

## **Allegheny Valley School District September 14, 2015**

The regular meeting of the Allegheny Valley School Board was held Monday evening, September 14, 2015. In the absence of President Mr. Larry Pollick, Vice President Mrs. Glenna Renaldi presided. The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. and opened with the flag salute.

Roll Call:	Mr. Conte	Mrs. Renaldi
	Mrs. Gilmartin	Mr. Pollino
	Ms. Haas	Mr. Puskar
	Mrs. Jursa	Mr. Pollick – absent (ent. 7:06 p.m.)
	Ms. Moretti	

Also in attendance were Mr. Graczyk, Mr. Rau, Mr. Fred Wolfe, Mr. Sanchez, and staff members.

AUDIENCE CONCERNS: None

MINUTES: Ms. Moretti made a motion seconded by Mrs. Gilmartin to approve the August 17, 2015 meeting minutes. Voice vote carried the motion.

BILLS/PAYMENTS: Ms. Haas made a motion seconded by Mr. Pollino to approve the August 2015 Treasurer's Report, the payment of bills (Disbursement Ledger) and the Accounts Payable List. Voice vote carried the motion.

### OPERATIONS/FINANCE:

Ms. Annetta Jursa made a motion seconded by Ms. Moretti to approve the following motions:

1. Allegheny Intermediate Unit Board of Directors Candidate - nominate Mr. Larry Pollick as a candidate for the vacant position on the Allegheny Intermediate Unit Board of Directors.
2. Parent Transportation Contract - approve the Parent Transportation Contract for Ms. Margaret Oleson to transport her child to Shady Side Academy Middle School, which is within ten miles of the District
3. Parent Transportation Contract - approve the Parent Transportation Contract for Ms. Stacie Schneider to transport her child to St. Bonaventure Parish School, which is within ten miles of the District.
4. Parent Transportation Contract - approve the Parent Transportation Contract for Mr. Mark A. Ruppert to transport his children to Redeemer Lutheran School, which is within ten miles of the District.
5. Xerox Lease Agreement – approve the lease of 8 (eight) Xerox copiers throughout the district, for 36 months at a monthly rate of \$2,383.
6. PASA-PSBA Conference, October 13-16, 2015 - approve the following staff members to attend the PASA - PSBA Conference, on October 14, 2015, in Hershey, PA:

Mr. Patrick Graczyk  
Ms. Janice Zastawniak  
Mr. Gregory Heavner  
Ms. Jayne Sheldon  
Ms. Carla Lagattuta

Approximate cost is \$254/person for registration and \$182/night for lodging per person as well as mileage.

Voice vote carried the motion.

Mrs. Jursa made a motion seconded by Ms. Moretti to approve the following 2016 Slate of Candidates for PSBA endorsed by the PSBA Leadership Development Committee:

- President-Elect:
  - Mary Birks\*, Mt. Lebanon SD (Allegheny County)

*\*endorsed by PSBA*

On voice vote, all members voted yes, with Mrs. Gilmartin and Mr. Puskar abstaining.

Mrs. Jursa made a motion seconded by Ms. Moretti to approve the following 2016 Slate of Candidates for PSBA endorsed by the PSBA Leadership Development Committee:

- Vice President:
  - John Love, Muhlenberg Twp. SD (Berks Co.)
  - Robert Schwartz\*, Wallenpaupack Area SD (Pike Co.)
  - Michael Faccinnetto\*, Bethlehem Area SD (Northampton Co.)

*\*endorsed by PSBA*

Upon discussion, it was the consensus of the group not to take action on a candidate for Vice President.

7:06 p.m. – Mr. Pollick entered the meeting and took over the chair.

EDUCATION/TECHNOLOGY: Mr. Puskar made a motion seconded by Mrs. Gilmartin to approve the following motions:

1. Complimentary School Privileges - approve complimentary school privileges, under Section 1302 of the PA School Code, for a student who is under the guardianship of a resident of Springdale Borough. The proper notarized papers have been submitted to the Business Office.
2. Complimentary School Privileges - approve complimentary school privileges, under Section 1302 of the PA School Code, for a student who is under the guardianship of a resident of Harmar Township. The proper notarized papers have been submitted to the Business Office.

Voice vote carried the motion.

