



Peters Township School District

**MINUTES
PETERS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2015
7:30 P.M. – DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION OFFICES**

CALL TO ORDER: Mr. McMurray, President, called the regular meeting of the Peters Township Board of School Directors to order at 7:40 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL: Mr. Dunleavy, Mr. McMurray, Mrs. Anderson, Mr. Merrell, Mrs. Erenberg, Mrs. Bowman and Mrs. Gregg. Dr. Hardy and Mrs. Smith joined via phone. Also present were Dr. Jeannine French, Superintendent, Dr. Jennifer Murphy, Assistant Superintendent, Michael Fisher Assistant to the Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment, Patricia Kelly, Director of Pupil Personnel, Vincent M. Belczyk, Business Manager Ronald Gault, Director of Buildings and Grounds, Shelly Belcher, Communications Coordinator, Lori Pavlik, Principal Peters Township High School, Adam Sikorski, Principal Peters Township Middle School and Jocelyn Kramer, Solicitor.

SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

- Celebration of Excellence
 - The District celebrated the following
 - Kindergarten students at Bower Hill and Pleasant Valley took a ride on the Polar Express in December. Dressed in their pajamas, students watched the storybook telling of the classic tale while enjoying cocoa and candy canes. When they got back to their classrooms, they found a bell waiting for them courtesy of the PTA volunteers.
 - Congratulations to the 8th graders above who have earned honors in the Patriot's Pen Essay Contest sponsored by VFW Post 764 in McMurray. This year's theme was "Why I appreciate America's Veterans."
 - Two teams of media students took part in the 24-hour Video Challenge sponsored by Brentwood High School. The teams were given a prop, genre, and line of dialogue and were required to create a 3-5 minute video that incorporated all three of the given elements within 24 hours. Student entries are judged by the marketing and promotions staff of the Pittsburgh Pirates and out of three awards given for the event, PT students took home two.
 - In honor of National Computer Science Education Week and the Hour of Code Initiative, McMurray computer teacher Stacy Hall had her students learning some basic computer programming skills through fun and interactive tutorials. Advanced students also had the opportunity to work with some of the Finch robots on loan from the PT public library.
 - MCMURRAY CALCUSOLVE HONORS
Congratulations to our CalcuSolve Champions at McMurray who took home both the 1st and 2nd

place trophies at the event. In addition McMurray students also took three of the top four spots in the individual competition, including first place.

- Third graders combined their language arts lessons with a quick science lesson last month at Pleasant Valley. Following the story *The Gardener*, the students worked with librarian Nancy Barley to create their own compost containers with dirt, shredded paper.... and worms. Mrs. Barley told the students how to sustain their compost creations over the cold winter so that they can help reduce solid waste and create a valuable soil conditioner for our plants and gardens.
- Congratulations to the PTMS students who recently earned second and fourth place honors in the Calcu Solve Tournament at the Intermediate Unit last week. Under the direction of teacher Rebecca Ritter, the 8th grade team took second and the seventh grade team finished fourth. In addition, two PT students placed first and second overall in the individual competition.
- When Spanish teacher Caitlin McKenna heard of a challenge issued by a Puerto Rican rock/pop band she knew her students were ready! The band challenged their fans to submit a clip of themselves lip-syncing to the group's new single for their music video. The Spanish Club filmed a short piece and sent it in, and made the final cut!
- Members of the PTHS Orchestra performed at the Benedum Center on December 19 for guests attending *The Nutcracker*. The students entertained everyone in the lobby prior to the performance and then were able to enjoy the show as well. Conducting the students was teacher Marlina Defelice.
- The PTHS Jazz band visited McMurray Elementary during their holiday celebrations to share some sounds of the season. The group was led by Mr. Milt Barney.
- Congratulations to the PTHS Dance team who took home top honors in the Battle in the Burgh competition. Both the varsity and junior varsity team not only won their category, but took home "Grand Champion" honors as well. The varsity team was also recognized with the Best Choreography award among all the dance teams.
- On January 9, PTSD participated in the National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day and honored the members of our police force here in Peters Township. Across the District, students wore blue to show their support and many classrooms created thank you notes and posters that were delivered to the station.
- On January 7, PTHS welcomed back recent graduates to share their experiences at the college level. Former students representing 16 colleges (Penn State, Columbia, Case Western, Geneva, WVU, and more) shared their insights into life away from home, balancing study habits and social lives, majors, internships, roommates and more.
- Tonight we celebrate National School Board Recognition Month and honor those who dedicate their time and talents to this school District and our community. Around the room you will see tributes to our Board members from many of our students and staff. Students from PTHS have produced a brief video to show their thanks for the support of our school board.
 - Board Recognition
 - Dr. French thanked the Board for their commitment of service to provide the best possible education to the students of Peters Township School District.
 - Lori Pavlik thanked the Board for their dedication and ongoing commitment to the students and the District.

