

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

**BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS WORK SESSION
MINUTES
Blackhawk High School Library
August 12, 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: 15	Press: 0		

Motion (Mr. Fitzgerald : seconded by Mr. Fleischman) to approve the Minutes from July 15th, 2010 Board Meeting.

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ron Stidmon commented on the following: 1. the Video taping of Board Meetings, 2. issuance of Bonds with the existing market conditions, 3. the inclusion of PLANCON on the agenda - is this a definite commitment by the Board to Proceed with a Middle School Project, and 4. the additional .5 mills added to the budget when passed.

Barry Dettinger, Tracy Hupp, and Jayne Gailey requested a reviewed of their children's placement in the Elementary Schools for the 2010 2011 school year.

Rick Sobona Sr. commented on the millage increase and its necessity as well as the need to curb spending.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Motion (Mrs. Pander; seconded by Mr. Inman) to approve the following substitutes for the 2010-11 school year:

- a. Susan Davis, 339 Iroquois Place, Beaver, PA 15009, Elementary & Special Education.
- b. Carie Dewhirst, 3701 39th Ave., New Brighton, PA 15066, Elementary.
- c. Carie Booher, 1195 Sixth Street, Beaver, PA 15009, Elementary.
- d. Kathy Helsing, 111 Mervis Drive, Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Elementary.
- e. Jane Hetche, 79 St. Andrews Drive, Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Elementary.
- f. Carey Courinos, 546 Blackhawk Rd., Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Aide.

- g. Jenna Smith, 578 Harmony Ave., Rochester, PA 15074, Elementary.
- h. Kelly Stewart, 307 N. Neville Street; Apt. 1, Pittsburgh, PA 15231, Elementary.
- i. Kathy Bellissimo, 2910 Darlington Rd., #803, Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Elementary.
- j. Marsha Benetti, PO Box 297, Darlington, PA 16115, Elementary.
- k. Ashley Bessell, 4813 Wampum Mt. Air Rd., New Galilee, PA 16141, Elementary.
- l. Julianne Brandenstein, 130 Elmhurst Dr., Moon Twp., PA 15108, Elementary.
- m. Laurie Calnea, 529 Shenango Rd., Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Elementary.
- n. Mary Ann Darak, 1302 Fox Ave., Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Elementary.
- o. Judith Davis, 2706 20th St. Ext., Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Elementary.
- p. Janette Gaus, 442 Shenango Rd., Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Elementary.
- q. Jessica Kroll, 1116 Cunningham Ave., New Castle, PA 16101, Elementary.
- r. Colleen Kenny, 124 Klein St., Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Elementary.
- s. Patricia Levkus, 2023 14th Street, Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Elementary.
- t. Linda Lobo, 2202 Darlington Rd., Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Elementary.
- u. Christine Marsico, 216 Oak Highland Dr., Moon Twp., PA 15108, Elementary.
- v. Gary Mason, 123 McCreary Rd., New Brighton, PA 15066, Elementary.
- w. Jean Means, 47 St. Andrews Dr., Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Elementary.
- x. Linda Neely, 221 McMillen Ave., Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Elementary.
- y. Dawn Marie Petti, 137 Walnut Ridge Dr., Beaver Falls, PA, Elementary.
- z. Darlene Radanovich, 30012 McKinley Ave., Aliquippa, PA 15001, Elementary.
- aa. Ingrid Rizzo, 85 St. Andrews Dr., Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Elementary.
- bb. Carol Roberts, 2615 19th St., Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Elementary.
- cc. Stacy Sanders, 3303 4th Ave., Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Elementary.
- dd. Marianne Troy Knouse, 212 Naugle Rd., Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Elementary.
- ee. Tonia Verrico, 505 Sixth St., Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Elementary.
- ff. Cindy Walsh, 1655 Oak Leaf Lane, Pittsburgh, PA 15237, Elementary.
- gg. Monica Wright, 7114 Old Route 422, Portersville, PA 16051, Elementary.
- hh. Denise Zachewicz, 139 Emmet Drive, Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Elementary.
- ii. Dexter Aley, 514 11th St., Beaver falls, PA 15010, Social Studies.
- jj. Russell Bailey, 650 Park Rd., Ambridge, PA 15003, Eng./Social Studies.
- kk. Steven Dean Borato, 360 McKinley Rd., Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Health & PE.
- ll. Kathleen Briczinski, 5515 Tuscarawas Road, Beaver, PA 15009, English.
- mm. David Charron, 79 A St. -Van Buren Homes, Beaver, PA 15009, Math.
- nn. Megan Chevalier, 3612 Sixth Avenue, Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Math.
- oo. Daniel DeLuca, 912 Rock Ave., Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Social Studies.
- pp. Thomas Downing, 460 Wurtemberg Road, Ellwood City, PA 16117 Math, Physics, Chemistry, General Science.
- qq. Donald Howard, 108 Valleyview Ave., Aliquippa, PA 15001, Science/Physics
- rr. Judy Howard-Mack, 215 Alice Street, East Palestine, OH 44413, Biology.
- ss. Anthony Marsilio, 160 Willow Drive, Freedom, PA 15042, Secondary.
- tt. Robin Marsilio, 124 Curtis Drive, Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Special Education.
- uu. Floyd Panella, 952 3rd Street, Beaver, PA 15009, Biology.
- vv. Brandon Richards, 214 Maple Drive, Beaver, PA 15009, Social Studies.
- ww. Janice Robinson, 100 Watson Trail Drive, Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Comprehensive Business Education.
- xx. Kelli L. Ambler, 301 Pine Drive, Aliquippa, PA 15001, K-12 Technology.

