

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

**BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS WORK SESSION
Blackhawk High School Library
October 14, 2010**

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 September 9, 16, and 23, 2010 (Exhibit D)
- 1.5 The Board will hold public meetings before each Board meeting from 6:30-7:30P.M. to discuss Buildings and Grounds Committee work.

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

- 2.1 The following students are the Highland Middle School Students of the Week for the month of September:

WEEK OF
September 13, 2010

6TH GRADE
Spencer Forrest
Sarah Hildreth
Evi Malagise
Daniel Savilisky

7TH GRADE
Nina Hudak
Tyler Riili
Noah Scheimer

September 20, 2010

Carlyn Marazzi
Christian Petti
Adrienne Warden
Caleb Wright

Megan Bever
Tiffany Caler
Shaelyn Ursida

September 27, 2010

Samuel Engle
Brandt Foster
Natalie Fry
Carissa Sutter

Ryan Cerbus
Neil Hassen
Meghan Heymann

- 2.2 Beaver County Times Online: yourschools@timesonline.com (Dr. Miller) (Exhibit E)

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 Approval is recommended for the financial report as submitted. (Exhibit A)
- 3.2 Approval is recommended for the payment of bills per fund as submitted (Exhibit B):
 - a. Fund 10 – General Fund: \$552,708.65
 - b. Fund 32 – Capital Projects Fund: \$1,292,030.23
 - c. Fund 50 – Cafeteria Fund: \$11,356.02
 - d. Fund 66 – UPMC/Delta Dental: \$6,031.25Payroll September: \$1,039,204.40
- 3.3 Monthly Insurance Report (Exhibit C)

4. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE
Geri Pander, Chairperson

- 4.1 Approval is recommended for the following substitutes for the 2010-11 school year:
 - a. Katie Paunovic; Elementary
 - b. Anna Castaneda; Emergency
 - c. LeeAnn Robison; Math
 - d. Brandon Shubert; Elementary
 - e. Patricia Milovich; Elementary
 - f. Jerrod Planitzer; K-12, PE
 - g. Judy Smith; Paraprofessional
 - h. Denise Liptak; Paraprofessional
- 4.2 Approval is recommended to accept Kelly Lofink, Robert Morris University, as elementary student teacher with Peggy Graham, BIS, Spring Semester, 2011.
- *4.3 Approval is recommended to appoint Jerry Wessel as Open Records Officer and Compliance Officer.
- *4.4 Approval is recommended to approve Jerry Wessel as Board Secretary.
- 4.5 Approval is recommended to grant maternity leave to Laurel Brest, on or about February 8, 2011 until June 10, 2011. (Exhibit F)

- 4.6 Approval is recommended to grant tenure to the following teachers for the 2010-2011 school year:
- a. Megan Bailey HMS
 - b. Missy Bender BHS
 - c. Ashley Boyers BHS
 - d. Kim Boggs BHS
 - e. Laurel Brest PPS
 - f. Shawn Haddox HMS
 - g. Matthew Merulli HMS
 - h. Brady Okon BIS
 - i. Amy Olesnovich BHS
 - j. Meridith Oliver BIS
 - k. Tim Stanton HMS
 - l. Heather Stein BIS
 - m. Jeff Tripodi BHS
 - n. Maura Underwood BHS
 - o. Andrew Yuhaniak BHS
- 4.7 Approval is recommended to accept the resignation of Barb Brown from her supplemental contract position as the Primary School Computer Facilitator.

5. EDUCATION COMMITTEE
Joyce Perri, Chairperson

- *5.1 Approval is recommended for the following field trips:
- a. 7th grade English Students, Sarah Shuleski, Dana Cox, Youngstown State University English Festival, April 7, 2011
 - b. BHS Band, Robert Barthen, Beaver County Band at Beaver Falls, November 17-19, 2010
 - c. TSA Class and Clubs, Mr. Moll, Mr. Linkenheimer, California University of Pennsylvania, grades 8 and 9, March 4, 2011
 - d. TSA Class and Clubs, Mr. Moll, Mr. Linkenheimer, California University of Pennsylvania, grades 10-12, February 25, 2011
 - e. TSA Class and Clubs, Mr. Moll, Mr. Linkenheimer, Seven Springs, April 13-16, 2011
 - f. BHS/HMS Orchestra, Nate Goodrich, Trans-Siberian Orchestra Concert, Consol Energy, Center, November 21, 2010
 - g. Computer Science Club, Jim Cox, Westminster College, October 18, 2010
 - h. BHS Band, Robert Barthen, Westminster College, November 16, December 9-11, 2010
 - i. BHS Band, Robert Barthen, PMEA District Band, Hickory High School, February 10-12, 2011
 - j. Cheerleaders, Michaleen Ensworth, Heinz Field, October 23, 2010
 - k. Accounting, Mr. Bacu, Duquesne University, November 9, 2010
 - l. Gifted Support, Mrs. Linnenbom, Carnegie Science Center, November 12, 2010
 - m. Gifted Support, Mrs. Linnenbom, Equations and Propaganda Tournament, Geneva College, November 18, 2010
 - n. Gifted Support, Mrs. Linnenbom, Math 24 Tournament, Center Stage, January 11, 2011

