

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

**BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS WORK SESSION
Blackhawk High School Library
March 14, 2013**

AGENDA

1. BOARD ORGANIZATION

- 1.1 Call to Order
- 1.2 Pledge of Allegiance
- 1.3 Roll Call
- *1.4 Approval of Minutes from February 14 and 21, 2013. (Exhibit A)
- 1.5 The March 21, 2013 Voting Session will occur at 7:30 PM at Blackhawk High School.
- 1.6 There was a Public Building and Grounds meeting prior to tonight's meeting.
- 1.7 There will be an Executive Session after tonight's meeting for personnel matters.

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

- 2.1 Informational Item: Public Relations and Communications Chairperson Report
- 2.2 Congratulations to Barb Brown and Highland Middle School for being selected by Society for Analytical Chemistry of Pittsburgh to receive a grant in the amount of \$500 for 8 handheld microscopes.
- 2.3 Congratulations to Northwestern Primary School for being the recipient of a \$2000 Intermec Foundation Grant. Employees of Intermec and its subsidiaries have the opportunity to apply for these education grants. The applying employee must be also involved with the receiving organization through other volunteer or fundraising efforts. Our benefactor parent is Mr. Matt Shope who is an employee of Vocollect, a subsidiary of Intermec. Mr. Shope volunteers on a regular basis in his son's class.

- 2.4 Congratulations to Blackhawk High School's Rachel Denny and Eric Raccan for being winners in the Chesapeake's Discovering Tomorrow's Leaders program. The school will receive six iPad minis in honor of the students.
- 2.5 Tickets for the 2013 School Picnic at Kennywood will be sold in all schools on May 10, 2013. Information on the sale will be announced in all schools.
- 2.6 Blackhawk High School presentation on March 21, 2013.

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 (to be provided before Voting Meeting).
- 3.3 Approval is recommended for the payment of bills (to be provided before Voting meeting).
 - a. Fund 10 – General Fund: \$0
 - b. Fund 32 – Capital Projects Fund:\$
 - c. Fund 51 – Cafeteria Fund: \$
 - d. Fund 66 – UPMC Health Fund: \$
 - e. Fund 67 – Delta Dental: \$0Payroll February: \$
- 3.4 Informational Item: Monthly Insurance Report for February (to be provided before Voting meeting).
- 3.5 Approval is recommended to enroll in Energy Curtailment Specialists, Inc. (ECS) PowerPay! Programs.
- 3.6 Approval is recommended to accept a bid provided by the Lawrence County Tax Claim Bureau for the property previously exposed to upset tax sales and judicial sales, but were not sold and is currently held in a category known as the "Repository for Unsold Properties". (Exhibit B)
- 3.7 Approval is recommended to accept the 2013-2014 Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit's General Operating Budget as presented. The Budget, which totals \$1,210,217 represents less than a \$5,000 increase from the 2012-13 Budget. There will not be an increase in local district contributions. (Exhibit C)

4. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE
Paul Heckathorn, Chairperson

4.1 Informational Item: Personnel Chairperson Report

- *4.2 Approval is recommended for the following substitutes for the 2012-2013 school year:
- a. Jennifer Morgan, English
 - b. Denise Rodriguez, Para/Sec
 - c. Alison Jaskiewicz, Elementary
 - d. Tina Marteney, English

