

TYRONE AREA SCHOOL BOARD

REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

September 12, 2017

Members Present: Mollie Bakhsheshe; Rose Black; Brian Bressler; James Crawford; William Hartsock; Luther Laird; Randy Miles; James Raabe; David Fusco.

Members Absent: None.

Student Representatives Present: Hannah Gampe

Media Present: Russ O'Reilly, *Altoona Mirror*; Julie White, *The Daily Herald*.

Administration and Deans Present: John Clark; Glen Drager; Leslie Estep; Cathy Harlow; Lisa Hartsock; Kourtney Klock; Thomas Muir; Thomas Yoder.

OPENING EXERCISES

President James Crawford called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. All present were asked to stand and pledge allegiance to the American flag, followed by a moment of silent meditation. President Crawford announced that the meeting was being audio taped and welcomed everyone present, with the reminder that all guests are required to sign the meeting roster.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Brian Bressler, in the form of a motion, recommended board approval to the proposed agenda for the September 12, 2017 Regular Session meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Luther Laird and carried with a roll call vote of 9-0-0. (Brian Bressler, yes; Luther Laird, yes; James Raabe, yes; Randy Miles, yes; William Hartsock, yes; Rose Black, yes; Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; David Fusco, yes; James Crawford, yes.)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

In the form of a motion, Mr. James Raabe recommended board approval to the minutes of the August 8, 2017 Regular Session meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. William Hartsock and carried with a roll call vote of 8-0-1. (Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Rose Black, abstained; David Fusco, yes; William Hartsock, yes; Randy Miles, yes; James Raabe, yes; Luther Laird, yes; Brian Bressler, yes; James Crawford, yes).

PUBLIC INPUT

Andrew Smith, Food Service Director, presented an informal report to the board on participation in the cafeteria program.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President James Crawford announced that the board met in Executive Session following adjournment of the September 5, 2017 Work Session meeting to discuss personnel items. In addition, he announced that the board will meet again in Executive Session following adjournment of the September 12, 2017 Regular Session meeting to discuss personnel items.

2018 PSBA OFFICERS

In the form of a motion, Mr. Luther Laird recommended board approval to the election of the following candidates as the official votes to be cast for the specified 2018 PSBA offices, with votes to be submitted electronically to PSBA by the board secretary before October 12, 2017:

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| ➤ President Elect: | David Hutchinson |
| ➤ Vice-President: | Eric Wolfgan |
| ➤ Treasurer | Mike Gossert |
| ➤ Central at Large | Larry Augustine |
| ➤ PSBA Insurance Trust Trustees | Michael Faccinetto (term ending December 31, 2020) Marianne Neel (term ending December 31, 2020) |

The above motion was seconded by Mr. Brian Bressler and carried with a roll call vote of 9-0-0. (Brian Bressler, yes; Luther Laird, yes; James Raabe, yes; Randy Miles, yes; William Hartsock, yes; Rose Black, yes; Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; David Fusco, yes; James Crawford, yes.)

FINANCIAL OPERTIONS COMMITTEE

In the form of a motion, Mr. Randy Miles recommended board approval to Report #1 - Treasurer's Financial Report for period ending August 31, 2017. The motion was seconded by Ms. Rose Black and carried with a roll call vote of 9-0-0. (Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Rose Black, yes; David Fusco, yes; William Hartsock, yes; Randy Miles, yes; James Raabe, yes; Luther Laird, yes; Brian Bressler, yes; James Crawford, yes.)

Mr. Randy Miles, in the form of a motion, recommended board approval to Report #4 – Tax Collection Report for period ending August 31, 2017. The motion was seconded by Mr. James Raabe and carried with a roll call vote of 9-0-0. (Brian Bressler, yes; Luther Laird, yes; James Raabe, yes; Randy Miles, yes; William Hartsock, yes; David Fusco, yes; Rose Black, yes; Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; James Crawford, yes.)

