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BOARD REPORT

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This report summarizes the actions taken by the Penn Cambria Board of Education at its regular meeting, April 15, 2014. Routine business, approval of minutes, treasurer's report, financial reports and payment of bills was accomplished. The Board took the following actions:

- I. Agreed to enter into a contract with Nutrition, Inc., to provide food service management services for the district's cafeterias. The contract is for a period of one year beginning on or about July 1, 2014, and ending June 30, 2015, with up to four one-year renewals with mutual agreement between the district and Nutrition.
- II. Approved to amend the Business Resolution of Authority with First National Bank, adding the Penn Cambria Renaissance Foundation, Inc. checking account.
- III. Approved the 2014-2015 budget for Admiral Peary Area Vocational-Technical School as presented and endorsed by the Superintendent's Advisory Committee and the Joint Operating Committee of Admiral Peary Area Vocational-Technical School.
- IV. Approved the Superintendent's personnel recommendations as follows:

ACCEPTED RESIGNATIONS

Ms. Kayla Leberfinger, Head Coach Junior High Cheerleading, effective immediately

Ms. Autumn Kirsch, Autistic Support Teacher, PCHS, effective at the end of the 2013-2014 school year

APPROVED LEAVE REQUEST

Ms. Sharon Diehl, FMLA, up to 12 weeks inclusive of available paid leave options, retroactive to March 19, 2014

APPROVED APPOINTMENT

Ms. Judy Costlow, Cresson, from substitute Food Service worker to 3 hour Food Service worker at PC High School, effective April 16, 2014, wages \$8.65/hour per PCESPA contract

APPROVED SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

Ms. Bridget Laich, Altoona, Instructional I, Elementary K-6

Ms. Cher Noel, Patton, IU08 EP

Ms. Lisa Treese, Duncansville, Instructional II, Elementary K-6

APPROVED SUBSTITUTE SUPPORT STAFF

Ms. Kelly Marshall, Loretto, Substitute Food Service/Aide

APPROVED BUS DRIVER

Mr. Boyd Mundwilder, Ebensburg

REMOVED THE FOLLOWING SUBSTITUTES

Ms. Megan Detwiler, Substitute Teacher

Ms. Margaret Eberhart, IU08 Substitute Teacher

Ms. Coryn Thompson, Substitute Teacher

APPROVED CURRICULUM MAP(S)

Approved completed curriculum maps for the following courses:

Advanced European History

Keystone Biology I (revision)

Honors Keystone Biology I (revision)

Earth/Environment (revision)

Honors Earth and Environment (revision)

APPROVED 2014-2015 SCHOOL CALENDAR

SET GRADUATION LOCATION, DATE AND TIME

Graduation will be held at 2:00 PM, Saturday, June 7, 2014 in the Maurice Stokes Gymnasium at Saint Francis University.

- V. Approved a contract renewal for Business Administrator, *Sandra Evans*, effective, July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017.
- VI. Approved an energy services contract with Schneider Electric Buildings Americas, Inc, for entry-way modifications to Penn Cambria High School, Penn Cambria Middle School, Penn Cambria Intermediate School, Penn Cambria Primary School, Penn Cambria Pre-Primary School and the Penn Cambria Administration Office. The total cost of the project shall be \$269,557.
- VII. Approved revised bus routes/runs effective May 1, 2014, due to Rte. 53 bridge replacement project. These revisions will remain in effect through the project completion [estimated to be November 5, 2014].
- VIII. Approved an out of state conference for 11 qualified students and chaperones to attend the National Forensics Competition in Chicago, Illinois, May 22-26, 2014.
- IX. Approved the following volunteer chaperones:
To accompany qualifying students to National Forensics Competition
- a. **Ms. Kim Terek**
 - b. **Ms. Mandie Manning**
- To accompany Kindergarten on their May 20th field trip
- a. **Ms. Maren Jubas**
 - b. **Ms. Emily Russell**
- X. Approved the second reading and adoption of the following policies:
Policy 103.1: Non-discrimination - Qualified Student with Disabilities
Policy 718: Service Animals in the Schools
Policy 907 School Visitors
Policy 920: School Volunteers
Administrative Regulation 920-AR: School Volunteers
- XI. Ratified the successor agreement with PCESPA which covers the period from July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017.

INFORMATION ITEMS

First reading of proposed Board Policies

Policy 215: Promotion/Transfer/Retention

Policy 217: Graduation Requirements

Administrative Regulation 217-AR: Graduation Requirements

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ms. Carrie Conrad, Special Education Director, reviewed the activities and results of the recently completed cyclical monitoring of the Special Education Department; formal report expected in May 2014. She stated that she is very proud of the special education program and will continue to strive to meet the needs of all students at Penn Cambria School District that have special needs.

HEARING OF VISITORS

Kelly Cernetich, reporter for the Altoona Mirror addressed the Board inquiring about the time frame of the entry-way modifications project. Mr. Pyo responded that this is a summer project and all modifications are expected to be completed before the start of the new school year.