5. EDUCATION COMMITTEE
Paul May, Chairperson

5.1 Informational Item: Education Chairperson Report

- *5.2 Approval for the following field trips: (Exhibit D)
- a. Blackhawk Cyber (40), Kim Boggs, Carnegie Science Center, March 25, 2013 (expenses budgeted).
 - b. Northwestern First Grade (100), First Grade teachers, Children's Museum, June 4, 2013 (expenses collected from others).
 - c. TSA Grade 8 (20), Tim Linkenheimer, Dale Moll, PNC Park, May 23, 2013 (expenses collected from students).
 - d. Music Academy – Vocal (11), Maura Underwood, McGuire Memorial Performance, March 28, 2013 (expenses are budgeted).
 - e. Football Club (90), Sam Nardone, Pat Feeley, Lou Wolber, Football Club Hall of Fame Trip, Canton, March 22, 2013 (expenses collected from students).
 - f. Northwestern Kindergarten (104), Kindergarten teachers, OH WOW Science Center, Youngstown, June 6, 2013 (expenses collected from others).
 - g. Gifted Support (18), Jeff Tripodi, Academic Games Nationals, Charlotte, NC, April 26-30, 2013 (expenses budgeted and collected from students).
 - h. French Classes 1-5 (50), Jenny Panella, Café des Amis, Sewickley, April 5, 2013 (expenses collected from students).
 - i. Jazz Ensemble (19), Dave Zaccari, Jazz Ensemble Festival Trip, Central Valley, April 10, 2013 (expenses budgeted).
 - j. BHS Chamber Players (7), Nate Goodrich, Performance at Elmcroft Assisted Living Chippewa, April 9, 2013 (expenses budgeted).
 - k. Special Education, Mariah Brown, County Wide Transition Fair, CCBC, April 5, 2013 (expenses budgeted).
 - l. AP Biology, Anita Mensch, Open Heart Surgery Observation, Allegheny General Hospital, April 3, 2013 (expenses budgeted).
 - m. Mock-Trial Team (15), Dante DeNome, Supreme Court Sessions, Beaver County Courthouse, April 2, 2013 (expenses collected from other).
 - n. Computer Science (6-12), Bill Bacu, Robert Morris Programming Competition, Robert Morris University, April 5, 2013 (expenses budgeted).

- 5.3 Approval is recommended to accept the 2013-2014 academic calendar as submitted. (Exhibit E)
- 5.4 Safety and Security Overview and Recommendations presented by Dr. Miller.
- 5.5 Informational Item: March is Music in Our Schools Month.

6. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS/REAL ESTATE
Bob Clendennen, Chairperson

6.1 Informational Item: Buildings and Grounds Chairperson Report

- *6.2 Approval is recommended to authorize the approval of a Change Order for the Highland Middle School Renovation Project to Shipley Plumbing to provide domestic water service from Room F-010 to the east soccer field and to the Concession Building, for the additional cost of \$6,496.62, per Shipley Plumbing Change Order Request No. 27, dated March 8, 2013. (Exhibit F)

This change order is necessary to replace an aged underground domestic waterline that was encountered in the course of construction of the new east driveway and needed to be removed. The water service will provide the ability to deliver drinking water to the Concession Building and to the field.

- *6.3 Approval is recommended to authorize the approval of a Change Order for the Highland Middle School Renovation Project to Shipley Plumbing to provide domestic water service from Room D-149 to the south football field, for the additional cost of \$4,651.08, per Shipley Plumbing Change Order Request No. 26, dated March 8, 2013. (Exhibit G)

This change order is necessary to provide an underground domestic waterline to the south field where none previously existed. This item will provide the ability to serve drinking water at the football field.

- *6.4 Approval is recommended to authorize the approval of a Change Order for the Highland Middle School Renovation Project to ClimaTech, Inc. to provide post and beam structural steel support of HVAC piping in Room F-011, in lieu of overhead pipe supports, for the additional cost of \$16,155.64, per ClimaTech's COR #3, dated February 4, 2013. (Exhibit H)

This change is necessary because the existing overhead bar joist construction is not designed to accept the weight of the new piping without structural modification. It is more cost effective to add the post and beam supports than to modify the existing bar joists.

- *6.5 Approval is recommended to authorize the approval of a Change Order for the Highland Middle School Renovation Project to ClimaTech, Inc. to provide additional HVAC piping supports suspended from the existing overhead structure on the second floor of Area F, as recommended by the Structural Engineer, for the additional cost of \$2,825.08, per ClimaTech's COR #4, dated February 4, 2013. (Exhibit I)

This change is necessary because the existing structure is not designed to accept the weight of the new piping without distribution of its weight over a larger area, which the additional hangers will provide.

