

August 14, 2014 Board Meeting Notes

A public meeting was called to order by President Dan Stroup following an Executive Session held for Board Members/Administrators. Items listed below were approved unanimously by all members present except where noted.

Approved:

- The agenda as written with changes noted.
- Minutes from the July 17 & July 31 Board meetings.
- The Treasurer's Report.
- Payment of bills as submitted. (Ferraro abstained.)
- Application and Certification for Payment to Pro's Concrete in the amount of \$49,000 for completion of the bus concrete pad as certified by EI Associates.
- The following:
 - Rescinding a motion made at the June 12, 2014 Board meeting hiring Ryan Good of Tower City as a Volunteer Football Coach for the 2014-15 school year.
 - Hiring Ryan Good of Tower City as an Assistant Football Coach for the 2014-15 school year. (Salary: 85% of the salary due to being a first year coach.)
- Accepting the following resignations:
 - 6th Grade Learning Support Teacher, Eric Moucheron, effective July 29, 2014. Reason: accepted a position closer to home.
 - Asst. Football Coach Kevin Steffen, effective August 6, 2014. Reason: conflict with current job hours.
 - Special Ed Aide Megan Long, effective May 20, 2014. Reason: none given.
- The hiring of the following football coaches for the 2014-15 school year as listed. (*Salary as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement*)
 - Volunteer Assistant Coaches: Michael Gunkle of Newport and Robert Hoffman of Tower City.
 - Asst. Football Coach: Kyle Bingaman of Millersburg.
- The hiring of Amy Karnes of Auburn as a Volunteer Marching Band Assistant for the 2014-15 school year.
- The hiring of the following individuals as Volunteer Equipment Drivers for the Band for the 2014-15 school year:
 - Ryan Sims of Tower City.
 - Scott Girard of Lykens.
- The addition of Curtis Woodford and Daniel Scheuer to the list of Event Staff for the 2014-15 school year.
- The list of Chartwells Associates for the 2014-15 school year as submitted.
- The list of drivers/aides for the 2014-15 school year as submitted.
- The list of substitute teachers and guest teachers for the 2014-15 school year as submitted.
- The hiring of the following:
 - Long-Term Substitute Teacher for Wood Shop: Anthony Burkle of Pine Grove. (effective August 13, 2014 thru December 5, 2014. Salary: pro-rated to number of days worked.)
 - Mentor for Anthony Burkle: Steve Barner of Tower City.
- As per Policy #434 – Sick Leave, the transfer of 25 sick leave days from Tri-Valley School District to Williams Valley School District for newly hired teacher Susan Paul.
- A \$1,000 salary increase for Kelly Malloy for obtaining a Master's Degree. (*As per the Collective Bargaining Agreement.*)
- The hiring of Megan Wolfe of Pine Grove as an Elementary Special Ed Aide.
- A rental request as submitted, waiving rental/custodial fees.
- A request made from David Ferraro, owner of Korner Pizzeria asking permission for the storage of a pizza heating unit at Viking Stadium Concession Stand. (The machine will be used by the Band Booster Organization and the district will be released of any liabilities should the unit be damaged during storage.)
- Dropping golf as a varsity sport for the 2014-15 school year, due to lack of enrollment.
- The approval/disapproval of adjustments to Delinquent Personal Taxes for Statewide Tax Recovery, Inc. as submitted.
- The disposal of the following items:
 - Vision Elliptical (broken and cannot be reasonably repaired)
 - Hobart Mixer - replaced previously. (Oversized for district needs. Has not been used in years. Can not be operated – there is no safety guard.)
- Elementary and Middle School Prevention Programs to be presented throughout the school year by the Northern Dauphin YMCA at no cost to the district.
- The PA Dept. of Education Letter of Agreement with WVSD and IU #29 for the implementation of a comprehensive 21st Century Community Learning Center Program, Schuylkill ACHIEVE, that provides meaningful, academically based after school activities and extended learning opportunities for children in the district and their families.

- A Letter of Agreement with The Meadows Psychiatric Center/Universal Community Behavioral Health Partial Hospitalization Program for educational services for the 2014-15 school year. (*Cost to the district: \$30 per hour for educational services offered Monday thru Friday, for up to 2 hrs. per day.*)
- Agreements for Participation in the Child Nutrition Program for the period July 1, 2014 thru June 30, 2015 with:
 - IU #29
 - Schuylkill Co. AVTS Operating Agency
- The following Letters of Agreement for the provision of student assistance program services for the 2014-15 school year:
 - Between WVSD and Child & Family Services, Inc.
 - Between Williams Valley Elementary School and Child & Family Services, Inc.
- The 2014-15 IDEA-B funding contract with the Schuylkill Intermediate Unit, funding in the amount of \$179,614.
- The 2014-15 IDEA 619 funding contract with the Schuylkill Intermediate Unit, funding in the amount of \$4,504.
- The following:
 - the hiring of Mrs. Shawna Lucas of Lykens as a Temporary Professional Employee assigned as an Elementary Special Education Teacher. Effective starting date: August 13, 2014.
 - the hiring of Jessica Albon as Mentor for Shawna Lucas.
- Accepting the resignation from Business Education Teacher Suzanne Mayberry. (*Resignation dated August 13, 2014, however, effective date of resignation to be extended for 60 days or less if a replacement teacher can be hired sooner.*)
- Giving Atty. Thornburg the authority to involve outside counsel on personnel matters as needed.
- The acquisition of HDL for the 2014-15 school year for one sport based upon 50% contribution of the Boosters.

Failed:

- To approve the following requests made by HS Teacher Curtis Woodford to take and be reimbursed for courses at Alvernia University: 3 credits per course. #550 – Intro. to Educational Administration and #611 – School Finance. (T. Minnich, M. Minnich, Kramer, Ferraro, Miller, C. Stroup & D. Stroup voted no.)
- To approve a request made by Softball Coach Lee Reiser for the Board to purchase a Championship Banner to honor the district's first "Schuylkill League Title". (*Mr. Reiser feels that there is room in the HS gym to hang one more banner and feels the softball girls are deserving of this honor.*) (All members voted no.)

Entered:

- Into an executive session to discuss personnel and litigation matters.

Heard:

- Band Director Keith Gromis discuss the upcoming band season, recent activities involving the Band and the trailer purchased by the Band Boosters.
- Athletic Director Randy Russelavage discuss the HDL program & erection of posts to mount signs on at the athletic stadium.
- Board members' discussion on various topics:
 - Tedd Johns discuss McClure Company coming to meet with Board Members/Administration on 9/25/14 to discuss energy findings.
 - Dan Stroup & Mike Minnich discuss the status of the addition to the weight room.
 - Dan Stroup discuss the need to fix the WV sign in the front field at the Jr.-Sr. High School.
- Superintendent Donald Burkhardt discuss plans for opening school.

Upcoming Meeting:

- The next regularly scheduled public Board meeting will take place on August 28, 2014 at 7:30 PM in the Board Room of the Jr.-Sr. High School. (An executive session for Board Members and Administrators will begin at 7 PM.)