

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

**BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS WORK SESSION/VOTING MEETING
Blackhawk High School Library
August 13, 2009**

PRELIMINARY MATTERS

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

Mr. Barsottini	Mr. Oswald	Mr. Fitzgerald	Dr. Miller
Mr. Emge	Mrs. Wagoner	Mr. Gabauer	Dr. Kasunich
Mrs. Lambert		Visitors:16	Mr. Young

Mr. Caputo and Mr. Klein were absent.

Motion (Mrs. Lambert, seconded by Mr. Fitzgerald) to approve the minutes of the meeting on July 16, 2009 with changes.

Roll Call Vote: 7– Yes; 0 – No; Motion Carried

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Comments made by:

Don Inman, questioned purchase price of pressure steamer

Sue Lukas, bidding process and specs of pressure steamer

Dean Fleishman, concern regarding hiring of business manager and submitted request for waiting for permanent hiring of business manager until 5 new board members take seats on board

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Motion (Mr. Barsottini, seconded by Mr. Fitzgerald) to move the following employees on the following salary schedules for the 2009-10 school year:

- Steve Lodovico – Masters
- Maura Underwood – Masters +12
- Colleen Anzio – Masters +30
- Gretchen Hogue - Masters
- Renee Zenisek - Masters

Roll Call Vote: 7– Yes; 0 – No; Motion Carried

Motion (Mr. Barsottini, seconded by Mrs. Lambert) to approve the substitute list for the 2009-10 school year.

Roll Call Vote: 7– Yes; 0 – No; Motion Carried

Motion (Mr. Barsottini, seconded by Mr. Emge) to approve the following day-to-day substitutes for the 09-10 school year:

- a. Judy Campbell, 160 Orchard Lawn Drive, Beaver Falls, Pa 15010, BHS
- b. Eileen Rhoades, 3420 Fifth Ave., Beaver Falls, PA 15010, BHS
- c. Floyd Panella, 952 3rd Street, Beaver, PA 15009, BHS
- d. Michelle Cosgrove, 1674 State Route 551, Enon Valley PA 16120, BHS
- e. Chelsea Hammond, 106 Dehaven Rd. Beaver Falls, PA 15010, BHS
- f. Mary Jo Conley, 122 Red Bud Drive, Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Highland
- g. Matt Holewski, 1738 Grant St., Aliquippa, PA 15001, BIS
- h. Susan Fryer, P.O. Box 78, Enon Valley, PA 16120, BIS
- i. Preslee Riccio, 515 Wayne Ave. Ellwood City, PA 16117, BIS
- j. Janette Gaus, 442 Shenango Road Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Northwestern
- k. Chelsey Cooper, 3121 37th St. Ext. Beaver Falls, PA 15010, Northwestern
- l. Erica Shildt, 120 Jenny Lynn Dr., Aliquippa, PA 15001, Patterson

Roll Call Vote: 7– Yes; 0 – No; Motion Carried

Motion (Mr. Barsottini, seconded by Mr. Fitzgerald) to accept the Memorandum of Understanding with the police departments from the following municipalities: Chippewa Township, South Beaver Township, and White Township.

Roll Call Vote: 7– Yes; 0 – No; Motion Carried

Motion (Mr. Barsottini, seconded by Mrs. Lambert) to accept the resignation of Terri Francis, Secretary to the Superintendent, effective August 21, 2009.

Roll Call Vote: 7– Yes; 0 – No; Motion Carried

Motion (Mr. Barsottini, seconded by Mrs. Lambert) to employ Vincent Belczyk, 330 Municipal Drive, Belle Vernon, PA 15012, as Business Manager on a temporary basis at an hourly rate of \$58.00 with payment not to exceed 40 hours per week. The district will not be responsible for health benefits or any related payroll taxes. The district has the option to convert the temporary position to permanent at any time.

Roll Call Vote: 7– Yes; 0 – No; Motion Carried

Motion (Mr. Barsottini, seconded by Mr. Emge) to accept the resignation of Megan Roperti, first grade teacher at Northwestern Primary School.

