**Allegheny Valley School District**

**August 15, 2016**

The regular meeting of the Allegheny Valley School Board was held Monday evening, August 15, 2016. In the absence of Mr. Larry Pollick, Vice President Mr. Salvatore Conte presided. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. and opened with the flag salute.

Roll Call: Mr. Conte Mr. Puskar

Mr. Gaschler – via speakerphone Mrs. Renaldi

Ms. Haas Mr. Rocco

Mrs. Jursa Mr. Pollick

Ms. Moretti

Also in attendance were Mr. Graczyk, Mr. Hoffman, Mr. Rau, Mr. Heavner, Mr. Sanchez, Mr. Davis, Dr. Welter, Dr. Nuzzo, Ms. Holler, Ms. Vecchio, Mr. Donnelly, students, staff members, and community members.

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

AUDIENCE CONCERNS: None.

MINUTES: Ms. Moretti made a motion seconded by Mrs. Jursa to approve the June 14 and 20, 2016 meeting minutes. Voice vote carried the motion.

BILLS/PAYMENTS: Ms. Haas made a motion seconded by Mrs. Jursa to recommend the Board approve the June and July Treasurer’s Report, the payment of bills (Disbursement Ledger), Accounts Payable List and the Cafeteria Fund Report for May 2016. Voice vote carried the motion.

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

1. Resolution #16-07-2.1 – Eastern Area Special Schools Resolution No. 2016-1. “RESOLVED, that as authorized by Section 1704 of the Public School Code of 1949, as amended, all voting on the affairs of the Joint Board of school Directors of Eastern Area Special Schools shall be conducted by mail ballot.”

2. Resolution #16-07-2.2 – Eastern Area Special Schools Resolution No. 2016-2. “RESOLVED, that the Budget of the Eastern Area Special Schools for the 2016-2017 school year in the form appended hereto is hereby approved.”

3. Resolution #16-07-2.3 – Eastern Area Special Schools Resolution No. 2016-3. “RESOLVED, that the following are hereby elected officers of the Joint Board of School Directors of the Eastern Area Special School:

Mrs. Stephanie Byrne (GW) President

Mr. Stephen P. Puskar (ALV) Vice President

Mrs. Michele Gallagher (PL) Secretary

PNC Treasurer

4. The 2016-2017 Waterfront Learning Services Contract.

5. A $0.25 Lunch Price Increase for the 2016-2017 school year. Proposed Lunch Prices:

Acmetonia Primary School & Colfax Upper Elementary School - $2.50

Springdale Jr-Sr High School - $2.75

Adult Lunches-All Buildings - $4.00

6. The 2016-2017 Bus Drivers & Bus Routes as presented.

7. A one-year renewal of Lifetouch Studios contract, effective for the 2016-2017 school year. The cost remains the same from the 2015-2016 school year.

8. Board Members Mr. Salvatore Conte, Mr. James Gaschlet, Ms. Kathleen Haas, Mrs. Annetta Jursa, and Mr. Larry Pollick to attend the PASA-PSBA Conference, October 13-15, 2016 in Hershey, PA. Approximate cost is $434/person for registration and $220/night for lodging per person as well as mileage reimbursement.

9. The Parent Transportation Contract for Stacie Schneider to transport her child to St. Bonaventure Parish School, which is within ten miles of the District.

10. Accept the approval of PlanCon Part A: Project Justification from PDE as received in the   
 July 20, 2016 letter.

11. Accept the approval of PlanCon Part B: Schematic Design from PDE as received in the July 20, 2016 letter.

12. The acceptance of The Gateway Engineers, Inc. for Land Surveyor Services at Acmetonia at a cost of $22,800.

13. Acceptance of Civil & Environmental Consultants, Inc. for Geotechnical Engineering Services at a cost of $22,891, subject to agreement in a form approved by the solicitor.

14. Acceptance of AGX, Inc. for Industrial Hygiene Services at a cost of $3,525, subject to agreement in a form approved by the solicitor.

Voice vote carried the motion, with Mr. Puskar abstaining from motion #3, Resolution #14-07-2.3, and Ms. Moretti voting no to motion 10, PlanCon Part A; motion 11, PlanCon Part B; motion 12, Land Surveyor Services; motion 13, Geotechnical Engineering Services; and motion 14, Industrial Hygiene Services.

EDUCATION: Mr. Puskar made a motion seconded by Ms. Moretti to recommend the Board 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 Township. The proper notarized papers have been submitted to the Business Office. Voice vote carried the motion.

TECHNOLOGY: Mrs. Kaczor reported that the iPads have been delivered and are ready to be deployed.

