

## **Allegheny Valley School District**

### **May 16, 2016**

The regular meeting of the Allegheny Valley School Board was held Monday evening, May 16, 2016. President Mr. Larry Pollick presided. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. and opened with the flag salute.

Roll Call:	Mr. Conte	Mr. Puskar
	Mr. Gaschler	Mrs. Renaldi
	Ms. Haas	Mr. Rocco
	Mrs. Jursa	Mr. Pollick
	Ms. Moretti	

Also in attendance were Mr. Graczyk, Mr. Gavin Robb (solicitor), Mr. Rau, students, staff members, and community members.

Mr. Pollick announced that the Board had been in Executive Session prior to the meeting to discuss Negotiations.

AUDIENCE CONCERNS: None.

MINUTES: Ms. Moretti made a motion seconded by Mrs. Renaldi to approve the April 12 and 18, 2016 meeting minutes. Voice vote carried the motion.

BILLS/PAYMENTS: Ms. Haas made a motion seconded by Mrs. Jursa to approve the April 2016 Treasurer's Report, the payment of bills (Disbursement Ledger), and the Accounts Payable List. Voice vote carried the motion.

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

1. Appoint Ms. Kathleen Haas as Board Treasurer, effective July 1, 2016.
2. The 2016-2017 General Operating and Administrative Budgets for Forbes Road Career and Technology Center in the amounts of: Operating Budget - \$6,667,218 and Administrative Budget - \$304,760 (Projected Allegheny Valley share of Administrative Budget - \$19,426.61)
3. Chris Allman to attend the PSSA RangeFinding (Science) Conference, on June 1 & 2, 2016, in Harrisburg, PA. DRC will cover cost of travel, lodging, and meals.
4. The Computer Centerline (CCL) 2016-2017 Twelve-Month Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to continue outsourcing technology staff at a total cost of \$75,000.
5. The Computer Centerline (CCL) 2016-2017 Ten-Month Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for onsite support of Student Notebook Program at the High School: 3 days per week, 6 hours per day at a cost of \$1,550 per month.
6. Authorize the Replacement and Installation of the Sidewalk by the cafeteria side door at the High School at a cost of \$4,900.
7. Approve a Settlement Agreement and Release for Student #251053.
8. Approve the One-Year Natural Gas Extension Agreement between the District and ARM/AEM at a cost of \$2.819/MCF for the period of August 1, 2016 through July 31, 2017. This price results in an annual savings of \$15,870 based on current consumption.

Voice vote carried the motion.

Mr. Graczyk reviewed a meeting with Mr. Thompson, architect, concerning PLANCON. He explained about the number of square footage that would be added to Acmetonia Primary School may necessitate the Board having to take the project to referendum (Act 34). Discussion was held on the matter.

Mr. Gaschler made a motion seconded by Mr. Rocco to approve the following changes to the Acmetonia Renovation Project:

- Eliminate the 2 Computer Labs in the courtyard
- Add an elevator
- Eliminate Chorus and Band rooms in the courtyard
- Renovation of the Acmetonia Forum into a Chorus/Band room

On roll call vote, Mr. Gaschler, Mr. Rocco, Mrs. Jursa, and Mr. Pollick voted yes, with Mr. Conte, Ms. Moretti, Mr. Puskar, Mrs. Renaldi, and Ms. Haas voting no. Motion failed, 4-5.

Ms. Moretti and Mrs. Renaldi asked to see plans on the renovations from the architects before moving forward. Discussion was held on the matter.

Mr. Gaschler made a motion seconded by Mr. Rocco to approve the following changes to the Acmetonia Renovation Project:

- Eliminate the two computer labs in the courtyard
- Add an elevator

Mr. Puskar made a motion seconded by Mrs. Renaldi to table the motion to approve the Acmetonia Renovation Project changes of the elimination of two computer labs and the addition of an elevator. On roll call vote, all members voted yes, with Mr. Gaschler, Mr. Rocco, and Mr. Pollick voting no. Motion carried, 6-3.

