

The regular meeting of the South Williamsport Area School Board was called to order this evening in the conference room of the Rommelt Building at 7:00 p.m. by the President, John Engel.

The meeting opened with the moment of silence and Pledge to the Flag.

Board Members Present: Anthony, Bachman, Branton, Broskey, Fiorini, Pulizzi, Persun, and Engel.

Board Members Absent: Davenport

Others Present: Dr. Mark Stamm-Superintendent, Dwight Woodley-Rommelt Principal, Matt Fisher-Assistant High School Principal, Kristin Bastian-Special Education Director/School Psychologist, Bill Reifsnnyder-Maintenance Director, Dennis Artley-Business Manager, and Fred Holland-Solicitor.

Visitors: Liz Frey, Michele Loomis, Pam Reifsnnyder, Lauren Donnally, Michael Cavanaugh, Elyse Schapfer, Jared Jacobs, Michael Gonzalez, Lisa Epright, Melissa Bradley, Cary Kurtz.

APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of August 2016 was moved by Persun, seconded by Broskey. Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Branton-yes, Broskey-yes, Fiorini-yes, Pulizzi-yes, Persun-yes, and Engel-yes, motion carried.

APPROVE GENERAL FUND BILLS 2015-2016

A motion to approve payment of bills from the General Fund in the amount of \$11,038.80 was moved by Pulizzi, seconded by Branton. Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Branton-yes, Broskey-yes, Fiorini-yes, Pulizzi-yes, Persun-yes, and Engel-yes, motion carried.

APPROVE GENERAL FUND BILLS 2016-2017

A motion to approve payment of bills from the General Fund in the amount of \$1,030,962.21 was moved by Pulizzi, seconded by Persun. Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Branton-yes, Broskey-yes, Fiorini-yes, Pulizzi-yes, Persun-yes, and Engel-yes, motion carried.

APPROVE CAFETERIA FUND BILLS

A motion to approve payment of bills from the Cafeteria Fund in the amount of \$51,614.57 was moved by Branton, seconded by Pulizzi. Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Branton-yes, Broskey-yes, Fiorini-yes, Pulizzi-yes, Persun-yes, and Engel-yes, motion carried.

APPROVE MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes of September 12, 2016, as written, was moved by Broskey, seconded by Bachman. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT RECOMMENDATIONS

CONFERENCES

A motion to approve the following conferences was moved by Fiorini, seconded by Persun.

- **Sarah Beth Ireland**, to attend the Fall Regional Meeting, sponsored by PAFPC on October 5, 2016, at IU 17.
- **Rebecca Swinehart**, to attend the Childhood Apraxia of Speech, sponsored by PATTAN on October 14, 2016, at IU 17.
- **Ashley Wiley**, to attend the Cyber Literacy Workshop, on October 7, 2016, at Penn College sponsored by IU 17, Penn College, and NICERC.
- Dwight Woodley and Susan Zaydell to attend the PA EES Microsoft Mini Conference sponsored by Microsoft & IU 13, on October 21, 2016, at IU 13 Lancaster.

Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Branton-yes, Broskey-yes, Fiorini-yes, Pulizzi-yes, Persun-yes, and Engel-yes, motion carried.

RESIGNATION

A motion to accept the resignation of Diane Souter, as a Para-professional employee, effective October 3, 2016, was moved by Pulizzi, seconded by Bachman. Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Branton-yes, Broskey-yes, Fiorini-yes, Pulizzi-yes, Persun-yes, and Engel-yes, motion carried.

OUT-OF-STATE FIELD TRIP

A motion to approve Robyn Rummings request to take High School Chorus students to New York City on May 27, 2017, to attend “Making Music” workshop was moved by Persun seconded by Fiorini.

Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Branton-yes, Broskey-yes, Fiorini-yes, Pulizzi-yes, Persun-yes, and Engel-yes, motion carried.

EXTRA DUTY STIPENDS

A motion to approve the following Extra Duty Stipend positions was moved by Branton, seconded by Pulizzi.

1. Senior Class Advisors: Mike Steppe and Betsy Jones - \$315/person
2. Junior Class Advisors: Michele Loomis and Kelly Shearer - \$287.50/person
3. Sophomore Class Advisors: Mary Geise and Karen Fink - \$210/person
4. Freshmen Class Advisors: Ryan Carper and Patty Schick - \$200/person
5. Yearbook Advisors: Michele McGee and Kelly Shearer - \$812.50/person
6. Yearbook Business Advisors: Michele McGee and Kelly Shearer - \$220/person
7. Drama Director: Amy Byrne - \$2700
8. Key Club Advisors: Scott Manning and Jamie Bloom - \$440/person
9. Builders Club Advisor: Karen Fink and Leigh Jones - \$220/person
10. FCCLA Advisor: Patty Schick - \$880
11. FBLA Advisors: Adam Rubert and Jennifer Kimball - \$440/person
12. Mini-Thon Advisor: Ryan Carper - \$880
13. Academic Decathlon Advisor: Kevin Eck - \$1,050

