



Peters Township School District

**MINUTES
PETERS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 22, 2019 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 7:33 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Allison, Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Bowman, Mr. Briegel, Mr. Dunleavy, Dr. Hardy, Mr. McMurray and Mr. Taylor were present. Mr. Merrell was absent.

Also present were: Dr. Jeannine French - Superintendent, Dr. Jennifer Murphy - Assistant Superintendent, Dr. Michael Fisher - Assistant to the Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment, Mrs. Patricia Kelly - Director of Pupil Services, Mr. Brad Rau - Business Manager, Mr. Adam Swinchock – Director of Instructional Technology, Mr. Brandon Womer – Director of Buildings and Grounds and Ms. Jocelyn Kramer – Solicitor.

SUPERINTENDENT’S COMMENTS

➤ **Celebration of Excellence**

➤ **Excellence in Education**

➤ **FBLA Honors for PTHS**

This month, 22 students from Peters Township High School attended the 2019 Future Business Leaders of America Pennsylvania State Leadership Conference & Competition. Students attended various business related workshops and competed in one or more competitive events during their time at the conference. Below are the students who earned rankings in the Top 10 in the state in their competitive events. Also noted (*) are the students who qualified to move on to the national competition.

Tanish Rastogi - Political Science - 1st Place *

Kyle Kroboth - Organizational Leadership - 2nd Place *

Sebastian Campos - Cyber Security - 2nd Place*

Mackenzie Schwerzler - Sales Presentation - 4th Place *

Miles Child - Future Business Leader - 10th Place

➤ **National Technical Honor Society**

Congratulations to Peters Township students Hunter Czajkowski and Daniel R. Hecht who have been selected as members of the National Technical Honor Society through the Western Area Career and Technical Center (Hunter in the Networking Program, Daniel in the Automation and Robotics Engineering Program). Hunter will be inducted on May 3rd and Daniel has qualified for his second year as a member.

- **Pleasant Valley Authors**
This month, more than 60 Pleasant Valley student authors were recognized on PV TV by librarian Nancy Barley. The students wrote and illustrated their own books that are now available to be checked out by the student body. Several students at each grade level were recognized for their outstanding creativity, artwork and storytelling.
- **Battle of the Books at McMurray**
Eleven teams of 5th grade students took part in this year's Battle of the Books. They all survived three rounds of questions, testing their knowledge of nine books from a range of genres. The top scoring team was "FBI-Friends with Book Intelligence." The event was organized by librarian Meg Owens, with special thanks to the Peters Township Public Library staff who were the judges for the event.
- **Annual STEM Night at Book Fair at Pleasant Valley**
On April 5th, Pleasant Valley held their annual Spring Book Fair and Family STEM Night for all students. With the help of staff volunteers, students participated in a variety of hands-on STEM activities and earned a prize for completing all of the stations. They also had a chance to stop by the PTA Book Fair to stock up for summer reading.
- **Heroes of Flight 93 Speaker at PTMS**
Peters Township Middle School partnered with the Peters Township Public Library to bring our 8th grade students the "Heroes of Flight 93" program. Mr. Mahlon Fuller was the watch supervisor of the control tower and radar room at Pittsburgh International Airport on 9/11/2001 and shared his perspective on that fateful day and the timeline of tragic events.
- **McMurray Next Top Model**
The 5th grade Spanish students at McMurray had a blast taking part in McMurray's Next Top Model, a fashion show to help them practice their clothing vocabulary and descriptions. Organized by teacher Abby Schade, the students did an outstanding job with their Spanish while walking the red carpet and strutting their fashionable, crazy outfits!
- **PTMS Video Contest**
Students from PTMS recently participated in the "What's Cool about Manufacturing" video contest. The contest is designed to create a new perspective and regional awareness on the exciting career opportunities that exist in manufacturing. Our students teamed up with IGS Industries to promote manufacturing in South Western PA. The team earned 1st place for exceptional videography for their efforts.
- **National History Day**
Twenty-seven students from McMurray Elementary, PTMS and PTHS were among the 400 contestants at the Regional Competition of National History Day this month at the Heinz History Center. Entries this year focused on the theme of "Triumph and Tragedy in History." Eleven of the 17 entries from Peters Township returned from NHD-Pittsburgh with medals, and in some cases cash awards.
- **National Honor Society Induction**
Congratulations to the 85 students who were inducted into the National Honor Society at PTHS on March 22nd. These students were recognized for excellence in Character, Scholarship, Leadership and Service.
- **Excellence in the Arts**
- **Rainforest Show at Pleasant Valley**
Second graders at Pleasant Valley performed their Rainforest show for their classmates and

parents this week. They taught their audience about the products we use that come from the rainforest, showed off their dancing and musical abilities, and even reminded us to recycle.

