



# Peters Township School District

MINUTES  
PETERS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS  
REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, APRIL 18, 2016 AT 7:30 PM  
DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION OFFICES

CALL TO ORDER: Mr. McMurray, President, called the regular meeting of the Peters Township Board of School Directors to order at 7:35 p.m.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Allison, Mrs. Anderson, Mr. Briegel, Mrs. Bowman, Mr. Dunleavy, Dr. Hardy, Mr. McMurray, Mr. Merrell, and Mrs. Smith.

Also present were Dr. Jeannine French, Superintendent, Dr. Jennifer Murphy, Assistant Superintendent, Mr. Michael Fisher, Assistant to the Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment, Mrs. Patricia Kelly, Director of Pupil Services, Mr. Vincent M. Belczyk, Business Manager, Mr. Brandon Womer, Director of Buildings and Grounds, Mrs. Shelly Belcher, Communications Coordinator and Ms. Jocelyn Kramer, Solicitor.

## SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

### ➤ Celebration of Excellence

#### ➤ Excellence in Academics

#### ➤ **Pittsburgh Day at Bower Hill**

On March 24, Bower Hill third graders celebrated Pittsburgh Day at the school. Following their social studies unit focused on the history of our region, the students spent the day learning Pittsburgh traditions. They made pierogies, learned to polka, and made their own Andy Warhol art projects. The day ended with a tailgate party with Pittsburgh favorite foods and a visit from KDKA's Bob Pompeani who shared some stories of our city's sports history.

#### ➤ **PTHS Media Department Earns DMAC Honors**

The High School Media Department competed at the Digital Media Arts Consortium (DMAC) awards at Robert Morris University on April 7<sup>th</sup>. Our students took home nine awards overall, with six being Best in Category distinctions. A complete list of winners is above.

#### ➤ **Math Counts Winner Recognized by County Commissioners**

Congratulations to Scott Zhu who was recognized by our Washington County Commissioners for his outstanding performance in the Math Counts competition. Scott's coach/teacher Jason Keffel was also given a certificate from the group.

#### ➤ **PTHS Junior to Attend Governor's School**

Congratulations to PTHS junior Cindy Hsieh who has been admitted to the 2016 Pennsylvania Governor's School for the Sciences at Carnegie Mellon University. One of

only 60 students admitted to this school, Cindy will attend the intense five week program attending courses in biology, chemistry, physics, mathematics and computer science.

- **WACTC Student Heading to Skills USA National Competition**  
PTHS senior Kathryn Luttner, who also attends Western Area Career and Technology Center, competed in the state level of the Skills USA Competition this weekend and finished first in the job interview category. Skills USA is a partnership of students, teachers and industry representatives and the competitions reinforce occupational and leadership skills. Kathryn will now compete at the national level in June.
- **PTSD Ranks 6<sup>th</sup> in Business Times Guide**  
In the April 2016 “Guide to Western Pennsylvania Schools,” the Pittsburgh Business Times ranked Peters Township School District sixth among 103 districts in our area, up one spot from 2015 and was the highest ranking district from Washington County. Among the 494 school districts in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Peters Township also ranked 14<sup>th</sup> overall, also up one spot from the 2015 rank of 15<sup>th</sup>.
- **PSSA and Keystone Test Results**  
Based on PSSA and Keystone results from the previous three years, Peters Township High School ranked 10th in the region, Peters Township eighth grade students ranked 4<sup>th</sup> overall, and the seventh grade ranked 5<sup>th</sup>. McMurray Elementary’s sixth grade also ranked 4<sup>th</sup> overall at that grade level.
- **Excellence in the Arts**
- **All-State Honors for PT Musicians**  
PTHS seniors Kyle Johnson and Jordan Ranallo were selected by audition for the PMEA All-State Orchestra and Band. The conference took place March 31-April 2 and was comprised of the most talented student musicians from across the state. Auditions during the event led Kyle to be placed as first seat for cello and Jordan to be placed as 6<sup>th</sup> seat for trumpet overall.
- **PMEA Junior High District Chorus**  
Congratulations to PTMS 8<sup>th</sup> graders above who have been selected by audition to take part in the PMEA Junior High District Chorus. The event was hosted by Trinity High School on April 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>.
- **“Tarzan” at PTHS**  
Congratulations to director Ray Cygrymus and his outstanding cast and crew for a wonderful production of “Tarzan” at the High School this month.
- **Wildlife Art Contest Winner**  
Congratulations to PTHS junior Olivia Castellone who placed 4<sup>th</sup> in the 2016 Youth Wildlife Art Contest sponsored by the PA Game Commission. She earned a \$50 cash prize and her art will now be displayed by the Game Commission, featured on its website and in the Pennsylvania Game News monthly magazine.
- **Pleasant Valley Second Grade Musical**  
This week, the second grade team at Pleasant Valley presented the Rockin’ Rainforest – this musical event is a wonderful synergy of the academic, artistic and musical curriculum in second grade. The students shared informative facts about the rainforest and our environment along with musical selections from each classroom under the director of music teacher Barb Viola.
- **McMurray and PTHS Students Take Part in Empty Bowls Fundraiser**  
Students at McMurray Elementary and PTHS put their talents to work for the Empty