- Kris Bergman, President of PTFT and Jan Ruzicka, Clerical and Bus Drivers Union Representative thanked the Board for their dedication and leadership to allow the District to grow in providing educational services to the students. and for their commitment to serve our community and the next generation of leaders. They thanked the Board for their dedication and tireless partnership.
- Lisa Briegel, PTA Area Council, the PTA wanted to thank the Board for their commitment and dedication. PTA Area Council has donated books to the school libraries in honor of our Board.

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR (15 minutes)

(Peters Township School District Policy 1312)

No Public Comment

Peters Township School District values parent and community engagement.

PRESIDENT’S COMMENTS

Mr. McMurray announced Executive Sessions were held on December 22, 2014, January 12, 2015 and immediately prior to this meeting to discuss personnel items, negotiations and other legal issues.

Mr. McMurray reviewed committee assignments for this year and stated they will remain the same as last year.

Buildings, Grounds and Transportation Committee

Finance Committee	Chairperson: Mr. Merrell	Vice Chair: Mr. Dunleavy
Personnel Committee	Chairperson: Dr. Hardy	Vice Chair: Mr. McMurray
Education Committee	Chairperson: Mr. Dunleavy	Vice Chair: Dr. Hardy
High School GPA Committee	Chairperson: Mrs. Smith	Vice Chair: Mrs. Erenberg
Policy Committee	Chairperson: Mrs. Smith	
SHASDA	Chairperson: Mrs. Anderson	Vice Chair: Mr. Merrell
WACTC	Representatives: Mr. Dunleavy,	alternate Mrs. Gregg
PSBA	Representatives: Mrs. Gregg,	alternate Mrs. Bowman
	Representatives: Mrs. Anderson,	alternate Mrs. Smith

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Mrs. Bowman moved to consider a motion to suspend Peters Township School District Policy 9368 (Order of Business) for this meeting only. Seconded by Mr. Merrell

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(9-0)**

I. BUSINESS OFFICE

RECOMMENDATION: Consider a motion to approve Business Office recommendations as follows (attachments 1 through 9):

1. Approval of the minutes for the Reorganization Meeting dated December 1, 2014, Regular Meeting dated December 1, 2014 and Special Meeting dated December 22, 2014.
2. Approval of the Treasurer's Report for November 2014 with a balance of \$20,824,443.77 and December 2014 with a balance of \$18,790,237.90.
3. Approval of General Fund bills for November 26, 2014 through January 15, 2015.
4. Approval of the Capital Facilities Fund bills for November 14, 2014 through January 15, 2015.
5. Approval of Food Service Fund bills for November 26, 2014 through January 15, 2015.
6. Approval of the McMurray Elementary School Activity Fund report for November 2014 and December 2014.
7. Approval of the Middle School Activity Fund report for November 2014 and December 2014.
8. Approval of the High School Athletic Fund report for November 2014 and December 2014.
9. Approval of the High School Activity Fund report for November 2014 and December 2014.

MOTION:

Mrs. Bowman moved for approval of the Business Office recommendations 1 through 9, seconded by Mr. Merrell

Public Comment: None

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(9-0)**

II. BOARD COMMITTEES

Personnel

Ron Dunleavy: No Report

Public Comment: None

Buildings and Grounds

Bill Merrell

Mr. Merrell reported a Buildings and Grounds Committee Meeting was held on Monday, January 5, 2015 with the following recommendations.

1. **RECOMMENDATION:** Consider a motion to authorize the following resolution for PlanCon Parts “D” and “E”: (attachment)

BE IT RESOLVED, the Peters Township School District Board of Directors hereby authorizes the Administration and Architect, HHS DR Architects & Engineers, to submit PlanCon Part D, ‘Project Accounting Based on Estimates’ and Part E, ‘Design Development’ for the McMurray Elementary School Project to the Pennsylvania Department of Education for review and approval.