➤ **Art Honors for PTHS Students**

Congratulations to Peters Township High School art students Raeanne Heuler and Marygrace Schuck whose work has been displayed as part of The Warhol's Youth Invasion 2019. This program features teens' unique take on Andy Warhol's artwork, with their points of view, ideas, and creative expressions. The opening event for the exhibit was April 5th from 5-10 pm, but their work was displayed through April 20th.

➤ **PMEA All-State Musicians**

Congratulations to the students from Peters Township High School who were selected by audition to take part in the PMEA All-State Music events:

Becky Schneirov – clarinet – orchestra

Johnny Vanderhoff – tenor – chorus

Dabria DiCenso – flute – wind ensemble

Thomas Chang – viola – orchestra

➤ **PTHS Chorus Students: Chicago Trip**

This month, band and chorus students from Peters Township High School had the opportunity to travel to Chicago to take part in music festivals and experience some of the arts scene the city has to offer. During their time there, band students took part in the Chicago Music Festival and chorus and band students participated in music clinics at VanderCook College. The students also had the opportunity to see Hamilton and the Blue Man Group while there.

➤ **PTHS Media Students Earn DCMA Honors**

The PTHS Media Department attended the Digital Media Arts Consortium this month and came away with seven awards in various categories. Senior Payton Jenkins was also recognized with the Founders Award – a special award given to an outstanding senior media student.

Feature Package-Payton Jenkins, Julia Trunzo, and Gianna Ellison

Digital Cinema-Avery Lang, Cole Szymanski, Lexi DiLucia, and Payton Jenkins

Public Service Announcement-Katrine O'Neill, Leah Heuler, Lexi DiLucia, and Lily Simmons

Black and White Photograph-Auriana Carrington

News Package-Chloe Paugh and Lindsey Thomas

Sports Article-Devon Milley

Founders Award (special award for outstanding Senior-not part of the competition)-
Payton Jenkins

School Announcements -

Bondi, Alexandra

Byers, Morgan (not pictured)

Dabkowski, Jake

DiLucia, Alexis

Ellison, Gianna

Grau, Samuel

Heuler, Leah

Hillen, Natalea

Jenkins, Payton

Lang, Avery

Molyneaux, Therese

Mullan, Kelsey
O'Neill, Katrine
Paugh, Chloe
Shields, Nicole
Simmons, Lillian
Soff, Ava
Szymanski, Cole
Thomas, Lindsey
Traumuller, Anna
Trunzo, Julia
Watson, Elizabeth (not pictured)

This is a link to photos of the media students: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/vsj4yV1nzuUMNvo98> .
As always we are thrilled to be able to teach these and all of the students in the Media Department, they made us proud today.

➤ **Excellence in Athletics**

➤ **Morning Milers at PV**

The Pleasant Valley Morning Milers are busy getting ready for the Kids of STEEL marathon in May! Throughout the week, students arrive early to school to spend time running and building up their miles for the event. This year students are using pedometers and heart rate monitors to help track their progress (courtesy of an Education Foundation grant) and this month, the Tuesday crew got a special visit from the staff at Kids of Steel who gave out water bottles to help them stay hydrated.

➤ **Geyer Appointed to WPAL Board**

Peters Township Athletic Director Brian Geyer has been appointed to the WPIAL Board of Directors as the representative for athletic directors in the region. He will serve a two-year term in the position starting July 1, 2019.

➤ **Girls Basketball – State Champions**

Please join us in honoring the PTHS Girls Basketball Team who finished the year with a perfect 30-0 record, won their section championship, the WPIAL Championship, and the 2019 PIAA Championship.

In addition to the many honors this team has received, PT Head Coach Bert Kendall is the WPIAL Coach of the Year and Senior Makenna Marissa has been named the Girls Basketball WPIAL Player of the Year.

The Lady Indians are the first Girls Basketball team to win the PIAA Championship in Washington County history. In addition, the team is just the fourth Girls Basketball team in WPIAL history to finish the season undefeated.

Please join us in welcoming and congratulating our PT Girls Basketball Team.

Mr. Geyer recognized the team and listed their accomplishments this season, including finishing the year ranked #24 in the nation. He introduced Coach Bert Kendall who spoke of the support the team received all season and their appreciation for the recognition they have received. Dr. French and Mr. McMurray presented certificates to the team members.