Bowls Dinner in March. The students created bowls to be sold to raise funds for the Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank and Just Harvest and to help raise awareness of those facing hunger in our region. The efforts were organized by teachers Kelly Borra and Kristin DeGiovanni.

➤ **Excellence in Athletics**

- **JV Hockey:** Congratulations to the Peters Township Junior Varsity 2 Hockey team for winning the PIHL Junior Varsity Post Season Championship Tournament.

➤ **Excellence in Character**

➤ **HERO week at Pleasant Valley**

Pleasant Valley students celebrated Hero Week in April with theme days that focused on ways they can be a hero on the bus, in the classroom, on the playground and at home. Daily features on PVTV shared tips from students and they could even earn raffle tickets for prizes when they were caught being a hero at home or at school.

➤ **McMurray Student Council Provides Suitcases for Foster Children**

Students on the McMurray Elementary student council organized a fundraiser to help foster children in our area. The students raised money for Together We Rise, an organization that provides suitcases for local foster children who typically carry their belongings in garbage bags. The students collected nearly \$500 and purchased 19 “Sweet Cases” and decorative supplies. During an afterschool session they hand decorated each bag and filled them with kid-friendly necessities. The student council is organized by teacher Paige Seelhorst.

➤ **Interact Host Family Bingo Night**

On April 15, the PTHS Interact Club hosted a Family Bingo Night at the High School. The event was a fundraiser for War Fighter Sports, a nonprofit organization that provides amputee veterans and their families with an opportunity to bond through participation in sports related camps. Friday night’s event raised \$1,000. With matching funds from the McMurray Rotary Club, the funds will be enough to send two families to camp this year.

➤ **PTMS Student Volunteer for Produce to People**

This past weekend, fourteen PTMS students joined teacher Matt Cheran to volunteer for Produce to People in McKeesport. They repackages and distributed more than 24,000 pounds of food to more than 650 families.

➤ **PTHS Junior Earns Zonta Award**

PTHS Junior Izzy Chopre has been named the Amelia Earhart Service Award Winner by the Zonta Club of Washington County. Izzy is the first Peters Township student to win the \$1000 grand prize at the event and she was recognized at a special dinner for her outstanding community service record that includes 150 hours of work for a variety of organizations.

➤ **Excellence in Leadership**

➤ **PV Wins Kids of Steel \$1000 Grant**

Congratulations to Pleasant Valley Elementary as the recipients of a 2016 Kids of STEEL Physical Education Grant worth \$1000. Each year the building sponsors a Run Club to

encourage healthy habits among the students and takes part in the Kids of Steel Marathon. The grant will be used for equipment for the Run Club at the school.

