

WYOMISSING AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT 2009-4040

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The meeting of the Board of School Directors convened at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Board Room of the Jr./Sr. High School with Mr. Larkin, Board President, presiding. A welcome reception for new professional staff members was held prior to the meeting, and at 6:50 p.m. Dr. Pulkowski introduced the new staff to the Board and audience members in attendance.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

At 7:00 p.m. Mr. Larkin called the meeting to order. Following the pledge of allegiance, Mr. Larkin asked if anyone would be recording the meeting. No one indicated the intent to record.

Board Members Present:

Mr. Althouse, Mrs. Barnett, Mrs. Davis, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Hinsey, Mrs. McCready, Mr. Portner, Mrs. Sakmann and Mr. Larkin.

Administrative Staff Present:

Mr. Robbins, Dr. Pulkowski, and Mrs. Mason.

Attendees:

Mr. D. Becker, Kozloff Stoudt; David Kostival, Reading Eagle; and Diane Schaeffer, recording secretary. Audience sign-in sheet included as part of these official minutes.

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Following the roll call by the Board secretary, Mr. Larkin announced an executive session was held on August 10, 2009, to discuss personnel and contract negotiations.

The September meetings were noted as follows:

- September 14, 2009 – Personnel/Policy Committee – 5:00 p.m.
- September 14, 2009 – Finance/Facilities Committee – Following Personnel/Policy Meeting
- September 28, 2009 – Curriculum/Technology Committee – 5:00 p.m.
- September 28, 2009 – School Board Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

All listed meetings will be held in the Community Board Room at the Jr./Sr. High School.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Larkin indicated there was an addendum with additional personnel items. He asked for public comments on agenda items and there were none.

APPROVED MEETING MINUTES

Upon motion by Mrs. Barnett, seconded by Mr. Portner, the minutes of the July 13, 2009 Board meeting were approved.

Yeas: Althouse, Barnett, Davis, Fitzgerald, Hinsey, McCready, Portner, Sakmann, and Larkin.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

FINANCE/ FACILITIES

Upon motion by Mr. Fitzgerald and seconded by Mrs. Barnett the following Finance/Facilities items were approved:

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APPROVED
FINANCIAL REPORTS

Approved Financial reports for June and July 2009; copies included as part of these official minutes.

APPROVED PAYMENT
OF INVOICES

Approved payment of properly approved vendor invoices for the General Fund, Athletic Fund, Food Service Fund, and Capital Reserve Fund.

APPROVED BUS
DRIVER LIST

Approved bus driver list for 2009-10 with the provision that additional names may be added or deleted at the discretion of the administration.

Drivers:

Aulenbach, Donna
Bare, Richard
Casner, Adam
Centeno, Julio Rios
Crupi, Tina M.
Gantert, George
Gilbert, James
Hicks, James B.
Jordan, William
Lanning, Florance V.
Miller Jr., Richard
Whitman, Steve
Yost, Jodi

Substitutes:

Evanson, Jackie
Heim, David
Koenig, Karl
Lausch, Lynn
Mell, Beth
Ott, Jeffrey
Smith, Alline M. (Supervisor)
Waselewski, Paul
Yost, Cory

APPROVED
TRANSPORTATION
SCHEDULE

Approved transportation schedules for 2009-10.

APPROVED
SUBMISSION OF
APPLICATION –
FEDERAL PROGRAMS

Approved submission of Consolidated Application for Federal Programs.

Title I Basic - \$222,840
Title I Supplemental (Stimulus) \$124,869
Title II - \$ 42,112

APPROVED
HOMESTEAD
RESOLUTION

Approved updates to Homestead/Farmstead Resolution. Copy included as prt of these official minutes.

Background information: After receiving finalized information from the County, the maximum assessed value reduction that must appear on each tax bill as a Homestead Exclusion for each approved homestead is now \$5,978.31. The maximum real estate tax reduction amount applicable to each approved homestead is now \$162.06.

APPROVED TUITION
AGREEMENT-
JANUS SCHOOL

Approved tuition agreement with The Janus School for 2009-10 in the amount of \$24,700 for one secondary student, ID #101013.

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APPROVED TRANSP.
CONTRACT

Approved transportation contract with The Janus School for 2009-10 in the amount of \$2,200 for one secondary student, ID #101013.

