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**Board of School Directors Meeting**  
**“Students Are the Center of the Decision Making Process”**  
**October 11, 2016**

***AN EXECUTIVE SESSION WAS HELD AT THE COMMITTEE MEETING ON  
OCTOBER 4, 2016 TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL MATTERS***

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

- A. Open School Communications: Positive and Constructive Comments between School Board Members, Administrators and Community:
1. Freedom Area High School Student of the Month Awards for September 2016 (Theme – “Displaying a Positive Attitude Towards School and Classmates”) **(Administrative Report):**
    - 12<sup>th</sup> Grade:
      - Boy - Jarrett Boyd
      - Girl - Paige Rizzi
    - 11<sup>th</sup> Grade:
      - Boy - Michael Keith
      - Girl - Lexie Halving
    - 10<sup>th</sup> Grade:
      - Boy - Jon Betz
      - Girl - Ashley Kanschat
    - 9<sup>th</sup> Grade:
      - Boy - Evan Aland
      - Girl - JoAnn Sharpless
  2. Freedom Middle School H.O.P.E. Award for September 2016 (Theme – “A Teacher Who Cares About Me”) **(Administrative Report):**
    - Ron Miller, Fifth Grade Teacher

**COMMUNICATIONS, CONT'D:**

3. Freedom Elementary School H.O.P.E. Award for September 2016 (Theme – “Someone Who is Encouraging”) (**Administrative Report**):
    - Erica Davids, Kindergarten Teacher
  4. Congratulations to Erica Young, Third Grade Student, Who was selected as the 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Winner of Her Division (Grades 3-5) for the 2016 PennDOT School Bus Safety Poster Contest. Erica has been invited to attend an Awards’ Ceremony in Harrisburg and to take a Tour of the Governor’s Residence.
  5. Receipt of Card from JD Haglan, Thanking the School Board for the Honor of Retiring His Varsity Football Jersey at the Football Game on September 9, 2016
- B. Invitation:
1. Freedom Area High School National Honor Society Annual Induction Ceremony, Tuesday, October 25, 7:00 P.M., High School Auditorium
  2. Beaver County Career & Technology Center Open House, Wednesday, October 19, 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.
- C. Other:
1. Request from Beaver County Career & Technology Center to Appoint a Representative and Alternate to the Beaver County CTC Operating Committee (Three Year Term) – Current Term of Harry Gilarno as Representative and Mary Ann Petcovic as Alternate Expires with the December 13, 2016, Reorganization Meeting
  2. **November 2016 School Board Meetings to be Held on November 3 (Committee Meeting) and November 10 (Regular Board Meeting); December 2016 Reorganization and Board Meetings to be Held on December 8**
- D. Use of School Facilities Schedule (According to Policy) (**Enclosure**)

**PUBLIC/COMMUNITY RELATIONS:**

Per Board Policy 903: Public Participation in Board Meetings, members of the public must preface their comments with their name, address, and group affiliation (if appropriate). All comments should be addressed to the Presiding Officer, be relevant to business that is before the Board and observe required timelines (Prior Formal Request – 10 Minutes, Informal Request – 5 Minutes). Comments should not be personally directed, abusive, or obscene.

- A. Kip Feits, President of the Girls Softball Boosters – Topic: Improvements to the Girls Softball Field

**MINUTES:**

- A. Approve Minutes of September 1, September 8, and September 29, 2016

**ENCLOSURES:**

- A. Use of School Facilities Schedule (According to Policy)  
(**Communications, Item D**)
- B. Free-Reduced Lunch Report as of October 3, 2016 – **District at 43.03%**
- C. BVIU School Board Notes for August 24 and September 28, 2016 Meetings
- D. List of Student Activity Account Signatures for Students and Activity Sponsors (**Extra-Curricular, Item F**)

**Information:**

- E. Cyber/Charter School Enrollment as of October 4, 2016 – Current Projected Annual Cost for 2016-2017 School Year **\$741,607.63**; **28** Cyber/Charter Students, **39** Brick and Mortar Students – Total No. of Students - **67**

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**

- A. Family Behavioral Resources Presentation
- B. In-Service Day Review
- C. Discussion of Moving Meetings to Tuesdays for 2017
- D. School Resource Officer Annual Report

**LEGISLATION:**

Open

**FINANCE:**

- A. Approve Bills in the Amount of \$476,270.42 Second Check Run for September 2016)
- B. Approve Bills in the Amount of \$420,482.09 (First Check Run for October 2016)
- C. Approve August 2016 Treasurer's Report
- D. Approve September 2016 Cafeteria Report
- E. Approve Board Resolution to Participate in the BVIU 2017-2018 Joint Purchasing Program
- F. Accept Donation of School Supplies from R. J. Rhodes Transit, Inc.