MOTION:

Mr. Merrell moved for approval of recommendation 1, seconded by Mr. Dunleavy
Public Comment: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(9-0)

MOTION:

Dr. Hardy moved for approval to have the rest of the recommendations come as a single motion
There was no second to this motion

2. **RECOMMENDATION:** Consider a motion to widen the sidewalk behind McMurray Elementary School to ten (10) feet at an estimated cost of \$38,000.00. This will ease emergency accessibility and egress. The costs will be added to the McMurray Renovation Project.

MOTION:

Mr. Merrell moved for approval of recommendation 2, seconded by Mrs. Bowman
A discussion was held on the above recommendation

MOTION:

Mrs. Smith moved to table the above motion

MOTION:

Mrs. Smith moved to remove the motion to table the above recommendation
Public Comment: None

Roll Call vote

Mr. McMurray voted no	Mrs. Anderson voted no	Mrs. Bowman voted no
Mrs. Gregg voted no	Mrs. Erenberg voted no	Mr. Dunleavy voted no
Mrs. Smith voted no	Mr. Merrell voted no	Dr. Hardy voted yes

MOTION FAILED
(1-8-0)

3. **RECOMMENDATION:** Consider a motion to install site stairs at the rear north corner of McMurray Elementary School leading to the parking lot at an estimated cost of \$25,000.00. The costs will be added to the McMurray Renovation Project.

MOTION:

Mr. Merrell moved for approval of recommendation 3, seconded by Mrs. Gregg
Public Comment: None

Roll Call vote

Mrs. Anderson voted no
Mr. Merrell voted no
Mrs. Smith abstained

Mrs. Bowman voted no
Mr. Dunleavy voted no
Dr. Hardy voted yes

Mr. McMurray voted no
Mrs. Erenberg voted no
Mrs. Gregg voted yes

MOTION FAILED

(2-6-1)

4. **RECOMMENDATION:** Consider a motion to replace the damaged concrete sidewalks and curbs surrounding the McMurray Elementary School at an estimated cost of \$63,000.00. The costs will be added to the McMurray Renovation Project.

MOTION:

Mr. Merrell moved for approval of recommendation 4, seconded by Mrs. Bowman

A discussion was held on the above recommendation

Public Comment: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(9-0)

5. **RECOMMENDATION:** Consider a motion to resurface the existing drives and parking lot and rebuild the storm inlets surrounding McMurray Elementary School at an estimated cost of \$388,000.00. The costs will be added to the McMurray Renovation Project.

MOTION:

Mr. Merrell moved for approval of recommendation 5, seconded by Mrs. Smith

A discussion was held on the above recommendation

Public Comment: None

MOTION FAILED

(1-8)

Dr. Hardy voted yes

6. **RECOMMENDATION:** Consider a motion to convert the existing bus parking lot at the Maintenance Garage to a twenty four (24) car parking lot at an estimated cost of \$60,000.00. The costs will be added to the McMurray Renovation Project.

MOTION:

Mr. Merrell moved for approval of recommendation 6, seconded by Mrs. Anderson

A discussion was held on the above recommendation

Public Comment: None

MOTION FAILED

(0-9)

MOTION:

Mr. Merrell moved for approval of removing recommendations 7,12,13,14, seconded by Mrs. Smith

Public Comment: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(9-0)

7. **RECOMMENDATION:** Consider a motion to add nineteen (19) additional parking spaces near the turn-around circle of McMurray Elementary School at an estimated cost of \$35,000.00. The costs will be added to the McMurray Renovation Project
8. **RECOMMENDATION:** Consider a motion to install new metal coping over the existing stone coping on the roof top of McMurray Elementary School at an estimated cost of \$90,000.00. The costs will be added to the McMurray Renovation Project.

MOTION:

Mr. Merrell moved for approval of recommendation 8, seconded by Mrs. Gregg

A discussion was held on the above recommendation

Public Comment: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(9-0)

9. **RECOMMENDATION:** Consider a motion to replace three (3) broken glass block windows in the monumental stair of McMurray Elementary School at an estimated cost of \$3,000.00. The costs will be added to the McMurray Renovation Project.

MOTION:

Mr. Merrell moved for approval of recommendation 9, seconded by Mrs. Erenberg

A discussion was held on the above recommendation

Public Comment: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(9-0)

10. **RECOMMENDATION:** Consider a motion to install emergency generator power receptacles in three (3) data closets for security, cameras, telephone, and the Wi-Fi network operation of McMurray Elementary School at an estimated a cost of \$13,000.00. The costs will be added to the McMurray Renovation Project.