➤ **Excellence in Character**

- **March Madness Ends at PTMS**
The Middle School ended their March Madness Character Efforts with great success. The championship title for the homeroom that earned the most points throughout the month was Mr. Griffin's homeroom. Overall the students and staff collected \$564.51 and 80 pounds of pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. They also collected 6,138 wish list items that were boxed up and donated to families who stay at the House throughout the year.
- **Operation Backpack at PTHS**
This month students at Peters Township High School donated toiletry and canned good items for Operation Backpack. This partnership with area schools allowed our students to reach beyond our borders and help students in need in other communities. The items collected were shared with the Brownsville Area School District and the Charleroi Area School District to support outreach programs in their schools.
- **Walk for Autism**
The PTHS Interact Club hosted its annual Autism Walk/Fair at PTHS on April 7th. The students organized a day filled with fun events including food, games, raffle baskets, live music, and more! All proceeds fund autistic support programs in the school.
- **Excellence in Leadership**
- **Kindergarten Tea**
On March 22nd, Kindergarten teachers from Bower Hill and Pleasant Valley teamed up with the staff at the Peters Township Public Library to host their 4th Annual Kindergarten Transition Tea. Each year, representatives from local preschools in our area are invited to the event for a lunch (provided by the Bower Hill PTA) and some great instruction and resources to help the pre-school teachers prepare their students for school.
- **All Star Teacher at PTMS**
On April 9, 2019, representatives from the Pittsburgh Pirates and Chevron visited Peters Township Middle School to surprise teacher Matt Cheran as an "All Star Teacher". Mr. Cheran was nominated for the award by a colleague and will be recognized on the field at game in June. He also received \$1,000 from Chevron to be used in his classroom. The Pirate Parrot got in on the action and presented Mr. Cheran with a treasure chest full of Pirates gear for his students.

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

(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.

Part of our communication effort involves taping and sharing videos of our Board meetings to help our community stay informed on matters before the Board. Any guest speakers or members of the public who are taking part in the meetings are reminded to come to the podium and use the microphone when making comments so that they may be heard by those of us in the room and those watching online.

Alexander (Zan) Kail (Topic: Radon Testing)
549 McCombs Road
Venetia, PA 15367

Mr. Kail addressed the Board regarding the importance of radon testing and student safety. He offered to donate two radon sirens to the District which will help to raise radon awareness.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

An Executive Session was held immediately prior to this meeting to discuss personnel and other items.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

I. BUSINESS OFFICE

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

1. Approval of the minutes for the Regular Board Meeting dated March 18, 2019.
2. Approval of the Treasurer's Report for March 2019 with a balance of \$13,952,869.19.
3. Approval of the General Fund bills for March 15, 2019 through April 17, 2019.
4. Approval of the Capital Facilities Fund bills for March 15, 2019 through April 17, 2019.
5. Approval of the Food Service Fund bills for March 15, 2019 through April 17, 2019.
6. Approval of the McMurray Elementary School Activity Fund report for March 2019.
7. Approval of the Middle School Activity Fund report for March 2019.
8. Approval of the High School Athletic Fund report for March 2019.
9. Approval of the High School Activity Fund report for March 2019.
10. Approval of the Budget Transfers for March 2019.

MOTION:

Mr. Taylor moved for approval of the Business Office recommendation items 1 through 10, seconded by Mr. Briegel.
Public Comment: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(8-0)

II. BOARD COMMITTEES

Personnel

Mr. Taylor

1. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve the following changes of positions:

From: .60 German Teacher
To: 1.0 German/English as a Secondary Language Teacher

From: 1.0 English as a Secondary Language Teacher
To: 1.0 Elementary/English as a Secondary Language Teacher

MOTION:

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

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(8-0)

Buildings and Grounds

Mr. Dunleavy

A Buildings and Grounds Committee Meeting was held on April 8, 2019.

2. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve the West Penn Power Easement for Tax Parcel Number 5400070000000400 for electric, CATV, and communication purposes under and across the Easterly portion of the Peters Township and Peters Township School District Property at Rolling Hills. (attachment)

MOTION:

Mr. Dunleavy moved for approval of recommendation 2, seconded by Mr. Taylor.
Public Comment: None

Comment: Mrs. Bowman asked if this impacts the Township portion of the property and if not, do we need to revise the motion. Mr. Dunleavy said there is no impact on the Township portion. Mr.

Rau explained that the property has not been split, and the Township will approve the same easement.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(8-0)

3. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve the purchase of a Ford F-650 Dump Truck. The Cab and Chassis will be purchased from Woltz and Wind Ford (COSTARS contract #025-032) and the dump body/spreader/equipment will be purchased from and installed by Push and Pull (COSTARS contract #1487) for a total cost of \$111,040.00. This purchase is funded by the Capital Projects Fund.

MOTION:

Mr. Dunleavy moved for approval of recommendation 3, seconded by Dr. Hardy.

Public Comment: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(8-0)

4. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve the purchase of Sico choral risers for the High School from PEMCo (COSTARS contract #035-07) in the amount of \$15,845.00. This purchase is funded by the Capital Projects Fund.

