

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

**BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS' VOTING MEETING
Highland Middle School Cafeteria
February 16, 2012**

MEETING MINUTES

PRELIMINARY MATTERS

Mr. Richard Oswald, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:35PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was answered by eight members. Those in attendance were:

Mr. Calabria	Mr. Clendennen	Mr. Fleischman	Mr. Heckathorn
Mr. Inman	Mr. May	Mr. Oswald	Dr. Rose

Absent was: Mrs. Pander

Also attending were:

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

The invocation was given by Matt Frey from the Chippewa Evangelical Free Church.

Mr. Oswald announced that an executive session for Personnel matters was scheduled following the meeting.

PUBLIC RELATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Fleischman introduced Mr. Anthony Mooney, Middle School principal, who presented a program prepared by the Middle School staff and students.

Mr. Fleischman thanked Mr. Mooney, the Middle School staff, parents and students for their presentations.

Mr. Fleischman extended commendations of behalf of the Board to Dana Cox and Gretchen Veri for being selected by the students as Middle School Teachers of the Month for January.

Mr. Fleischman extended commendations to Northwestern Primary School for being the recipient of a \$2000 Community grant from the Intermec Foundation for iPads in the kindergarten classrooms. Employees of Intermec and its subsidiaries have the opportunity to apply for these education grants. The applying employee must be also involved with the receiving organization through other volunteer or fundraising efforts. The benefactor parent is Mr. Matt Shope, who volunteers at Northwestern on a regular basis.

Mr. Fleischman extended commendations to Nathan Goodrich for being the recipient of a \$500 grant from the Beaver County Educational Trust for “Chamber Music Performers”. He was among fifty-five applicants and twenty award winners, in the 2011 Great Ideas Program.

Mr. Fleischman extended commendations to Carol Sprinker and Blackhawk Intermediate School for being the recipient of a \$650 grant from the Beaver County Educational Trust for the project “A Reading Fiesta!”.

Mr. Fleischman extended commendations to JaneAnn Fucci and the primary schools for being the recipient of a \$850 grant from the Beaver County Educational Trust for the project “Chill Out and Read”.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Oswald thanked the Middle School staff and students for their presentations and then asked if there were any public comments on agenda items or other matters. None were raised.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mr. Inman moved and Mr. Calabria seconded a motion to accept the Financial Reports for the month of January as submitted.

Verbal Vote: 8 Yes; 0 No- Motion Carried

Mr. Inman moved and Mr. Calabria seconded a motion to approve bills for January from the various Funds as submitted.

Verbal Vote: 8 Yes; 0 No- Motion Carried

The Board was directed by Mr. Inman to the exhibits within their packets for the January Monthly Insurance Reports.

Mr. Inman moved and Mr. Clendennen seconded a motion to approve telecommunications bids as a part of the erate process as follows:

- a. Sunesys; \$2,804.36 per month / \$33,652.32 per year (wide area network)
- b. Classroll; \$8,960 per year (web based grade recording)
- c. Centrifuge Solutions; \$8,200 per year (web hosting)

Verbal Vote: 8 Yes; 0 No- Motion Carried

Mr. Inman moved and Mr. Calabria seconded a motion to approve the Athletic Activities accounts as submitted.

Verbal Vote: 8 Yes; 0 No- Motion Carried

Mr. Inman moved and Mr. Clendennen seconded a motion to contract with Mr. Andy Kennedy at a rate of \$60 per hour for a maximum of 50 hours during the remainder of the school year to address audit findings. Mr. Fleischman asked that the Board be briefed about the changes made after the training is complete and Dr. Rose asked that after Mr. Kennedy’s initial evaluation that the goals and outcomes he establishes be sent to the Board. Mr. Wessel agreed that both were good ideas.

Verbal Vote: 8 Yes; 0 No- Motion Carried

Mr. Inman moved and Mr. May seconded a motion to table action concerning using UPMC's Vision Advantage Plan for the period April 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013.

Verbal Vote: 8 Yes; 0 No- Motion Carried

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

No report.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

No report.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS/ REAL ESTATE COMMITTEE

Mr. Clendennen introduced Mr. Tom Durkin from VEBH who presented proposed upgrades to facilities for better ADA access.

Mr. Clendennen moved and Mr. Inman seconded a motion to accept a change order from Yarborough Development in the amount of \$2,355.11 to provide a relay panel and keypads in the Middle School gymnasium in order to provide a single location from which to operate electrical gym equipment.

Verbal Vote: 9 Yes; 0 No- Motion Carried

Mr. Clendennen moved and Mr. Inman seconded a motion to approve a credit change order from Northeast Interior Systems in the amount of \$4,980.00 to provide two piece counter tops in lieu of single piece tops and one inch versus an inch and a quarter in thickness.

Verbal Vote: 9 Yes; 0 No- Motion Carried

ATHLETICS COMMITTEE

Mr. Calabria offered the following congratulations:

Congratulations to Chassidy Omogrosso and Alexis Graham who were named Silver Athletes of the Week by the Beaver County Times for the week of January 9, 2012.

Congratulations to Halle Denman, Cory Ostach, and Nick Martin who were named Bronze Athletes of the Week by the Beaver County Times for the week of January 17, 2012.

Congratulations to Halle Denman, Nick Martin and Chassidy Omogrosso who were named Bronze Athletes of the Week by the Beaver County Times for the week of January 23, 2012.

Congratulations to Nick Martin and Chassidy Omogrosso who were named Bronze Athletes of the Week by the Beaver County Times for the week of January 30, 2012.

Congratulations to the Blackhawk Boy's Tip Off Club who are the recipient of the Wright GMC Boosters \$1,000 Award. A check was presented at half time of the February 10 basketball game against Beaver.

ADMINISTRATIVE LIAISON COMMITTEE

No report.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

No report.

FOOD SERVICE COMMITTEE

No report.

NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE

No report.

POLICY COMMITTEE

Mr. Heckathorn did the second reading of Policy 005: Organization and the second reading of Policy 620: Fund Balance. Mr. Clendennen asked if changes could be highlighted to make it easier to see what was changed and Dr. Miller said that would be done.

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

School Directors:

Administration: Dr. Miller thanked Mr. Mooney and the Middle School staff for their presentation and Hospitality. She also informed the Board members that for those that missed the Board orientation training held at the Intermediate Unit in January she would email a link and included in the member's packets a copy of the Tri State Study Council's presentation "Enhancing School Governance and Management."

Visitors: No comments.

Next Meeting: Mr. Oswald announced that the next scheduled meeting is March 8, 2012 in the Blackhawk High School Library.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 PM. An executive session on Personnel matters followed.

Submitted by Jerry Wessel
Board Secretary