

**BLACKHAWK SCHOOL DISTRICT
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BEAVER FALLS, PA 15010**

**BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS' WORK SESSION
Blackhawk's High School Library
June 13, 2013**

MEETING MINUTES

PRELIMINARY MATTERS

Mr. Richard Oswald, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:34 PM. and led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was answered by five members, a quorum. Those in attendance were:

Mr. Calabria Mr. Fitzgerald Mr. Fleischman Mr. Heckathorn
Mr. Oswald

Absent were:

Mr. Clendennen Mr. Inman Mr. May Dr. Rose

Also attending were:

Dr. Miller- Superintendent Mr. Salopek- Solicitor Mr. Wessel- Board Secretary

Mr. Fitzgerald moved and Mr. Calabria seconded a motion to approve the minutes from the May 9 and 16, 2013 meetings. Mr. Fleischman asked that the May 9, 2013 minutes be changed in the Education Committee area, the second from the last paragraph in which Dr. Miller discussed staffing changes from "... a dedicated principal for Patterson Primary School (Mrs. JaneAnn Fucci) who would also handle District PIMS entries;" to say, "District PIMS administration;" and the members agreed to the change.

Verbal Vote: 5 Yes; 0 No – Motion Carried

Mr. Oswald announced that there were executive sessions for Personnel held on June 6 and 8, 2013 and that a Buildings and Grounds Committee meeting was held this evening prior to this Work Session. He also announced that the July Meeting will be a combined Work and Voting Session at the High School on July 18, 2013 at 7:30 PM. Mr. Oswald informed the Board and public that the agenda would be modified to allow the BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS/ REAL ESTATE portion to follow Public Comments so that the architect could leave earlier. Finally, Mr. Oswald announced that the order for ADDITIONAL BUSINESS on the agenda would be changed to A. Visitors, B. Administration and C. School Directors for this meeting and going forward based on the Board discussion at the end of the previous meeting.

PUBLIC RELATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Dr. Miller reviewed the items in this area being proposed for the June 20, 2013 Voting Meeting as reflected by the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Oswald asked if there were any public comments.

Mr. Ron Stidmon asked about Mr. Inman serving as both Vice President and Treasurer and the solicitor said he would check the School Code. Mr. Stidmon then asked if the proposed Act 93 agreement would be voted on at the meeting and he was told no by Mr. Oswald.

(Aside: Dr. Rose arrived at 7:43 PM during this discussion)

Mrs. Barb Brown discussed Radon testing at Northwestern Primary School.

Mrs. Bonnie Goehring discussed Vocational Agriculture.

Dr. Rose asked to go back to approval of the minutes and Mr. Oswald informed him they were already approved. Dr. Rose said there were two errors in the May 16, 2013 minutes: 1. the wording of the motion to appoint Mr. Inman as Board Treasurer was not correct; and 2. changing the order of speakers under ADDITIONAL BUSINESS was not noted. Mr. Oswald informed Dr. Rose that he had already corrected the speaker order.

Mr. Stidmon asked about the wording of the Act 93 agreement and Mr. Oswald said it could be discussed when the item was addressed in the meeting.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS/ REAL ESTATE

Mr. Fitzgerald moved and Mr. Calabria seconded a motion to authorize a Change Order for the Highland Middle School Project to Northeast Interior Systems to provide miscellaneous plastic laminate and solid surface counter tops, panels, and window sills at various locations in Area C, D, E, and F, for the total additional cost of \$1,484, per Northeast Interior Systems Change Order request number 3, 7, 8, and 9.

Verbal Vote: 6 Yes; 0 No – Motion Carried

Mr. Fitzgerald moved and Mr. Calabria seconded a motion to authorize a Change Order for the Highland Middle School Project to Allegheny City Electric to provide power to the tread mill and temporary power to the temporary walk-in cooler and freezer, for the additional cost of \$983.50.

Verbal Vote: 6 Yes; 0 No – Motion Carried

Mr. Fitzgerald moved and Mr. Heckathorn seconded a motion to authorize a Change Order for the Highland Middle School Project to Allegheny City Electric to provide miscellaneous changes to the electrical rough-in at the birch wall panels above the computer charging stations, and at outlets in the Art Room, and provide adaptors at the chiller service connection to accept the wire size required by the chiller manufacturer, for the additional cost of \$1,929.76, which will be reimbursed to the District by the architect.

Verbal Vote: 6 Yes; 0 No – Motion Carried

Mr. Fitzgerald moved and Mr. Calabria seconded a motion to authorize a change order for the Highland Middle School project to Allegheny City Electric to provide two additional data drops to accommodate two HVAC temperature control panels that were not included in the bid documents at an additional cost not to exceed \$1,000.

Verbal Vote: 6 Yes; 0 No – Motion Carried

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mr. Wessel reviewed the items in this area being proposed for the June 20, 2013 Voting Meeting.

Note: At this time (8:03 PM) Dr. Rose said he had to respond to an emergency and that Mr. Fleischman needed to drive him and they both left the meeting. Mr. Oswald announced that a quorum was no longer present, no voting actions could be taken and therefore the meeting was adjourned. However, the remaining members decided to continue to review the agenda for the June 20, 2013 meeting and to take public comments.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Dr. Miller reviewed the Personnel Committee items proposed for the June 20, 2013 Voting Meeting.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Dr. Miller reviewed the Education Committee items proposed for the June 20, 2013 Voting Meeting.

ATHLETICS COMMITTEE

Dr. Miller reviewed the items in this area proposed for the June 20, 2013 Voting Meeting.

ADMINISTRATIVE LIAISON COMMITTEE

No report.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

No report.

FOOD SERVICE COMMITTEE

No report.

NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE

No report.

POLICY COMMITTEE

Dr. Miller informed the Board that the administration requested a second reading of revised Policy 237, "Electronic Devices" to "Responsible Use of Personal Technology Resources" at the June 20, 2013 Voting Meeting. She also informed the Board that the administration will recommend re-adoption as required by Safe Schools legislation of Policy 249, "Bullying" without revisions, and a revision of Policy 113.2, "Behavior Support."

BOARD/ STAFF ENRICHMENT

No report.

INTERMEDIATE UNIT

No report.

VOCATIONAL- TECHNICAL SCHOOL

No report.

PSBA LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

No report.

BEAVER COUNTY REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

No report.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Visitors: Mrs. Barb Brown asked if the IT Coordinator was part of the Act 93 proposal and she was told yes. She asked if the union was consulted and she was told no.

Mr. Rick Sabona asked when the Board would be voting on salaries and who was included in the proposed contracts.

Mr. Perry Pander discussed the length of the proposed contracts.

Mrs. Goehring asked if any revisions had been made to the drafts budgets and she was told no. She then asked for a copy of the Act 93 agreement and she was told she could have a copy upon its approval. Finally, she asked for the end of year attendance report.

Matt Young asked about the cost of mold remediation at Northwestern and how much of that was covered by insurance.

Mrs. Missy Kaszer recognized and thanked retired First Grade teacher Mrs. Rimby for sending a card to her son, a graduating senior, who was taught by Mr. Rimby in First Grade.

Administrators: None.

School Directors: Mr. Calabria expressed his hope that Dr. Rose's emergency was not serious.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Oswald announced that the next meeting will be held at 7:30 PM in the Blackhawk High School Library on June 20, 2013.

The meeting was ended at 8:34 PM.

Submitted by Jerry Wessel
Board Secretary