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BOARD REPORT
CAMBRIA

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This report summarizes the actions taken by the Penn Cambria Board of Education at its regular meeting, January 20, 2015. Routine business, such as approval of minutes, treasurer's report, payment of bills, and financial reports was accomplished. The Board also took the following actions:

- I. Authorized payment of \$1 to local tax collectors for each addition, deletion, or address change made to their tax workbooks.
- II. Authorized the Business Manager to continue past practice of making donations to local fire companies and libraries.
- III. Accepted the Real Estate Tax Collector Audit Report for the period ending January 15, 2014, as prepared and presented by Wessel & Company.
- IV. Approved the Superintendent's personnel recommendations as follows:

APPROVED THE FOLLOWING RETIREMENTS

Mr. Mark Perehinec, Social Studies Teacher, effective at the end of the 2014-2015 school year after 22+ years of service

Ms. Anne Seno, PCHS Guidance Counselor, effective August 15, 2015 after 28 years of service

Ms. Carmella Drass, Special Education Aide, effective April 1, 2015, after 10+ years of service

APPROVED RESIGNATIONS

Ms. Amanda Stefanik, PC Elementary Speech Therapist, effective January 30, 2015

Ms. Rita Kalwasinski, Custodian, effective January 12, 2015

Mr. Joe Semanchik, Custodian, effective January 9, 2015

Ms. Jessica Burlingame, Head Coach Varsity Soccer, effective immediately

Ms. Pamela Kenawell, Assistant Coach Varsity Soccer, effective immediately

APPROVED LEAVE REQUESTS

Ms. Patricia Strenko, PCMS Language Arts Teacher, medical leave effective December 3, 2014 through the end of the 2014-2015 school year

Ms. Joan Sumner, Reading Aide, intermittent FMLA, up to 12 weeks inclusive of available paid leave options, retroactive to November 21, 2014

Ms. Rosemarie Harker, Special Education Aide, intermittent FMLA, up to 12 weeks inclusive of available paid leave options, retroactive to January 2, 2015

Ms. Mary Borlie, PCI Food Service Worker, Maternity/Parenting leave effective on or about January 30, 2015 through May 1, 2015

APPROVED LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE

Ms. Lindsay M. Pelkey, Duncansville, Instructional I, English 7-12, long term substitute for Ms. Strenko effective December 3, 2014 through the end of the 2014-2015 school year, compensation per PCSD Administrative Regulation 305-AR

APPROVED APPOINTMENTS

Ms. Jocelyn M. Eger, Cresson, Instructional I, Speech & Language Impaired PK-12, effective January 28, 2015, Masters' Step 1, \$36,671 pro-rated from date of hire, wages and benefits per PCEA contract

Mr. Harry Dowling, Lilly, Full-Time 3rd shift Custodian, PC High School, effective January 21, 2015, wages \$9.15 per hour plus shift differential with benefits per PCEA contract

Mr. Sean Fitzpatrick, from Custodial Groundskeeper to 2nd shift Custodian, PC High School, retroactive to December 8, 2014, wages per PCEA contract

Ms. Carrie Vinglish, Head Coach Girls Track, effective with the start of the 2014-2015 season, stipend \$3958 (100% of stipend with credit for previous coaching experience), per PCEA contract

Mr. James Mayer, Assistant Coach Baseball, effective with the start of the 2014-2015 season, stipend \$2172.60 (90% of \$2414 with credit for previous coaching experience), per PCEA contract

APPROVED SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

Ms. Amanda Delegram, Cresson, Instructional I, Early Childhood Grades PK-4/Special Education PK-8

Ms. Stacey Hrapchak, Johnstown, IU08 EP

Ms. Lauren Madonna, Cresson, Instructional I, Early Childhood Grades PK-4

Ms. Amber Miller, Hastings, Instructional I, Secondary Biology/General Science

Mr. Zakary Newton, Cresson, IU08 EP

Mr. Christopher Tromm, Altoona, Instructional I, Health & Physical Education

REMOVED THE FOLLOWING SUBSTITUTES

Ms. Bridget Laich, Substitute Teacher

Ms. Patricia Staller, Substitute Teacher, IU08 EP

Ms. Lisa Treese, Substitute Teacher

- V. Approved the following Board Policy updates:
Policy 610 Purchases Subject to Bid/Quotations
Policy 611 Purchases Budgeted
- VI. Approved that the Board of Directors in lieu of adopting a preliminary budget, will not raise the rate of any tax for the support of public schools for the 2015-2016 fiscal year by more than its index (2.7%).
- VII. Approved a Junior High Softball program beginning with the 2014-2015 season, at no cost to the district.
- VIII. First reading of Proposed Board Policies:
Policy 246 Student Wellness

SPOTLIGHT ON STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

PC students named to LHAC All-Conference teams

- *Arlie Simendinger*, placed 8th in States, Cross Country
- *Garrett Sutton*, Cross Country
- *Mark Mardula*, Football
- *Jacob Hurley*, Football
- *Jacob Driskel*, Football
- *Isaac Will*, Football
- *Maddie Krug*, Golf
- *Ian Dunmyer*, Golf
- *Sofia Funari*, Soccer
- *Kasey Creehan*, Soccer
- *Lily Krull*, Volleyball

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.

ANNOUNCEMENT

January, being Board Appreciation Month, the Board Members were presented w/certificates of appreciation provided by PSBA along with candy provided by Mrs. Whited and Robin Lappi, PCESPA President thanking them for their commitment and dedication to the district. Nutrition Inc. provided a delicious variety of refreshments.

HEARING OF VISITORS

Deb Baker, PCEA President extended an invitation to Board Members to attend a dinner honoring their commitment and dedication to the Penn Cambria School District.