Next, in the form of a motion, Mr. Randy Miles recommended board approval to Report #5 – Monthly Expenditures. Dr. David Fusco seconded the motion and it carried with a roll call vote of 9-0-0. (Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Rose Black, yes; David Fusco, yes; William Hartsock, yes; Randy Miles, yes; James Raabe, yes; Luther Laird, yes; Brian Bressler, yes; James Crawford, yes.)

Mr. Randy Miles, in the form of a motion, recommended board approval to Report #6 – Investment Analysis Report for period ending July 31, 2017. The motion was seconded by Ms. Rose Black and carried with a roll call vote of 9-0-0. (Brian Bressler, yes; Luther Laird, yes; James Raabe, yes; Randy Miles, yes; William Hartsock, yes; David Fusco, yes; Rose Black, yes; Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; James Crawford, yes.)

In the form of a motion, Mr. Randy Miles recommended board approval to Report #7 – Student Activities Fund for period ending August 31, 2017. Mr. Brian Bressler seconded the motion and it carried with a roll call vote of 9-0-0. (Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Rose Black, yes; David Fusco, yes; William Hartsock, yes; Randy Miles, yes; James Raabe, yes; Luther Laird, yes; Brian Bressler, yes; James Crawford, yes.)

Mr. Randy Miles, in the form of a motion, recommended board approval to enter into an agreement with Melissa Gehlman of 1767 Decker Hollow Road, Tyrone, PA 16686 as a Licensed Occupational Therapist, independent contractor at the rate of \$78 per hour for a maximum total of 350 hours. The effective period of the contract shall be September 13, 2017 through June 8, 2018. Cost of the agreed upon services will be paid through ACCESS funding. The motion was seconded by Mr. Luther Laird and carried with a roll call vote of 9-0-0. (Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Rose Black, yes; David Fusco, yes; William Hartsock, yes; Randy Miles, yes; James Raabe, yes; Luther Laird, yes; Brian Bressler, yes; James Crawford, yes.)

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND MATERIALS COMMITTEE

In the form of a motion, Mr. James Raabe recommended board approval to revise the 2017-18 school calendar to allow December 22, 2017 to be a ½ day Early Dismissal for students and ½ day In-Service for professional and support staff. The motion was seconded by Mr. William Hartsock and it carried with a roll call vote of 9-0-0. (Brian Bressler, yes; Luther Laird, yes; James Raabe, yes; Randy Miles, yes; William Hartsock, yes; David Fusco, yes; Rose Black, yes; Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; James Crawford, yes.)

Mr. James Raabe, in the form of a motion, recommended board approval for a service contract and school's subscription fee for the Juniata College Science in Motion Program at a cost of \$8,100.00. The motion was seconded by Mr. Randy Miles and carried with a roll call vote of 9-0-0. (Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Rose Black, yes; David Fusco, yes; William Hartsock, yes; Randy Miles, yes; James Raabe, yes; Luther Laird, yes; Brian Bressler, yes; James Crawford, yes.)

RESIGNATION OF BOARD MEMBER

In the form of a motion, Mr. James Raabe recommended board approval to accept the resignation of School Board Member Luther Laird effective September 30, 2017. The motion was seconded by Mr. Brian Bressler and carried with a roll call vote of 9-0-0. (Brian Bressler, yes; Luther Laird, yes; James Raabe, yes; Randy Miles, yes; William Hartsock, yes; David Fusco, yes; Rose Black, yes; Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; James Crawford, yes.)

Following the vote, James Crawford presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Board Member Luther L. Laird in recognition of his 18 years of service on the school board.

CONSENSUS VOTE

In the form of a motion, Ms. Rose Black recommended board approval to the consensus vote of the following items listed under Section B of the September 12, 2017 Regular Session Agenda. Dr. David Fusco seconded the motion and it carried by a roll call vote of 9-0-0. (Brian Bressler, yes; Luther Laird, yes; James Raabe, yes; Randy Miles, yes; William Hartsock, yes; David Fusco, yes; Rose Black, yes; Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; James Crawford, yes.)