➤ **Bowman Named to PSBA Board**

Congratulations to Peters Township School Board Vice President Rebecca Bowman who has been appointed to serve on the Bylaws Committee of the PA School Boards Association.

➤ **District ALICE Safety Video wins State Award**

The PTHS Media Team has earned an Award of Excellence from the Pennsylvania School Public Relations Association for the ALICE Safety Training Video. Entries are judged against submissions from across the state. The video was created as a learning tool for the District's safety efforts in the Middle and High School. Parents may also find a link to the video on the District website.

## QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Marc Simon, 170 Druid Drive, stated the School Board of Directors and the Township Council are being fiscally irresponsible with the possible purchase of the Rolling Hills Country Club property. He said the residents do not need to fund another school or another park or walking trail. He requested that both Boards stop the process of purchasing the property and save the taxpayers' money.

(Peters Township School District Policy 903)

Peters Township School District values parent and community engagement. Speakers listed on the agenda will be allotted a maximum of five (5) minutes for public comment. Speakers not listed on this agenda will be allotted a maximum of two (2) minutes for public comment.

## PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

Executive Sessions were held on March 28, 2016, April 2, 2016, April 11, 2016 and immediately prior to this meeting to discuss litigation, negotiations, and other personnel items.

## OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Merrell commented on the High School musical "Tarzan" and the Media Group on their advertisement for the Tech Center.

## NEW BUSINESS: None

### I. BUSINESS OFFICE

**RECOMMENDATION:** Consider a motion to approve Business Office recommendations as follows: (attachments 1 through 10)

1. Approval of the minutes for the Regular Board Meeting dated March 21, 2016.
2. Approval of the Treasurer's Report for March 2016 with a balance of \$13,729,287.42.

3. Approval of the General Fund bills for March 17, 2016 through April 14, 2016.
4. Approval of the Capital Facilities Fund bills for March 17, 2016 through April 14, 2016.
5. Approval of the Food Service Fund bills for March 17, 2016 through April 14, 2016.
6. Approval of the McMurray Elementary School Activity Fund report for March 2016.
7. Approval of the Middle School Activity Fund report for March 2016.
8. Approval of the High School Athletic Fund report for March 2016.
9. Approval of the High School Activity Fund report for March 2016.
10. Approval of the Budget Transfers for March 2016.

**MOTION:**

Mrs. Bowman moved for approval of the Business Office recommendation items 1 through 10, seconded by Mr. Merrell.

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

**II. BOARD COMMITTEES**

**Personnel**

Ron Dunleavy

1. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve a 3-day suspension without pay for employee #03-15-16.

**MOTION:**

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

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

**Buildings and Grounds**

Bill Merrell

A Building & Grounds Committee meeting was held on Monday, April 4, 2016.

2. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve the purchase of LED Light Fixtures as an upgrade to the exterior lights at the Middle School and the District Administration Building in accordance with the State Co-Stars contract MRO008-033 and the Hite Company, vendor #117393, at a cost of \$21,216.00. Funds will be provided by the Capital Project.

**MOTION:**

Mr. Merrell moved for approval of recommendation 2, seconded by Mrs. Smith.  
Public Comment: None

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

(9-0)

3. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to award the installation of the Middle School and District Administration exterior LED Light fixtures to Buch Electric Company at a cost of \$9,937.00. Funds will be provided by the Capital Project.

**MOTION:**

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

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

(9-0)

4. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to award repairs to the Walk-in Cooler and Walk-in Freezer at McMurray Elementary to Controlled Climate Systems, Inc. at a cost of \$15,360.00. Funds will be provided by the Capital Project.

**MOTION:**

Mr. Merrell moved for approval of recommendation 4, seconded by Mrs. Allison.  
Public Comment: None

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

(9-0)

5. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve the Agreement with the Hayes Design Group, on terms and conditions approved by the Solicitor, for Architectural Services.
6. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve the Amendment to the Architectural Agreement with the Hayes Design Group to perform the Peters Township High School Feasibility Study, on terms and conditions approved by the Solicitor, at a cost of \$70,000.00.