**EDUCATION:**

- A. Approve Released Time According to Act 48:

**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:**

1. **Gifted:**

- a. PAGE (Pennsylvania Association for Gifted Education) Conference, November 17-18, Harrisburg, Cost Substitute (Miller Only), Registration Fee, Lodging, Meals, Mileage plus Tolls:
  - i. Ryan Smith, Middle School Principal
  - ii. Sara Miller, K-8 Gifted Coordinator
- b. Sara Miller, K-8 Gifted Coordinator:
  - i. Gifted Boot Camp, November 30, AIU - Homestead, Cost Mileage
  - ii. Equations Coaches' Training, December 2, MIU 4, Cost Registration Fee plus Mileage

2. **Other:**

- a. Chris Bennett, High School Guidance Counselor, PHEAA Counselor Workshop, Waynesburg University – Southpointe, October 14, No Cost to District
- b. Beth Majors, High School Business/Technology Teacher, District II DECA Advisors Planning Meetings, October 18, November 22 and December 13, North Allegheny, Cost Substitute plus Mileage
- c. Joe Testa, School Psychologist, Association of School Psychologists of PA Fall Conference, October 19-20, State College, Cost Registration Fee, Lodging, Meals plus Mileage
- d. Ron Kelm, Instructional Coach, State Coach Professional Learning Opportunity Conference, October 24-26, State College, Cost Mileage
- e. Peter Kappas, Middle School History Teacher, Religious Liberty: An American Experiment, October 25, Pittsburgh, Cost Substitute plus Mileage
- f. Ryan Smith, PASCD Evaluation Academy, November 2, December 13 and January 10, IU#5 – Edinboro, Cost Registration Fee plus Mileage
- g. Susan Suleski, Middle School Guidance Counselor, Techniques for Children and Adolescents with Emotional and Behavioral Problems, November 3, Monroeville, Cost Registration Fee plus Mileage
- h. How Did You Get That? Writing About Problem Solving in Math, November 3, MIU4 – Grove City, Cost Registration Fee plus Mileage:
  - i. Emily Mather, Instructional Coach
  - ii. Amy Shultz, Instructional Coach

**EDUCATION, CONT'D:**

- i. Dawn Patosky, Middle School Science Teacher, Economics and the Environment, November 7, Pittsburgh, Cost Substitute plus Mileage
- j. Amy Shultz, Instructional Coach, Math Coaches Network, November 21, February 14 and March 30, AIU3 – Homestead, Cost Mileage

**STUDENTS AND STAFF TRAVEL:**

1. **Gifted:**

- a. Beaver County Academic Games Competitions for 2016-2017, Dates and Location Vary, Cost Substitute, Registration Fees and Transportation (Will Use School Van if Possible):
  - i. Sara Miller, Gifted K-8 Coordinator
  - ii. Jennifer Glover, Gifted Co-Sponsor
- b. Sara Miller, K-8 Gifted Coordinator:
  - i. Center for Theater Arts Drama Day-Theater Arts Workshop, October 26, Pittsburgh (Will Use School Van)
  - ii. Science on the Road, November 1, Economy Elementary School, No Cost to District

2. **Other:**

- a. Ellen Hill, High School Job Coach, plus One Student, Barber School and Social Security Office, October 12, Ambridge, No Cost to District (Will Use School Van)
- b. Jessika Fontaine, High School Life Skills Teacher, Life Skills Lessons, October 13, Giant Eagle – Baden, No Cost to District (Will Use School Van)
- c. Education Excellence Fair, PASA/PSBA School Leadership Conference, Presentation of Folmar Leadership Forum – Two Students Will Attend, October 13-14, Hershey, Cost Substitute (October 14<sup>th</sup> only), Lodging and Meals (Will Use School Van):
  - i. William Deal, High School Principal
  - ii. Andrea Niedbala, High School English Teacher
  - iii. Maria Porter, High School Social Studies Teacher
- d. Jessika Fontaine, High School Life Skills Teacher and Ellen Hill, High School Job Coach:
  - i. Disability Mentoring Day, October 19, Pittsburgh, No Cost to District
  - ii. Community Job Exploration, November 9, Beaver Falls Carnegie Free Library, No Cost to District (Will Use School Van)