MOTION:

Mr. Dunleavy moved for approval of recommendation 4, seconded by Mr. Briegel.

Public Comment: None

Comment: Mrs. Bowman asked if old risers are being replaced and if the old risers being donated somewhere. Mr. Womer responded that they are not able to be repaired and will be disposed. The new ones will be used in both the current High School and the New High School.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(8-0)

5. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve the installation of carpet and flooring tiles at Pleasant Valley Elementary by Franklin Interiors (COSTARS contract #6100025600) in the amount of \$30,444.23. This project is funded by the Capital Projects Fund.

MOTION:

Mr. Dunleavy moved for approval of recommendation 5, seconded by Mr. Briegel.

Public Comment: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(8-0)

6. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve the renewal of a four (4) year Preventive Maintenance Service Agreement with Trane in the amount of \$67,995.00. This agreement will be funded by the Buildings and Grounds Operating Budget.

MOTION:

Mr. Dunleavy moved for approval of recommendation 6, seconded by Mr. Briegel.
Public Comment: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(8-0)

7. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve the purchase of two (2) Daktronics BB-2155 scoreboards, two (2) Daktronics DVN-160x288 indoor video displays, two (2) Daktronics TI-2103 shot clocks, two (2) Daktronics BB-2135 light strips, one (1) Daktronics BB-2103 scoreboard, one (1) Daktronics BB-2101 scoreboard, and equipment installation at a cost of \$111,400.00 from Institutional Specialties, Inc. for the New High School main gymnasium and auxiliary gymnasium. The equipment pricing is from the COSTARS Purchasing Program. This purchase will be funded by the Allegheny Health Network Naming Rights Agreement and the Capital Projects Fund. (attachment)

MOTION:

Mr. Dunleavy moved for approval of recommendation 7, seconded by Mr. Taylor.
Public Comment: None

Comment: Mrs. Anderson asked if funding was available from advertising. Mr. Geyer replied that only about \$21,000 will be needed from the Capital Projects Fund. He explained that removing it from the construction bid process permitted the District to realize savings from ordering it now in advance of the new tariffs being applied. It is also a demo site because Peters Township will be the first district in western Pennsylvania to have live feed on a scoreboard.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(8-0)

8. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve A. Liberoni, Inc. Change Order No. 7 at a cost of \$2,437.33 for relocating the truck wash station at the New High School construction site. This Change Order is funded by the New High School Project Construction Contingency.

MOTION:

Mr. Dunleavy moved for approval of recommendation 8, seconded by Mr. Taylor.
Public Comment: None

Comment: Dr. Hardy asked if we will have to do this again. Mr. Taylor stated that he has seen improvement since the station was moved.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(8-0)

9. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve A. Liberoni, Inc. Change Order No. SC-008 at a cost of \$36,549.12 for additional guiderail, modification to outfall area, removal of existing cart path, restoration of land, and planting of additional trees related to the DEP joint permit requirements. This Change Order is funded by the New High School Project Construction Contingency.

MOTION:

Mr. Dunleavy moved for approval of recommendation 9, seconded by Mr. Briegel.
Public Comment: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(8-0)

10. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve A. Liberoni, Inc. Change Order No. SC-009 at a cost of \$23,460.00 to demolish the two maintenance buildings located at the north end of the New High School construction site required to complete the Rolling Hills Drive road project. This Change Order is funded by the New High School Project Construction Contingency.

MOTION:

Mr. Dunleavy moved for approval of recommendation 10, seconded by Mr. Briegel.
Public Comment: None

Comment: Mr. Briegel asked if this is just the District share or the full cost to remove the buildings. Mr. Rau responded that one building is in the path of the new road so the Township has agreed to split the cost on that one. He anticipates receiving approximately 25% reimbursement.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(8-0)

11. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve Vrabel Plumbing Company, LLC Change Order No. 1 at a cost of \$12,301.00 for relocation/deletion of a floor drain, additional vent piping and underground drains for the swim suit spinners, relocation of water line for the truck wash station and relocation of water lines in the masonry wall for proper installation of the kitchen equipment. This Change Order is funded by the New High School Project Construction Contingency.

MOTION:

Mr. Dunleavy moved for approval of recommendation 11, seconded by Mr. Taylor.
Public Comment: None

Comment: Dr. Hardy asked for more information. Mrs. Bowman asked for more clarification in the explanations for future change order motions. Dr. French explained the information is available in the bulletins.

MOTION PASSED

(7-1)

Dr. Hardy voted No

12. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve Murin and Murn, Inc. Change Order No. SPUC-001 at a cost of \$84,724.66 for modifying, adding and removing storm sewers and structures related to changes from Washington County Conservation District and DEP permit requirements. This Change Order is funded by the New High School Project Construction Contingency.

