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Peters Township School District

MINUTES
PETERS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 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, Mrs. Bowman, Mr. Briegel, 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, Mrs. Shelly Belcher - Communications Coordinator, Mr. Brandon Womer - Director of Buildings and Grounds, and Ms. Jocelyn Kramer – Solicitor.

SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

➤ **Excellence in Academics**

➤ **50th Day of School at Bower Hill**

So what do you do on November 17th for the 50th day of school? You celebrate the 1950's with Ms. McWilliams and Mrs. Lawrence at Bower Hill! Students wore fashions from the 1950s, played classic games, wrote poems about Elvis and even looked at ads and prices from the 1950s compared to today.

➤ **Students Share Writing Workshop at Conference**

The PTHS students Olivia Nix, Natalie Glover, Devon Milley, Alex Garcia, Carla Goldsmith, and Michael Barry joined Middle School teacher Renee Brown at The Capital Area Peer Tutoring Association conference at George Mason University in Virginia on November 11th. The students presented their journey from being peer tutors at the Middle School level and helping to creating the writing lab for Middle School. While at the conference, the students attended sessions throughout the day that they will use as they create the High School's new Writing Lab under the direction of Mrs. Groninger.

➤ **Aviary Program at McMurray**

Fourth grade students at McMurray had a visit from the National Aviary this month. Representatives from the Aviary shared their Animal Adaptations presentation and brought in some new feathered friends for the students to see – a parrot, owl and even a penguin.

- **Mock Elections at Pleasant Valley and PTMS**
Students and staff at Pleasant Valley and PTMS learned about their constitutional right to cast their vote this month during the schools' mock elections. While Pleasant Valley students only voted for the office of president, two important issues were on the ballot for the PTMS students - selecting a winner in the presidential race and choosing a kick-off song for THON in January. The winners? Trump/Pence took the win along with "I Gotta Feeling" by the Black Eyed Peas.
- **Fire Safety Lessons at Pleasant Valley**
The Kindergarten Classes at Pleasant Valley had a visit from the Peters Township Fire Department and Sparky the Dog. They learned fire safety facts, they learned the career of a Fireman and how they stay safe and they got to tour the inside of the Fire Truck. Thank you to the Fire Department for coming for our visit! This coordinated with our Fire Safety unit during Fire Safety month.
- **McMurray Wins STEM Grant**
McMurray enrichment coordinator Anna Welleck has been selected as a winner of a \$1,000 STEM Classroom grant from FirstEnergy. The funds will be used in various projects including the building of a prototype wind turbine.
- **PTHS Senior Wins Collision Repair Student of the Year Award**
PTHS senior Annie Michalski has been named the National I-Car Education Foundations Collision Repair Student of the Year and traveled to Las Vegas, Nevada this month to receive her honor at this year's SEMA Trade Show . Annie was one of many entries across the nation at both the High School and post-secondary School levels. I-CAR, the Inter-Industry Conference on Auto Collision Repair, is an international not-for-profit organization dedicated to providing the information, knowledge and skills required to perform complete, safe and quality auto collision repairs.
- **Energy Conservation at McMurray Elementary**
McMurray 4th graders took part in an assembly this month where they learned about valuing our resources and energy conservation. Students were given cards for parents to order a free conservation kit for the home that includes LED lights, water aerators and LED nightlights.
- **Mini Mall at Pleasant Valley**
This month 3rd grade students at Pleasant Valley presented their products in the annual mini mall during their lessons on economics. Students created products they thought would be in demand and had to market their product before their classroom of consumers. Earlier in the month, the students were visited by Ran Galiano, owner of the McMurray McDonald's as part of the economics lessons. Mr. Galiano talked to the students about the economics of operating a restaurant.
- **Junior Achievement Day at Pleasant Valley**
The economic lessons continued at Pleasant Valley with Junior Achievement Day for 3rd grade. Community volunteers visited the classrooms and shared lessons to help students better

understand business and applying the concepts of economics. Students explored what zoning means in a city and the role different businesses play in a community.