**MOTION:**

Dr. Hardy moved to postpone recommendations 5 and 6 until the April 28, Special Meeting for clarification and more information, seconded by Mr. Briegel.

Public Comment: None

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

(9-0)

7. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve the purchase of the wireless infrastructure equipment for Bower Hill Elementary and the Middle School from Dagostino Electronic Services, Inc. at a cost of \$36,031.00 for Bower Hill Elementary and \$43,198.59 for the Middle School. The equipment will

be purchased through the PEPPM Technology Bidding and Purchasing Program and is eligible for reimbursement through the Universal Service Schools and Libraries program.

**MOTION:**

Mr. Merrell moved for approval of recommendation 7, seconded by Mrs. Smith.

Public Comment: None

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

(9-0)

8. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve the purchase of updated lab equipment, classroom furniture, and electrical configuration to support The Middle School STEM Innovation Labs at a cost of \$73,203.70. The Technology equipment purchases will be ordered from the PEPPM Technology Bidding and Purchasing Program.

**MOTION:**

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

Public Comment: None

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

(9-0)

**Education**

Sue Smith

9. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve the following Language Arts K-3 program for pilot during the 2016-2017 school year.

**Bower Hill and Pleasant Valley Elementary Schools**

Kindergarten-Third Grade Language Arts:

- Wonders, McGraw-Hill, © 2017

**MOTION:**

Mrs. Smith moved for approval of recommendation 9, seconded by Mrs. Allison.

Public Comment: None

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

(9-0)

**Finance**

Jamison Hardy: No Report

Public Comment: None

**Policy**

Lisa Anderson

A Policy Committee meeting was held on Monday, March 28, 2016.

This agenda includes the first reading of the following policies: (attachments)

- 000 LOCAL BOARD PROCEDURES**
  - 011 Principles for Governance and Leadership
  
- 100 PROGRAMS**
  - 123.3 Parents as Coaches
  
- 200 PUPILS**
  - 200.1 Proof of Residence
  - 217 Graduation Requirements
  
- 300 EMPLOYEES**
  - 322 Gifts
  
- 800 OPERATIONS**
  - 820 Administering Naloxone
  - 824 Maintaining Professional Adult/Student Boundaries
  
- 900 COMMUNITY**
  - 903 Public Participation in Board Meetings

A discussion was held on the above Policies.

Public Comment: Laura Spernak, 213 Brownwood Road. Is there a penalty for a teacher receiving these gifts and will the parents be notified of the policy of gifts not exceeding \$25.00.

Marc Simon. Suggested the gift policy should be extended to include individual or business entities.

#### **PSBA**

Lisa Anderson informed the Board of the PSBA legal roundup held on March 31, 2016 and will distribute copiers for all Board members. She also updated the Board on the legislative platform being development for fall 2016.

Public Comment: None

#### **Western Area Career and Technology Center**

Rebecca Bowman stated they are performing a detailed end audit to determine if a certificate is issued or should be issued.

The next Joint Operating Committee Meeting will be held on April 27, 2016.

Public Comment: None

#### **SHASDA**

Rolf Briegel updated the Board on the SHASDA Student Forum held on April 7, 2016.

The 2016 SHASDA Conference will be held on Saturday, April 30, 2016 at the Hilton Garden Inn, Southpointe. Killen Daley, 12<sup>th</sup> grade student, will be representing Peters Township School District.



Public Comment: None

**Intermediate Unit**

Thomas McMurray updated the Board on the Annual Convention.

The next Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for April 28, 2016.

10. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve the IU #1 Consortium Highmark Blue Cross/Blue Shield premium rates for the 2016-17 school year. The rates reflect a 6.0 percent increase from the 2015-16 school year. (attachments)

**MOTION:**

Dr. Hardy moved for approval of recommendation 10, seconded by Mrs. Smith.