MOTION:

Mr. Dunleavy moved for approval of recommendation 12, seconded by Mr. Briegel.
Public Comment: None

Comment: Mr. Briegel asked if we really have any choice on this motion.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(8-0)

13. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve Murin and Murn, Inc. Change Order No. SPUC-001 at a cost of \$33,166.03 for modifying and adding to storm sewers and structures related to changes from DEP joint permit requirements. This Change Order is funded by the New High School Project Construction Contingency.

MOTION:

Mr. Dunleavy moved for approval of recommendation 13, seconded by Mr. Briegel.
Public Comment: None

Comment: Mr. Taylor asked for clarification on this motion because it is the same change order number as the previous motion. Mrs. Bowman explained different bulletins with the same change order. Mr. Dunleavy explained that there are multiple projects on the same change order.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(8-0)

14. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve Murin and Murn, Inc. Change Order No. SPUC-002 at a cost of \$79,881.77 for upgrading and adding storm piping for future stadium development. This Change Order is funded by the New High School Project Construction Contingency.

MOTION:

Mr. Dunleavy moved for approval of recommendation 14, seconded by Mr. Briegel.
Public Comment: None

Comment: Mr. Taylor wanted to clarify that this is for a future stadium that is not part of the project plan. He expressed concern of a cost without a plan. Mr. Dunleavy explained that it will be a trench dug once with the appropriate piping and it is cheaper to do it now than in the future. Mrs. Bowman commented that this will be going under the road which impacts the decision. Dr. Hardy explained the general consideration of a stadium location.

MOTION PASSED

(7-1)

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Mr. Taylor voted No

Education

Mrs. Allison

15. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve the following new courses for the 2019–20 school year:

HIGH SCHOOL

Math: Personal Finance (yearlong)

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Math: Algebra Fundamentals (yearlong)

MOTION:

Mrs. Allison moved for approval of recommendation 15, seconded by Mr. Briegel.

Public Comment: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(8-0)

Finance

Dr. Hardy

A Finance Committee Meeting has been scheduled for May 6, 2019 where we will discuss future borrowing capabilities for future projects and the 2019-2020 budget.

Policy

Mrs. Anderson

This agenda includes the first reading of the following policy: (attachment)

900 Community

No. 913.1 – Partnerships and Advertising

Mrs. Anderson explained the language in the policy regarding perpetuity was removed per request of the Board at the Fundraising Committee meeting. Agreements beyond three (3) years will have to be approved by the Board.

16. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve the second reading and adoption of the following policies: (attachments)

100 Programs

No. 103 – Nondiscrimination/Discriminatory Harassment - School and Classroom Practices
No. 103.1 – Nondiscrimination - Qualified Students with Disabilities
No. 104 – Nondiscrimination/Discriminatory Harassment - Employment Practices

200 Pupils

No. 222 – Tobacco/Nicotine
No. 247 – Hazing
No. 249 – Bullying/Cyberbullying

300 Employees

No. 323 – Tobacco/Nicotine

700 Property

No. 707 – Use of School Facilities

900 Community

No. 904 – Public Attendance/Conduct at School Events

MOTION:

Mrs. Anderson moved for approval of recommendation 16, seconded by Mr. Briegel.
Public Comment: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(8-0)

PSBA

Mrs. Anderson

17. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve the purchase of the Pennsylvania School Boards Association, Inc. (PSBA) All-Access membership for the 2019-20 school year at a cost of \$15,840.42. This is an increase of \$815.42 from the 2018-19 school year. (attachment)

MOTION:

Mrs. Anderson moved for approval of recommendation 17, seconded by Mr. Briegel.
Public Comment: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(8-0)

Western Area Career and Technology Center

Mrs. Bowman

Mrs. Bowman reported that the committee celebrated the pending induction and re-upping for two of our students. Two students received overhead welding certificates from the Skills USA competition, an

accomplishment that many welders never receive. Skills USA is an extracurricular activity and they need to raise money.

The next Joint Operating Committee Meeting will be held on April 24, 2019.

SHASDA

Mr. Briegel

The SHASDA Conference will be held on Saturday, April 27, 2019 at the Hilton Garden Inn, Southpointe.

Intermediate Unit

Mr. McMurray

Mr. McMurray thanked members of the Board for attending last month to celebrate Mr. Mahoney's retirement.

The next Board of Directors Meeting will be held on April 25, 2019.

Ad Hoc Committee:

Fundraising

Mrs. Allison and Mr. Taylor

A Fundraising Committee Meeting was held on March 25, 2019.

18. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to authorize fundraising for the Golf Practice Facility at the New High School as presented.