- o. Gifted Support, Mrs. Linnenbom, World Events Tournament, Ambridge High School, January 27, 2011
- p. Expressions, Jayne McDonald, Riverview United Methodist Church, Center Twp, December 1 and 10, 2010
- q. German 2, 3, 4, AP, Monaca German Cemetery, November 1, 2010
- r. Gifted Support, Meredith Oliver, Matt Foley, Carnegie Science Center, November 10, 2010
- s. Gifted Support grades 3-5, Meredith Oliver, Pittsburgh Ballet's Nutcracker, December 12, 2010
- t. AP Lit and English Club, Anita Steppe and Bert Bannon, Primestage Theatre, Pittsburgh, March 1, 2011
- u. AP Lit and English Club, Lincoln Park Performance Midsummer Nights Dream, November 4, 2010
- v. Transition Students, Andrew Yuhaniak, Mariah Brown, Mellon Bank, Pittsburgh, October 20, 2010
- w. Gifted Support, Meredith Oliver, Geneva College, November 18, 2010
- x. Gifted Support, Meredith Oliver, 4th Grade Propaganda Competition, Dutch Ridge Elementary, November, 23, 2010

5.2 Approval is recommended to accept the BHS Agricultural Science Program's Occupational Advisory Committee (OAC) Minutes from September 15, 2010. (Exhibit G)

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

- 6.1 Approval is recommended to provide a new wood border at the perimeter of the shot-put area, for the amount of \$2,400.00. (*Necessary due to the existing wood curb shown on the drawings to remain. A new curb is needed).
- 6.2 Approval is recommended to provide vision panels in the new overhead door in the Tech. Ed. area in the amount of \$306.00. (*Necessary since no glass panels were shown on the drawings in this location. It is needed for security purposes).
- 6.3 Approval is recommended to accept the withdrawal of the apparent low bidder and authorize the second low bidder (Aqua Pool) to proceed with pool drain replacement in the amount of \$9,800. (*Necessary due to the lowest bidder choosing not to complete the contracted work).
- 6.4 Approval is recommended to authorize Yates Electric to assist the District with investigation into the existing configuration of Northwestern Primary School's emergency circuiting, in the not to exceed amount of \$1,200. (*Necessary due to the need for emergency lighting to activate when emergency generator turns on).

- 6.5 Approval is recommended to authorize Yates Electric to include a three pole breaker for use in the existing panel at Northwestern Primary School, in the amount of \$1,267.50. (*Necessary because a two pole breaker was shown on the drawings to match the existing visible breaker. During construction, a three pole breaker was found to be needed).
- 6.6 Approval is recommended to authorize additional masonry work at the high school at a cost of \$13,335. (*Necessary due to additional work that was not identified in original scope of work).
- 6.7 Approval is recommended to authorize the removal of Northwestern Primary School's existing roof insulation from 7 drains and re-insulation of 21 drains in the amount of \$9,160.00. (*Necessary due to deficient insulation concerns identified once the construction began).
- 6.8 Approval is recommended to authorize Ceriani Construction to proceed with work related to the infilling of interior railings at Blackhawk Intermediate School, in the amount of \$13,628. (*This work was not part of Ceriani's original contract).
- 6.9 Approval is recommended to authorize the awarding of the Contract No. 158217-3 for Alterations to the Blackhawk Intermediate School HVAC Chilled Water System to Weider Services, in the Base Bid amount of \$153,500. It is recommended that Alternate I, in the deduct amount of \$-8,000 to provide Automatic Temperature Controls by an alternate manufacturer, not be accepted. (*The Alternate would introduce a different set of controls from the existing control system that would require the District to retrain and introduce maintenance and operational issues that otherwise could be avoided with the Base Bid).
- *6.10 Approval is recommended to authorize Construction Engineering Consultants, Inc. to provide the Subsurface Investigation for the Additions and Alterations to Highland Middle School Project in accordance with their proposal dated September 30, 2010, in the amount of \$13,800. (*The final cost will be adjusted in accordance with the proposal to reflect the actual amount of drilling completed. Although this proposal exceeded the lowest cost proposal by \$357, this is a professional service contract and Construction Engineering Consultants, Inc. is currently providing Geotechnical Consulting Services to the District for Phase 1 site projects and has provided responsive and timely services).
- 6.11 Approval is recommended to authorize Exhibit F into the agreement between VEBH and Blackhawk School District which states the following:
- a. The Owner and the Architect agree that "Exhibit F" is incorporated as if fully set forth herein.
 - b. The Owner and the Architect agree that the "6-8 Highland Middle School Project" is incorporated into the "Exhibit C" Attachment to the Agreement.
 - c. The Owner and the Architect agree that the terms and conditions set forth in the agreement shall govern the "6-8 Highland Middle School Project."