Public Comment: Marc Simon questioned if the rates include employee portion of premium copay.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

(9-0)

**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 **leave of absence:**

April 2015-2016-01

2. Approve the following **retirements:**

Name: Susan Bailey  
Position: Classroom Support, Reading Specialist Teacher  
Assignment: Bower Hill Elementary  
Effective: September 17, 2016

Name: Alyson Boyer  
Position: Gifted Teacher  
Assignment: McMurray Elementary  
Effective: End of 2015-2016 School Year

Name: Sandra Gans  
Position: German Teacher  
Assignment: Middle School and McMurray Elementary  
Effective: End of 2015-2016 School Year

Name: Nancy McKenna  
Position: 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher  
Assignment: McMurray Elementary  
Effective: End of 2015-2016 School Year

Name: Debra Miller  
Position: 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher  
Assignment: McMurray Elementary  
Effective: October 5, 2016

Name: Patricia Ryan  
Position: Nurse  
Assignment: McMurray Elementary  
Effective: End of 2015-2016 School Year

Name: Sue Tillack  
Position: 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher  
Assignment: McMurray Elementary  
Effective: July 20, 2016

3. Approve the following **day-to-day substitute certificated personnel** for the **2015–16** school year:

1. Colella, Patricia - Nurse
2. Knetzer, Michael - Social Studies 7-12
3. Marcolini, Andrea - Grades PK-4
4. Palivoda, Sheri - Elementary K-6, Mid-Level English 7-9, Library Science K-12, English as a Second Language (ESL) and English 7-12
5. White, Lainey - Nurse
6. Williams, Cari - Elementary K-6 and Reading Specialist K-12

**MOTION:**

Mr. Merrell moved for approval of Certificated Personnel items 1 through 3, seconded by Mrs. Smith.

The Board and Dr. French thanked the retiring staff for their dedication and service to Peters Township School District.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

(9-0)

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 **leaves of absence:**

April 2015-2016-02  
April 2015-2016-03

2. Approve the following **resignations**:

Employee: April 2015-2016-04  
Effective: April 4, 2016

Name: Kylie Smith  
Position: Paraprofessional  
Assignment: McMurray Elementary  
Effective: April 8, 2016

3. Approve the following **new hires**:

Name: Robert Hassett  
Position: Cafeteria/Playground Monitor  
Assignment: Middle School  
Salary: \$13.83/hr  
Effective: April 25, 2016  
Replaces: Theresa Rhen

Name: Robert Conley  
Position: Custodian  
Assignment: High School  
Salary: \$15.95/hr  
Effective: April 25, 2016  
Replaces: Colleen Chiz

4. Approve the following **2016 Summer Secretaries** not to exceed 200 hours:

Name: Patricia Buck  
Position: Summer Secretary  
Assignment: McMurray Elementary  
Effective: July 13, 2016 through August 19, 2016

Name: Linda Narus  
Position: Summer Secretary  
Assignment: Bower Hill Elementary  
Effective: July 13, 2016 through August 19, 2016

Name: Julie Swiatek  
Position: Summer Secretary  
Assignment: Pleasant Valley Elementary  
Effective: July 13, 2016 through August 19, 2016

5. Approve the following **day-to-day non-teaching substitutes** for the **2015–16** school year:

1. Brown, Donald - Driver
2. Fishell, Darlene - Cafeteria / Playground Monitor
3. Woulfe, John - Paraprofessional

**MOTION:**

Mr. Merrell moved for approval of Non-Certificated Personnel items 1 through 5, seconded by Mrs. Smith.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

(9-0)

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 **resignation for extra-duty Resource personnel** for the **2015–16** school year:

**McMURRAY SCHOOL**

Intramurals as of March 21, 2016

Jackie Conkle

2. Approve the following **extra-duty Resource personnel** for the **2015–16** school year: (attachment)

**McMURRAY SCHOOL**

Intramurals as of April 20, 2016

Kathleen Melnyk

3. Approve the following **resignation for extra-duty Athletic personnel** for the **2015–16** school year:

**HIGH SCHOOL**

Softball Head Coach as of April 1, 2016

John Krull

4. Approve the following **renewal of extra-duty Athletic personnel** for the **2016–17** school year:

**HIGH SCHOOL**

**WINTER**

Basketball Boys Head Coach

Gary Goga

Basketball Girls Head Coach

Bert Kendall

Swimming Head Coach

Todd Clark

Track Winter Head Coach

Justin Pinto

5. Approve the following **extra-duty Athletic personnel** for the **2015 – 16** school year:  
(attachment)

**HIGH SCHOOL**

Lacrosse Boys Assistant Coach

John Benjamin Wilcox 50%

6. Approve the following **extra-duty Athletic personnel** for the **2016 – 17** school year:  
(attachments)

**HIGH SCHOOL**

Football 3<sup>rd</sup> Assistant Coach

Conor Jackson

7. Approve the following **status change of Athletic personnel** for the **2015–16** school year:

**HIGH SCHOOL**

Jessica Weigold

Korie Krull

Marrio Poston

**FROM**

Softball Assistant Coach 66%

Softball Assistant Coach 66%

Softball Assistant Coach 66%

**TO**

Softball Head Coach 100%

Softball Asst. Coach 100%

Softball Asst. Coach 100%

8. Approve the following **personnel as weight room supervisors** for the **2015–16** school year:

**HIGH SCHOOL**

Conor Jackson

9. Approve the following **paid support personnel for Athletics** for the **2015–16** school year:  
(e.g., ticket takers, ticket sellers, crowd control, announcers, scorekeepers, judges, etc)

Thomas Fyock

**MOTION:**

Mr. Merrell moved for approval of Extra Duty Personnel/Programs items 1 through 9, seconded by Mrs. Smith.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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**VI. PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES, TRAINING AND TRIPS**

1. Approve the following **professional conference(s), training(s) and trip(s)**:  
(Employees will not be reimbursed for meals included in the conference--attachments):

Name: Jeannine French – Superintendent

Activities: The Forum for Western Pennsylvania School Superintendents

Dates: April 27 – 29, 2016

Location: Pittsburgh, PA

Estimated Cost: \$0.00

Name: Mary Beth Barnes – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher, Pleasant Valley Elementary  
Activities: Project Lead the Way (PLTW) 2016 Summer Training Institute -  
Core Training  
Dates: June 6 – 8, 2016  
Location: Chartiers Valley High School, PA  
Estimated Cost: \$1,024.85

Name: Julie Franczyk – Assistant Principal, Bower Hill Elementary  
Activities: Safety-Care Trainer Recertification  
Dates: June 16, 2016  
Location: California, PA  
Estimated Cost: \$441.16

**MOTION:**

Mr. Merrell moved for approval of Professional Conferences, Training, and Trips item 1, seconded by Mrs. Smith.

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

VII. EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND STUDENT ACTIVITIES

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

1. Approve the following **fundraising** activities:

Organization: Boys Tennis Backers Boosters – High School  
Purpose: Banquet and State Championship expenses  
Dates: April 19 – 29, 2016  
Location: Community  
Activities: Chocolate Covered Strawberries

Organization: Quarterback Club Football Boosters – High School  
Purpose: Football expenses  
Dates: April 30, 2016 (Rain date - April 31, 2016)  
Location: Peters Township Tennis Center  
Activities: Tennis Bubble Removal

Organization: Softball Boosters – High School  
Purpose: Softball expenses  
Dates: April 30, 2016  
Location: Bruster's Ice Cream  
Activities: Car Wash

