

**BLACKHAWK SCHOOL DISTRICT
500 BLACKHAWK ROAD
BEAVER FALLS, PA 15010**

**BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS VOTING SESSION
MINUTES
Blackhawk High School Library
May 20, 2010**

PRELIMINARY MATTERS

Rich Oswald, President of the Board of Directors, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Roll call was answered by nine members. Those in attendance were:

Mr. Calabria	Mr. Clendennen	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Fleischman
Mr. Inman	Mr. May	Mr. Oswald	Mrs. Pander
Mrs. Perri	Dr. Miller	Mr. Belczyk	Mr. Salopek
Visitors: 68	Press: 0		

The opening prayer was given by Reverend Bruce Backensto, First Reformed Presbyterian Church followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Board President called for a recess at 8:00 and the meeting was reconvened at 8:10.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ron Stidmon commented on the interaction of the public and the Board at meetings and the budgeting process. We should utilize zero based budgeting and evaluate all programs and use more efficient analytical procedures to arrive at the budget for the district.

Rick Sobona commented on bonuses for personnel and their use in a school district.

Ronn Gurra commented on the recently settled teachers contract and anticipating smaller staff sizes through attrition.

Ken Yonke commented on the fiscal solvency of the district, staff reduction through attrition, anticipated one mill increase for 2010-2011, and thanked the Board for all they have done.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion (Mr. Inman; seconded by Mr. Fitzgerald) to approve the financial report as submitted.
Roll Call Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No: Motion Carried

Motion (Mr. Inman; seconded by Mr. Calabria) to approve the payment of bills per fund as submitted:

- a. Fund 10 – General Fund: \$671,298.54
- b. Fund 32 – Capital Projects Fund: \$175,761.62
- c. Fund 50 – Cafeteria Fund: \$65,967.46
- d. Fund 66 – UPMC/Delta Dental: \$4,846.00

Roll Call Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No: Motion Carried

Motion (Mr. Inman; seconded by Mr. Fitzgerald) to approve the student activity account as submitted.

Roll Call Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No: Motion Carried

Motion (Mr. Inman; seconded by Mr. Clendennen) to approve utilizing classroll.com as the District's electronic report card and progress monitoring tool for parents for a total of \$11,225 for the 2010-2011 school year.

Roll Call Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No: Motion Carried

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Motion (Mrs. Pander; seconded by Mr. Inman) to accept the retirement of Beverly Rutter, 6th grade teacher, at the end of the 2009-2010 school year.

Roll Call Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No: Motion Carried

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Motion (Mrs. Perri; seconded by Mr. Calabria) to approve the following field trip:

- a. Technology Student Association (TSA) – Mr. Linkenheimer & Mr. Moll, Technology Education Competitions, Baltimore, Maryland, June 28th-July 2nd, 2010.

Roll Call Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No: Motion Carried

Motion (Mrs. Perri; seconded by Mr. May) to adopt the following textbooks for the 2010-2011 school year:

- a. Math – Grade 6, Holt McDougal Little, *Mathematics Course 1*
- b. Math – Grade 7, Holt McDougal Little, *Mathematics Course 2*
- c. Business Communication – Grade 11 and 12, South-Western, Centage Learning, *Business Communications*
- d. Health – Grade 9, Glencoe, *Health*
- e. Grammar-Grades 3-5, Houghton Mifflin , *English*
- f. Anatomy and Physiology – Grade 10-12, McGraw-Hill Higher Education, *Hole's Essentials of Human Anatomy and Physiology*

Roll Call Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No: Motion Carried

Motion (Mrs. Perri; seconded by Mr. Fitzgerald) to support the Beaver County Summer Academy for 2010, a summer camp available to Beaver County students and approve payment for a sum not to exceed \$500.00.

Roll Call Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No: Motion Carried

Motion (Mrs. Perri; seconded by Mr. May) to table accepting the 2010 Emergency Operations Plan until the June Meeting.

Roll Call Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No: Motion Carried

Motion (Mrs. Perri; seconded by Mr. May) to contract with a parent to transport her daughter to Summer Camp at the Keystone Blind Association, Sharon, PA.

Roll Call Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No: Motion Carried

Motion (Mrs. Perri; seconded by Mr. Inman) to accept the revised curriculum for the 2010-2011 school year.

Roll Call Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No: Motion Carried

POLICY

A second reading of Policy number 249 *Bullying* was submitted.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

JaneAnn Fucci commented on the rigorous curriculum of Blackhawk when considering budget cuts.

The Board adjourned to Executive Session at 9:12 p.m. to discuss personnel matters with no further action to be taken.

Vincent M. Belczyk

Board Secretary