6.12 Approval is recommended to solicit bids on various projects/equipment for 2011/2012 school year. (*Necessary due to 2011/2012 budget timeline).

6.13 Informational Item: PA – Resources Council (PRC) and opportunity to support composting efforts in local community.

**7. ATHLETICS COMMITTEE
Chad Calabria, Chairperson**

7.1 Approval is recommended for the winter sports schedules. (Exhibit H)

7.2 Approval is recommended to solicit bids on athletic equipment/supplies for 2011/2012 school year. (*Necessary due to 2011/2012 budget timeline).

*7.3 Approval is recommended for Andrea Collins to serve as Varsity Swim Coach at a salary of \$4807.23.

*7.4 Approval is recommended for Jamie Planitzer to serve as Varsity Swim Assistant Coach at a salary of \$2967.94.

7.5 Approval is recommended to authorize a request from Andy Hedrick, Men’s Basketball Head Coach that Chandler Kincade be moved from the freshmen basketball team to the Varsity/JV basketball team for the 2010-2011 season. (Exhibit I)

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

No Report

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

No Report

**10. FOOD SERVICE COMMITTEE
Dean Fleischman, Chairperson**

No Report

**11. NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE
Don Inman, Chairperson**

No Report

12. POLICY COMMITTEE
Joyce Perri, Chairperson

No Report

13. BOARD/STAFF ENRICHMENT
Chad Calabria, Chairperson

*13.1 Approval is recommended for the following conferences:

- a. Gina Gordon, PA Bullying Prevention Network Trainer Regional Meeting, Mars, October 19, 2010
- b. Rebecca Effert, Leadership Academy, Pittsburgh, January 12, 2011, March 17, 2011
- c. Scott Nelson, NMSA Annual Conference, Baltimore, MD, November 4-6, 2010
- d. Anne Glinsky, AP Workshop/German Language, Cincinnati, OH, December 2, 2010
- e. Kim Steffanina, BVIU Teacher Tech Club Series, BVIU, October 27, November 22, December 15, January 25, February 23, April 20, 2011
- f. Lauren Weinheimer, Daniel Bailey, The Challenge of Learning to Read, BVIU, October 28, 2010
- g. Nathan Lowery, Practical Activities for Strengthening Your Teaching of Physics Concepts, Pittsburgh, October 29, 2010
- h. Dale Moll, Tim Linkenheimer, TSA Regional Conference, California, PA, November 12, 2010
- i. Ashley Biega, PA Art Educators Association, Pittsburgh, October 29-31, 2010
- j. Katie Phelps, Alex Duhan, Pat Feeley, US All-Star Track & Field and Cross Country Clinic, Atlantic City, NJ, December 15-17, 2010

14. INTERMEDIATE UNIT
Jamie Fitzgerald, Representative

14.1 Information: Tom Zelesnek, BVIU Executive Director, School Board Directors presentation

15. VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL SCHOOL
James Fitzgerald, Representative

No Report

16. PSBA LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE
Bob Clendennen, Representative

No Report

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

No Report

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

- A. School Directors
- B. Administration
- C. Visitors
- D. Next Meeting—October 21, 2010 @ 7:30PM
Buildings and Grounds Informational Meeting on October 21, 2010 @ 6:30PM