

**Allegheny Valley School District**  
**August 8, 2017**

The planning session of the Allegheny Valley School Board was held Tuesday evening, August 8, 2017. President Mr. Larry Pollick presided. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

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

Also in attendance were Mr. Graczyk, Mr. Fred Wolfe (solicitor), Mr. Simpson, Mr. Sanchez, Dr. Nuzzo, Ms. Holler, Mr. Heavner, Dr. Welter, Ms. Vecchio, students, staff members, and community members.

AUDIENCE CONCERNS: None.

On behalf of the District, Mr. Pollick expressed appreciation to the Class of 1957 for their \$400 donation to the Acmetonia Primary School. The money will be used to purchase a Buddy Bench for the students.

The following motions were discussed with no action taken:

MINUTES: No Report.

BILLS/PAYMENTS: No Report.

**OPERATIONS/FINANCE:**

1. Recommend the Board approve the MHY Family Services Agreement for the 2017-2018 school year at a cost of \$90/day for regular education and \$100/day for Special Education.
2. Recommend the Board approve the E-Rate agreement renewal with BTU Consultants. The renewal amount is \$3,060 beginning July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.
3. Recommend the Board approve the agreement with the Allegheny Intermediate Unit for the School Psychologist Services for the 2017-2018 school year at a cost not to exceed \$40,755.00. Mr. Puskar asked if this amount was an increase from the last school year. Mr. Graczyk replied that the AIU charges are greater than private services, but the cost is the same rate as the past school year. Ms. Holler explained that the cot was \$95.00/hour for 2-3 days a week at a 7 hours work day. Discussion was held on the matter.
4. Recommend the Board approve the Day Student Education Agreement with Glade Run Lutheran Services/St. Stephens Lutheran Academy for the 2017-2018 school year.
5. Recommend the Board approve the agreement with Family Services of Western PA for the 2017-2018 school year.
6. Recommend the Board approve the Lunch Prices for the 2017-2018 school year with no price increase.  
Proposed Lunch Prices

Acme/Colfax	\$2.50
Springdale Jr-Sr High School	\$2.75
Adult Lunches – All Buildings	\$4.00
7. Recommend the Board approve the Parent Transportation Contract for \_\_\_\_\_ to transport her

- child to Christ the Divine Teacher Catholic Academy which is within ten miles of the District.
8. Recommend the Board approve the 2017-2018 Bus Drivers & Bus Routes as presented.
  9. Recommend the Board approve \_\_\_\_\_ members of the Board to attend the PASA-PSBA Conference, October 18-20, 2017 in Hershey, PA approximate cost is \$460/person for registration and \$225/night for lodging per person as well as mileage reimbursement. Mr. Puskar asked why this item was blank. Mr. Graczyk stated that the District needed to ask any member of the Board who would like to attend to let him know. The names of those interested would be on the agenda for the regular meeting. Mr. Puskar stated that candidates who do not have a space on the ballot should not be attending the conference. Discussion was held on the matter.
  10. Recommend the Board award the contract to \_\_\_\_\_ for the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ for Special Tests and Inspections Services for the Acmetonia Primary School Project, pending final approval by the Solicitor. Ms. Moretti asked if the blanks would be filled for the regular meeting. Mr. Graczyk confirmed that they would.
  11. Recommend the Board approve the replacement of the 2002 Ford F350 Dump Truck/Salt Spreader/Snow Plow Equipment, with a new 2017 Ford F350 DRW Regular cab Truck and the Sabre Equipment Upfit, from Day Ford, Inc. for the total bid price \$53,155.56 utilizing CoStars Contract #025-151 and CoStars-25, Member #-5304.

EDUCATION: No Report.

#### TECHNOLOGY:

1. Recommend the Board the donation of \$3,000 to ABC Create to help offset the cost of after-school programs. Mr. Graczyk stated that the District would only contribute the donation if the group does not receive another grant. Discussion was held on the matter. Changes were made for the motion to read: Recommend the Board pledge \$3,000 to ABC Create to help offset the cost of program materials, and STEAM programs. Further discussion was held on the matter. Mr. Graczyk stated that he would provide additional information at the regular meeting.

#### PERSONNEL:

1. Recommend the Board approve the employment of the following Classified Employees:
  - A. Ms. Kristen Bare, Paraprofessional  
Compensation: \$93 per day plus Individual Benefits; Effective: August 15, 2017
  - B. Ms. Staceu Amm Burns, Paraprofessional  
Compensation: \$93 per day plus Individual Benefits; Effective: August 15, 2017
2. Recommend the Board approve the employment of the following Professional Employees:
  - A. Ms. Kellee Kovach, Speech and Language Teacher  
Compensation: Step 1 + Masters; Effective: August 15, 2017
  - B. Ms. Meredith Cooper, Special Education Teacher  
Compensation: Step 11 + Masters; Effective: August 15, 2017
3. Recommend the Board approve the employment of the following Act 93 Employee:
  - A. Mr. Brett Slezak, Supervisor of Technology  
Compensation: \$72,000.00; Effective: August 15, 2017Ms. Moretti asked what the District will do with the open position. Mr. Graczyk commented that he believes the District should hire a substitute for the short term and fill the position if it's warranted. Discussion was held on the matter.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: No Report.

ATHLETICS & ACTIVITIES: No Report

POLICY REVIEW:

1. Recommend the Board approve the Second Reading of Policy #209, Diabetes Management.
2. Recommend the Board approve the Second Reading to a Revision of Policy #246, School Wellness (Currently Student Wellness).
3. Recommend the Board approve the Second Reading to a Revision of Policy #808, Food Services.
4. Recommend the Board approve the First Reading of Policy #204, Attendance.

DISCUSSION ITEMS: None

AUDIENCE COMMENTS:

Ms. Joelle McFarland was recognized and asked about the results from the water pressure testing. Mr. Graczyk stated that the report was positive. Mr. Sanchez stated that the District did not need to replace the pump.

Mr. Davis stated that the interviews for open baseball and softball positions will begin soon. Fall athletic camps will open on Monday.

With no further business to come before the Board, Ms. Moretti made a motion seconded by Ms. Haas to adjourn the meeting, 7:34 p.m. Voice vote carried the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Zastawniak  
Public Relations Director