

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

**BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS WORK SESSION
Blackhawk High School Library
March 8, 2012**

AGENDA

**1. PRELIMINARY MATTERS
Rich Oswald, President**

- 1.1 Call to order
- 1.2 Pledge of Allegiance
- 1.3 Roll Call
- *1.4 Approval of Minutes from February 9 and 16, 2012. (Exhibit A)
- 1.5 The March 15, 2012 Voting Session will occur at 7:30 PM at Patterson Primary School.

**2. PUBLIC RELATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS
Dean Fleischman, Chairperson**

- 2.1 Commendations are extended to Brian Bain and Leslie Kunkel for being selected by the students as Highland Middle School's Teacher of the Month for February.
- 2.2 Tickets for the 2012 School Picnic at Kennywood will be sold in all schools on May 11, 2012. Information on the sale will be announced in all schools.
- 2.3 Commendations are extended to the students qualifying in Academic Games. The students are: Ava Haddox, Jared Krut, Matt Warnaka, RaeAnn Ensworth, Nick Sosnowski, Louis D'Amico, Megan Pettner, Jaclyn Andrascik, Jacob Belcastro, Jordan Belcastro, Victoria Blythe, Ethan Frederick, Hannah Huston, Elena Iannuzzi, Max Levine, Aleena Milinski, Dan Warnaka, Victoria Wegman, Matt Young, Joseph Fucci, Matt Pulleo, Kaitlyn Rakestraw, Sean Steinle, Marcy Saldivar, Vicente Saldivar, Victoria Bovalino, and Cory Steinle.
- 2.4 *Patterson Primary School will conduct a presentation on March 15, 2012 (Mrs. JaneAnn Fucci, principal, and staff and students).*

**THE PUBLIC HAS THE OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD AT THIS TIME
ON AGENDA ITEMS OR OTHER MATTERS.**

3. FINANCE COMMITTEE
Don Inman, Chairperson

- 3.1 Informational Item: Finance Chairperson Report
- 3.2 Approval is recommended to accept the Financial Report for February as submitted (to be provided before Voting meeting).
- 3.3 Approval is recommended for the payment of bills per fund as submitted (to be provided before the Voting meeting).
 - a. Fund 10 – General Fund: \$
 - b. Fund 32 – Capital Projects Fund: \$
 - c. Fund 51 – Cafeteria Fund: \$
 - d. Fund 66 – UPMC Hospitalization: \$
 - e. Fund 67 – Delta Dental: \$Payroll February: \$
- 3.4 Informational Item: Monthly Insurance Report for February (to be provided before Voting meeting).
- *3.5 Approval is recommended for UPMC to carry Blackhawk School District Vision care insurance effective April 1, 2012 pending union concurrence. (Exhibit B)
- *3.6 Approval is recommended for permission to request bids for replacement of the dishwasher at Northwestern. (Exhibit C)
- 3.7 Approval is recommended to support the Borough of Enon Valley in the sum of \$500.00 to help the borough build an additional ball field, parking area and pavilion located at Caulfield Park. (Exhibit D)
- 3.8 *Approval is recommended to accept bids provided by the Lawrence County Tax Claim Bureau for the five properties previously exposed to upset tax sales and judicial sales, but were not sold. Taxes up to the fiscal year 2010-2011 are exonerated. Beginning in 2010-2011, taxes will be collected as these properties are returned to the tax roll. (Exhibit provided at Work Session)*
- 3.9 *Approval is recommended to accept the 2012-2013 Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit's General Operating Budget as presented. The Budget, which totals \$1,205,588, represents a decrease of \$93,627 from the 2011-2012 Budget. There will not be an increase in local district contributions.*

4. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE
Geri Pander, Chairperson

- 4.1 Informational Item: Personnel Chairperson Report

- *4.2 Approval is recommended for the following substitutes for the 2011-2012 school year:
 - a. Rebecca Grassel, Elementary
 - b. Dana Tessier, Physical Education
 - c. *Natalie Nicolette, Physical Education*
- *4.3 Approval is recommended to permit Angie Rolston, paraprofessional, time off without compensation for 5 days in March.
- *4.4 Approval is recommended to permit Loralee Alexander, paraprofessional, time off without compensation for 5 days in April.
- *4.5 Approval is recommended to accept the resignation of Bruce VanHorne as the Cross Country Assistant Coach.
- *4.6 Approval is recommended to accept the retirement of Constant Baker from the Food Services effective June 8, 2012.

5. EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Paul May, Chairperson

- 5.1 Informational Item: Education Chairperson Report
- *5.2 Approval is recommended for the following field trips: (Exhibit E)
 - a. Multimedia Club (2), Don Diehl, Regional PA High School Computer Fair, BVIU, April 13, 2012 (budgeted).
 - b. Northwestern Primary First Grade, First Grade Teachers, Children's Museum, Pittsburgh, May 30, 2012 (funded by PTO).
 - c. BHS Chamber Players (7), Nate Goodrich, Performance at Chippewa Township Volunteer Fire Department Fish Fry, March 23 & 30, 2012 (grant).
 - d. BHS Chamber Players (7), Nate Goodrich, Performance at Elmcroft Nursing Home, March 14, 2012 (grant).
 - e. HMS Orchestra, (27), Nate Goodrich, Adjudication Performance at Carnegie Mellon University, *May 25, 2012* (expenses paid by students).
 - f. BHS Band, Bob Barthen, Kennywood, August 13, 2012 (budgeted).
 - g. *Select AP Science Students (4), Kim Baker, NOVA Chemical Science Lab Challenge, April 13, 2012 (no cost).*
 - h. *Select Computer Science Students (6), Jim Cox, Robert Morris Programming Competition, April 13, 2012 (budgeted).*
- 5.3 Approval is recommended to accept the 2012-2013 academic school calendar as submitted. (Exhibit F)
- 5.4 Approval is recommended to discontinue offering the Driver's Education program at Blackhawk High School effective during the 2012-2013 school year.
- 5.5 Approval is recommended to discontinue offering the Vocational-Agriculture program to Blackhawk High School effective during the 2012-2013 school year.