APPROVED
CONTRACT –
PATHWAY SCHOOL

Approved contract with Pathway School for Extended School Year Services, effective July 6, 2009 to August 21, 2009, in the amount of \$7,100 for one secondary student, ID #201151.

APPROVED
CONTRACT WITH
BRENDA WILCZEK

Approved contract with Brenda Wilczek for psychological services for 2009-10 at a rate of \$70 per hour. This rate is unchanged from 2008-09.

APPROVED
CONTRACT – INVO
HEALTHCARE

Approved speech and language therapy agreement with Invo HealthCare, effective on or about August 25, 2009 to June 11, 2010, at a rate of \$65 per hour.

APPROVED
DONATION FROM
BERKS CARPET ONE

Approved donation from Berks Carpet One in the amount of \$400.07. *Background information: This donation was made on behalf of a resident who made a carpet purchase and designated the District's Special Education Department as the recipient through Berks Carpet One's Give Back program.*

APPROVED
DONATION FROM DR.
& MRS. KANEFF

Approved donation from Dr. and Mrs. Scott Robert Kaneff in the amount \$100 to be used for the Technology Department.

APPROVED WIRE
TRANSFER
AGREEMENT AND
RESOLUTION

Approved update of the Wire Transfer Agreement and Authorization Resolution Authorizing Funds Transfers for Sovereign Bank to include Sarah Fick, Administrative Assistant to the Director of Business Affairs. *Background information: Currently, Corinne D. Mason is the only person authorized to make wire transfers from Sovereign Bank. The updated agreement will allow Mrs. Fick to make necessary wire transfers on behalf of the District in amounts not to exceed \$500,000 per day in Mrs. Mason's absence.*

APPROVED STUDENT
ACTIVITY ACCOUNT

Approved request to establish Student Activity Account for the Class of 2015. *Background information: At this time, this account is to be used for the cash flow accounting instrument for the 7th grade class trip to the Renaissance Faire. A 7th grade student will be designated to sign as student treasurer at the beginning of the 2009-10 school year. The Class of 2015 will not hold official class status until grade 9 and therefore there will be no advisor in place until that time.*

APPROVED
EXONERATION OF
PER CAPITA TAX

Approved request for exoneration of per capita tax in accordance with Policy 605.

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AWARDED MEDICINE BIDS

Awarded sports medicine bids:

Medco	\$2,785.66
Shoreline	<u>2,271.01</u>
	\$5,056.67

APPROVED AEM ARCHITECTS

Approved proposal from AEM Architects, Inc. to update the existing Feasibility Study for a total of \$2,500.

Background information: The July 2007 Study needs to be updated to be in compliance with PDE and PlanCon requirements.

APPROVED DAVID M. MAINES CHANGE ORDERS

Approved change orders with David M. Maines Associates, Inc for a total amount of \$90,383.94 (see attachment for change order descriptions).

AWARDED CONTRACT TO OHIO CASUALTY, INC.

Awarded all insurance contracts for the 2009-10 fiscal year to Ohio Casualty, Inc for a total amount of \$134,936.

Background information: Through the quotation process, Ohio Casualty, Inc. has been selected for the District's Property, Liability, Auto, Boiler, Errors & Omissions, Umbrella and Workman's Compensation insurance for 2009-10, rather than PSBA.

APPOINTED DELEGATE TO TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE

Appointed Jana R. Barnett, Esq. as first alternate voting delegate and Joanne E. McCready as second alternate voting delegate for the tax collection committee for Berks County as per Act 32 of 2008.

Yeas: Althouse, Barnett, Davis, Fitzgerald, Hinsey, McCready, Portner, Sakmann, and Larkin.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

CURRICULUM/ TECHNOLOGY

Upon motion by Mrs. Sakmann, seconded by Mrs. McCready, the following Curriculum/Technology items were approved:

APPROVED FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENT

Approved foreign exchange student – Vivien Vogelmann, Grade 11, effective the 2009-10 school year.

Background Information: Vivien is from Germany and has been placed in the home of Mr. & Mrs. John Bernosky by AYUSA Global Youth Exchange.

APPROVED TICKET PRICES FOR ATHLETIC CONTESTS

Approved ticket prices for home athletic contests during the 2009-2010 school year - \$5.00 Adults, \$3.00 Students/Senior Citizens

Background Information: This is a \$1 increase over last year's ticket prices (\$4.00 and \$2.00). Ticket prices have been the same since the 2000-2001 school year.

