

WYOMISSING AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT 2014-4727

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The regular meeting of the Board of School Directors convened at 6:01 p.m. in the Community Board Room of the Jr./Sr. High School with Mrs. Butera, Board President, presiding.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Following the pledge of allegiance, Mrs. Butera asked if anyone would be recording the meeting. No one indicated the intent to record.

Board Members Present: Mrs. Butera, Mrs. Davis, Mr. Heinly, Mrs. McAvoy, Mr. Painter, Mr. Portner, Mrs. Reilly and Mrs. Seltzer.

Board Member Absent Mrs. Reese

Administrative Staff Present: Mrs. Vicente, Mr. Stem, Mr. Younkin, and Mrs. Kaag.

Attendees: Becca Gregg, Reading Eagle, and Shelley Filer, recording secretary. Audience sign-in sheet included as part of these official minutes.

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mrs. Butera announced the following Executive Sessions: following the February 10, meeting for legal issues, no action was taken; at 5:30 p.m. prior to the meeting for legal issues, no action was taken; and following tonight's meeting for personnel issues.

She encouraged Board members to attend the February 25, Technology Committee Meeting if possible because the main topic to be discussed is security equipment.

The following meeting schedules and locations were announced:

- Technology Committee Meeting – Tuesday, February 25, 2014, 12:00 p.m.
- Curriculum Committee Meeting – Monday, March 3, 2014, 12:00 p.m.
- Finance/Facilities Committee Meeting – Wednesday, March 5, 2014, 11:00 a.m.
- Personnel/Policy Committee Meeting – Thursday, March 6, 2014, 12:00 p.m.
- School Board Business Meeting with Committee Reports – Monday, March 10, 2014, 6:00 p.m.
- School Board Business Meeting – Monday, March 24, 2014, 6:00 p.m.

All listed meetings are held in the Community Board Room of the Jr./Sr. High School unless otherwise noted.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

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**ROUTINE
APPROVALS**

MEETING MINUTES

Upon a motion by Mr. Painter, second by Mrs. Reilly, the Board approved the following minutes:

- January 13, 2014 Business Meeting with Committee Reports
- January 27, 2014 Regular Business Meeting

Yeas: Butera, Davis, Heinly, McAvoy, Painter, Portner, Reilly and Seltzer.

Absent: Reese

Nays: None. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S
REPORT

Upon a motion by Mrs. Seltzer second by Mr. Portner, the Treasurer's Report for January 2014 was accepted as presented.

Yeas: Davis, Heinly, McAvoy, Painter, Portner, Reilly and Seltzer.

Absent: Reese

Nays: None. Motion carried.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Upon a motion by Mrs. Reilly, second by Mrs. McAvoy, payment of bills for the month of January 2014 was approved.

Yeas: Butera, Davis, Heinly, McAvoy, Painter, Portner, Reilly and Seltzer.

Absent: Reese

Nays: None. Motion carried.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT**

**A. CURRICULUM/
TECHNOLOGY**

Upon a motion by Mr. Painter, and second by Mrs. Seltzer, the Board approved the Curriculum/Technology agenda items as follows.

Mrs. Davis commented that feedback on the calendar was solicited from multiple stakeholders to arrive at the version presented for approval.

1. Approved Overnight Field Trip Request – Regional Orchestra, Easton Area High School, February 26 – February 28, 2014.
Background information: This trip was approved at the February 10, 2014 Board meeting for February 27-March 1, 2014. The event was rescheduled by Easton Area High School for the dates listed above.
2. Approved 2014-15 District Calendar.

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Yeas: Butera, Davis, Heinly, McAvoy, Painter, Portner, Reilly and Seltzer.

Absent: Reese

Nays: None. Motion carried.

B. FINANCE/ FACILITIES

Upon a motion by Mr. Portner, and second by Mrs. Reilly, the Board approved the Finance/Facilities agenda items as follows.

1. Approved budget transfers in the amount of \$8,986.
2. Approved BCIU 2014-15 Budget.
Background information: Act 102 of 1970 requires the BCIU to prepare an annual budget for approval by its member school districts. The 2014-15 budget requires no increase in revenue from school districts. This budget is for mandated services only and does not include fee-for service or federally funded programs (see gray booklet).
3. Approved donations from the Wyomissing Area Education Foundation as follows:
 - \$3,364.12 for six iPads for the Autistic Support classroom.
 - \$870 for a musical theater workshop for the JSJS Chorale.
 - \$700 for a buzzer system for the English Department Quiz Bowl.
 - \$245 for “safe room” boxes at each building.
 - \$2,673.27 for electronic balances for the JSJS Chemistry Department
4. Approved contract with River Rock Academy Inc. for alternative education placement for secondary student ID#300538 at \$130/day per student, discounted to \$125/day per student effective February 1, 2014 for term of January 31, 2014 to January 30, 2015.