MOTION:

Mrs. Allison moved for approval of recommendation 18, seconded by Mr. Briegel.

Public Comment: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(8-0)

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 2018-2019-01

2. Approve the following **transfers:**

Name: April Ragland
From: Assistant Principal, Peters Township High School
To: Assistant Director of Pupil Services, District Administrative Office
Effective: July 1, 2019
Replacing: Newly Created Position

Name: Beth Barry
From: 4th Grade Teacher, McMurray Elementary
To: 3rd Grade Teacher, Pleasant Valley Elementary
Effective: 2019-2020 School Year
Replacing: Vacant

3. Approve the following **changes of assignment:**

Name: Danielle DeCarlucci
From: .5 Kindergarten Teacher, Pleasant Valley Elementary
To: 1st Grade Teacher, Pleasant Valley Elementary
Effective: 2019-2020 School Year
Replacing: Traci Stunek

Name: Heidi Colombo
From: Special Education Teacher, Pleasant Valley Elementary
To: 3rd Grade Teacher, Pleasant Valley Elementary
Effective: 2019-2020 School Year
Replacing: Joyce Rodgers

4. Approve the following **teacher resignation** for the position of **2019 Summer Physical Education Course instructor:**

Jessica Ferragonio

5. Approve the following **student teacher/observer/intern** for the 2018–19 school year. All compliance documents for the following individual are on file.

Name: Jessica Proctor
Dates of Assignment: 4/24/19 - 6/6/19
College or University: Community College of Allegheny County
Curriculum Major: Early Childhood and Child Development
PTSD Teacher & Bldg.: April Ragland/High School
Assignment: Field experience

6. Approve the following **student teacher/observer/intern** for the 2019–20 school year. All compliance documents for the following individual are on file.

Name: Abigail White
Dates of Assignment: 8/26/19 - 11/15/19
College or University: Slippery Rock
Curriculum Major: Social Studies
PTSD Teacher & Bldg.: Matt Cheran/Middle School
Assignment: Student Teacher

7. Approve the following as **day-to-day substitute certificated personnel** for the 2019–20 school year:

Lauren Barber - Grades PK-4 and Special Education PK-8
Linda Dunn - Mid-Level Mathematics 7-9, Health, Family Consumer Science and Biology

MOTION:

Mr. Briegel moved for approval of Certificated Personnel recommendation items 1 through 7, seconded by Mr. Taylor.

Comment: Dr. Hardy and Dr. French congratulated Mrs. Ragland on her new position.

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 **leave of absence:**

April 2018-2019-02

2. Approve the following **resignation:**

Name: Robert Mary
Position: Lead Custodian
Assignment: Bower Hill Elementary
Effective: May 31, 2019

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

Name: Avery Caldwell
Position: Custodian
Assignment: High School

Salary: \$17.10/hr.
Effective: April 29, 2019
Replaces: Dominic Barone

4. Approve the following **2019 Summer Secretaries (not to exceed 200 hours per position):**

Name: Patricia Buck
Position: Summer Secretary
Assignment: McMurray Elementary
Effective: June 19, 2019 to August 6, 2019

Name: Linda Narus
Position: Summer Secretary
Assignment: Bower Hill Elementary
Effective: June 19, 2019 to August 6, 2019

Name: Julie Swiatek
Position: Summer Secretary
Assignment: Pleasant Valley Elementary
Effective: June 19, 2019 to August 6, 2019

5. Approve the following **day-to-day non-teaching substitutes** for the 2018–19 school year:

Lorna Betler - Driver and Bus Aide
Ronald Lucas - Driver and Bus Aide

MOTION:

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

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 **renewal of extra-duty Resource personnel** for the 2019–20 school year:

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Technology Education & Engineering
Art
Photographer

Joseph Bayto
Wendy Hienz
Stephanie Van Balen

Large Group Int. Area Coordinator
Audio Visual Coordinator

Brian Griffin
Katherine Stouden

2. Approve the following **renewal of extra-duty Activities personnel** for the 2019–20 school year:

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Cool 2 Be Clean (C2BC) Co-Sponsor
Cool 2 Be Clean (C2BC) Co-Sponsor
Forensics Coach
Musical, Co-Director Vocal
Musical, Co-Director Drama
Musical, Assistant Director
National History Day Sponsor
Science Olympiad
Student Council
Newspaper
Yearbook Co-Sponsor
Yearbook Co-Sponsor
Literary Magazine Co-Sponsor
Literary Magazine Co-Sponsor

Bianca Goodwin
Mary Beth Kenny-Massaro
Daniel Hudak
Antoinette Jacobs
Lorra Brannen
Gregory Cleary
Joshua Elders
Keith Compeggie
Bethany Gallagher
Nicole Mitchell
Melissa Giaquinto
Stephanie Van Balen
Nicole Mitchell
Frances Lund

