

Allegheny Valley School District

February 7, 2017

The planning session of the Allegheny Valley School Board was held Tuesday evening, February 7, 2017. President Mr. Larry Pollick 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	Mrs. Renaldi - absent
	Ms. Haas	Mr. Rocco
	Mrs. Jursa	Mr. Pollick
	Ms. Moretti	

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

Mr. Pollick announced that the Board had been in Executive Session prior to the meeting for Personnel matters, SPO Finalists.

PRESENTATIONS:

1. Ms. Lisa Gray and Colfax students presented information on the Colfax Polar Bear Project.
2. Mr. Terry Thompson, Foreman Architects Engineers, presented information on the Acme Project. Discussion was held on the matter.

AUDIENCE CONCERNS: Ms. Devon McClafferty was recognized and stated that she believes the Acme project needs two secretaries and to place the Principal with the students. She commented on the need for the computer lab.

Ms. Missy Skugan was acknowledged and stated she agreed with the administrative office placement for the Acme addition. She asked about the alternatives and stated the computer lab should remain.

8:06 p.m. – Mr. Puskar left the meeting.

The following motions were discussed with no action taken:

MINUTES: No Report.

BILLS/PAYMENTS: No Report.

OPERATIONS/FINANCE:

1. Recommend the Board approve the Transportation Agreement with W.L. Roenigk, Inc., effective for the 2017/2018 through the 2020/2021 school years. Mr. Gaschler asked how this agreement compares with those in other districts. Mr. Rau stated it was a good agreement that may be better than most. Discussion was held on the matter.
2. Recommend the Board approve the AVEA Supplemental Contracts Agreement, effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2022.

3. Recommend the Board approve the request of Valley Points YMCA to provide the Summer Day Camp program at Springdale Jr-Sr High School. The program will begin on Monday, June 5, 2017 and run until the beginning of the 2017/2018 school year.

EDUCATION:

1. Recommend the Board approve the request of Mr. Andrew Tsangaris, Ms. Sue Mellon and nine (9) FBLA students to attend the 2017 State Leadership Conference in Hershey, PA on April 2, 2017 to April 5, 2017. Cost per person is \$362 and includes registration/lodging/meals. District-owned transportation will be utilized. District will pay cost of substitute teachers.
2. Recommend the Board approve Ms. Sue Mellon, Ms. Carla Lagattuta, Mr. Len Herrington and qualified students to participate in the Academic Games National Competition in Oglebay, WV from April 28, 2017 to May 2, 2017. Costs for transportation to West Virginia are not to exceed \$1,000. District will pay cost of substitute teachers.
3. Recommend the Board approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Allegheny County Department of Human Services, Office of Children, Youth and Families (CYF) to ensure the educational success and school stability of students in foster care: Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) requirements.
4. Recommend the Board approve the Transportation Plan with Allegheny County Department of Human Services, Office of Children, Youth and Families (CYF) Transportation Procedures to ensure the educational stability of Foster Care Youth: Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) requirements.

TECHNOLOGY: No Report.

PERSONNEL:

1. Recommend the Board approve the School Police Officer Contract for _____, as submitted.
[Pending receipt of required paperwork]
2. Recommend the Board approve the employment of the following Athletic Personnel:
 - A. _____ **[Pending receipt of required paperwork]**, Head Football Coach
Effective: February 14, 2017, Compensation: \$6,435
 - B. Mr. Dean Acheson, Volunteer Softball Coach
Effective: February 14, 2017
3. Recommend the Board approve the following Classified Personnel:
 - A. Krysten Whelan, Paraprofessional (Replacing R. Aldridge)
Effective: February 14, 2017, Compensation: \$93/day plus Individual Benefits
 - B. Christine Lamarca, Cafeteria Substitute
Effective: February 14, 2017, Compensation: \$8.75 per hour
4. Recommend the Board approve tenure for Hedy Mills who has completed three (3) consecutive and satisfactory years of employment.
5. Recommend the board accept the Resignation of Ms. Tara Morrison, Title I Paraprofessional, effective February 3, 2017.
6. Recommend the Board approve the transfer of Adrianna Scotti from Paraprofessional to Extended Day-to-Day Substitute replacing Megan Rak who resigned. This position is effective February 27, 2017 through the end of the school year. Compensation for this position will be \$150 per day.

Discussion was held on the hiring process for coaches.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: No Report.

ATHLETICS & ACTIVITIES: No Report.

POLICY REVIEW:

1. Recommend the Board approve the Second Reading of a Revision to Policy #247 Hazing.
2. Recommend the Board approve the Second Reading of Policy #626 Federal Fiscal Compliance.
3. Recommend the Board approve the Second Reading of Policy #626.1 Travel Reimbursement – Federal Programs.
4. Recommend the Board approve the Second Reading of Policy #806.2 Naloxone.
5. Recommend the Board approve the Second Reading to a Revision of Policy #810.2 Transportation – Video/Audio Recording.
6. Recommend the Board approve the Second Reading of Policy #827 Conflict of Interest.
7. Recommend the Board approve the First Reading to a Revision of Policy #005 Local Board Procedures.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Ms. Haas was asked by a parent why the cheerleaders only go to home basketball games. Mr. Davis responded that that was structured a few years ago. Most schools do not send the cheerleaders to away games. Discussion was held on the matter.
2. Mr. Gaschler asked for an update on the Property Tax Elimination proposal in the Pennsylvania legislature. Mr. Graczyk provided the update.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS:

Ms. Missy Skugan was recognized and thanked the Board for the smaller van for student trips.

Mr. John Murry was recognized and thanked the Board for the letter of support from the School District for a grant to fund the Reality Tour presentation. He offered any administrator or Board Member to attend the Reality Tour on Feb. 28. Mr. Graczyk commented.

Ms. Joelle McFarland asked if names would appear on Monday's agenda for personnel items #1 and 2. Mr. Graczyk stated that they would. She asked if the Naloxone Policy was changed due to the changes in the law and Mr. Graczyk stated yes.

Mr. Jeff Hartz asked if the School District received funds from the casino. Mr. Rau explained that yes, through the state, but the amount hasn't changed. The amount is shown on the tax bill as a discount. Mr. Hartz asked if the District considered forgiving back taxes on abandoned property. The District explained its stance on the matter. Discussion was held.

With no further business to come before the Board, Ms. Haas made a motion seconded by Ms. Moretti to adjourn the meeting, 9:18 p.m. Voice vote carried the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Zastawniak
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