yy. Nathan Bryant, 520 Blackhawk Rd., Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Music.

zz. Carey Buffington, 391 Webster Street, Rochester, PA 15074, Health& PE.

aaa. Marianne Cleary, 118 Crosswynds Drive, Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Business.

bbb. Christy Desselle, 111 Tiffany Ridge Drive, Moon Township, PA 15108, Speech & Language Impaired.

ccc. Jean Porter, 152 Frederick MHP, New Galilee, PA 16141, Music.

ddd. Beth Schiemer, 3619 Orchard Street, Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Music.

eee. Stephanie Lynn Skiles, 1042 McClelland Street, Monaca, PA 15061, Health & PE.

fff. Kimberly Butcher, 141 Joe Hall Rd., Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Aide.

ggg. Lori Dragonjac, 157 Meadow Drive, Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Secretary./Aide.

hhh. Maragret Ann Fabri, 3779 37th Street, Beaver Falls, PA, Paraprofessional.

iii. Rebbica Gratteri, 436 18th Ave., Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Secretary/Aide.

jjj. Sarah Kier, 221 Mannal Street, Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Secretary/Aide.

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ooo. Sarah Kier, 221 Mannal Street, Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Secretary/Aide.

ppp. Julie Ann Krivoski, 687 Wallace Run Road, Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Secretary/Aide.

qqq. Gretchen Logan, 13 Windycrest Drive, Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Secretary/Aide.

rrr. Sharon Massie, 3504 7th Ave., Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Aide.

sss. Rowenna Milinski 3551 37th Street Ext., Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Secretary/Aide.

ttt. Stacie Ronk, 142 DeHaven Road, Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Aide.

uuu. Susan Noland, 128 Cherry Way, Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Nurse.

vvv. Sonia Reed, 3702 West 3rd Ave., Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Nurse.

www. Barb Rowe, 399 Rohrmann Rd., Darlington, Pa 16115, Nurse.

xxx. LuAnn Vula, 6094 Tuscarawas Rd., Industry, PA 15052, Nurse.

yyy. Sharon Bruce, 527 Schiller Street, Baden, PA 15005, Elementary.

zzz. Elaine Dillon, 209 Chapel Drive, Ellwood City, PA 16117, Elementary.

aaaa. Myra Emge, 140 Pinebrook Drive, Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Emergency K-12.

bbbb. Robert Estermyer Jr., 1414 Blackhawk Road, Darlington, PA 16115, BSBA.

cccc. Wendy Fry, 400 7th Ave., Patterson Heights, Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Math.

dddd. Jamie Frye, 101 Brush Creek Road, Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Emergency K-12.

eeee. Katherine Horstman, 1410 Corporation Street Beaver, PA 15009, Emergency K-12.

ffff. Lisa Lipp, 800 Fern Ave., Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Elementary.

gggg. Andrea Piccione, 159 Meadow Drive, Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Elementary.

hhhh. Dawn Thayer, 154 Walnut Ridge Drive, Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Emergency K-12.

iiii. Cynthia Turconi, 150 Meadow Drive, Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Emergency K-12.

jjjj. Tracey Turkovich, 898 Nimick Ave., Monaca, PA 15061, Elementary.

kkkk. Nancy Veon, 169 Thompson Road Ext., Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Emergency K-12.

llll. Mark Walaan, P.O. Box 177, 1601 Ohio Ave., Industry, PA 15052, Emergency K-12.

mmmm. Beth Wulf, 200 18th Ave., Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Emergency K-12.

nnnn. Helen Ann DeSimone, P.O. Box 893, Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Emergency K-12.

oooo. Jamison Dickson, 809 Gilmore Rd., Enon Valley, PA 16120, Elementary.

pppp. William Hazy, 511 Bank Street, Beaver, PA 15009, Secondary.

qqqq. Krista Mendicino, 408 W. Madison Avenue, New Castle, PA 16102, Elementary.

