

**NORTH HILLS SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION
WORK SESSION/LEGISLATIVE MEETING
THURSDAY, APRIL 5, 2018 - 7:00 P.M.
NORTH HILLS MIDDLE SCHOOL – LGI ROOM
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Board Members Present

Thomas Kelly, Sandra Kozera, Allison Mathis, Annette Giovengo Nolish, Louis Nudi, Kathy Reid, Helen Spade and Edward Wielgus.

Board Members Not Present

Arlene Bender

Also Present

Dr. Patrick Mannarino, Dr. Jeff Taylor, David Hall, Valerie Mengine, Amanda Hartle, and Kris Kaufmann.

Persons Signing the Register

Michael Bizub, 215 Houston Road, Ross Township, PA

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:12 p.m. There was a moment of silence and salute to the flag. Mr. Wielgus noted that an Executive Session had taken place this evening from 5:00 p.m. to 6:50 p.m. to discuss personnel and legal issues. In attendance were Board members Mr. Wielgus, Mr. Kelly, Ms. Kozera, Mrs. Mathis, Dr. Nolish, Mr. Nudi, Mrs. Reid and Mrs. Spade. Also in attendance were Dr. Patrick Mannarino, Dr. Jeff Taylor, Valerie Mengine, and David Hall.

Student Performance

Mrs. Renee Triscila and the Middle School Concert Choir performed “Try to Remember” and “Count the Stars”.

Public Recognition

Mrs. Beth Williams introduced:

- Jordyn Hronec – National Merit Finalist
- Cole Rilius – A.W. Beattie Student of the Month for Advanced Computer Programming
- George Parker – A.W. Beattie Student of the Month for Automotive Collision Technology

Mr. Larry Dorenkamp and Mr. Joe Welch introduced students who competed in the National History Day Regional Competition:

- Douglas Bensch
- Morrigan Henry
- Ruby Langhurst
- Virginia Mellinger
- Hannah Sciulli
- Zachary Streza

Mrs. Heather Cobbey introduced students who competed in the Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science State Competition:

- Lauren Rebel
- Hannah Sciulli
- Veronica Sciulli
- Emma Polen

Mr. Steve Hoza introduced:

- Michelle Do – Junior Councilwoman for West View Borough
- Andrew Bensch – Junior Councilman for West View Borough
- Morgan Stone – Junior Councilwoman for Ross Township

Mrs. Amy Scheuneman introduced:

- Sam Hillegas – PIAA Wrestling State Champion
- Kevin Lovasik – PIAA Swimming Medalist

Dr. Patrick Mannarino introduced:

- Amy Scheuneman – PIAA Athletic Director of the Year – Region IV

Board Member Comments

Mrs. Reid thanks the West View Elementary fifth-grade teachers for Grandparents Day at West View.

Mrs. Mathis stated that the standardized testing was to begin and she wished luck to the students and staff.

Public Comments on Agenda Items

None

Student Representative's Report

Olav Carter provided his report on High School Activities.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Mannarino presented his Points of Pride for April 2018.

AGENDA ITEMS:

EDUCATION

Mr. David Lieberman and Mr. Joe Welch provided an update on Technology in the Middle School.

Mrs. Mathis opened a discussion on offering online exploratory world languages to elementary students after school. Dr. Taylor and the district administration will research the options, cost to the district, cost to parents, other particulars, and report back.

1. 2018-19 Textbook Adoptions – All textbooks were reviewed and evaluated by both teachers and the administration for appropriateness and curricular alignment.
2. Comply Agreement with EduLink – this program will allow the district to track PDE required mandates such as employee clearances, mandated professional development sessions, PIMS required submissions, teacher induction, new hire procedures, faculty handbooks, etc.
3. Dual-Enrollment Agreements – that the Board approve the annual concurrent enrollment agreements with LaRoche College, Community College of Allegheny County, Seton Hill University and the University of Pittsburgh for the term of August 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.
4. Agreement and Lease with YMCA of Greater Pittsburgh – This agreement lease is for our YMCA afterschool programs in each of our elementary schools and our YMCA summer camp program at Highcliff Elementary School.
5. 2018-19 Adelphoi Education Services Agreement – Adelphoi provides alternative education services for disruptive youth; operates an approved private academic school program, a special education program for students, and a partial hospitalization program.