**** Section B – Consensus Vote****

I. ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE BOARD

A. Pending and Current Committee Reports, as called by the Board President

1. Student Activities and Services Committee - Chairperson Brian Bressler

A. Retirements/Resignations

| Name | Position | Retirement/Resignation | Effective Date |
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| Steve Johnson | Varsity Assistant Football Coach | Resignation | August 2, 2017, with permission to remain as a volunteer. |

B. Elections

| Name & Address | Position | Salary or Special Service Fee | Benefits | Effective Date |
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| Thad Graham | Jr. High Assistant Football Coach | \$1,400.00 | None | September 13, 2017 |

C. Request board approval to the listings of Field Trip Requests previously approved by the Building Principal; Director of Curriculum and Instruction; Business Manager; and Superintendent.

D. Request board approval to add Craig Lowery, 108 Lanners Street, Tyrone to the list of 2017-18 Football & Extracurricular Activities/Security Workers.

2. Financial Operations Committee – Treasurer Randy Miles

A. Request board approval for The Paraeducator Suite through Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8 for on line professional development training for district paraprofessionals at a cost of \$2,300 for one year.

B. Request board approval to enter agreement with C&S Speech Services of 101 Allegheny Street Suite 2C, Hollidaysburg, PA 16648 to provide Speech-Language Pathologist services at the rate of \$61 per hour for a maximum of 10 hours per week. This is an increase of \$1 per hour for 2017/2018.

3. Human Resources Committee – Chairperson William Hartsock

A. Retirements/Resignations

| Name | Position | Retirement/Resignation | Effective Date |
|------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
| Michelle Politza | Paraprofessional | Resignation | September 1, 2017 |
| Indhira Escala | Paraprofessional | Resignation | August 7, 2017 |
| Carole Detwiler | Paraprofessional | Resignation | August 10, 2017 |
| Amanda Barto | Paraprofessional | Resignation | August 14, 2017 |
| Julie Rice | Special Ed Teacher | Resignation | August 11, 2017 |
| Steven Stoner | Sixth Grade Team Leader | Resignation | August 11, 2017 |

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| Julie Anderson | Daycare Lead Teacher | Resignation | September 7, 2017 |
| Elizabeth Hansen | Long-Term Math Substitute | Resignation | August 22, 2017 |

B. Request board approval to one year leave of absence for Elementary Guidance Counselor, Jessica Zorger, for the 2017-18 School year.

C. Elections

| Name & Address | Position | Assignment | Salary, Stipend or Rate/Hour | Benefits | Effective Date |
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| Gabrielle McLarren 405 Clay Avenue Tyrone, PA 16686 | 7 th & 8 th Grade Student Council Co-Advisor | N/A | \$716.50 Stipend | No Benefits | August 21, 2017 |
| Aloysius Bilka 168 Sunrise Court Altoona, PA 16601 | 6 th Grade Team Leader | N/A | \$1,424.49 Stipend | No Benefits | August 21, 2017 |
| Jessica Hetrick 706 E. Main Street Roaring Spring, PA 16673 | Middle School Yearbook Advisor | N/A | \$589.81 Stipend | No Benefits | August 21, 2017 |
| Patty Gonder 248 Belltip Road Tyrone, PA 16686 | Daycare Lead Teacher | 9 months 5 Days/Week 3 Hrs/Day | \$11.09/Hour Timesheet | 5 Sick Days 1 Personal Day | September 13, 2017 |
| Patty Gonder 248 Belltip Road Tyrone, PA 16686 | Daycare Secretary | 9 months 5 Days/Week 4 Hrs/Day | \$12.02/Hour Timesheet | 5 Sick Days 1 Personal Day | September 13, 2017 |

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| Stacy Butina 6341 Tyrone Pike Tyrone, PA 16686 | Daycare Paraprofessional | 9 months 4 Days/Week 2 Hrs/Day | \$9.64/Hour Timesheet | No change in benefits | September 13, 2017 |
| Peggy Cox | Supervisory Paraprofessional | 9 months 5 Days/week 6 Hrs/Day | \$10.69/Hour | No Change in benefits | September 13, 2017 |
| Mary Vancas | Elementary AM Bus Duty | Increase 20 minutes per day | Time Sheet \$10.39/hour | No Benefits | September 13, 2017 |
| Carol Fetters | Elementary AM Bus Duty | Increase 40 minutes per day | Time Sheet \$10.54/hour | No Benefits | September 13, 2017 |
| Courtney Getty 207 Logan Blvd. Altoona, PA 16602 | Early Intervention Long-term Substitute Teacher | Full Year Half Time 18.75 Hrs/Week | \$21,850.86 | 5 Sick Days 1 Personal Day ½ Benefits | August 21, 2017 |