MOTION:

Mr. Merrell moved for approval of recommendation 10, seconded by Mrs. Smith

Public Comment: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(9-0)

11. **RECOMMENDATION:** Consider a motion to replace the existing emergency generator automatic transfer switch (ATS) with two (2) new automatic transfer switches & power panels at an estimated

cost of \$45,000.00. The ATS's are for the life safety lighting and equipment at McMurray Elementary School. The costs will be added to the McMurray Renovation Project.

MOTION:

Mr. Merrell moved for approval of recommendation 11, seconded by Mrs. Bowman

A discussion was held on the above recommendation

Public Comment: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(9-0)

12. **RECOMMENDATION:** Consider a motion to add twenty three (23) head in parking spaces to the McMurray Elementary School driveway on the north side of the tennis courts at an estimated cost of \$30,000.00. The costs will be added to the McMurray Renovation Project.
13. **RECOMMENDATION:** Consider a motion to add ten (10) parallel parking spaces to the McMurray Elementary School driveway on the north side of the tennis courts at an estimated cost of \$23,000.00. The costs will be added to the McMurray Renovation Project.
14. **RECOMMENDATION:** Consider a motion to add five (5) parallel parking spaces across from the ten (10) existing parking spaces on the McMurray Elementary School driveway at an estimated cost of \$15,000.00. The costs will be added to the McMurray Renovation Project.
15. **RECOMMENDATION:** Consider a motion to authorize HHSDR Architects and Engineers to prepare a design for installation of humidity sensors, CO2 sensors, and replacing the control transducers throughout the High School and to initiate a dehumidification sequence using the existing HVAC system components at an estimated cost of \$9,000.00. Funds are to be provided by the Capital Projects Account.

MOTION:

Mr. Merrell moved for approval of recommendation 15, seconded by Mrs. Smith

A discussion was held on the above recommendation

MOTION:

Mrs. Bowman moved to amend the above recommendation to read “**RECOMMENDATION:** Consider a motion to authorize HHSDR Architects and Engineers to prepare a design for installation of humidity sensors, CO2 sensors, and replacing the control transducers throughout the High School and to initiate a dehumidification sequence using the existing HVAC system components at an estimated cost of \$9,000.00 for design costs. Funds are to be provided by the Capital Projects Account. Seconded by Mrs. Anderson.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(9-0)

16. **RECOMMENDATION:** Consider a motion to authorize HHSDR Architects and Engineers to prepare a design for installation of an independent variable refrigerant flow air conditioning system in the High School Kitchen at an estimated cost of \$9,500.00 for design costs. Funds are to be provided by the Capital Projects Account.

MOTION:

Mr. Merrell moved for approval of recommendation 16, seconded by Mrs. Bowman

A discussion was held on the above recommendation

Public Comment: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(9-0)

17. **RECOMMENDATION:** Consider a motion to authorize HHSDR Architects and Engineers to prepare a design for installation of a controlled combustion air/exhaust system integrated with the boiler controls and room temperature thermostat at the High School at an estimated cost of \$5,000.00 for design costs. Costs are to be provided by the Capital Projects Account.

MOTION:

Mr. Merrell moved for approval of recommendation 17, seconded by Mr. Dunleavy

A discussion was held on the above recommendation

Public Comment: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(9-0)

18. **RECOMMENDATION:** Consider a motion to authorize HHSDR Architects and Engineers to prepare a design for installation of DX refrigerant coils in the existing air handling units and to place remote control condensing units on the roof at the High School at an estimated cost of \$28,000.00 for design costs. Costs are to be provided by the Capital Projects Account.

MOTION:

Mr. Merrell moved for approval of recommendation 18, seconded by Mrs. Bowman

A discussion was held on the above recommendation

Public Comment: None

Roll Call vote

Mr. McMurray voted no

Mrs. Anderson voted no

Mrs. Erenberg voted no

Mrs. Gregg voted no

Mrs. Smith voted no

Mrs. Bowman voted no

Mr. Dunleavy voted no

Dr. Hardy voted no

Mr. Merrell voted no

MOTION FAILED

(0-9)

19. **RECOMMENDATION:** Consider a motion to authorize HHSDR Architects and Engineers to solicit proposals to retain a commissioning agent to rebalance and re-commission the High School

swimming pool dehumidification unit at an estimated cost of \$2,000.00. Costs are to be provided by the Capital Project Account.

