

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

**BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS' VOTING MEETING
Blackhawk's Patterson Primary School Cafeteria
January 17, 2013**

MEETING MINUTES

PRELIMINARY MATTERS

Mr. Richard Oswald, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM. and along with Patterson Primary School Kindergarten students led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was answered by all nine members, a quorum. Those in attendance were:

Mr. Calabria	Mr. Clendennen	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Fleischman
Mr. Heckathorn	Mr. Inman	Mr. May	Mr. Oswald
Dr. Rose			

Absent were: None.

Also attending were:

Dr. Miller- Superintendent	Mr. Salopek- Solicitor	Mr. Wessel- Board Secretary
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Mr. Oswald introduced Pastor C. F. Hoffman from the First United Presbyterian Church in Darlington who gave the invocation.

PUBLIC RELATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Fleischman introduced the Patterson Primary School principal, Mrs. JaneAnn Fucci, who in turn introduced the Kindergarten teachers and students who presented some of the students' art work to Board members and showed pictures of the Kindergarten students participating in Full Day Kindergarten.

Mr. Fleischman offered the following congratulations on behalf of the Board to:

The Highland Middle School students and faculty who raised \$3,000 for the Salvation Army's Give-A-Christmas campaign. Over the months of November and December, a variety of events were held at HMS in order to raise money for Beaver County families who are struggling. The students were very proud to present the check to a Salvation Army representative on December 21, 2012.

Lauren Weinheimer, Michelle Daniels, Nanette Boggs, Beth Heeckt, Mary Beth George, Mark Miller, Danielle Bailey and Blackhawk Intermediate School for being selected by the Beaver County Educational Trust to receive a grant in the amount of \$1,000 for the project proposal, "BEE a STAR SPELLER at the 1st Annual BIS Spelling Bee".

Kelley Engle and Highland Middle School for being selected by the Beaver County Educational Trust to receive a grant in the amount of \$500 for the project proposal, "Making a Difference in Our Community".

Meredith Oliver and Blackhawk Intermediate School for being selected by the Beaver County Educational Trust to receive a grant in the amount of \$650 for the project proposal, "Be a Hero: Read!".

BHS Music Academy student, Kaylyn Kiser for being selected as a member of the Bands of America Honors Band for the 2013 Tournament of Roses Parade in Pasadena, CA on January 1, 2013. She was selected out of a nationwide pool of applicants to be part of the 325 piece ensemble. Kaylyn was one of twenty four students representing Pennsylvania.

FFA team members who attended the State Farm show. The Demo Team of Melany Trover, Shelby Young, Madison Kyle, Breanne Steiner and Selina Bonomo placed 5th out of 20 schools for their Chicken Coop presentation.

Erin Runco and the Primary Schools for being selected by the Beaver County Educational Trust to receive a grant in the amount of \$425 (per school) for the project proposal, "Reading Around the World."

Mr. Fleischman informed the Board and Public that the District will host a meeting by PENN DOT for Public Officials and for the public regarding potential closure of several crossovers between Shenango Road and Cannelton Road on S.R. 51. The 2013 Maintenance Betterment Project meeting will be on Tuesday, February 5, 2013 from 3:00-4:00 PM for Public Officials; and from 5:00 to 7:00PM for the public in the Blackhawk High School Auditorium.

Mr. Fleischman informed the Public that as part of School Directors Appreciation Month, Blackhawk School District thanked the Board of School Directors for all their time and efforts they put forth in making Blackhawk a special place. Cookie baskets were given as an appreciation for members' dedication to the Blackhawk School District.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Oswald asked if there were any public comments on agenda items or other matters.

Mr. Chaz Januzzi asked to open up the topic of security in District's schools. Mr. Oswald asked him to submit any information he had to Dr. Miller for possible future discussion by the Board.

Student Matt Young reported on the prior day's meeting about students videotaping Board meetings and asked about the Blackhawk Now fliers at McDonalds.

Mr. Herman Moreno also discussed security in District facilities.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Under the Finance Chairperson Report Mr. Inman gave the Board members information concerning the cost of full day Kindergarten in relation to increased Basic Education Subsidy due to the increase in Average Daily Membership full day Kindergarten brought.

Mr. Inman moved and Mr. Clendennen seconded a motion to accept the Financial Report for the months of November and December 2012 as submitted.

Verbal Vote: 9 Yes; 0 No- Motion Carried

The Board was directed by Mr. Inman to the exhibits within their packets for the November and December Monthly Insurance Reports.

Mr. Inman moved and Mr. Clendennen seconded a motion to adopt Resolution 01172013 establishing the compensation for the offices of elected tax collectors from 2014 through 2017.

Verbal Vote: 9 Yes; 0 No- Motion Carried

Mr. Inman informed the Board that the District's insurance company paid for the replacement of the Intermediate School boiler damaged in October 2012 minus the District's deductible.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Mr. Heckathorn moved and Mr. Clendennen seconded a motion to employ Jason Peek as a 2nd shift custodian at the Intermediate School at a rate of \$13.81 per hour pending receipt of clearances. Approximate cost is \$28,704 per year plus approximately \$16,900 for benefits.

Verbal Vote: 9 Yes; 0 No- Motion Carried

Mr. Heckathorn moved and Mr. Inman seconded a motion to employ Lucy Rocco as a substitute cafeteria worker at the High School at a rate of \$7.25 per hour.