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Yeas: Althouse, Barnett, Davis, Fitzgerald, Hinsey, McCready, Portner, Sakmann, and Larkin.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL/POLICY

A motion was made by Mrs. Barnett and seconded by Mrs. Sakmann to approve the following personnel agenda items, the additional items included on the addendum, and the policy items:

APPROVED PROFESSIONAL RESIGNATIONS

Approved Professional Resignations:

Dawn Hart, Autistic Support Teacher at WREC, effective August 14, 2009.

Tracey Miller, Life Skills Support Teacher at the JSHS, effective ~~October 5~~ September 3, 2009.

Jeffrey Bezler, Long-Term substitute English Teacher at the JSHS, effective August 19, 2009.

APPROVED PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Approved Professional Appointments:

Jill Kuhn, Elementary Teacher at WREC, at an annual salary to be determined by the new contract, but based on B+15, Step 1, effective for the 2009-10 school year.

Background Information: Ms. Kuhn graduated from Mount Saint Mary's University with a B.S. in Elementary Education and became a 7th Grade Teacher at Saint Catharine of Siena Regional School from 1992 until 1997 when she left to spend more time with her growing family. In 1999 she began tutoring students from Wyomissing Area School District and Holy Name in Algebra I & II, Geometry, and SAT Preparation, and continued to do so until 2001. In 2008 she was hired by Wyomissing Area School District as a Full-time Math Aide at West Reading Elementary Center.

Andrea Kupiszewski, Elementary Teacher at WREC, at an annual salary to be determined by the new contract, but based on B, Step 3, effective for the 2009-10 school year.

Background Information: Ms. Kupiszewski graduated from Lock Haven University in 2002 with a B.S. in Elementary Education. Upon graduation she began working as a Kindergarten Teacher and Director at Circle of Learning Day Care until 2004. In 2004 she began substitute teaching and over the next three years worked for Fleetwood School District, Eastern Lancaster County School District, and Wyomissing Area School District. In 2007 she was hired by Wyomissing Area School District as a Full-time Math Aide and then became a Long-Term Substitute in 6th Grade at WREC in August 2008.

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Mary Kate Adelizzi, Biology Teacher at the JSHS, at an annual salary to be determined by the new contract, but based on B, Step 1, effective for the 2009-10 school year.

Background Information: Ms. Adelizzi spent one year attending Drexel University with a major in Biological Sciences before transferring to Muhlenberg College where she attained her B.S in Secondary Education in May 2009. While in attendance at Muhlenberg College Ms. Adelizzi was a member of Phi Beta Kappa, earned various awards in the field of Biology, and became the valedictorian of her class. Mary Kate did her student teaching in grades 10-12 at Parkland School District working with College Preparatory Biology, Advanced Placement Environmental Science, and Energy & Society and in 8th grade at Whitehall-Coplay School District in Physical Science.

James Delp, English Teacher at the JSHS, at an annual salary to be determined by the new contract, but based on M, Step 2, effective for the 2009-10 school year.

Background Information: Mr. Delp graduated in May 1999 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in English with a certification in Secondary Education from Albright College and began working as a Long-Term Substitute English Teacher at Governor Mifflin High School in February 2000. In August 2000 he obtained a contracted position as an English Teacher for Holy Name High School in Reading, PA and remained there until July 2008 when he took a contracted position with Cocalico High School in Denver, PA. Mr. Delp also obtained his Masters of Science Degree in Exercise Science and Health Promotion from California University of Pennsylvania in November 2007.

Amanda Quirin, Autistic Support Teacher at WREC, at an annual salary to be determined by the new contract, but based on B, Step 1, effective for the 2009-10 school year.

Background Information: Ms. Quirin graduated from Millersville University with certification in Elementary and Special Education. Her career began in February 2009 when she worked as a LTS in a second grade classroom in the Wilson School District. She also has part-time experience as a 3rd and 4th grade reading support teacher.

Brittany Reber, Life Skills Teacher at the JSHS, at an annual salary to be determined by the new contract, but based on B, Step 1, effective for the 2009-10 school year.

Background Information: Ms. Reber graduated Cum Laude from Kutztown University with a Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education and Special Education. She completed her student teaching at both Muhlenberg Elementary Center and Schuylkill Haven Elementary Center. Upon graduation Brittany accepted a position as a

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Long-Term Substitute Learning Support Teacher for Tulpehocken Area School District for the 2008-09 school year.