MOTION:

Mr. Merrell moved for approval of recommendation 19, seconded by Mrs. Bowman

A discussion was held on the above recommendation

Public Comment: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(9-0)

20. **RECOMMENDATION:** Consider a motion to award the bid on replacing the District Administration Office Air Conditioning unit and temperature control system to East West Manufacturing & Supply Co., Inc. in the amount of \$358,700.00; this includes the acceptance of Alternate bid H-1, a \$13,800 reduction to use CS&E temperature controls in lieu of Siemens. Funds are provided by the Capital Projects Account.

MOTION:

Mr. Merrell moved for approval of recommendation 20, seconded by Mr. Dunleavy

A discussion was held on the above recommendation

Public Comment: None

MOTION CARRIED

(8-1)

Mr. Merrell voted no

21. **RECOMMENDATION:** Consider a motion to award the testing/balancing and commissioning services of the HVAC system for the District Administration Office to WAE Balancing at a cost of \$23,250.00. Funds are provided by the Capital Projects account.

MOTION:

Mr. Merrell moved for approval of recommendation 21, seconded by Mrs. Bowman

Public Comment: None

MOTION CARRIED

(8-1)

Mr. Merrell voted no

22. **RECOMMENDATION:** Consider a motion to award the replacement of fifteen (15) unit ventilators at Pleasant Valley Elementary to R & B Mechanical, Inc. at a cost of \$187,000.00. Funds are provided by the Capital Projects Account.

MOTION:

Mr. Merrell moved for approval of recommendation 22, seconded by Mrs. Erenberg

A discussion was held on the above recommendation

Public Comment: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(9-0)

23. **RECOMMENDATION:** Consider a motion to award the installation of fifteen (15) direct digital controls at Pleasant Valley Elementary School to Combustion Service and Equipment Company at a cost of \$9,925.00. Funds are provided by the Capital Projects Account.

MOTION:

Mr. Merrell moved for approval of recommendation 23 seconded by Mrs. Bowman

A discussion was held on the above recommendation

Public Comment: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(9-0)

Mr. Dunleavy left the meeting at 9:30 pm

Education

Sue Smith

Mrs. Smith reported an Education Committee Meeting was held on Monday, December 15, 2014 and there will be another Education Committee meeting scheduled in the future.

Finance

Jamison Hardy

Dr. Hardy reported Finance Committee Meetings were held on Monday, December 15, 2014 and January 12, 2015.

24. **RECOMMENDATION:** Consider a motion to give public notice of the intent to adopt the Preliminary Budget for the 2015-16 school year at the February 17, 2015 Board Meeting. This notice must be published no later than February 6, 2015.

MOTION:

Dr. Hardy moved for approval of recommendation 24, seconded by Mr. Merrell

A discussion was held on the above recommendation

Public Comment: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(8-0)

25. **RECOMMENDATION:** Consider a motion to seek approval from the Pennsylvania Department of Education or from the County Court as required by Act 1 for an exception allowing an increase of the real estate tax as reflected in the School District Preliminary Budget. The District intends to request an exception as allowed in Act 1 based on the impact of the retirement rate increase and increased special education costs for the school year 2015-16. Public notice must occur one week prior to the filing of the request for referendum exception.

MOTION:

Dr. Hardy moved for approval of recommendation 25, seconded by Mr. Merrell

A discussion was held on the above recommendation

Public Comment: None

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(8-0)**

Policy

Lisa Anderson

Mrs. Anderson reported a Policy Committee Meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 26, 2015.

This agenda includes the first reading of the policies discussed. (attachments)

100 PROGRAMS

- 100 Comprehensive Planning
- 101 Mission Statement
- 102 Academic Standards
- 103 Nondiscrimination in School and Classroom Practices
- 103.1 Nondiscrimination – Qualified Students with Disabilities
- 104 Nondiscrimination in Employment and Contract Practices
- 105 Curriculum
- 105.1 Review of Instructional Materials by Parents/Guardians and Students
- 105.2 Exemption from Instruction
- 105.3 Educational Programs Reports
- 107 Adoption of Planned Instruction
- 108 Adoption of Textbooks
- 110 Instructional Supplies
- 112 Guidance Counseling
- 113 Special Education
- 113.1 Discipline of Students with Disabilities
- 113.2 Behavior Support
- 113.3 Screening and Evaluations for Students with Disabilities
- 113.4 Confidentiality of Special Education Student Information
- 114 Gifted Education
- 115 Career and Technical Education
- 117 Homebound Instruction
- 118 Independent Study
- 122 Extracurricular Activities
- 123 Interscholastic Athletics
- 123.1 Concussion Management
- 123.2 Sudden Cardiac Arrest
- 123.3 Parents as Coaches
- 124 Alternative Instruction Courses