7. ATHLETICS COMMITTEE

Chad Calabria, Chairperson

- 7.1 Informational Item: Athletics Chairperson Report
- 7.2 Congratulations to Alexis Lopez who placed first in the 50 freestyle, Adam Rastatter who placed 4th in the breaststroke, Dewey Fry who placed 3rd in diving, and the 400 Free Relay team (Marissa Camp, Casey Cerbus, Alexis Lopez and Alaina Marshall) who placed 4th in the WPIAL Championship meet.
- 7.3 Congratulations to Marissa Camp, Casey Cerbus, Alexis Lopez, Alaina Marshall, Caitlyn Peace, Josh Bergfelt, Corbin Fry, Dewey Fry, Ryan Hart, Adam Rastatter and Chris Vogler who qualified for the PIAA State Swimming and Diving Championships on March 13, 14 & 15.
- 7.4 Congratulations to Jake Braddock and Lamar Taft who advanced to the WPIAL/PIAA Southwest Regionals for wrestling on February 28 through March 2 at Norwin.
- 7.5 Congratulations to the Blackhawk Hockey team who were section champions and qualified for the PIHL playoffs.
- 7.6 Commendations to the following Blackhawk students who were selected by the Beaver County Sports Hall of Fame for the Student Athlete Award: Clint Davies and Juliana Lapek.
- 7.7 Commendations to the Leah Hornfeck and Cole Chiappialle for being recognized as student athletes at the MAC banquet.
- 7.8 Approval is recommended to accept the resignation of Bill Sedlak as the Varsity Men's Soccer Assistant Coach.
- 7.9 Approval is recommended to appoint Bruce Fronk as the Varsity Assistant Track Coach at a salary of \$2,917.62 for 2012/13 school year.

7.10 Approval is recommended to appoint Kelly Franitti as a volunteer coach for the Varsity Track team pending receipt of clearances.

7.11 Approval is recommended for the administration to award contracts to the lowest responsible bidder meeting specifications for the 2013-2013 athletic supplies.

**8. ADMINISTRATIVE LIAISON
Rich Oswald, Chairperson**

8.1 Informational Item: Administrative Chairperson Report

**9. TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
Paul May, Chairperson**

9.1 Informational Item: Transportation Chairperson Report

*9.2 Approval is recommended to accept the Corrective Action Plan from the 2010 State Audit requiring McCarter's Transportation to provide bus drive clearances to the District so that they can be stored in District personnel files. (Exhibit J)

**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
Lance Rose, Chairperson**

12.1 Informational Item: Policy Chairperson Report

12.2 Second reading, Policy 622, GASB Statement 34 (Exhibit K)

12.3 Second reading, Policy 610, Purchases Subject to Bid/Quotation (Exhibit L)

**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 M)
a. Susan Hullihen, Medical Causes of Psychiatric Behavior, Butler, April 3, 2013,

(expenses budgeted).

- b. Gina Gordon, The ASCA Annual National Conference: Liberty and Learning For All, June 30, 2013-July 2, 2013 (expenses budgeted).
- c. Rebecca Arbogast, Kelley Engle, Preventing Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation Through the Life Cycle, BVIU, March 15, 2013 (expenses budgeted).
- d. Jeff Cienik, Elizabeth Walker, NATA Clinical Symposium, Las Vegas, June 23-27, 2013 (expenses budgeted).

14. INTERMEDIATE UNIT

Jamie Fitzgerald, Representative

- 14.1 Informational Item: Intermediate Unit Chairperson Report

15. VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL SCHOOL

Jamie Fitzgerald, Representative

- 15.1 Informational Item: Vocational-Technical Chairperson Report

16. PSBA LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Bob Clendennen, Representative

- 16.1 Informational Item: PSBA Legislative Committee Chairperson Report

17. BEAVER COUNTY REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Paul Heckathorn, 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 21, 2013 at Blackhawk High School at 7:30P.M.