A motion was made by Mrs. Mathis and seconded by Mrs. Reid to add Education Items 1 through 5 to the Legislative Meeting agenda.

ATHLETICS AND ACTIVITIES

1. Ice Hockey – Continued Recognition as a Club Sport and 2018 Reimbursement – a request for the Board to approve Ice Hockey Club’s continued recognition for the 2018-19 school year and reimbursement for 2017-18 school year in the amount of \$7,767.49.
2. Bowling Club – Continued Recognition as a Club Sport and 2018 Reimbursement – a request for the Board to approve Bowling Club’s continued recognition for the 2018-19 school year and reimbursement for 2017-18 school year in the amount of \$660.00.
3. Girls Slow Pitch Softball – Continued Recognition as a Club Sport and 2018 Reimbursement – a request for the Board approve the continued recognition for Club Softball for the 2018-19 school year, and reimbursement for 2017-18 school year in the amount of \$985.76.
4. Inline Roller Hockey – Continued Recognition as a Club Sport and 2018 Reimbursement – a request for the Board to approve the continued recognition for Inline Roller Hockey for 2018-19 and reimbursement for 2017-18 in the amount of \$1,319.10.
5. Field Trip Request – PJAS State Competition – a request for the Board to approve the field trip request for students to attend the PJAS State Competition at Penn State University May 20 – 22,2018.
6. Field Trip Request – Band/Chorus High School Music Performance at the Cherry Blossom Parade in Washington, DC in April 2019.

A motion was made by Ms. Kozera and seconded by Dr. Nolish to add Education Items 1 through 6 to the Legislative Meeting Agenda.

A.W. BEATTIE CAREER CENTER

None

ACTION ITEMS:

PERSONNEL

RESIGNATIONS

A motion was made by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mrs. Spade and unanimously passed to approve resignations, as per document 1, as recommended by the Superintendent:

Thomas Kump – Computer technician, resignation effective March 24, 2018

Linda Martin – Elementary teacher, resignation with intent to retire after 33.0 years of service effective at the end of the 2018-19 school year.

Kathleen Helfrich – Secondary school counselor, resignation with intent to retire after 21.0 years of service effective at the end of the 2018-19 school year.

Regina Farrell – Safety patrol sponsor at McIntyre Elementary, resignation effective March 26, 2018.

David Lapp – Elementary teacher, resignation with intent to retire after 29.0 years of service effective at the end of the 2018-19 school year.

Linda Brown – School nurse, resignation with intent to retire after 27.0 years of service effective at the end of the 2018-19 school year.

Cathleen Assisi – Custodian, resignation with intent to retire effective July 7, 2018.

Walter Books – Lead custodian, resignation with intent to retire effective July 10, 2018.

Glen Richey – Director of the Fall Play and Spring Musical, resignation effective with the end of the 2017-18 school year.

Kevin Richey – Assistant Director, Technical Director & Lighting Coordinator of the Fall Play, Spring Musical and Drama Club Sponsor, resignation effective with the end of the 2017-18 school year.

APPOINTMENTS

A motion was made by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mrs. Spade and unanimously passed to approve Appointments, as per document 2, as recommended by the Superintendent:

Julie MacDonald – Computer Science teacher at Ross Elementary at the rate of \$45,125 (Step 2, B+24), effective August 18, 2018.

T. Jeffrey Allshouse – Computer Science/Math teacher at the Middle School at the rate of \$46,493 (Step 2 M+30), effective August 14, 2018.

Catherine Virgin – Elementary teacher at the rate of \$45,125 (Step 2 B+24), effective August 14, 2018.

Michelle Spingola – Elementary School Assistant Principal at the rate of \$71,181, effective with the 2018-19 school year.

Morie Kephart – Varsity Assistant Girls' Soccer Coach at the rate of \$3,420, effective for the 2018-19 school year.

Shannon Metzler – Middle School Head Cross Country Coach at the rate of \$1,923, effective for the 2018-19 school year.

Emily Lankes – Homebound instructor (Non-NHEA) at the rate of \$25/hour, effective for the 2018-19 school year.