PERSONNEL: Ms. Haas made a motion seconded by Mr. Puskar to approve the following motions:   
1. The employment of the following Athletic Personnel:

A. Shawn Grady, Girls JV Volleyball Coach  
 Compensation: $3,057; Effective: August 16, 2016

2. The resignation of the following Athletic Personnel:

A. Courtney Yaksich, Junior High Girls Soccer Coach

Effective: June 29, 2016

B. Ryan McGranahan, Junior High Boys Soccer Coach

Effective: June 22, 2016

3. The resignation of the following classified staff:

A. Lea Nelson, Paraprofessional at Springdale Jr-Sr High School

Effective: June 9, 2016

B. Amanda Murphy, Paraprofessional at Colfax Upper Elementary School

Effective: July 27, 2016  
 C. Jamie McCartney, Paraprofessional at Acmetonia Primary School  
 Effective: August 10, 2016.

4. The employment of the following Classified Staff:

A. Dana Muller, Substitute Cafeteria Worker

Compensation: $8.75/hour; Effective: August 16, 2016

B. Tara Morrison**,** Title I Paraprofessional at Acmetonia Primary School **(**Replacing Barbara Ansell)

Compensation: $93.00/day; Effective: August 17, 2016

C. Margaret Skaugen, Lunch Monitor at Colfax Upper Elementary School

Compensation: $10.30/hour; Effective: August 24, 2016

5. The following Professional Staff:

A. Angie Rudolf, Extended Day-to-Day Substitute at Acmetonia Primary School (Replacing Employee #866 - FMLA)

Compensation: $150/day; Effective: August 17, 2016

B. Barbara Ansell, Long-Term Substitute at Acmetonia Primary School (Replacing Employee #762 - FMLA)

Compensation: $38,636/year plus Benefits (Step 1); Effective: August 17, 2016

6. A 2.0% increase in the 2016-2017 compensation for all designated Act 93 personnel, retroactive to July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

7. A 2.0% increase in 2016-2017 compensation for the Board Secretary/Business Manager, retroactive to July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

8. The Allegheny Valley Service Employees’ International Union Local 32BJ Agreement for the period of July1, 2016 through June 30, 2019.

9. The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) ‑ Beyond Contractual Day “Sustained” Professional Development Option for July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017.

Voice vote carried the motion.

Mr. Puskar asked if there was a plan developed for the cheering coach vacancy. Mr. Graczyk explained that there is an individual recommended for the position, however her clearances have not yet been received. Discussion was held on the matter. Mr. Conte made a motion seconded by Mrs. Renaldi to allow Mr. Graczyk to approve the individual as a volunteer when her clearances come to the District until she an be approved by the Board. Voice vote carried the motion.

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

1. The creation of a position for a School Police Officer.

2. The job description for School Police Officer.

Mr. Rocco made a motion seconded by Mr. Conte to table the motion. On roll call vote, Mr Conte, Mr. Gaschler, and Mr. Rocco voted yes; Ms. Haas, Mrs. Jursa, Ms. Moretti, Mr. Puskar, and Mrs. Renaldi voting no. Motion failed.

Mr. Rocco commented that he did not believe the Board had enough information to vote on the matter. He was also concerned of individuals applying for the position who may have family attending the District. Further discussion was held.

On roll call vote, Mr. Gaschler, Ms. Haas, Mrs. Jursa, Ms. Moretti, Mrs. Renaldi, and Mr. Conte voted yes; Mr. Puskar and Mr. Rocco voted no. Motion carried.

ATHLETICS & ACTIVITIES: Mr. Davis explained that some staff members have applied for the junior high coaching positions. After discussion, Mrs. Renaldi made a motion seconded by Mrs. Jursa to approve:   
 Ms. Mara Allen Girls’ Junior High Soccer Coach

Ms. Jerry Clark Girls’ Junior High Basketball Coach  
 Mr. Anthony Pototo Boys’ Junior High Soccer Coach

Salaries are in accordance with the AVEA Supplemental Contrace.

Voice vote carried the motion.

POLICY REVIEW: No Report.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:   
1. Mr. Puskar asked how the District would go about advertising the SPO position and would the Board approve it beforehand. Ms. Moretti stated that it could be discussed once the District hears back about the grant, but that it should be in accordance with regular hiring procedures.

2. Mrs. Renaldi asked about Senior Night responsibilities. Discussion was held on the matter, with the Board agreeing to support a universal Senior Night event for each sport. Mr. Graczyk will discuss the matter with Dr. Welter.

3. Mr. Rocco asked about the second 7th & 8th Grade Basketball team and if there would be an extra cost for timekeepers. Discussion was held on the matter.

4. Mr. Conte asked about the Trophy Cases.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS:

- Mr. Ken Lloyd was recognized and asked who the SPO would report to. Mr. Graczyk explained that the SPO would report to the Superintendent.

- Mr. Mike DiMarco was recognized and asked about training for the SPO. Mr. Graczyk explained.

With no further business to come before the Board, Ms. Haas made a motion seconded by Mrs. Jursa to adjourn the meeting, 8:23 p.m. Voice vote carried the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Zastawniak

Public Relations Director