127	Assessments
128	Child Development Laboratory – High School/Preschool
130	Homework
137	Home Education Programs
137.1	Extracurricular Participation by Home Education Programs
138	English as a Second Language/Limited English Proficiency Program
140	Charter Schools
140.1	Extracurricular Participation by Charter/Cyber Students
142	Migrant Students
143	Standards for Persistently Dangerous Schools
144	Standards for Victims of Violent Crime
146	Student Services
900	COMMUNITY
903	Public Participation in Board Meetings

Mrs. Anderson stated these policies will have to go through a second reading.
A discussion was held on various first reading policies
Public Comment: None

PSBA

Lisa Anderson

Mrs. Anderson stated legislative issues are being discussed at PSBA on January 24, 2015

Public Comment: None

Western Area Career and Technology Center

Sandy Gregg

Mrs. Gregg reported the next Joint Operating Committee Meeting will be held on January 28, 2015.

Public Comment: None

SHASDA

Ron Dunleavy

Mrs. Gregg reported the next SHASDA meeting is scheduled for January 22, 2015 at Upper St. Clair School District's LGI Room. Ira Weiss, Esq. is the guest speaker and his topic will be employee discipline. All Board Members and Administrators are invited to attend.

Public Comment: None

Intermediate Unit

Thomas McMurray

Mr. McMurray reported the next Board of Directors meeting will be held on January 22, 2015.

Public Comment: None

SUPERINTENDENT'S AGENDA

III. CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

RECOMMENDATION: Consider a motion to approve Certificated Personnel recommendations subject to all required pre-employment history reviews and clearance requirements as follows:

1. Approve the following leaves of absence:

January 2014-2015-01

January 2014-2015-02

January 2014-2015-03

2. Approve the following long term substitute: (attachment)

Name: Jared Nicholson
Position: Long Term Substitute Mathematics Teacher
Assignment: High School
Salary: Masters, Step 1 (pro-rated)
Effective: January 23, 2015 through June 5, 2015
Replaces: Christopher Whalen

3. Approve the following change of classification:

Name: Kelly Borra
From: Bachelors, Step 4
To: Masters, Step 4
Effective: 2nd Semester 2014-2015 School Year

4. Approve the following as day-to-day substitute certificated personnel for the 2014-15 school year:

Fortson, Carolyn – Elementary K-6

5. Approve the following student teachers/observers/interns for the 2014-15 school year. All compliance documents for the following individuals are on file.

Name: Sarah O'Donald
Dates of Assignment: 1/21/15 - 5/8/15
College or University: Carlow University
Curriculum Major: School Counseling
PTSD Teacher & Bldg.: Fred Traumuller/Bower Hill
Assignment: Intern

Name: Randi Miller
Dates of Assignment: 1/21/15 - 5/1/15
College or University: California University
Curriculum Major: Speech and Language

PTSD Teacher & Bldg.: Tammi Hanak/Bower Hill
Assignment: Intern

Name: Dylan Gourley
Dates of Assignment: 3/15/15 - 5/1/15
College or University: Seton Hill University
Curriculum Major: Music
PTSD Teacher & Bldg.: Milt Barney/High School
Assignment: Student Teacher
(Split w/Marlina DeFelice as previously approved on 12/1/14)

MOTION:

Mrs. Erenberg moved for approval of recommendations 1-5, seconded by Mrs. Bowman

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(8-0)

IV. NON-CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

RECOMMENDATION: Consider a motion to approve Non-Certificated Personnel recommendations subject to all required pre-employment history reviews and clearance requirements as follows:

1. Approve the following resignations:

Name: Lorrie Tarby
Position: Driver
Assignment: Bus Garage
Effective: January 5, 2015

Name: Amy Shope
Position: Part-Time Class IV Secretary
Assignment: Middle School
Effective: January 20, 2015

2. Approve the following new hire:

Name: Juliann Scherer
Position: Custodian
Assignment: High School
Salary: \$15.95/hr
Effective: January 21, 2015
Replacing: Richard Flick

3. Approve the following day-to-day non-teaching substitutes for the 2014-15 school year:

1. Ferraco, Joy – Cafeteria/Food Service
2. Hankosky, Eugene – Bus Aide

3. Ignatz, Amy – Clerical
4. Rhen, Theresa – Paraprofessional
5. Tarby, Lorrie – Driver

MOTION:

Mrs. Erenberg moved for approval of recommendations 1-3, seconded by Mrs. Smith

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(8-0)**

V. EXTRA-DUTY PERSONNEL/PROGRAMS

RECOMMENDATION: Consider a motion to approve Extra-Duty Personnel/Program recommendations subject to all required pre-employment history reviews and clearance requirements as follows:

1. Approve the following extra-duty Activities personnel for the 2014-15 school year: (attachments)

HIGH SCHOOL

SAT Prep Course (Math Spring Session)	Thomas Plack
SAT Prep Course (English Spring Session)	Timothy Hanley

2. Approve the following renewal of Athletic personnel for the 2014-15 school year:

HIGH SCHOOL

Track & Field Co-ed 1 st Assistant Coach	Timothy Wu (split 50% w/Callender)
Track & Field Co-ed 1 st Assistant Coach	Gillian Callender (split 50% w/Wu)
Track & Field Co-ed Assistant Coach	Kaye Gasper
Track & Field Co-ed Assistant Coach	Fred Burns
Track & Field Co-ed Assistant Coach	Karyl Noel
Track & Field Co-ed Volunteer Coach	Nicole Paschl

3. Approve the following renewal of Athletic personnel for the 2015-16 school year:

HIGH SCHOOL

FALL

Cross Country Coach	Timothy Wu
Football Coach	Richard Piccinini
Golf, Boys Coach	David Kuhn
Golf, Girls Coach	Timothy "Brian" Farrell
Soccer, Boys Coach	Robert Dyer
Soccer, Girls Coach	Patrick Vereb
Tennis, Girls Coach	Brandt Bowman
Volleyball, Girls Coach	Ashley Green

4. Approve the following extra-duty Athletic personnel for the 2014-15 school year: (attachments)

HIGH SCHOOL

Lacrosse, Girls Assistant Coach
Lacrosse, Girls Assistant Coach

Rebecca Braden
Jennifer Wirth

5. Approve the Peters Township Women's & Men's Rowing/Crew Team as a Club Sport for Peters Township High School, contingent upon receipt of all compliance documents.

MOTION:

Mrs. Erenberg moved for approval of recommendations 1-5, seconded by Mr. Merrell

A discussion was held on the above recommendations

Roll Call vote

Mr. McMurray voted yes
Mrs. Gregg voted yes
Mr. Dunleavy voted yes

Mrs. Anderson voted yes
Mrs. Smith voted yes
Dr. Hardy voted no

Mrs. Erenberg voted yes
Mrs. Bowman voted yes
Mr. Merrell voted yes

MOTION CARRIED

(7-1)

VI. PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES

RECOMMENDATION: Consider a motion to approve Professional Conferences as follows:

1. Approve the following professional conference(s):
(Employees will not be reimbursed for meals included in the conference--attachment):

Names:	Vincent Belczyk – Business Manager
Activities:	Pennsylvania Association of School Business Officials (PASBO) Annual Conference
Dates:	March 10 – 13, 2015
Location:	Hershey, PA
Estimated Cost:	\$1,079.00

MOTION:

Mrs. Erenberg moved for approval of recommendation 1, seconded by Mr. Merrell

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(8-0)

VII. EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM AND STUDENT ACTIVITIES

RECOMMENDATION: Consider a motion to approve the Educational Programs and Student Activities as follows:

1. Approve the following fundraising activities:

Organization: McMurray Elementary Student Leadership – Elementary
Purpose: To share healthy recipes and raise funds for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF) and McMurray Elementary Student Leadership Program
Dates: January 22 – February 23, 2015
Location: Community
Activities: Cookbook Sales

Organization: Music Instrumental Composition Club – High School
Purpose: Raise funds for club expenses
Dates: January 24, 2015
Location: PTHS – during Meatballs & Music
Activity: Student composed CD sales

Organization: McMurray Elementary Student Council – Elementary
Purpose: Raise funds for more technology in the classroom
Dates: February 2 – 13, 2015
Location: Community
Activities: Magazine Sales

Organization: Diamond Backers Baseball Boosters – High School
Purpose: Raise funds for spring training trip
Dates: February 9 – 13, 2015
Location: PTHS & Community
Activities: Pirate Ticket Sales

Organization: Diamond Backers Baseball Boosters – High School
Purpose: Raise funds for spring training trip
Dates: February 28, 2015
Location: PTHS & Community
Activities: Raffle Tickets