Organization: Class of 2019 – High School  
Purpose: Freshman Class activities

Dates: & Hosting the “50 Year Grad Reception” for the Class of 1966  
May 16 – 20, 2016  
Location: PTHS  
Activities: Spring Flower Sale

Organization: Class of 2016 – High School  
Purpose: Senior Class activities  
Dates: May 25, 2016  
Location: PTHS  
Activities: Powder Puff Game

2. Approve the following **student trips**: (attachments)

Organization: STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math)  
Design Challenge – Middle School  
Advisor: Rebecca Ritter and Andrea Raggi  
Event: STEM Design Challenge State Competition featuring Knex  
Dates: May 12 – 13, 2016  
Location: Harrisburg University, PA  
Est. Cost to Dist.: \$732.88

Organization: Girls Lacrosse – High School  
Advisor: Sarah Lawrence  
Event: Lacrosse Game  
Dates: May 13 – 14, 2016  
Location: New Albany, OH  
Est. Cost to Dist.: \$0.00

Organization: Peters High Association for Scientific Enrichment (PHASE)  
and PTHS PA Junior Academy of Science (PJAS) – High School  
Advisor: Keith Compeggie  
Event: PJAS State Competition  
Dates: May 15 – 17, 2016  
Location: Penn State University, Main Campus, PA  
Est. Cost to Dist.: \$2,575.00

Organization: PTMS PA Junior Academy of Science (PJAS) – Middle School  
Advisor: Keith Compeggie  
Event: PJAS State Competition  
Dates: May 15 – 17, 2016  
Location: Penn State University, Main Campus, PA  
Est. Cost to Dist.: \$775.00

Organization: Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) – High School  
Advisor: John Good  
Event: FBLA 2016 National Leadership Conference/Competition  
Dates: June 27 – July 3, 2016

Location: Atlanta, GA  
Est. Cost to Dist.: \$4,025.00

**MOTION:**

Mrs. Smith moved for approval of Educational Programs and Student Activities items 1 and 2, seconded by Dr. Hardy.  
A discussion was held on the above motion.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**  
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VIII. OTHER

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

1. Approve the bids for the District Athletic Supplies for the 2016-17 school year. (attachment)
2. Approve the renewal of the Food Service Contract with Aramark Educational Services, LLC for the 2016-17 school year.
3. Accept a donation in the amount of \$3,000.00 by the American International Group, Inc. (AIG).
4. Accept the 2016 Kids of STEEL Physical Education Grant for the Pleasant Valley Elementary School, valued at \$1,000.00 and donated by the Pittsburgh Three Rivers Marathon, Inc.
5. Approve an invitation for the Peters Township High School Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) organization to attend the Fraud and Corruption Awareness Seminar on May 18, 2016, presented by the Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA) in Pittsburgh, valued at \$2,000.00 and donated by IIA and Schneider Downs & Co., Inc.
6. Approve the Agreement with the DQE Communications, LLC, on terms and conditions approved by the Solicitor, to provide Metro Ethernet & Internet Services to the Peters Township School District at a cost of \$2,025.00 per month beginning June 30, 2016 and ending July 1, 2021. (attachment)

**MOTION:**

Dr. Hardy moved for approval of other items 1 through 6, seconded by Mr. Merrell.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**  
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BOARD INFORMATION

Mrs. Bowman commented that one of the goals of the Board was to have representation at all events and she presented a list for all Board Members to review.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: None



QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD ON AGENDA ITEMS

Mark Simon is AIG the insurance carrier?

Dr. French informed the public of the qualifications procedures.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

April Board Meeting:

Thursday, April 28, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.      Special Voting Meeting

May Board Meetings:

Monday May 2, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.      Buildings and Grounds

Monday, May 9, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.      Finance Committee Meeting immediately followed  
by an Education Committee Meeting.

Monday, May 16, 2016 at 7:30 p.m.      Regular Board Meeting

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Dr. Hardy moved for adjournment at 8:43 p.m., seconded by Mr. Merrell.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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Board Secretary

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Board President