➤ **PTHS Students Take First Place in Literary Festival**

Four students from Peters Township High School took part in the 2016 Literary Festival hosted by the South Hills Area Gifted Association at Baldwin High School. The students took home first place honors in the Battle of the Books and they won first place for their movie trailer based on one of the books they read for the competition. The students are: Chelsea Cavada, Juliette Langley, Uma Thachapuzha, Kaylee Petro.

➤ **National Merit Commended Students**

Ten students from Peters Township High School have been named Commended Students by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation in the annual National Merit Scholarship Program. Please join us in congratulating these students who are among 34,000 of the highest scorers on the PSAT/NMSQT and will receive a Letters of Commendation in recognition of their outstanding academic promise. Students: Akash Bhat, Anthony Castellone, Andrew Cuervo, Julia Derienzo, Sydney Hannah, Steven Hart, Emma McCartney, Marissa McFarlin, Jake Rose and Robert Virany.

➤ **Excellence in the Arts**

➤ **PMEA Band Honors**

PTHS sophomore Rebecca Schneirov was selected as a member of the PMEA Honors Band earlier this month through a highly competitive audition process. Honors Band is an All-Star ensemble comprised of the best high school musicians in the Pittsburgh area. The honors band concert took place this weekend at North Hills Middle School.

➤ **Rowdy Rhythm Performs at Barbershop Society Convention**

On October 15th, the PTHS Choir "Rowdy Rhythm", was invited to perform at the 2016 Johnny Appleseed District (JAD) Barbershop Harmony Society Convention and Contest. The event consisted of professional barbershop choirs from four states who attended, performed, and competed all weekend. Rowdy Rhythm was the only student choir invited to perform, as they are being touted as the "face of youth barbershop" for the Barbershop Harmony Society this year.

➤ **Excellence in Athletics**

➤ **Student Athletes Sign National Letter of Intent**

Twelve students from Peters Township High School have signed National Letters of Intent to continue their athletic careers at the collegiate level. Please join us in congratulating the following students:

Baseball:

Reagan Lawlor, Alderson-Broaddus University

Tor Sehnert, Coastal Carolina University

Girls Basketball:

Andrea McGinnis, University of Pittsburgh, Greensburg

Cross Country/Track & Field:
Lauren Ehrenberger, Duquesne University

Girls Golf:
Mia Kness, Seton Hall University

Boys Golf:
JW Cunningham, St. Francis University
Tanner Johnson, Ohio University

Girls Lacrosse
Alyssa Ference, Seton Hill University
Kennedy King, University of Mary Washington
Mia Toscano, Liberty University

Girls Soccer:
Maggie Simon, West Liberty University

Girls Tennis:
Anna Komer, Fairfield University

➤ **Fall Sports Round Up**

We had a great fall sports season with three teams earning section championship honors - Boys Golf, Girls Golf, and Boys Soccer. In addition, the students below also represented our school at state level competitions this fall:

Boys Golf: Hunter Bruce
Girls Golf: Mia Kness
Girls Tennis (doubles): Alex Garcia & Anna Komer

➤ **Girls Golf Recognition**

Please join us in congratulating Peters Township High School senior Mia Kness who is the Girls Golf 2016 PIAA Class AAA State Champion. Mia is the first female golfer in Peters Township History to earn this honor. Mia was among the students who signed letters of intent this month and will continue her academic and golf career at Seton Hall University.

➤ **Excellence in Character**

➤ **Fall Character Counts Awards**

Congratulations to our Fall Character Counts Awardees! On November 1, we honored Joseph Belfiore, Owen Belfiore, Katelyn Gilroy, Lexi Phillips, and members of the Varsity and JV Wrestling Team and the Big Red Booster Club. The event was hosted by PTMS Principal Adam Sikorski and PTHS Assistant Principal Christian Lesnett.