3. Approve the following **extra-duty Activities personnel** for the 2019–20 school year:
(attachments)

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Student Council
PA Junior Academy of Science (PJAS)
Musical Set Design

Bianca Goodwin
Keith Compeggie
Gregory Cleary

4. Approve the following **renewal of extra duty Athletic personnel** for the 2019–20 school year:

HIGH SCHOOL

Fall/Winter

Cheerleading, Head Coach

Alyssa Simmons

Winter

Basketball, Boys Head Coach
Basketball, Girls Head Coach
Swimming, Head Coach
Track, Winter Indoor, Head Coach
Wresting, Head Coach

Gary Goga
Bert Kendall
Michael Meyers
Justin Pinto
Derrick Evanovich

5. Approve the following **extra-duty Athletic changes of status** for the 2019–20 school year:

HIGH SCHOOL

Ashley Green

FROM:

Volleyball, Girls Head Coach

TO:

Volleyball, Girls Volunteer Coach

Nicole Oakes	Volleyball, Girls Assistant Coach	Volleyball, Girls Head Coach (attachment)
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6. Approve the following **extra-duty Athletic personnel** for the 2019–20 school year: (attachment)

HIGH SCHOOL

Fall

Football, 2 nd Assistant Coach	Richard Pfeuffer
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7. Discontinue recognition of the Peters Township Golf Association as a Board approved Booster/Support Group under Policy No. 915 effective immediately.

MOTION:

Mr. Briegel moved for approval of Extra-Duty Personnel/Programs recommendation items 1 through 7, seconded by Mr. Dunleavy.

Comment: Mrs. Bowman expressed gratitude for Extra-Duty teachers.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(8-0)

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:	Lora O'Brien, Gifted Support Teacher – Bower Hill Elementary
Activity:	Facebook Guide for Educators Roundtable Meeting
Date:	May 3, 2019
Location:	New York, NY
Estimated Cost:	\$52.50

Name:	Leyna Steffen, Dean of College and Career Readiness – High School
Activity:	Pennsylvania Association for Supervision & Curriculum Development (PASCD) Evaluation Leadership Academy
Dates:	June 17, 2019 July 1, 2019 August 5, 2019
Location:	Homestead, PA
Estimated Cost:	\$527.64

MOTION:

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

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

(8-0)

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: Best Buddies Club – High School
Purpose: Club expenses
Dates: April 23 – June 7, 2019
Location: High School
Activity: School Store

Organization: Students Active for Environment Club (SAFE) – High School
Purpose: Club expenses
Dates: April 25 – May 9, 2019
Location: Community
Activity: Sarris Candy Bar Sales

Organization: Quarterback Club Boosters – High School
Purpose: Team expenses
Dates: April 27, 2019
Location: Peters Township Tennis Center
Activity: Tennis Bubble Removal

Organization: Forensics Speech and Debate Club – High School
Purpose: Club expenses
Dates: June 17 – 20, 2019
Location: High School
Activity: Forensics Speech and Debate Summer Camp

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

Organization: National History Day – High School, Middle School & McMurray Elementary
Advisor: Joshua Elders
Event: National History Day State Competition
Dates: May 9 – 11, 2019
Location: Harrisburg, PA
Est. Cost to Dist.: \$3,767.11

Organization: Boys Tennis Team – High School
Advisor: Brandt Bowman

Event: PIAA State Boys Tennis Team Finals
Dates: May 16 – 18, 2019
Location: Hershey, PA
Est. Cost to Dist.: \$3,849.00

Organization: Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) – High School
Advisors: John Good
Event: 2019 FBLA National Leadership Conference & Competition
Dates: June 27 – July 3, 2019
Locations: San Antonio, TX
Est. Cost to Dist.: \$3,697.00

Organization: Thespian Troupe 185 – High School
Advisors: Jean Cygrymus
Event: PA Thespian Conference
Dates: January 2 – 5, 2020
Locations: York, PA
Est. Cost to Dist.: \$210.00

Organization: PTHS Choir – High School
Advisors: Ryan Perrotte
Event: International Barbershop Youth Chorus Competition
Dates: January 8 – 12, 2020
Locations: Jacksonville, FL
Est. Cost to Dist.: \$315.00

3. Approve the following request for **student trip solicitation**:

Sponsor: Judith Alexander – Gifted Support Teacher, High School
Event: Tanzania, Africa
Date: Summer of 2020

MOTION:

Mr. Briegel moved for approval of Educational Programs and Student Activities recommendation items 1 through 3, seconded by Mr. Taylor.

Comment: Mrs. Bowman congratulated the number of qualifiers being approved for travel. Dr. Hardy recognized Mr. Good's hard work and related his child's FBLA experience to post-high school benefits.

