

Allegheny Valley School District January 18, 2016

The regular meeting of the Allegheny Valley School Board was held Monday evening, January 18, 2016. President Mr. Larry Pollick presided. The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. and opened with the flag salute.

Roll Call:	Mr. Conte	Mr. Puskar - absent
	Mr. Gashler	Mrs. Renaldi
	Ms. Haas	Mr. Rocco
	Mrs. Jursa	Mr. Pollick
	Ms. Moretti	

Also in attendance were Mr. Graczyk, Dr. Nuzzo, Dr. Welter, Ms. Kaczor, Mr. Rau, Mr. Hoffman, students, staff members, and community members.

A recognition program for School Board Appreciation Month was given. The Colfax Chamber Singers and students provided entertainment and information to express their appreciation for the efforts of the School Board Members. A round of applause was given to all.

The Extra Mile Award was given to two students.

Mr. Graczyk provided an update on his goals.

AUDIENCE CONCERNS: Ms. Missy Skugan was recognized and thanked the Board for their service.

MINUTES: Ms. Moretti made a motion seconded by Mrs. Renaldi to approve the December 7, 2015 Reorganization and Regular Meeting Minutes. Voice vote carried the motion.

BILLS/PAYMENTS: Ms. Haas made a motion seconded by Mrs. Jursa to approve the November and December 2015 Treasurer's Reports, the payment of bills (Disbursement Ledgers), the Accounts Payable List, Financial Reports, and the Student Activity Report. Voice vote carried the motion.

OPERATIONS/FINANCE: Mrs. Jursa made a motion seconded by Ms. Haas to approve the following motions:

1. The 2015-2016 Bus Driver & Run List retroactive to August 24, 2015.
2. The IRS business mileage reimbursement rate of \$.54 for the District, effective January 1, 2016.
3. Authorize participation of the Allegheny Valley School District in the Western Pennsylvania Electricity Consortium Extension for the purchase of electricity from Direct Energy **only** if the price is **at** or **below** our current price. The extended agreement will begin after the final meter read date in January 2018 under our current agreement for a period of 12 months and the price will include all costs except distribution, sales taxes, and other local utility charges as contained in the original agreement.

Voice vote carried the motion

Mrs. Jursa made a motion seconded by Ms. Haas to recommend the Board remove the refurbishment or replacement of Colfax Upper Elementary School from among the options under consideration by the Board in the District's current facility analysis. After discussion, Mr. Conte made a motion seconded by

Mr. Gaschler to table the motion. On roll call vote, Mr. Conte, Mr. Gaschler, and Mrs. Renaldi voted yes; Ms. Haas, Mrs. Jursa, Ms. Moretti, Mr. Rocco, and Mr. Pollick voted no. Motion to table failed. On roll call vote, Mr. Gaschler and Mr. Rocco voted yes; Ms. Haas, Mrs. Jursa, Ms. Moretti, Mrs. Renaldi, and Mr. Pollick voted no; with Mr. Conte abstaining. Motion to remove the refurbishment or replacement of Colfax Upper Elementary School failed, 2-5-1.

Mr. Conte asked about PLANCON. Discussion was held on the matter. The steps for closure of a building were also discussed and included a notice to staff and three months notice to the public. Further discussion was held.

Mr. Conte made a motion seconded by Mrs. Jursa to recommend the School Board not send Sixth Grade students to Springdale Jr-Sr High School (Option 6 of the Architect's Facility Study). On roll call vote, all members voted yes, with Mr. Gaschler and Mrs. Renaldi abstaining. Motion carried, 6-2.

Mr. Gaschler made a motion seconded by Mr. Rocco to eliminate Option 4 in the Facility Study to build a new facility of the same size. On roll call vote, all members voted yes. Motion carried, 8-0.

Mr. Gaschler made a motion seconded by Mr. Rocco to eliminate Option 3 in the Facility Study, to demolish the 1920's portion of Colfax but to keep the 1972 section. On roll call vote, Mr. Gaschler, Mrs. Jursa, Mrs. Renaldi, Mr. Rocco, and Mr. Pollick voted yes; Ms. Haas and Ms. Moretti voted not, with Mr. Conte abstaining. Motion carried 5-2-1.

Mr. Rocco made a motion seconded by Mr. Gaschler to eliminate Option 2 in the Facility Study to complete a full renovation of the Colfax School. On roll call vote, Mr. Gaschler, Mrs. Jursa, Mr. Rocco, and Mr. Pollick voted yes; Ms. Haas, Ms. Moretti, and Mrs. Renaldi voted no, with Mr. Conte abstaining. Motion carried, 4-3-1.

8:41 p.m. – Mr. Conte left the meeting.

EDUCATION: Mr. Rocco made a motion seconded by Mrs. Renaldi to approve the District's 2016-2019 Comprehensive Plan. Voice vote carried the motion.

TECHNOLOGY: No Report.

PERSONNEL: Ms. Haas made a motion seconded by Mrs. Jursa to approve the following motions:

1. Accept the resignations of the following athletic personnel:
 - Ms. Emilie Ogden, Assistant Track Coach, effective December 28, 2015
 - Mr. Nathan Joyce, Assistant Varsity Football Coach, effective December 23, 2015
 - Mr. Charles Wagner, Volunteer Football Coach, effective December 14, 2015
2. The FMLA request for Employee #618, effective March 29, 2016.
3. Ms. Heidi Charlton as the Junior High School Art Club Advisor at \$1,147 as per the AVEA Supplemental Contracts Schedule, effective January 20, 2016. She replaces Ms. Chelsea Rosselle who has resigned from the district.
4. Accept the resignation of the following classified staff:
 - Ms. Emilie Ogden, Paraprofessional, Springdale Jr-Sr High School, effective December 11, 2015
 - Ms. Donna Planavsky, Lunch Monitor, Colfax Upper Elementary School, effective November 25, 2015
 - Ms. Priscilla Leathers, Substitute Custodian, effective December 21, 2015
5. The employment of the following classified staff:

- Ms. Jody Gamble, Paraprofessional, Colfax Upper Elementary School, who replaces Ms. Tara Calabrese effective December 7, 2015. Compensation for this position is \$93/day plus single benefits.
- Ms. Amanda Murphy (pending receipt of all paperwork) Paraprofessional, Colfax Upper Elementary School, who replaces Ms. Jody Gamble effective February 1, 2016. Compensation for this position is \$93/day plus single benefits.
- Ms. Tiffany Harsh (pending receipt of all paperwork) Paraprofessional, Springdale Jr-Sr High School, who replaces Ms. Judy McCullough effective January 20, 2016. Compensation for this position is \$93/day plus single benefits.
- Ms. Margie Myers (pending receipt of all paperwork) Paraprofessional, Extended Day-to-Day Substitute, Colfax Upper Elementary School, who replaces Mr. William Emerick effective January 19, 2016 for six weeks. Compensation for this position is \$93/day.

Voice vote carried the motions.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: No Report.

ATHLETICS & ACTIVITIES: Mrs. Renaldi made a motion seconded by Mr. Rocco to approve the planning and securing of details necessary to hold the Steps to Awareness 5K on April 30, 2016. Voice vote carried the motion.

POLICY REVIEW: Ms. Moretti made a motion seconded by Ms. Haas to approve the First Reading of the revision of Policy #304, Employment of District Staff. Voice vote carried the motion.

DISCUSSION ITEMS: None.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS: None.

With no further business to come before the Board, Ms. Moretti made a motion seconded by Ms. Haas to adjourn the meeting, 8:44 p.m. Voice vote carried the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Zastawniak
Public Relations Director