- **Halloween Costume Madness**
Halloween brings out the creativity in all of our staff members, and the high school sponsored their annual costume contest to raise money for breast cancer research. In all, \$200 was raised in the effort and Mrs. Corsinelli's costume as a Pokemon trainer took home the prize for best costume.
- **2nd Graders Trick or Treat with Purpose**
Students in Mrs. Courie's second grade classroom trick or treated for UNICEF this holiday. In all, their donations totaled \$175 to help support the organization's goal of advocating for Children's Rights and meeting their basic needs.
- **C2BC at Peters Township Middle School**
Students at PTMS learned more about C2BC this week - Cool to Be Clean. This great effort reinforces positive decisions and encourages students to make good choices. They heard from pharmacists about the body's reaction to drugs, Police Chief Grimes about the criminal consequences of getting involved with drugs, and from a former addict who shared how drugs almost took his life and ended his college and baseball career.
- **Community Recognition at PV**
PT's First Responders visited Pleasant Valley today as part of Character Counts Week. Students presented the Police, Fire and EMS representatives with gifts they had made to say "thank you" for all they do for our community. The event was organized by counselor Stephanie Ali and teacher Lynn Burner.
- **Community Recognition at BH**
Bower Hill students also honored our community helpers with a special event on BeeTV. Students recognized our Community Helpers with donations and projects made during the Halloween parties. The PTA's Gratitude Committee led this effort to say thank you to the Police, Fire, EMS and the school's helpful support staff!
- **Interact Blood Drive Recognition**
The recent blood drive organized by the PTHS Interact Club has been recognized by the Central Blood Bank as their Blood Drive of the Week. This honor awards the group that exemplifies outstanding dedication to the community blood drive program. The club is headed by Katelyn Gilroy with help in coordinating the blood drive from Betsy Gunther and Patricia Trunzo.
- **PTMS Takes Part in Chamber Chase 5K**
On October 15, the Middle School's Cool to Be Clean (C2BC) Club was represented at the Chamber Chase 5K sponsored by the Peters Township Chamber of Commerce. Many members of the Cross Country team participated and ran in the event and students organized a table to share information about the C2BC Club with the community.
- **McMurray Students Support KDKA Turkey Fund**
Students at McMurray Elementary donated spare change throughout the month to help feed families in need this Thanksgiving through the KDKA Turkey Fund. With a goal of \$1500, students and staff went above and beyond and came in with a grand total of \$2100! The funds

will be matched by PNC Bank and will buy 280 dinners this holiday! Many thanks to Librarian Meg Owens for organizing the effort and to our good natured turkeys who turned up all around the building to support the cause!

➤ **Donated Books for Classrooms in Need**

Last week, twelve boxes of books were donated to McMurray Elementary to help restore the classroom libraries that were damaged during the water leak at the school earlier this year. Through an effort organized by parents Kirsten McGrath and Kristen Bondi, Half Price Books in Bethel Park also learned of the need and donated several boxes to help the teachers.

➤ **Excellence in Leadership**

➤ **Apple Crunch and BH and PTMS**

Students at Bower Hill participated in Apple Crunch Day, a statewide celebration of healthy snacks. Students were encouraged to wear an apple-colored shirt (red, yellow or green) and bring in an apple snack to celebrate. Students at PTMS also took part in the event with homemade apple treats donated by PTA parents during their lunch periods.

➤ **Dr. Hardy at the PA Senate**

Last month, Board Member Dr. Jamison Hardy was asked to deliver the opening prayer on the floor of the Pennsylvania State Senate. Dr. Hardy is a Bishop and President in the Lutheran Church.

➤ **PSBA Service Award**

Each year, the Pennsylvania School Board Association recognizes the contributions of dedicated local school directors with long-term service. Members are recognized as they reach 8 years of service and then every 4 years thereafter. Tonight we are proud to recognize Sue Smith for 8 years of service as a member of the Peters Township Board of School Directors.

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR: None

(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: None

Executive Sessions were held on November 7, 2016, November 14, 2016 and immediately prior to this meeting to discuss personnel and other items.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Mr. Merrell informed the board and audience present that Alexis Deluca sang the National Anthem at the NASCR Race in Dallas, Texas and made Peters Township proud.