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

1. Paraprofessional Resignation - accept the resignation of Ms. Tara Calabrese, Paraprofessional at Colfax Upper Elementary School, as of August 18, 2016.
2. Paraprofessional Resignation - accept the resignation of Mr. Joshua DeStafano, Paraprofessional at Springdale Jr-Sr High School.
3. Paraprofessional Hire - hire Ms. Chelsea Walker as a Paraprofessional to replace Mr. Joshua DeStafano at Springdale Jr-Sr High School. Compensation for this position is \$93.00/day plus single benefits, effective September 15, 2015.
5. Head Cook Resignation - accept the resignation of Ms. Beth Andriscin, Head Cook at Springdale Jr-Sr High School.
6. Head Cook Hire - hire Ms. Jean Cotter as the Head Cook at Springdale Jr-Sr High School. Compensation for this position is \$13.05/hour.
7. Cashier Hire - hire Ms. Kimberly Hails as the Cashier at Springdale Jr-Sr High School. Compensation for this position is \$9.00/hour.
8. Computer Club Sponsor Hire - Mr. Andrew Tsangaris as the Computer Club Sponsor at Springdale Jr- Sr High School. Compensation for this position is \$1,078, as per the AVEA Agreement.
9. Eighth Grade Girls' Volleyball Coach – Ms. Cindy Donnelly as the Eighth Grade Girls' Volleyball Coach. All paperwork is on file in the Business Office. Compensation for this position is \$3,027, as per the AVEA Agreement. Discussion was held on the matter.
10. Junior High Cheerleader Coach Hire - Ms. Kristina Stiner and Ms. Lisa Leasure as co-sponsors of the Junior High Cheerleaders. All paperwork is on file. Compensation for this position is \$1,216.50 each, as per the AVEA Agreement.
11. Paraprofessional Hire – Ms. Karen Mueller as a Paraprofessional to replace Mr. Travis Aiken at Springdale Jr-Sr High School. Compensation for this position is \$93.00/day plus single benefits,

effective September 15, 2015.  
Voice vote carried the motion.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: No Report.

#### ATHLETICS & ACTIVITIES:

Mrs. Renaldi made a motion seconded by Mr. Pollino to approve “A Charlie Brown Christmas” as the 2015 Fall Play. If unable to secure the rights, approve “Antigone” as a second choice. The performance is scheduled for December 18 & 19, 2015. Mrs. Beth Minda commented on the selections. Voice vote carried the motion.

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

1. Policy#819 - Suicide Awareness, Prevention and Response, Second Reading (Revision) - Recommend the Board approve the Second Reading of a revision to Policy #819, Suicide Awareness, Prevention and Response.
2. Policy#806 - Child Abuse, First Reading (Revision) - Recommend the Board approve the First Reading of a revision to Policy #806, Child Abuse.
3. Policy #916 - Volunteers, First Reading (Revision) – Recommend the Board approve the First Reading of a Revision to Policy #916, Volunteers.
4. Policy #237 - Electronic Devices (Revision) - Recommend the Board approve the First Reading of a revision to Policy #237, Electronic Devices.
5. Policy #815 - Acceptable Use of Internet, Networks, Computing Resources (Revision) - Recommend the Board approve the First Reading of a revision to Policy #815, Acceptable Use of Internet, Networks, Computing Resources.
6. Policy #815.1 - Staff Use of Internet (Revision) - Recommend the Board approve the First Reading of a revision to Policy #815.1, Staff Use of Internet.
7. Policy #815.2 - Internet Safety (Revision) - Recommend the Board approve the First Reading of a revision to Policy #815.2, Internet Safety.

Voice vote carried the motion.

#### DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Ms. Haas referred to an article in today’s newspaper concerning the need for a policy on electronic attendance for Board Members at meetings at a neighboring school district. She asked if Allegheny Valley should also look into such a policy. Discussion was held on the matter. Mr. Pollick asked the Policy Committee to research the matter and report back to the Board.
2. Ms. Moretti asked about remediation for the Algebra I Keystone Exams. Mr. Graczyk explained the plan in place and that administrators were looking into additional options. Discussion was held on the matter.
3. Mr. Conte asked about the high school counselors completing one-on-one meetings with senior students. Mr. Graczyk stated that Dr. Welter would report on this item at the next meeting.
4. Mrs. Renaldi extended her appreciation to Mr. Skoretz and Mr. Smietana for inviting the Leechburg Band to play with the Springdale Band in recognition of September 11.
5. Ms. Moretti explained a concern brought to her concerning the elementary libraries and student circulation of books. Mr. Graczyk stated he would look into the matter.
6. Ms. Haas asked if the District paid into the Crossing Guards’ salaries. Mr. Rau explained that the District paid 50% of the salaries. They are split between the municipality and the District.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS: None.

With no further business to come before the Board, Ms. Haas made a motion seconded by Mrs. Renaldi to adjourn the meeting, 7:43 p.m. Voice vote carried the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Zastawniak  
Public Relations Director