Mr. Taylor acknowledged Mrs. Bowman's support for NHD and her work with the students to get to the state finals level. He will be abstaining from this vote due to his child's involvement in NHD. Mrs. Allison also commended Mrs. Bowman and Mr. Elders for their work with the students.

Mrs. Allison asked that the documents are reviewed prior to the trip solicitation. Dr. Hardy asked that the administration not hold past history against the sponsor.

Roll Call vote:

Dr. Hardy – Yes
Mr. McMurray – Yes
Mr. Taylor – Abstain
Mrs. Allison – Yes

Mrs. Anderson – Yes
Mrs. Bowman – Yes
Mr. Briegel – Yes
Mr. Dunleavy – Yes

MOTION PASSED

(7-0-1)

Mr. Taylor abstained

VIII. OTHER

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

1. Approve a donation from the American Heart Association Program to Peters Township School District to purchase physical education equipment in the amount of \$300.00 and additional equipment valued at \$400.00 for Pleasant Valley Elementary School.
2. Approve a donation from the American Heart Association Program to Peters Township School District to purchase physical education equipment in the amount of \$300.00 and additional equipment valued at \$400.00 for Bower Hill Elementary School.
3. Approve a donation from the American Heart Association Program to Peters Township School District to purchase physical education equipment in the amount of \$60.00 and additional equipment valued at \$100.00 for McMurray Elementary School.
4. Approve a donation from Pleasant Valley Parent Teacher Association (PTA) in the amount of \$10,297.59 and a grant from Peters Township PTA Area Council Board in the amount of \$1,200.00 to Peters Township School District for twenty (20) silver iPads with cases and one (1) iPad Cart for Pleasant Valley Elementary School.
5. Accept an Educational Enrichment Grant to Peters Township School District for Bower Hill Elementary School from the Peters Township PTA Area Council in the amount of \$2,000.00.
6. Accept an Educational Enrichment Grant to Peters Township School District for McMurray Elementary School from the Peters Township PTA Area Council in the amount of \$2,500.00.
7. Accept an Educational Enrichment Grant to Peters Township School District for Peters Township Middle School from the Peters Township PTA Area Council in the amount of \$2,100.00.
8. Accept an Educational Enrichment Grant to Peters Township School District for Peters Township High School from the Peters Township PTA Area Council in the amount of \$4,229.95.
9. Approve a donation from Siemens STEM Outreach Program to Peters Township School District for eleven (11) Mindstorms EV3 Core Lego Sets to be used for the McMurray MakerSpace, estimated value of \$5,060.00.

10. Approve the tax collector recommendation on Tax Appeal No. 01-2019. (attachment)
11. Authorize the rejection of all the bus bids and re-advertise.
12. Approve the following **substitute drivers** from Mlaker L.L.C. Student Transportation for the 2018–19 school year:
 - Chris Cunningham
 - Mark Delsignore
 - Robin Grahek
 - William Lewis
13. Approve the TEALS Lab Support Model and Classroom Enrichment Model Partner Agreement, for the 2019–20 school year. (attachment)
14. Approve the purchase of a Dell EMC VxRail Hyperconverged Infrastructure from Dell EMC at a cost of \$156,697.78 to replace the existing data center compute and storage solution. The equipment will be purchased through the PEPPM Technology Bidding and Purchasing Program. (attachment)
15. Approve a three (3) year agreement from Harris School Solutions for the EdInsight OnHand Schools data warehouse and curriculum platform, on terms and conditions approved by the Solicitor, from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2022. The annual cost will be \$25,806.39 for the 2019-20 school year, \$26,580.58 for the 2020-21 school year, and \$27,378.00 for the 2021-22 school year. (attachment)

MOTION:

Mr. Briegel moved for approval of Other recommendation items 1 through 15 seconded by Mr. Taylor.

Comments: Mrs. Anderson thanked the PTAs for over \$22,000 in donations for educational enrichment.

Mrs. Anderson asked why the bus bids are being rejected. Dr. French explained it was an error in the previous document.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(8-0)

BOARD INFORMATION: None

SOLICITOR’S REPORT: Ms. Kramer provided her report in Executive Session.

QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD ON AGENDA ITEMS: None

CORRESPONDENCE: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

May Board Meetings:

Monday, May 6, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.	Finance Committee Meeting immediately followed by Buildings and Grounds Committee Meeting
Monday, May 13, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.	Education Committee Meeting
Monday, May 20, 2019 at 7:30 p.m.	Regular Board Meeting

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Mrs. Bowman moved for adjournment at 8:38 p.m., seconded by Mr. Taylor.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
(8-0)

Board Secretary

Board President