I. BUSINESS OFFICE

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

1. Approval of the minutes for the Regular Meeting dated October 17, 2016.
2. Approval of the Treasurer's Reports for October 2016 with a balance of \$25,812,538.04.
3. Approval of the General Fund bills for October 13, 2016 through November 16, 2016.
4. Approval of the Capital Facilities Fund bills for October 13, 2016 through November 16, 2016.
5. Approval of the Food Service Fund bills for October 13, 2016 through November 16, 2016.
6. Approval of the McMurray Elementary School Activity Fund reports for October 2016.
7. Approval of the Middle School Activity Fund reports for October 2016.
8. Approval of the High School Athletic Fund reports for October 2016.
9. Approval of the High School Activity Fund reports for October 2016.
10. Approval of the Budget Transfers for October 2016.

MOTION:

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

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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II. BOARD COMMITTEES

Personnel

Ron Dunleavy had no report at this time.

Buildings and Grounds

Mr. Merrell reported a Joint Buildings & Grounds and Finance Committee meeting was held on November 14, 2016.

1. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve the Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement dated April 28, 2016 with the Hayes Design Group authorizing a Facilities Assessment of schools and buildings in Peters Township School District on terms and conditions approved by the Solicitor. (attachment)

MOTION:

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

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
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2. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve the proposal from HHSDR to perform schematic design services for a new access drive from the Crossing Seven Plan to Pleasant Valley Elementary School at a cost of \$5,800.00 plus reimbursable printing and copying costs. (attachment)

MOTION:

Mr. Merrell moved for approval of recommendation 2, seconded by Mrs. Smith.
A discussion was held on the performance of similar services by HHSDR in the past.

MOTION:

Mr. Merrell moved to table recommendation 2, seconded by Mrs. Smith.
Public Comment: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(9-0)

3. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to award a contract to furnish and install 120 feet of three rail galvanized railings for core drill installation with railing assembly utilizing galvanized fittings at Pleasant Valley Elementary to Allegheny Fence Construction Co. Inc. in the amount of \$6,950.00. Funds to be provided by Capital Projects. (attachment)

MOTION:

Mr. Merrell moved for approval of recommendation 3, seconded by Mr. Dunleavy.
A discussion was held on the railing installation date.
Public Comment: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(9-0)

4. **RECOMMENDATION:** Motion to approve Change Order H-4 as submitted by Lugaila Mechanical, Inc. for unused field quantity allowances on the HVAC Miscellaneous Improvements at Peters Township High School Renovation Project in the deduct amount of \$3,972.00. (attachment)

MOTION:

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

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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5. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to authorize the District to enter into a five (5) year leasing agreement with PNC Equipment Finance to acquire five (5) 2017 Ford Transit 150XL School Conversion Vans in accordance with Pennsylvania Department of General Services Bureau of Procurement CoStars contract number 26-019 at a cost of \$40,999.00 per year.

MOTION:

Mr. Merrell moved for approval of recommendation 5, seconded by Mrs. Smith.
A discussion was held on the above leasing program.
Public Comment: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(9-0)

Education

Mrs. Smith reported an Education Committee Meeting was held on Monday, November 7, 2016.

6. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve the following pilot materials:

HIGH SCHOOL

AP Language and Composition (11th grade):

The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks, Rebecca Skloot, Crown Publishers, © 2010, Hardback, ISBN 978-10-4000-5217-2, Cost: \$1,423.00

MCMURRAY ELEMENTARY

6th Grade English/Language Arts:

Creepy Tales, Richard Peck, Institute for Learning, University of Pittsburgh, Item Number: G6SETCRETAL (includes 6 Teacher's Manuals), Cost: \$1,481.25

MOTION:

Mrs. Smith moved for approval of recommendation 6, seconded by Mrs. Bowman.
Public Comment: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(9-0)

Finance

Dr. Hardy reported a Finance Committee Meeting was held on Monday, November 14, 2016 resulting in the following:

7. **RECOMMENDATION:** Motion to approve the Resolution authorizing a transfer of funds from the General Operating Fund to the Capital Projects Fund. (attachment)

MOTION:

Dr. Hardy moved for approval of recommendation 7, seconded by Mrs. Smith.
Public Comment: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(9-0)

8. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to authorize the Administration to pay required invoices between November 22, 2016 and January 16, 2017 due to the length of time between meetings.