- rrrr. Monica Ruckert, 108 Meadow Drive, Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Emergency K-12.
- ssss. Linda Strecker, 120 Beachmont Drive, Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Paraprofessional.
- tttt. Renee Latsko, 122 Thorndale Drive, Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Emergency K-12.
- uuuu. Donna Mink, 270 McClain Rd., Beaver Falls, Pa 15010, Secretary.
- vvvv. Julie Peck, 181 Oakville Road, Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Emergency K-12.
- wwww. Amanda Ladesic, 2212 Highland Ave., New Castle, PA 16105, Biology.
- xxxx. Meredith Keenan, PO Box 2914, East Liverpool, OH 43920, Social Studies.

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

Motion (Mrs. Pander; seconded by Mr. Calabria) to approve the following building substitutes for the 2010-2011 school year:

- a. Abigail Anderson-Sheffler, 15 Patton Drive, Upper Saint Clair, PA 15241, BIS.
- b. Amy Black, 128 Burns Avenue, Beaver Falls, PA 15010, BIS.
- c. Alan Davidson, 309 Ridge Road, Zelienople, PA 16063, BIS.
- d. Judy Campbell, 160 Orchard Lawn Dr., Beaver Falls, PA 15010, BHS.
- e. Eileen Rhoades, 3420 Fifth Ave., Beaver Falls, PA 15010, BHS.
- f. Floyd Panella, 952 3rd St., Beaver, PA 15009, BHS.
- g. Troy Kroll, 254 Zeigler Road, Rochester, PA 15074, BHS.
- h. Brenda Connors, 1304 Fox Ave., Beaver Falls, PA 15010, HMS.
- i. Julianne Brandenstein, 130 Elmhurst Drive, Moon Twp., PA 15108, HMS.
- j. Courtney Lucci, 2208 Mc Lean St., Aliquippa, PA 15001, NW.
- k. Kelly Grooms, 55 Main St., New Brighton, PA 15066, NW.
- l. Erica Shildt, 120 Jenny Lynn Dr., Aliquippa, PA 15001, PPS.

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

Motion (Mrs. Pander; seconded by Mr. Inman) to approve the following student teachers for the 2010-2011 school year:

- a. Ashley Murphy, Geneva College, NW, 2nd Grade.
- b. Brittany Ring, Geneva College, NW, 1st Grade.
- c. Brian Daniels, Westminster College, BHS, Spanish.
- d. Jamie Mahramas, Duquesne University, HMS, Music.

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

Motion (Mrs. Pander; seconded by Mr. Calabria) to approve the following interns for the 2010-2011 school year:

- a. Jessica Kelly, University of Pittsburgh, BHS, English.
- b. Daniel Kysela, University of Pittsburgh, BHS, Social Studies.
- c. David Mandell, University of Pittsburgh, BHS, Social Studies.
- d. Tom Pyle, Geneva College, BIS, Guidance.

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

Motion (Mrs. Pander; seconded by Mr. Inman) to accept the resignation of Ashley Hartman as health and physical education teacher at Blackhawk High School effective July 19, 2010.

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

Motion (Mrs. Pander; seconded by Mr. Inman) to revise Mindy Furda's Salary to reflect Masters, Step 20 at \$41,930.

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

Motion (Mrs. Pander; seconded by Mr. Calabria) to accept the resignation of Mr. Tony Kincade, 117 Taylor Avenue, Beaver Falls, PA 15010 as Men's Basketball Assistant Coach.

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

Motion (Mrs. Pander; seconded by Mr. Calabria) to appoint Mr. Tony Kincade, 117 Taylor Avenue, Beaver Falls, PA 15010 as a volunteer coach for the Men's Basketball team.

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

Motion (Mrs. Pander; seconded by Mr. Inman) to appoint Mr. Dean Borato, 360 McKinley Road, Beaver Falls, PA 15010 as a volunteer coach for the Men's football team.

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

Motion (Mrs. Pander; seconded by Mr. Calabria) to appoint Mr. Alex Glover, 3630 Brady's Run Road, Beaver, PA 15009 as a volunteer coach for the Men's football team.

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

Motion (Mrs. Pander; seconded by Mr. Inman) to approve Rev. Rod Smith, 2545 Darlington Road, Beaver Falls, PA 15010 to serve as First Assistant Men's Basketball coach at a salary of \$4,096.60 pending receipt of clearances.

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

Motion (Mrs. Pander; seconded by Mr. Inman) to approve Mr. Dennis Vaughan, 32 St. Andrews Drive, Beaver Falls, PA 15010 to serve as Assistant Men's Basketball coach at a salary of \$3,448.67 pending receipt of clearances.