Jonathan Gerber, Long-Term Substitute English Teacher at the JSHS, at an annual salary to be determined by the new contract, but based on M, Step 1, prorated, effective for the first semester of the 2009-10 school year.

Background Information: Mr. Gerber graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and a minor in English from Moravian College in 2001 and continued his education by attaining a Master of Education from Lehigh University and his Pennsylvania Department of Education Certification in English 7-12 in December 2008. In January of 2009 he accepted a Long-Term Substitute position for the second semester of the 2008-09 school year at Liberty High School in Bethlehem, PA.

APPROVED SUPPORT TEACHERS

Approved Support Teachers for the 2009-10 school year as follows:

<u>Support Teacher</u>	<u>Inductee</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Michael Miller	Nicole Harlacher	LTS French Teacher	\$250.00
Brenda Phillips	Mary Kate Adelizzi	Biology Teacher	\$500.00
Mary Reinert (1/2)	Michelle Geist	Autistic Support Tchr.	\$250.00
Andrew Hoffert (1/2)	Michelle Geist	Autistic Support Tchr.	\$250.00
Leigh Macri (1/2)	Kevin Maier	Speech/Language	\$250.00
Andrew Hoffert (1/2)	Kevin Maier	Speech/Language	\$250.00
Dan Smith	Jill Kuhn	Elementary Teacher	\$500.00
Jodi Wirebach	Amanda Quirin	Autistic Support Tchr.	\$500.00
Rachel Unger (1/2)	Brittany Reber	Life Skills Teacher	\$250.00
David Skovera (1/2)	Brittany Reber	Life Skills Teacher	\$250.00

APPROVED SUPPORT STAFF RESIGNATIONS

Approved Support Staff Resignations:

Gary Booz, Part-time Food Service Worker at the JSHS, effective August 5, 2009.

Anne Seltzer, Part-time Computer Lab Aide at the JSHS, effective July 13, 2009.

Rachel Gutzler, Full-time Library Aide at the JSHS, effective August 11, 2009.

Danielle Shobe, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide at WHEC, effective August 9, 2009.

Kimberly Luigard, Full-time Special Education Aide at WREC, effective August 20, 2009.

APPROVED SUPPORT STAFF APPOINTMENTS

Approved Support Staff Appointments:

Cathryn Fox, Apple/Web Systems Specialist, at a rate of \$30,000/year, effective September 14, 2009, pending receipt of necessary documents.

Justin Moyer, Full-time Teacher's Instructional Aide at WREC, at a

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rate of \$11.09/hour, effective August 25, 2009.

APPROVED SUMMER
APPOINTMENT

Approved Ratification of Summer Support Appointment - **Kayleigh Hungerford**, part-time temporary summer help for the IT Department, paid hourly at state minimum wage, effective July 15, 2009 through August 21, 2009.

APPROVED ESY
SUBSTITUTE

Approved **Michelle Geist**, Substitute for the 2009 Extended School Year Program (ESY), at the professional contracted teacher rate.

RATIFIED
ADDITIONAL HOURS
FOR SUPPORT STAFF

Ratified Additional Hours for Support Staff to attend Paraprofessional Academy at BCIU:

Elizabeth Barrer, Part-time Special Education Instructional Aide at WHEC, Paraprofessional Academy August 26-28, 2009, at her approved hourly rate, not to exceed a maximum of 18 hours.

Donna Bottiglieri, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide at WHEC, Paraprofessional Academy June 16-19, 2009, at her approved hourly rate, not to exceed a maximum of 24 hours.

Susie Froehlich, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide at the JSHS, Paraprofessional Academy June 16-19, 2009, at her approved hourly rate, not to exceed a maximum of 24 hours.

Michelle Krick, Full-time Teacher's Instructional Aide at WHEC, Paraprofessional Academy June 16-19, 2009, at her approved hourly rate, not to exceed a maximum of 24 hours.

APPROVED HOURS
FOR SUPPORT STAFF
AIDE

Approved Additional Hours for **Eve Pardo**, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide at the JSHS, to attend trainings on August 11, 2009, December 2, 2009, and April 15, 2010, in order to comply with PDE mandated requirements, paid at her approved hourly rate, not to exceed a maximum of 18 hours.