MOTION:

Dr. Hardy moved for approval of recommendation 8, seconded by Mr. Merrell.
Public Comment: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
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Policy

Mrs. Anderson stated that a few policy amendments will be forthcoming via PSBA. No meeting will be necessary for these changes.
Public Comment: None

PSBA

Mrs. Anderson stated a webinar sponsored by PSBA is scheduled for January 18 entitled Redefining the ROI.
Public Comment: None

Western Area Career and Technology Center

Mrs. Bowman reported a Joint Operating Committee Meeting was held on November 16, 2016. The next Joint Operating Committee Meeting will be held on December 14, 2016. She also reported on the preparation of a holiday meal for Culinary day.
Public Comment: None

SHASDA

Mr. Briegel reported on the last meeting a discussion took place on policies against the use of marijuana in schools. He also stated the January 2017 SHASDA meeting has been cancelled.
Public Comment: None

Intermediate Unit

Mr. McMurray reported on the November Board of Directors meeting and the next Board of Directors meeting will be held on December 8, 2016.

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:**

November 2016-2017-01
November 2016-2017-02

2. Approve the following **changes of classification:**

Name: Anna Wellek
From: Masters, Step 4
To: Masters, Step 5
Effective: 2016-2017 School Year

Name: Wendy Stark
From: Bachelors, Step 3
To: Bachelors, Step 4
Effective: 2016-2017 School Year

3. Approve the following **student teachers/observers/interns** for the **2016–17** school year. All compliance documents for the following individual are on file.

Name: Ashley Byrne
Dates of Assignment: 1/4/17 - 4/28/17
College or University: University of Pittsburgh
Curriculum Major: Speech and Language Pathology
PTSD Teacher & Bldg.: Nicole Scott/Pleasant Valley Elementary
Assignment: Practicum

Name: Christopher Yuhas
Dates of Assignment: 1/23/17 - 5/13/17
College or University: California University of Pennsylvania
Curriculum Major: School Counseling
PTSD Teacher & Bldg.: Heather Wawrzeniak & Heather Prinsen/High School
Assignment: Internship

Name: Kayla Warmbein
Dates of Assignment: 12/14/16 - 1/13/17
College or University: Westminster College
Curriculum Major: Special Education
PTSD Teacher & Bldg.: Heidi Colombo/Pleasant Valley Elementary
Assignment: Practicum

Name: Erin Eichen
Dates of Assignment: 1/4/17 - 4/28/17
College or University: University of Pittsburgh
Curriculum Major: Speech and Language Pathology
PTSD Teacher/Bldg.: Lauren Gagatko/McMurray Elementary
Assignment: Practicum

Name: Danielle McNally
Dates of Assignment: 1/3/17 - 4/21/17
College or University: Duquesne University
Curriculum Major: Pre K-4/Elementary
PTSD Teacher/Bldg.: Jamie Giammario 2nd Grade/Pleasant Valley Elementary
Assignment: Student teacher

4. Approve the following as **day-to-day substitute certificated personnel** for the **2016–17** school year:

1. Brown, Suzanne - Grades PK-4
2. Connor, Linda - English 7-12 and Library Science K-12
3. Crago, Michael - Health and Physical Education PK-12
4. George, Kristen - Nurse
5. Jones, Joy - Elementary K-6 and Early Childhood N-3
6. Olivio, Cassandra - Grade PK-4
7. Platt, Jacqueline - Grades PK-4
8. Sacco, Kristine - Art K-12
9. Sciomacco, Michael - Music
10. Sichko, Amanda - Grades PK-4

MOTION:

Mr. Dunleavy moved for approval of Certificated Personnel recommendation items 1 through 4, seconded by Dr. Hardy.