14. Senior High National Honor Society Advisor: Celeste Ryan - \$880
 15. Junior High National Honor Society Advisor: 7th Grade Team - \$440
 16. Leo Club Advisor: Stephanie Fay - \$880
 17. SADD Club Advisor: Mike Allison - \$880
 18. Mentors: Amy Pregent - \$1,000 Bonnie Rosamilia - \$500, Verna Correll - \$500, Stephanie Trimble - \$500, Rae Ann Pardoe - \$500, Ashley Zielewicz - \$500
 19. Department Chairpersons: English: Bonnie Rosamilia - \$590, Mathematics: Jamie Bloom - \$590, Science: Matt Eisley - \$590, Social Studies: Richard Zalonis - \$590, Fine Arts: Sandy Hess - \$590 Elective Programs: Jen Kimble - \$590
 20. Behind the Wheel Driving: Richard Zalonis and Mike Allison \$25/hr.
 21. Coordinator Audio Visual: Keith Cremer - \$475.
- Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Branton-yes, Broskey-yes, Fiorini-yes, Pulizzi-yes, Persun-yes, and Engel-yes, motion carried.

EMPLOYMENT HEAD BASEBALL COACH

A motion to approve the appointment of Paul “Smokey” Stover as head baseball coach at a salary of \$4,300 for the 2017 season was moved by Anthony, seconded by Branton. Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Branton-yes, Broskey-yes, Fiorini-yes, Persun-yes, Pulizzi-yes, and Engel-yes, motion carried.

ATHLETIC COACHES

A motion to approve the following athletic coaches and workers and their stipends for the 2016 season was moved by Branton, seconded by Fiorini.

Jr High Girls Basketball

Helena Floyd - \$2,298

Natasha Marnon - \$1,915

Game Workers Jr. High Basketball \$25/game

Fran Kropp-Ticket Taker, Nancy Bieber-Ticket Seller, Stacie Bieber-Ticket Seller, Steve Bieber-Ticket Seller, Justin Marnon-Scoreboard, Tom Marnon-Scoreboard, Bruce Loner-Scoreboard.

Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Branton-yes, Broskey-yes, Fiorini-yes, Persun-yes, Pulizzi-yes, and Engel-yes, motion carried.

APPROVE YEAREND BUDGET TRANSFERS

Moved by Anthony, seconded by Bachman to approve the final budget transfers for the 2015-2016 school term. Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Branton-yes, Broskey-yes, Fiorini-yes, Persun-yes, Pulizzi-yes, and Engel-yes, motion carried.

COMMITTED FUND BALANCE TRANSFER

A motion to take \$100,000 of the 2015-2016 excess expenditures of \$146,132 from the committed fund balance of 1.1 million was moved by Pulizzi, seconded by Broskey. Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Branton-yes, Broskey-yes, Fiorini-yes, Persun-yes, Pulizzi-yes, and Engel-yes, motion carried.

AGREEMENT WITH EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

A motion to approve a five (5)-year negotiated agreement between the South Williamsport Education Association and the negotiating committee of the School Board for the period of July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2020, was moved by Pulizzi, seconded by Broskey. Over the course of the agreement, the professional staff will transition from the current health care plan to a Qualified High Deductible Plan. Over the term of the agreement, the district will make diminishing contributions to their individual HAS account from fully funded to no funding the last year of the agreement. Salaries will increase on average 2.49% each year. Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Branton-yes, Broskey-yes, Fiorini-yes, Persun-yes, Pulizzi-yes, and Engel-yes, motion carried.

There were a number of parents at the meeting asking questions of the Board concerning perceived deficiencies of the boys and girls soccer fields. The most critical issue they felt needed addressed is the current facility used as our home field for varsity, junior varsity, and junior high soccer games. At present, no one is held accountable for field maintenance throughout the year. The game field lies within borough property, but the borough does not provide the financial resources required for continuous and proper field maintenance. Their understanding is that the school district owns the “cul-de-sac” field where the teams practice but is unwilling to invest money into a facility at a public park that cannot be preserved without a guarantee that there will be no vandalism. This leads to a stalemate in which neither the borough nor the school district is held accountable for field maintenance. The Board does have some preliminary plans prepared for the “cul-de-sac” area including a permit that would allow the district to construct a new field in that area. The Board, however, felt they need to spend a little more time and study the complete situation before a decision is made.

Moved by Pulizzi, seconded by Bachman that the meeting be adjourned, all members present voting yes, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Attest

Dennis A. Artley
Secretary