**EDUCATION, CONT'D:**

- e. Aaron Fitzpatrick, High School English Teacher:
  - i. Point Park Media Day/PSPA Competition, November 4, Point Park University, Cost Substitute and Transportation
  - ii. John Knox Writing Competition, November 5, Waynesburg University, No Cost to District (Will Use School Van)
- f. Amanda Bovard, High School Math Teacher, 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Faraday Lecture, November 16, Soldiers and Sailors Hall, Pittsburgh, Cost Substitute
- g. Rita Kaplin, High School Guidance Counselor, Beaver County Career and Technology Center, Cost Transportation:
  - i. Tour of BCCTC, January 19
  - ii. Half Day Visit to BCCTC, February 7
- B. Approve Annual Wallops Island, Virginia, Marine Science Consortium Field Trip on the Dates of Wednesday, May 24 through Saturday, May 27, 2017, No Cost to District
- C. Accept Resignation of Brandi Burger, High School Biology Teacher, Effective Upon District Release
- D. Accept Resignation of Brandace Coney, Middle School Instructional Aide, Effective September 29, 2016
- E. Approve Jessika Fontaine, High School Life Skills Teacher, as Mentor for Jaclyn Smithhammer, High School Special Education Teacher, for the 2016-2017 School Year, Salary According to Contract
- F. Approve Linnea Homa as High School Biology Teacher, Step 2M, Pro-Rated for the 2016-2017 School Year (**Pending Receipt of Updated Clearances, Act 168 Disclosures, Physical, TB Test/Statement and Drug Screening**) (**Signatures Required**)
- G. Approve Steven Mott as High School Assistant Principal, Start Date To Be Determined (**Pending Receipt of Act 168 Disclosure, Act 24 Report, Physical, TB Test/Statement and Drug Screening**) (**Signatures Required**)
- H. Approve Starting Salary in the Amount of \$80,000 for Steven Mott, High School Assistant Principal, Pro-Rated for the 2016-2017 School Year
- I. Approve Uncompensated Leave on November 2-4, 2016, for Personal Reasons, per Policy No. 439, for Kristine McCowin, First Grade Teacher
- J. Approve Professional Development Contract with Collins Writing Program at an Estimated Cost of \$2,600 per Day (Not to Exceed 5 Days or \$13,000)

**EDUCATION, CONT'D:**

- K. Approve Family Behavioral Resources as the Provider of Site-Based Mental Health Services at No Cost to the District

**Note in Minutes:**

- L. Misty Slavic and Rich Edder to attend the PASCD Evaluation Academy on November 2, December 13 and January 10, IU#5 – Edinboro, Cost Registration Fee and Mileage (Approved June 12, 2016 - Change of Dates and Location)

**OPERATIONS:**

- A. Director of Buildings and Grounds Monthly Report
- B. Approve District's Annual Participation in Beaver County Cancer & Heart Association Blood Lipid Screening Program for 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Students and Employees, Wednesday, November 16 – Cost to Students \$5, Cost to Adults \$15
- C. Approve Released Time, According to Policy, for Randy Walker, Food Service Director, to attend the Pittsburgh Regional Food Service Director's Meetings for 2016-2017, Location Varies, Cost Mileage plus Tolls (Costs to be Shared with Riverside Beaver County School District According to Shared Services Agreement)
- D. Approve Released Time, According to Policy, for Linda Eldridge, Payroll Coordinator, and Carol Boyle, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent, to attend Open Records Officer Training, October 17, Aliquippa Junior/Senior High School, Cost Mileage
- E. Approve Jami Lucas as Middle School Attendance Secretary at a Salary of \$10 per Hour, Retroactive to October 10, 2016 (**Pending Receipt of Act 126 Training**)
- F. Approve Aaron Hansen as Custodial Substitute (**Clearances on File**)
- G. Accept Resignation of Jacob Hooks, Technology Support Specialist, Effective October 11, 2016

**FACILITIES MASTER PLAN:**

- A. Approve Capital Projects Second Check Run for September 2016 in the Amount of \$27,097.62 (**Handout**)

**EXTRA-CURRICULAR:**

- A. Athletic Director's Monthly Report
- B. Approve Released Time, according to Policy, for Ed Shephard and Megan Alicandro, Cross Country Coaches, to attend the PIAA State Cross Country Championship Meet, November 4 and 5, Hershey, Cost Substitute (Shephard Only), Lodging, Meals, Tolls and Gas (Will Use of School Van)
- C. Approve Request from Keith Kovalic for Freedom Marching Band to Participate in the Beaver County Veterans Day Parade, Beaver, Friday, November 11, Cost Transportation
- D. Approve Sara Heiman as Middle School Pep Club Sponsor, Salary According to Contract **(Clearances of File)**
- E. Approve John Rizzi as Volunteer Football Coach **(Clearances on File)**
- F. Approve List of Student Activity Account Signatures for Students and Activity Sponsors **(Enclosure)**
- G. Approve Laura Gundlach as Middle School Drama Director (Sponsor), Salary According to Contract **(Clearances on File)**

**POLICY:**

- A. Approve New Board Policy No. 823, Naloxone
- B. Approve the Following Revised Board Policies:
  - 1. Policy No. 004, Membership
  - 2. Policy No. 115, Career and Technical Education
  - 3. Policy No. 806, Child Abuse
  - 4. Policy No. 808, Food Service

**MEET AND DISCUSS:**

Open