Gretchen Angeloff – Homebound instructor (Non-NHEA) at the rate of \$25/hour, effective for the 2018-19 school year.

Donna Lankes – Custodian at the rate of \$13.84/hour, effective March 13, 2018.

Jennifer Ostronic – Custodian at the rate of \$13.84/hour, effective April 16, 2018.

Jerry Herlily – Custodian at the rate of \$13.84/hour, effective April 23, 2018.

CHANGES OF STATUS

A motion was made by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mrs. Spade and unanimously passed to approve Changes of Status, as per document 3, as recommended by the Superintendent.

Chris Mann – from (.5) custodian to full-time custodian at the rate of \$13.84/hour, effective March 19, 2018.

Diane Buskirk – from LTS custodian to full-time custodian at the rate of \$13.84/hour, effective March 19, 2018.

Erin Lankes – from substitute teacher to permanent substitute teacher at the high school at the pro-rated salary of \$30,000, effective March 19, 2018 to the end of the 2017-18 school year.

Erin Lankes – from homebound instructor (Non-NHEA) to homebound instructor (NHEA) at the rate of \$40/hour, effective March 19, 2018 to the end of the 2017-18 school year.

Halea Hayden – from (.5) German teacher (.5) Permanent substitute to full-time German teacher at the high school at the rate of \$47,404 (Step 3 Masters), effective with the 2018-19 school year.

OTHER – JOB DESCRIPTION

A motion was made by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mrs. Spade and unanimously passed to approve **Other- Job Description – Student Assistance Intervention Specialist at the Middle School**, as per document 4, as recommended by the Superintendent.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

A motion was made by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mrs. Spade and unanimously passed to approve the **Memorandum of Understanding between NHSD and Local 32BJ Service Employees International Union (Food Service Employees)** to add a position of Roving Food Service Worker to Classification I, as per document 5, as recommended by the Superintendent.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

A motion was made by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mrs. Spade and unanimously passed to **deny the request for an Unpaid Leave of Absence** by ESPA employee, Sharon Podvorec, as per document 7, as recommended by the Superintendent.

COMMUNITY AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

1. Allegheny County Schools Health Insurance Consortium Trustee Ballot – the Board must submit 1 collective vote for the position of School Board Trustee for the Northern Region. The only candidate is Patrick Stewart from Avonworth School District.
2. Resolution 2018-3 – Adoption of the Principles for Governance and Leadership

A motion was made by Mrs. Reid and seconded by Mrs. Spade to add Community & Intergovernmental Relations Items 1 and 2 to the Legislative Meeting Agenda.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Mr. Nudi reported that Senate Bill 2 (Vouchers) is in Committee. There is proposed legislation to change graduation requirements to track career pathways. There is also proposed legislation to authorize security to be discussed in executive session.

POLICY

None

FINANCE

1. General Fund Bills
2. Construction Fund Bills
3. Budget Transfers
4. Payroll for the Month of March 2018 in the amount of \$2,947,568.49
5. Request from a Taxpayer – Taxpayer E.E. requested the Board to waive penalty and interest in the amount of \$30.06 for delinquent real estate taxes. Taxpayer states he paid the taxes on time.

A motion was made by Dr. Nolish and seconded by Mrs. Mathis to add Finance Items 1 through 5 to the Legislative Meeting Agenda.

SUPPORT SERVICES

1. Contract with Thomas & Williamson – for the Design and Management of West View Elementary Captured Vestibule project in the amount of \$13,118 to be paid from the Capital Projects Fund.
2. West View Elementary Building Gymnasium Floor Repair and Refinish – a request for the Board to approve this project. The gym floor was damaged from a leaking pipe in the adjacent boys’ restroom. These repairs will be paid from the insurance settlement, in the amount of \$28,358.

ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

Michael Bizub, 215 Houston Road, Ross Township, PA.

Mr. Bizub requested permission for the Berkeley Hills Civic Association to partner with the school district to plant a garden at the bottom of Houston Road. He also brought his concern to the Board regarding school buses traveling down Houston Road which is extremely dangerous for students and residents.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Wielgus, seconded by Mrs. Reid and unanimously passed to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Loretta J. Rieger
School Board Secretary