Organization: Art Club – High School
Purpose: Raise funds for High School Art & Music programs
Dates: March 21, 2015
Location: PTHS
Activities: Music Concert

Organization: Diamond Backers Baseball Boosters – High School
 Purpose: Raise funds for spring training trip
 Dates: March 22, 2015
 Location: PTHS
 Activities: Youth Baseball Clinic

Organization: Girls Lacrosse Boosters – High School
 Purpose: Fund spring trip and purchase equipment
 Dates: April 19, 2015 – rain date May 3, 2015
 Location: Bruster’s Ice Cream
 Activities: Car Wash

Organization: Diamond Backers Baseball Boosters – High School
 Purpose: Raise funds for spring training trip
 Dates: May 9, 2015
 Location: Century Sports and Bruster’s Ice Cream
 Activities: Car Wash

Organization: News Magazine (Smoke Signals) & Yearbook (Ember) – High School
 Purpose: Pay for publishing costs of High School news magazine & yearbook
 Dates: May 2015 – November 2015
 Location: PTHS
 Activities: Planner Sales

Organization: News Magazine (Smoke Signals) – High School
 Purpose: Pay for publishing costs of High School news magazine
 Dates: May 2015 – November 2015
 Location: PTHS & Community
 Activities: News Magazine Subscriptions

Organization: News Magazine (Smoke Signals) & Yearbook (Ember) – High School
 Purpose: Pay for publishing costs of High School news magazine & yearbook
 Dates: May 2015 – April 2016
 Location: PTHS & Community
 Activities: Business Ads

Organization: Yearbook (Ember) – High School
 Purpose: Pay for publishing costs of High School yearbook
 Dates: September 2015 – June 2016
 Location: PTHS
 Activities: Yearbook Ads

Organization: Yearbook (Ember) – High School
Purpose: Pay for publishing costs of High School yearbook
Dates: September 2015 – June 2016
Location: PTHS
Activities: Yearbook Sales

2. Approve the following student trips: (attachments)

Organization: Co-ed Varsity Indoor Track & Field Team – High School
Advisor: Justin Pinto
Event: PTFCA Indoor Track & Field State Championships
Dates: February 28 – March 1, 2015
Location: State College, PA
Est. Cost to Dist.: \$1,085.00

Organization: Girls Softball Varsity and Junior Varsity Teams – High School
Advisor: Bob Bowers
Event: Softball Spring Training Trip
Dates: March 18 – 21, 2015
Location: Ripken Training Facility, Myrtle Beach, SC
Est. Cost to Dist.: \$425.00

Organization: PTHS Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) – High School
Advisor: John Good
Event: FBLA State Leadership Conference
Dates: April 12 – 15, 2015
Location: Hershey Lodge & Convention Center, Hershey, PA
Est. Cost to Dist.: \$5,706.00

MOTION:

Mrs. Bowman moved for approval of recommendations 1-2, seconded by Mrs. Smith
A discussion was held on the above recommendation

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(8-0)

VIII. OTHER

RECOMMENDATION: Consider a motion to approve other recommendations as follows:

1. Approve the donation of \$5,000.00 from the Peters Township Thespian Backers towards the cost of a new sound board totaling \$8,850.00 for the Peters Township High School Theater Program.
2. Approve the tax collector recommendation on tax appeals: (attachments)
No: 10-2014
No. 11-2014

- No. 12-2014
- No. 13-2014
- No. 14-2014
- No. 15-2014

3. Exonerate Jordan Tax Service Incorporated for liened real estate taxes in the amount of \$424,797.59 for the 2014-2015 school year.

MOTION:

Mrs. Bowman moved for approval of recommendations 1-3, seconded by Mr. Merrell
A discussion was held on the above recommendations

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(8-0)**

BOARD INFORMATION: None

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: The Solicitor's report was delivered during the Executive Session

QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD ON AGENDA ITEMS (15 minutes)

No Public Comments

CORRESPONDENCE: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Policy Committee	January 26, 2015	7:00 pm
Joint Council Meeting	February 2, 2015	7:30 pm
Regular Board Meeting	February 17, 2015	7:30 pm
Policy Committee	February 23, 2015	6:30 pm

The Board thanked the teachers and students for the gifts provided for Board Appreciation

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Mrs. Bowman moved for adjournment at 10:17 pm, seconded by Mr. Merrell

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(8-0)**

Board Secretary

Board President