Yeas: Butera, Davis, Heinly, McAvoy, Painter, Portner, Reilly and Seltzer.

Absent: Reese

Nays: None. Motion carried.

C. PERSONNEL/ POLICY

Upon a motion by Mr. Heinly, second by Mrs. Seltzer, the Board approved the Personnel/Policy agenda items as follows.

Mrs. Vicente introduced Mark Boyer and his family in the audience. The request for approval of his appointment as the Business Administrator is listed on the agenda.

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1. RESIGNATION/RETIREMENT/TERMINATION

a. Professional Staff

- 1) **Stacey Riegel**, Special Education Instructional Aide, WHEC, update effective date of resignation to last day worked February 12, 2014.

2. LEAVE OF ABSENCE

a. Administrative Staff

- 1) **Craig Fries**, Director of Building and Grounds, intermittent Family Medical Leave effective March 6, 2014 to a date to be determined.

3. APPOINTMENTS

a. Administrative Staff

- 1) **Mark Boyer**, Business Administrator, District Office, at an annual pro-rated salary of \$85,000, effective date to be determined.
Background Information: Mr. Boyer received a Master of Business Administration Degree from Alvernia College in addition to a Bachelor of Science Degree in Accounting. His past professional experience includes Manager of Financial Planning and Analysis, Assistant Business Manager for a public school, and his current position as Interim Business Manager for a public school.

b. Athletic Staff

- 1) **Kevin Kratzer**, Boys Volleyball Head Coach, at a stipend of \$2,537 for the 2013-14 School Year, effective February 25, 2014.
- 2) **Ryan Smith**, Boys Volleyball Assistant Coach, at a stipend of \$1,522 for the 2013-14 School Year, effective February 25, 2014.
- 3) **Kayla Carson**, Girls Lacrosse Assistant Coach, at a stipend of \$1,500 for the 2013-14 School Year, effective February 25, 2014.

c. Supplemental Staff

- 1) **Michele Hetrich**, Summer Academy Coordinator, effective summer 2014, at a stipend of \$2,000.
- 2) Spring Athletics
Request approval of the attached 2013-14 school year Spring Season coaches and associated stipends.

4. SUBSTITUTES

a. Support Staff

- 1) **Mark Isett**, Custodian and Van Driver (Addition)

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5. VOLUNTEERS

6. POLICIES

Second reading/adoption of the following policies:

122 Extracurricular Activities

123 Interscholastic Athletics

218 Student Discipline

227 Controlled Substances

238 Parent of Record (NEW)

Yeas: Butera, Davis, Heinly, McAvoy, Painter, Portner, Reilly and Seltzer.

Absent: Reese

Nays: None. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Mrs. Vicente provided an update on the tennis courts. The status remains unchanged. The District's insurance carrier has deemed them unsafe for use and therefore they will remain locked. The District is investigating solutions to remedy the situation.

Mr. Painter asked for a cost-to-date figure on the Spartan Pride Stadium Project. Mr. Portner indicated that \$22,600 has been incurred thus far; however that figure includes costs for ADA compliance issues and evaluation of the tennis courts that would have been incurred regardless of the proposed project. Mrs. Butera further explained that the \$22,600 includes the following: \$1,485 to add the refurbishment of the tennis courts to the project plan; \$825 in legal costs for Right-to-Know requests; and \$3,996 due to the permit denial.

NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Davis reminded those in attendance of the upcoming Mini-THON.

UPDATE FROM ORGANIZATIONS

Kami Fecho read a statement on behalf of WAEA in the interest of promoting solidarity between the faculty, administration, and school board and expressing their commitment to the students and the promotion of academic excellence while maintaining a positive working relationship. She welcomed Mark Boyer to the District.

Jennifer Mangold provided additional details on the Mini-THON. It is open to the public on March 1 from 7-10 p.m. Approximately 175 students are signed up to dance. Their fundraising goal is \$12,000.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Portner, seconded by Mrs. Seltzer to adjourn at 6:19 p.m.

Board Secretary