APPROVED HOURS
FOR SUPPORT STAFF
AIDES TO MEET
TEACHERS

Approved Hours for Support Staff to Meet with Classroom Teacher, for a maximum of 2 hours each, at their approved hourly rate:

Elizabeth Barrer, Part-time Special Education Instructional Aide, WHEC

Donna Bottiglieri, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide, WHEC

Kim Bressler, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide, WREC

Karen Conklin, Full-time Job Coach, JSHS

Hilary Decker, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide, JSHS

Susie Froehlich, Part-time Special Education Instructional Aide, JSHS

Scott Gehman, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide, JSHS

Jessica Hole, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide, WHEC

Heather Hylton, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide, JSHS

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Glenda Jarrett, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide, WHEC
Jennifer Kohler, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide, WREC
Karen Koppenhaver, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide, WHEC
Kim Latino, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide, JSHS
Dorothy Lefever, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide, JSHS
Mary Lieberman, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide, WREC
Bernadette Lis, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide, JSHS
Marci Luckenbill-Felty, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide, JSHS
Kim Luigard, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide, WREC
Molly Mantione, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide, WHEC
Holly Miller, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide, WHEC
Marie Minnich, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide, WREC
Eve Pardo, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide, JSHS
Rupa Patel, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide, WHEC
Lisa Reichardt, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide, WREC
Stacey Riegel, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide, WHEC
Kathy Rohm, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide, WHEC
Lori Rohrbach, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide, JSHS
Kathy Schweitzer, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide, WHEC
Danielle Shobe, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide, WHEC
Rebecca Sibbett, Part-time Special Education Instructional Aide, JSHS
Diana Swavely, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide, JSHS
Mary Thacker, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide, JSHS
Arlene Wagner, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide, SJSH
Jennifer Wolfe, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide, WREC
Linda Wynne, Part-time Special Education Instructional Aide, WHEC
Lauren Yelinek, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide, WHEC

RATIFIED FMLA
LEAVES

Ratified FMLA Leaves:

Gene Kiwak, Full-time Custodian at WHEC, a family and medical leave of absence, effective July 8, 2009 through July 23, 2009 and August 5, 2009 through August 20, 2009.

Claudia Walters, Secretary to the Director of Buildings and Grounds and the Director of IT, an intermittent family and medical leave of absence, effective July 1, 2009.

APPROVED
SUPPLEMENTAL

Approved Supplemental Activity Point Value, \$84.50, effective the 2009-10 school year.

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ACTIVITY POINT
VALUE

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APPROVED
SUPPLEMENTAL
ACTIVITY
RESIGNATIONS

Approved Supplemental Activity Resignations - **Mary Pearsall**, Colloquy Advisor, and Wyomissing Quiz Bowl Co-Advisor, effective July 13, 2009.

APPROVED
SUPPLEMENTAL
ACTIVITY
APPOINTMENTS

Approved Supplemental Activity Appointments:

Melissa Kreps, Wyomissing Quiz Bowl Advisor, 17.5 points, \$1,479, effective the 2009-10 school year.

Christopher Stanchek, Yearbook Co-Advisor, 20.25 points, \$1,711, effective the 2009-10 school year.

APPROVED
SUPPLEMENTAL
ATHLETIC
APPOINTMENTS

Approved Supplemental Athletic Appointment - **Piera Snyder**, Field Hockey Varsity 2nd Assistant Coach, 18.5 points, \$1,563, effective for the 2009-10 school year.

APPROVED REVISED
POSITION GUIDES

Approved revised position guides:

Maintenance Worker/Carpenter
Maintenance Worker/HVAC Technician
Maintenance Worker/Plumbing

APPROVED POSTING
MAINTENANCE
WORKER/PLUMBING
POSITION

Approved posting for Maintenance Worker/Plumbing position.

APPROVED
ADDITION TO
VOLUNTEER LIST

Approved additions to the District volunteer list.

APPROVED
ADDITIONS TO
SUBSTITUTE LIST

Approved additions to the District substitute list.

Mrs. McCready noted that there were names on substitute list of individuals who are not employed by the District and should be deleted.

Addendum items approved:

RESCINDED STAFF
APPOINTMENT

Rescinded support staff appointment of **Cathryn Fox**, Apple/Web Systems Specialist, at a rate of \$30,000/year, effective September 14, 2009, pending receipt of necessary documents.