MOTION CARRIED

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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:**

November 2016-2017-03

November 2016-2017-04

2. Approve the following **retirement:**

Name: Wilma Ramous
Position: Custodian
Assignment: High School
Effective: January 6, 2017

3. Approve the following **resignations:**

Name: Thomas O'Malley
Position: Driver
Assignment: Bus Garage
Effective: October 31, 2016

Name: Teresa Suchta
Position: Part time Cafeteria/Food Service
Assignment: McMurray Elementary
Effective: November 11, 2016

Name: Brandi Wetzel
Position: Driver and Cafeteria/Playground Monitor
Assignment: Bus Garage and Bower Hill Elementary
Effective: November 30, 2016

4. Approve the following **new hire:**

Name: Michelle Gerhold
Position: Part time Cafeteria/Food Service
Assignment: Middle School
Salary: \$13.31/hr.
Effective: November 22, 2016
Replaces: Denise White

5. Approve the following **day-to-day non-teaching substitutes** for the **2016–17** school year:

1. Hindman, Darla - Paraprofessional
2. Manhollan, Rebecca - Clerical
3. McCrea, Charlotte - Driver
4. O'Malley, Thomas - Driver
5. Wigfield, Kenneth - Driver and Custodian

MOTION:

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

MOTION CARRIED

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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 **renewal of extra-duty Activities personnel** for the **2016–17** school year:

HIGH SCHOOL

Drama, Tech Director – Musical

Chance Fornear

2. Approve the following **extra-duty Athletics personnel resignations** for the **2016–17** school year:

HIGH SCHOOL

Winter Cheerleading Head Coach

Melissa Giaquinto

Swimming Assistant Coach

Luke Modrak

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

HIGH SCHOOL

Track/Field 1st Assistant Coach

Fred Burns

Track/Field 1st Assistant Coach

Brendan Albright (40%)

Track/Field 1st Assistant Coach

Timothy Wu (50%)

Track/Field 1st Assistant Coach

OPEN (10%)

Track/Field Assistant Coach

Gillian Callendar

Track/Field Assistant Coach

Mary Gasper

Track/Field Assistant Coach

Karyl Noel

Track/Field Volunteer Coach

Nicole Paschl

Track Coed Volunteer Coach

Dennis Scott

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Softball Head Coach

Kenneth McWilliams

- 4. Approve the following **extra-duty Athletics personnel** for the **2016-17** school year: (attachments)

HIGH SCHOOL

Winter Cheerleading Head Coach

Allie Breisinger (Split 50% w/Uram)

Winter Cheerleading Head Coach

Brogan Uram (Split 50% w/Breisinger)

Softball Assistant Coach

Steven Hubsch

Swimming Assistant Coach

Rebecca Manhollan

Wrestling Assistant Coach

Leroy McMillon

- 5. Approve the following **Athletic change of status** for the **2016-17** school year:

	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
Cory Huminsky	Softball Volunteer	Softball Assistant Coach (Split 50% w/Open Position)

MOTION:

Dr. Hardy moved for approval of Extra-Duty Personnel/Programs recommendation items 1 through 5, seconded by Mr. Merrell.

MOTION CARRIED

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VI. PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES, TRAININGS AND TRIPS

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

Name: Dr. Jeannine French – Superintendent, District Office
 Activity: The Forum for Western PA School Superintendents
 Dates: November 30 – December 2, 2016
 Location: Farmington, PA
 Estimated Cost: \$97.63

Names: Heather Wawrzeniak – Counselor, High School
 Vicky Cunningham – Counselor, High School
 Activity: PA Annual School Counselors Conference
 Dates: December 1 – 2, 2016
 Location: State College, PA
 Estimated Cost: \$1,413.56

Names: Dr. Jennifer Murphy – Assistant Superintendent, District Office
Michael Fisher – Assistant to the Superintendent for Curriculum,
Instruction and Assessment, District Office
April Ragland – Assistant Principal, High School
Adam Sikorski – Principal, Middle School
Blair Stoehr – Principal, McMurray Elementary School
Activity: PDE 2016 SAS Institute –
Personalized Learning: Empowering Teachers and Learners
Dates: December 4 – 6, 2016
Location: Hershey, PA
Estimated Cost: \$2,674.89

Name: Lora O'Brien – Gifted Support Teacher, Bower Hill Elementary School
Activity: PDE 2016 SAS Institute –
Personalized Learning: Empowering Teachers and Learners
Dates: December 4 – 6, 2016
Location: Hershey, PA
Estimated Cost: \$210.00

Name: Brian Geyer – Athletic Director, High School
Activity: PSADA Annual Conference
Dates: March 21 – 24, 2017
Location: Hershey, PA
Estimated Cost: \$1,208.01

MOTION:

Mr. Briegel moved for approval of Professional Conferences, Trainings and Trips recommendation item 1, seconded by Mr. Dunleavy.