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

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Motion (Mrs. Perri; seconded by Mr. Inman) to approve the revised the 2010-2011 school calendar.

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

Motion (Mrs. Perri; seconded by Mr. May) to utilize Heritage Valley Health System to provide Occupational and Physical Therapy Services for the 2010-2011 school year.

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

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS/REAL ESTATE

Motion (Mr. Clendennen; seconded by Mr. May) to accept and approve a change order in the sum of \$5000 for replacement of two existing inlets for the Northwestern paving project. (*Necessary due to the deterioration of the inlets. When the drain covers were removed, the walls were caving in and the bricks were crumbling.)

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

Motion (Mr. Clendennen; seconded by Mr. Calabria) to accept and approve a change order in the sum of \$2,700 for the earth work for the high school tennis court project. (*Necessary due to soft soil needing to be replaced and removal of debris.)

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

Motion (Mr. Clendennen; seconded by Mr. Inman) to accept and approve a change order in the sum of \$9,007 for the underwater storm piping in compliance with Chippewa Township for the high school tennis court project. (*Necessary due to the Township's requirements)

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

Motion (Mr. Clendennen; seconded by Mr. Calabria) to accept and approve a change order in the net cost of \$7300 for the installation of sod for the soccer field for the high school track project. (*Necessary due to the use of the field during the month of September. Seeding was included in the contract. By using sod, the field will be accessible to the students for PE classes, soccer practices and games, and football practices for fall season.)

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

Motion (Mr. Clendennen; seconded by Mrs. Perri) to award the bid to B & R Pools for the pool drain and installation and various repairs in the pool at a total cost of \$7,300.

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

Motion (Mr. Clendennen; seconded by Mr. Inman) to authorize Shields Paving to proceed with replacement of 170 lineal feet of underground storm piping at Northwestern Primary School, discovered in the course of construction to be in need of replacement, for the additional cost of \$9,520.00, in accordance with their email correspondence dated August 3, 2010. Cost includes, excavation, piping, connection to existing piping to remain, aggregate backfill and removal of excess material from the site.

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

POLICY COMMITTEE

Motion (Mrs. Perri; seconded by Mr. Inman) to approve the first reading of Policy 808.1 (Food Service: Charging of Meals) Revision.

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

BOARD/STAFF ENRICHMENT

Motion (Mr. Calabria; seconded by Mr. Fitzgerald) to approve the following conferences:

- a. Barry Balaski – NISL (National Institute for School Leadership) Principals Academy, California, PA, August 17th – 18th, 2010.
- b. Nancy Bowman, NMSA Annual Conference, Baltimore Convention Center, November 4th – 6th, 2010.

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

PRESENTATIONS AT THIS EVENINGS WORK SESSION

Future Bond Financing: Bob Aumer, Janney Montgomery Scott

Mr. Aumer presented the Board with options concerning the issuance of bonds to cover future building project considerations with the Middle School Project.

Revised Exhibit C: Tom Durkin VEBH Architects

Mr. Durkin presented the Board with a revised exhibit C to illustrate the scope and cost of the ongoing capital projects of the district.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS REVIEWED

- Fitness Center Hours for Highland Middle School for the 2010-2011 school year will be:
Monday - Friday from 3:30 - 5:00 p.m. - for staff
Monday - Thursday from 5:00-7:30 p.m. - for community and staff.
Hours begin on Monday, August 30 and continue through June 10, 2011.
When school is closed the Fitness Center will also be closed.
- Monthly Insurance Report of the Self Insurance program for Health and Dental benefits.
- Informational Item: Information Technology Direct, Utility Direct and ScheduleStar to Facility Scheduling Link module of SchoolDude was implemented in July. ITDirect is used for inputting IT work orders, Utility Direct will allow tracking and reporting of District-Wide utility usage and the ScheduleStar to Facility Scheduling link will allow for automatic scheduling of athletic fields into Facility Scheduling through the Athletic Department scheduling system.

- Informational Item: The Buildings & Grounds department has added a link to the District Website (www.bsd.k12.pa.us go to the Facility Maintenance tab). This site provides visitors with information on the Buildings & Grounds area of the District.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Mr. Fleischman raised an interest in honoring current and former employees and gathering/researching the history of Blackhawk School District since this is the fortieth year of existence.

Public Comments

Barb Brown commented on the hiring of an Office Administrative Assistant.

Teresa Bollinger and JaneAnn Fucci commented on the honoring of current and former employees of the district.

The Board adjourned at 10:40 pm to executive session for personnel matters with no further voting action to be taken.

**Vincent M. Belczyk
Board Secretary**