Verbal Vote: 9 Yes; 0 No- Motion Carried

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

No report.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS/ REAL ESTATE

No report.

ATHLETICS COMMITTEE

Mr. Calabria pointed the Board members to the Summary of Fall Sports in their packets for information on the athletic teams' accomplishments.

Mr. Calabria offered the following congratulations on behalf of the Board to:

Bridgette Shaffer (Girl's Basketball) who was named Silver Athlete of the Week by the Beaver County Times for the week of December 10, 2012.

Chassidy Omogrosso (Girl's Basketball) who was named Bronze Athlete of the Week by the Beaver County Times for the week of December 17, and 24, 2012.

Lexie Frank, Lia Vinciguerra who were named to Pittsburgh Post Gazette Soccer All-Section Team, Girls Class AA, Section 3.

Johnny Rebich, Shaan Siton, Zach Black, Steve Sharik who were named to Pittsburgh Post Gazette Soccer All-Section Team, Boys Class AA, Section 4.

Men's Football Team members on recent Pittsburgh Post Gazette Section 3 AAA Parkway Conference honors:

- a. Alex Caratelli – First Team Offense
- b. Cole Chiappialle – First Team Offense
- c. Chandler Kincade – First Team Offense
- d. Andrew Podbielski – First Team Defense

Alex Caratelli, Cole Chiappialle, and Chandler Kincade who were named to the Pittsburgh Post Gazette Fabulous 22.

Chandler Kincade, who was named to the Pittsburgh Tribune Review's Terrific Twenty Five WPIAL football players all-star team.

Alexis Graham, who scored her 1,000th career point on Saturday, December 29, 2012, in Blackhawk's win over Greensburg Central Catholic.

Mr. Calabria moved and Mr. Inman seconded a motion to accept the resignation of Rachel Finch as the Assistant Varsity Girls' Lacrosse Coach.

Verbal Vote: 9 Yes; 0 No- Motion Carried

Mr. Calabria moved and Mr. Fitzgerald seconded a motion to appoint Alex Bougher as Varsity Track Coordinator at a salary of \$5,619.12 for the 2012- 2013 school year.

Verbal Vote: 9 Yes; 0 No- Motion Carried

Mr. Calabria moved and Mr. Clendennen seconded a motion to accept the resignation of Bruce VanHorne as the Assistant Track and Field Coach.

Verbal Vote: 9 Yes; 0 No- Motion Carried

ADMINISTRATIVE LIAISON COMMITTEE

No report.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

No report.

FOOD SERVICE COMMITTEE

No report.

NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE

No report.

POLICY COMMITTEE

Dr. Rose stated that Dr. Miller had provided some information to him concerning an anti-nepotism policy. Dr. Rose moved and Mr. Fleischman seconded a motion that a proposed anti-nepotism policy be developed and presented to the Board. Discussion followed.

Verbal Vote: 9 Yes; 0 No- Motion Carried

Dr. Rose raised the issue of videotaping Board meetings and a discussion followed. Dr. Rose moved and Mr. Fleischman seconded a motion to proceed with plans to videotape the School Board meeting. Discussion followed and Mr. Inman moved and Mr. Clendennen seconded a motion to amend the original motion to direct the District's administration to research and present to the Board recommendations for videotaping School Board meetings. Discussion followed and Mr. Inman called the question.

Roll Call Vote: 9 Yes; 0 No- Motion to Vote the Amended Motion Carried

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BOARD/ STAFF ENRICHMENT

No report.

INTERMEDIATE UNIT

No report.

VOCATIONAL- TECHNICAL SCHOOL

No report.

PSBA LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Mr. Clendennen reminded Board members that upcoming budget debates at the State level will have major impacts on Education and he encouraged members to contact their state representatives concerning issues impacting the school district.

BEAVER COUNTY REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

No report.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

School Directors: Dr. Rose asked Dr. Miller to explore increased security measures and she replied that meetings with law enforcement agents and administrators have already occurred and recommendations are being prepared for the Board's consideration.

Mr. Clendennen thanked Ms. Fucci, the Patterson teachers and the children for inviting the Board to Patterson and for the presentation made.

Mr. May informed the Board members that he received word that the hockey team won their match earlier in the evening.

Mr. Fleischman asked about the cost of work at Patterson which included a captured entrance.

Administrators: Mr. Wessel reminded the Board members that State Ethics Commission forms were provided in their packets and must be completed and returned.

Visitors: Matt Young spoke about videotaping Board meetings.

Mr. Chaz Januzzi spoke about security measures at the schools.

Mr. Herman Moreno asked how security recommendations would be presented and Dr. Miller told him they would be in a public meeting to Board members.

Mrs. Goering thanked Mr. Inman for his research on Kindergarten costs and spoke about the Vo-Ag program.

Mr. Perry Pander asked about a security visit by police to Patterson Primary School. Dr. Miller clarified information about the visit.

Next Meeting: Mr. Oswald announced that the next scheduled meeting is February 14, 2013 at 7:30 in the Blackhawk High School Library. A Buildings and Grounds Committee meeting will be held prior to the meeting at 6:30 PM and will be open to the public.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 PM.

Submitted by Jerry Wessel
Board Secretary