MOTION CARRIED

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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: Hoop Group Boys Basketball Boosters – High School
Purpose: Support program & school spirit
Dates: November 22 – December 12, 2016
Location: PTHS
Activities: Basketball T-shirt sales (sport specific w/athletes' name & number)

Organization: Senior Class – High School
Purpose: Fund senior class activities
Dates: November 22 – December 22, 2016
Location: PTHS & Community
Activities: Blanket Sales

Organization: Junior Class – High School
Purpose: Fund Prom & promote unity District-wide
Dates: November 22 – December 22, 2016
Location: School District Wide
Activities: T-shirt spirit wear orders

Organization: Senior Class – High School
Purpose: Fund senior class activities
Dates: Last day of each month November 2016 – April 2017
Location: PTHS Cafeteria
Activities: Monthly Raffle of Donated Items

Organization: Library Assistants – High School
Purpose: Fund library projects
Dates: December 21, 2016
Location: PTHS Library
Activities: Library Game Day

MOTION:

Mr. Briegel moved for approval of Educational Programs and Student Activities recommendation item 1, seconded by Dr. Hardy.
 A discussion was held on the above monthly raffle of donated items.

MOTION CARRIED
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VIII. OTHER

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

1. Accept a donation of classroom library books for McMurray Elementary. The book drive was organized by parents Kirsten McGrath and Kristen Bondi with significant contributions from Half Price Books, 4000 Oxford Drive, Bethel Park, PA 15102. The estimated value of the books is \$1,800.00.
2. Approve a Placement Site Agreement between the University of Pittsburgh, School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences and Peters Township School District, on terms and conditions approved by the Solicitor, for a five (5) year period from January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2021. (attachment)

3. Approve a Placement Site Agreement between the Duquesne University of Pittsburgh, John G. Rangos, Sr. School of Health Sciences and Peters Township School District, on terms and conditions approved by the Solicitor, commencing November 21, 2016. (attachment)
4. Accept a FirstEnergy STEM Classroom Grant to encourage creativity in student learning and teacher professional development in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics Education for McMurray Elementary School in the amount of \$1,000.00.
5. Approve the following Durham Bus Company Driver for the 2016–17 school year:
Tronzo, Tray
6. Approve the sixty (60) month renewal Lease proposal with Steel City Business System, LLC to upgrade the District’s three (3) RISO duplicators at a monthly cost of \$419.00.
7. Approve the exoneration of real estate taxes on parcel number 540-004-00-00-0042-01, Venetia Heritage Society, for years 2015, 2016 and 2017.

MOTION:

Mr. Briegel moved for approval of Other recommendation items 1 through 7, seconded by Mr. Merrell.

A discussion was held on the Placement Agreements, Durham Bus Company, RISO Machines, and Venetia Heritage Society.

MOTION CARRIED

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BOARD INFORMATION: None

SOLICITOR’S REPORT: A presentation by the Weiss Burkhardt and Kramer firm was conducted at the University of Pittsburgh. Other legal items were addressed in executive session.

QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD ON AGENDA ITEMS: None

CORRESPONDENCE: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

December Board Meetings:

Monday, December 5, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. Reorganization Meeting

Monday, December 12, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. Education Committee Meeting

January Board Meetings:

Tuesday, January 17, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. Regular Board Meeting

Monday, January 23, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. Buildings and Grounds Committee Meeting

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Mrs. Bowman moved for adjournment at 8:30 p.m., seconded by Mr. Merrell.

MOTION CARRIED

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Board Secretary

Board President