: Student Record Retention
(See Addendum “G”)

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

**RESOLVED:** That there being no further business, this meeting is adjourned at 7:53 p.m.