- 5.6 Approval is recommended to execute the contract presented by Extended Day Child Care to provide child care services before and after the school day for children grades K-7 at no cost to the District for a one year period beginning September 4, 2012 and ending June 13, 2013. (Exhibit G)
- 5.7 Approval is recommended to create a District Pre-K program to be held at BIS beginning in the 2012-2013 school year to provide a pre-kindergarten experience for up to 40 at-risk Pre-K children.
- 5.8 Informational Item: Reduced tuition for employees' children to attend Blackhawk.

6. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS/REAL ESTATE

Bob Clendennen, Chairperson

- 6.1 Informational Item: Building and Grounds Chairperson Report

7. ATHLETICS COMMITTEE

Chad Calabria, Chairperson

- 7.1 Informational Item: Athletic Chairperson Report
- 7.2 Congratulations to Andrea Pence, independent gymnast, who placed first in the floor routine and second on the bars in the silver division of the PA Classic state championship gymnastic meet.
- 7.3 Congratulations to Alexis Lopez who placed first in the 100 yard breast stroke in the MAC championship meet.
- 7.4 Congratulations to Dewey Fry who placed first in diving at the MAC championship meet.
- 7.5 Congratulations to Troy Braddock who placed second at the WPIAL Wrestling Championships. Troy advanced to the State semi-finals that took place on March 2.
- 7.6 Congratulations to the girl's basketball team who were AAA, section II champions.
- 7.7 Congratulations to the girl's swim team who were AA, section II champions.
- 7.8 Congratulations to the boys and girls bowling team who finished first in the silver division at the MAC bowling championship.
- 7.9 Congratulations to Alexis Graham, Nick Martin, Chassidy Omogrosso, Cory Ostach who were named Bronze Athletes of the Week by the Beaver County Times for the week of February 6, 2012.
- 7.10 Congratulations to Nick Martin, Chassidy Omogrosso, Alexis Lopez and Dewey Fry who were named Bronze Athletes of the Week by the Beaver County Times for the week of February 13, 2012.

7.11 Congratulations to Nick Martin, Courtney Vannoy and Andrea Pence who were named Bronze Athletes of the Week by the Beaver County Times for the week of February 20, 2012.

7.12 Congratulations to Alexis Graham and Cory Ostach who were named Bronze Athletes of the Week by the Beaver County Times for the week of February 27, 2012.

8. ADMINISTRATIVE LIAISON
Rich Oswald, Chairperson

8.1 Informational Item: Administrative Liaison Report

9. TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
Paul May, Chairperson

9.1 Informational Item: Transportation Chairperson Report

10. FOOD SERVICE COMMITTEE
Dean Fleischman, Chairperson

10.1 Informational Item: Food Service Chairperson Report

11. NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE
Don Inman, Chairperson

11.1 Informational Item: Negotiations Chairperson Report

12. POLICY COMMITTEE
Paul Heckathorn, Chairperson

12.1 Informational Item: Policy Chairperson Report

*12.2 Approval is recommended to adopt Policy 005, Organization, as presented in this third reading. (Exhibit H)

*12.3 Approval is recommended to adopt Policy 620, Fund Balance, as presented in this third reading. (Exhibit I)

13. BOARD/STAFF ENRICHMENT
Chad Calabria, Chairperson

13.1 Informational Item: Board/Staff Enrichment Chairperson Report

*13.2 Approval is recommended for the following conferences: (Exhibit J)
a. Susan Hullihen, Bullying Prevention Workshop, Churchill, PA, April 12, 2012 (budgeted).
b. Susan Hullihen, Bryan Vitali, Farm to Table – Wellness Program Conference, Pittsburgh, March 23, 2012 (budgeted).

- c. Anthony Mooney, Carol Sprinker, Highmark Foundation: Foundations for Success, Pittsburgh, March 22, 2012 (budgeted).
- d. Steve Lodovico, Kyleigh Squicquero, Bullying Prevention Workshop, Churchill, PA, April 12, 2012 (budgeted).
- e. Mike McManus, Tim Pyle, Arc Flash Welding School, Mars, PA, March 15, 2012 (budgeted).
- f. Michelle Miller, Federal Programs Conference, Hershey, PA, March 25-28, 2012 (budgeted).
- g. Rick Ford, Archery BAI Instructor Certification, Bessemer, PA, April 12, 2012 (No cost).

14. INTERMEDIATE UNIT
Lance Rose, Representative

- 14.1 Informational Item: Intermediate Unit Chairperson Report

15. VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL SCHOOL
Lance Rose, Representative

- 15.1 Informational Item: Vocational-Technical School Chairperson Report

16. PSBA LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE
Bob Clendennen, Representative

- 16.1 Informational Item: PSBA Legislative Chairperson Report

17. BEAVER COUNTY REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
Geri Pander, Representative

- 17.1 Informational Item: Beaver County Regional Council of Governments Chairperson Report

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

- A. School Directors
- B. Administration
- C. Visitors
- D. Next Meeting—March 15, 2012 at Patterson Primary School Gymnasium at 7:30P.M.