Roll Call Vote: 7– Yes; 0 – No; Motion Carried

Motion (Mr. Barsottini, seconded by Mrs. Lambert) to approve contracted services by Dr. Holly Voelp, 123 Oakdale Drive, Zelienople, to align the guidance program with American School Counselors National Model, not to exceed \$5,000. Dr. Voelp will be compensated through the use of ACCESS funds.

Roll Call Vote: 7– Yes; 0 – No; Motion Carried

Motion (Mr. Barsottini, seconded by Mr. Emge) to employ Donna Holt as the head custodian at Patterson Primary at a salary of \$16.18 per hour to begin on August 24, 2009.

Roll Call Vote: 7– Yes; 0 – No; Motion Carried

Motion (Mr. Barsottini, seconded by Mrs. Lambert) to accept the resignation of Roberta Lydick, personal care assistant at Northwestern Primary School effective immediately.

Roll Call Vote: 7– Yes; 0 – No; Motion Carried

Motion (Mr. Barsottini, seconded by Mr. Fitzgerald) to employ Suzanne Schlack as the Patterson Library Paraprofessional beginning in the 09-10 school year.

Roll Call Vote: 7– Yes; 0 – No; Motion Carried

Motion (Mr. Barsottini, seconded by Mrs. Lambert) to appoint Samuel Zona as a volunteer coach for the Men’s football team pending approval of clearances.

Roll Call Vote: 7– Yes; 0 – No; Motion Carried

Motion (Mr. Barsottini, seconded by Mrs. Lambert) to accept the resignation of Bernadette Kessler, paraprofessional.

Roll Call Vote: 7– Yes; 0 – No; Motion Carried

Motion (Mr. Barsottini, seconded by Mr. Emge) to employ Christina Ford, 419 Jennie Lane, New Castle, PA 16101 as a first grade teacher at Northwestern Primary School for the 2009-2010 school year. Her salary will be \$45,857, Step 4 Masters.

Roll Call Vote: 7– Yes; 0 – No; Motion Carried

Motion (Mr. Barsottini, seconded by Mr. Fitzgerald) to accept the resignation of Matt Holewski as a Day to Day sub at BIS, effective immediately.

Roll Call Vote: 7– Yes; 0 – No; Motion Carried

Motion (Mr. Barsottini, seconded by Mrs. Lambert) to employ Tiffani Jo Suriano, 1102 Valleyview Drive, Lawrence, PA 15055, as confidential secretary for the Superintendent for the 2009-2010 school year. Her salary will be \$30,000.

Roll Call Vote: 7– Yes; 0 – No; Motion Carried

Motion (Mr. Barsottini, seconded by Mr. Fitzgerald) to accept the resignation of Milena Smith, paraprofessional at Northwestern, effective immediately.

Roll Call Vote: 7– Yes; 0 – No; Motion Carried

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Motion (Mr. Oswald, seconded by Mr. Emge) to purchase K-12 library Destiny Software using grant money in the amount of \$15,146.

Roll Call Vote: 7– Yes; 0 – No; Motion Carried

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS/REAL ESTATE

Motion (Mr. Emge, seconded by Mr. Fitzgerald) to award Powerwash Mobile Cleaning Service contract to power wash Blackhawk Intermediate School exterior in the amount of \$7,900.

Roll Call Vote: 7– Yes; 0 – No; Motion Carried

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Motion (Mr. Wagoner, seconded by Mr.Emge) to approve the contract with McCarter Transit from 2009-2010 through 2014-2015.

Roll Call Vote: 7– Yes; 0 – No; Motion Carried

BOARD/STAFF ENRICHMENT

Motion (Mr. Oswald, seconded by Mr.Emge) for approval for the following conferences / workshops / seminars:

- A. Gina Gordon, 6TH Annual Intl. Bullying Prevention Assoc. Conference, November 17 – 18, 2009
- B. Erin Runco, Pam Lapek, Michelle Rekrut, Cara Jackson, Mandie Cline, K-3 Reading Apprenticeship Model, AIU, August 3-7, August 10-14, September 21-25, May 10-12
- C. Lorraine Himber, Access PA Fall Training, BVIU, September 23, 2009

Dr. Kasunich presented an Academic Performance Update.

The Board went into Executive Session at 8:52 PM to discuss personnel issues.

The Board adjourned at 9:29 PM.

Michelle Miller

Temporary Board Secretary