Mr. Pollick asked Foreman to have plans developed for the choir and band rooms. Mr. Puskar asked for information on how far over the square footage limit the project would be.

EDUCATION: Mr. Puskar made a motion seconded by Ms. Haas to approve the following motions:

1. A new course titled MATH 7 for the 2016-2017 School Year.
2. The list of graduating seniors, Class of 2016, and further approves those who meet the requirements for graduation to be granted an official diploma on June 3, 2016 or shortly thereafter.
3. The changes to the Springdale Jr-Sr High School Student Handbook for the 2016-2017 School Year. Voice vote carried the motion.

TECHNOLOGY: No Report.

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

1. The Elementary Staffing request to support the 2016-2017 Student Program.
2. The Secondary Staff request to support the 2016-2017 Student Program.
3. The resignation of the following Athletic Personnel:
  - A. Michael Leasure, First Assistant Football Coach, Effective April 21, 2016.
  - B. Melissa Smock, Assistant Volleyball Coach and 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball Coach, Effective June 3, 2016.
4. The transfer of Nick Spehar from 2<sup>nd</sup> Assistant Football Coach to 1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Football Coach effective May 17, 2016. Compensation for this position is \$4,689.
5. The employment of the following Athletic Personnel:
  - A. Brian Shemenski, 2<sup>nd</sup> Assistant Football Coach, Effective May 17, 2016, Compensation: \$3,027
  - B. Julie Lea, Track Helper, Effective May 17, 2016, Compensation: \$35 per meet.

6. Recommend the Board approve an additional paraprofessional for the 2016 Extended School Year (ESY) Program.

Voice vote carried the motion.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: No Report.

ATHLETICS & ACTIVITIES: Mr. Rocco made a motion seconded by Mr. Gaschler that the Board affirm that, consistent with its policy of hiring the best and most qualified person for any job within the school district, applicants for coaching positions shall not be disqualified from consideration for employment due to being a relative of student-athletes on the team. On roll call vote, Mr. Conte, Mr. Gaschler, Mr. Rocco, and Mr. Pollick voted yes, with Ms. Haas, Mrs. Jursa, Ms. Moretti, Mr. Puskar, and Mrs. Renaldi voting no. Motion failed, 4-5.

POLICY REVIEW: Ms. Moretti made a motion seconded by Mrs. Jursa to approve the following motions:

1. The second reading of Policy #824, Maintaining Professional Adult/Student Boundaries.
2. The first reading to a Revision of Policy #304, Employment of District Staff.
3. The first reading to a Revision of Policy #314, Physical Examination.

Voice vote carried the motion.

Mr. Gaschler made a motion seconded by Mr. Conte to approve the first reading of the revision of Policy #916, Volunteers. On roll call vote, Mr. Conte, Mr. Gaschler, and Mr. Rocco voted yes, with Ms. Haas, Mrs. Jursa, Ms. Moretti, Mr. Puskar, Mrs. Renaldi, and Mr. Pollick voting no. Motion failed, 3-6.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Mrs. Renaldi commented that Baseball Playoff would be held tomorrow.
2. Mr. Pollick noted that the National Honor Society Induction and Senior Awards Ceremony would be held tomorrow at 6:30 p.m. at the high school.
3. Mr. Graczyk noted that the District's Professional Development Day on June 6. All Board members are invited to attend.
4. Mr. Rocco asked if School Board committees are involved in the interviews for Coaches. Discussion was held on the matter.
5. Mr. Rocco asked about the President's directive on transgender. Discussion was held on the matter.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS:

Ms. Paula Moretti was acknowledged and asked about the Senior Awards Ceremony being moved to the evening.

With no further business to come before the Board, Ms. Moretti made a motion seconded by Mrs. Jursa to adjourn the meeting, 8:30 p.m. Voice vote carried the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Zastawniak  
Public Relations Director