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| Jessica LaBarbera 43 Twinkle Lane Port Matilda, PA 16870 | Long-term Math Substitute Teacher 2017-18 School Year | 182 Days 7.5 Hrs/Day | \$43,237 (Prorated) | 10 Sick Days 2 Personal Days Full Benefits | August 28, 2017 |
| Jill Dale 1049 Jefferson Ave. Tyrone, PA 16686 | Middle School Builder's Club Advisor | N/A | \$673.82 Stipend | No Benefits | August 21, 2017 |
| Cynthia Etchison 1995 Pardee Road Morrisdale, PA 16858 | Long-Term Substitute Elementary Guidance Counselor | 171 Days 7.5 Hrs/Day | \$43,237 (Prorated) | 10 Sick Days 2 Personal Days Full Benefits | September 13, 2017 |
| Chelsea Lechner 5412 Acorn Drive Hesston, PA 16647 | Elementary Special Education Teacher | TBD/Days 7.5 Hrs/Day | \$43,237 (Prorated) | 10 Sick Days 2 Personal Days Full Benefits | To be Determined |
| Brittany Harris 1465 Bald Eagle Ave Tyrone, PA 16686 | Daycare Paraprofessional | 9 months 5 days/week 5 Hrs/Day | Time Sheet \$8.74/hour | 5 Sick Days 1 Personal Day | September 13, 2017 |

- D. Request board approval to increase in hours for paraprofessional Alanna Patterson from 7 hours per day to 7.5 hours per day with no change in current benefits, effective August 24, 2017.
- E. Request board approval to September 2017-18 Substitute and Long-Term Volunteer List.

4. Educational Programs and Materials Committee – Chairperson James Raabe

- A. Request board approval to enter Accelerated College Education (ACE) Agreement with Pennsylvania Highlands Community College (PHCC) permitting Tyrone Area School District students the opportunity to enroll in Dual Enrollment Classes approved by PHCC and the Tyrone Area School District, effective with the 2017-18 school year.
- B. Requests Board approval to enter the articulation agreements in accordance with ESSA requirements for Title I funding. The agreements with Bellwood-Antis, Moshannon Valley and Juniata Valley School Districts will allow for the pooling of Title I funds for the purpose of providing educational services to eligible students at St Matthews school, Tyrone PA.
- C. Request board approval to enter into agreement with Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8 to provide professional development services in accordance with ESSA Nonpublic requirement for Title IIA in the amount of \$3,226.00.

- D. Submitted for a 30-day review period prior to board action is the New Adoption of textbook "A History of Western Art Revised " 4th Edition, by Laurie Schneider Adams, 12 copies for the total amount of \$500.00. Textbook to be used for Intro to Art History 976 Dual Enrollment Course.
 - E. Request board approval to enter contract with Appalachia IU8 for participation in the World of Learning/World Language virtual language instruction at the cost of \$800 per student for the 2017-18 school year.
- 5. Board Regulatory Activities Committee – Chairperson Dr. David Fusco**
- A. Submitted for first reading is the following proposed board policy:
 - 1) Board Policy 246 – School Wellness
- 6. Physical Plant and Operations Committee – Chairperson Luther Laird**
- A. Request board approval to listings of Beckwith Buses and Raystown Transit Service buses and vans to be used for student transportation during the 2017-18 school year.
 - B. Request board approval to execution of the following agreements for the transfer of the sewer line to the Borough of Tyrone:
 - 1) Bill of Sale
 - 2) Temporary and Permanent Sewer Easement

Section End -

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. James Raabe motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Randy Miles seconded the motion and it carried with an affirmative vote. The meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John E. Clark
Board Secretary