APPROVED STAFF
RESIGNATION

Approved support staff resignation - **Heather Hylton**, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide at the JSBS, effective August 21, 2009.

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APPROVED SUPPORT
STAFF
APPOINTMENTS

Approved support staff appointments as follows:

Matthew McGowan, Apple/Web Systems Specialist, at a rate of \$30,000/year, effective September 8, 2009, pending receipt of necessary documents.

Jeff Krick, Part-time Food Service Worker at the JSHS, 6.25 hours/day, at a rate of \$9.61/hour, effective August 31, 2009.

Vernon Levensgood, Part-time Food Service Worker at WHEC, 3 hours/day, at a rate of \$9.61/hour, effective August 31, 2009, pending receipt of necessary documents.

RATIFIED FMLA
LEAVE

Ratified FMLA Leave - - **Kathleen Garman**, Director of Human Resources, a family and medical leave of absence, effective August 10, 2009 through August 14, 2009.

APPROVED CHANGE
IN RESIGNATION
DATE

Approved change in professional resignation effective date - **Tracey Miller**, Life Skills Support Teacher at the JSHS, effective September 3, 2009.

APPROVED
CANCELLATION OF
ADDITIONAL HOURS
FOR SUPPORT STAFF

Approved cancellation of additional support staff hours to meet with classroom teachers:

Heather Hylton, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide, JSHS
Kim Luigard, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide, WREC
Danielle Shobe, Full-time Special Education Instructional Aide, WHEC
Background Information: All three of these aides have since submitted their formal resignation.

POLICIES

APPROVED POLICY
ADOPTION

Approved new/revised policies for a second reading/adoption:

- 006 – Meetings
- 104 – Nondiscrimination in Employment and Contract Practices
- 200 – Enrollment of Students
- 347 – Workers Compensation Transitional Return-to-Work Program (NEW)
- 504 – Employment of Classified Employees
- 810 – Transportation
- 818 – Contracted Services

APPROVED FIRST
READING OF
POLICIES

Approved first reading of Policy 605 – Tax Levy

Yeas: Althouse, Barnett, Davis, Fitzgerald, Hinsey, McCready, Portner, Sakmann, and Larkin.

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Nays: None. Motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Robbins reported the following:

- All of the professional staff have been hired and were able to attend induction.
- Swine flu information will be shared with staff.
- Frequently asked questions on negotiations will be posted on the website tomorrow in an effort to make information available to the public.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Fitzgerald stated that Randy Hinsey will be attending the October 16 PSBA conference in Hershey, and there is an opening for one more Board member to attend.

Mr. Fitzgerald also reported that it's not too early to begin preparing for the 2010-11 budget. With the economic downturn that we have experienced, the lack of a state budget that could end up impacting our current year's budget, and the expectation that the index will be significantly lower, he requested that Mr. Robbins, Ms. Mason and the administrative staff be fiscally responsible with their budget preparation. He requested that all programs and services be evaluated as to their relevance to the program and a budget be developed within the parameters of the index which is to be released next month.

Mr. Hinsey took the opportunity to thank Fred Hafer, Laurie Waxler, and the many volunteers who made the new WREC playground possible. He noted the official cutting of the ribbon is scheduled for Sunday, August 30, at 4:00.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Murray questioned the increase in revenue expected with the new ticket prices.

Mr. Schiaroli asked for information on the status of West Reading Elementary.

Mr. Robbins stated that the Board approved a facilities study that will be done and requests for proposals for architects are due September 18.

In response to Mr. Murray's statements, Mrs. Helm said the lacrosse program has zero impact on the budget.

Mr. Mitchell requested information on the search for a high school assistant principal, and Mr. Robbins stated that interviews have been

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completed and he hopes to have a recommendation next month.

Mrs. Bamberger questioned the status of the teachers' contract and information was provided by Mr. Larkin. He also stated that the proposal will be posted on the website.

Mr. Schiaroli asked that residents' names be included in the public comment portion of the minutes.

Mr. Mitchell said he was surprised Mr. Stott has not been at any of the meetings to address the public on negotiations. He also noted that the budget contained 3.06% for the teachers.

Mr. Murray noted the Board should be careful if posting the proposal on the website because contracts are not to be negotiated in public.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mrs. Barnett, seconded by Mrs. McCready to adjourn at 7:31 p.m. Mr. Larkin noted that the Board would meet in executive session.

Corinne D. Mason
Board Secretary

