

**NORTH HILLS SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION
WORK SESSION - LEGISLATIVE MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2018 ~ 7:00 P.M.
NORTH HILLS MIDDLE SCHOOL – LGI ROOM
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Board Members Present

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

Board Members Not Present

None

Also Present

Dr. Patrick Mannarino, Dr. Jeff Taylor, Jerry Muth, Valerie Mengine, Michael J. Witherel Esq., Kris Kaufmann and student representative, Olav Carter.

Persons Signing the Register

None

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m. 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 Timothy Burnett, Thomas Kelly, Sandra Kozera, Allison Mathis, Annette Giovengo Nolish, Louis Nudi, Kathy Reid, Helen Spade and Edward Wielgus. Also present were Dr. Patrick Mannarino, Michael Witherel, Esq. and Lori Rieger.

Public Recognition

Mr. David Lieberman, Middle School Principal, introduced 8th grade student Abriana Bensch. Abriana was the winner of the 2019 Holiday Card Art Contest.

Dr. Patrick Mannarino, Superintendent, introduced the 2018 National Merit Commended Students: Alyssa Aguglia, Andrew Bensch, Elena McGoey and Donatas Miseikis.

Board Member Comments

Mrs. Reid stated that she would like reports from Board Committee meetings.

Ms. Kozera congratulated David Barkovich and everyone associated with the Return to Hogwarts event at the high school. The event raised over \$5,000 for charity.

Mr. Nudi congratulated middle school teacher, Nate Wilkinson and the middle school students for organizing the Veterans Round Table event. Mr. Nudi and the other veterans appreciated their efforts and enjoyed participating.

Public Comments on Agenda Items

None

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made Mr. Wielgus, seconded by Dr. Nolish and unanimously passed **to approve the minutes from the November 8, 2018 Work Session/Legislative Meeting.**

Solicitor’s Report

None

Student Representatives’ Reports

Senior Olav Carter presented his monthly report on district activities.

Superintendent’s Report

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

AGENDA ITEMS:

EDUCATION

A motion was made by Mrs. Mathis, seconded by Mr. Burnett and unanimously passed to **approve the High School Program of Studies for the 2019-20 school year**, as per document 1, as recommended by the Superintendent.

A motion was made by Mrs. Mathis, seconded by Mr. Burnett and unanimously passed to **approve the Middle School Program of Studies for the 2019-20 school year**, as per document 2, as recommended by the Superintendent

A motion was made by Mrs. Mathis, seconded by Mr. Burnett and unanimously passed to **approve the Letter of Agreement Renewal with Pressley Ridge**, as per document 3, as recommended by the Superintendent.

ATHLETICS AND ACTIVITIES

A motion was made by Ms. Kozera, seconded by Dr. Nolish and unanimously passed to approve **Resolution 2018-10 – Recognizing the North Hills Drama Parents and Friends Association as an Official Booster Organization of the North Hills School District**, as per document 1, as recommended by the Superintendent.

A motion was made by Ms. Kozera, seconded by Dr. Nolish and passed by a vote of 8 yea and 1 nay to approve the **Field Trip Request for the North Hills Competitive Cheerleading Squad to attend the UCA National High School Cheerleading Championship in Orlando, Florida**, as per document 2, as recommended by the Superintendent. Voting yea was Mr. Kelly, Ms. Kozera, Mrs. Mathis, Dr. Nolish, Mr. Nudi, Mrs. Reid, Mrs. Spade and Mr. Wielgus. Mr. Burnett voted nay.

A.W. BEATTIE CAREER CENTER

None

PERSONNEL

RESIGNATIONS

A motion was made by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Burnett and unanimously passed to approve **Resignations**, as per document 1, as recommended by the Superintendent.

Steve Bressler – Permanent substitute/Health & Phys. Ed., effective November 3, 2018.

Shelby Livingston – Paraprofessional at McIntyre Elementary, effective November 12, 2018.

Heidi Bodack – Lunchroom/Playground Aide at Ross Elementary, effective August 30, 2018/

W. David Hall – Director of Finance and Operations, resignation with intent to retire after 29 years of service, effective January 2, 2020.

Ginny Demko – Substitute paraprofessional, termination effective November 7, 2018.

APPOINTMENTS

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

The following appointments are effective for the 2018-19 school year:

Stephanie Fairley – Fall Play Costumes/Props Manager at the rate of \$750

Stephanie Fairley – High School Musical Costumes/Props Manager at the rate of \$875

Lauren Sarazen – High School Musical Choreographer at the rate of \$1,725

Shaun Cloonan – High School Musical Vocal Director at the rate of \$1,725

Shaun Cloonan – High School Musical Producer at the rate of \$1,000

Shaun Cloonan – High School Musical Sound Designer at the rate of \$500

Jason Hillegas – Varsity Assistant Track Coach at the rate of \$4,646

John Curran – Varsity Assistant Track Coach at the rate of \$3,698

Lacey Murray – Varsity Assistant Track Coach at the rate of \$4,070

Alex Martinez – Middle School Head Track Coach at the rate of \$3,132

William McKellar – Middle School Assistant Track Coach at the rate of \$2,630

Eric Snyder – Varsity Assistant Baseball Coach at the rate of \$3,234

Brett Horowitz – Varsity Assistant Baseball Coach at the rate of \$3,791

David Sentner – Head 9th Grade Baseball Coach at the rate of \$2,583

Coleman Mazur – Assistant 9th Grade Baseball Coach at the rate of \$2,007

Evan King – Middle School Head Baseball Coach at the rate of \$1,821

Patrick Clark – Homebound Instructor at the rate of \$40/hour

Mary McGrath – Permanent Substitute at Highcliff Elementary at the pro-rated salary of \$30,000, effective approximately December 4, 2018 through the end of the 2018-19 school year.

Ryan Mystovich – Permanent Substitute/Art Teacher district-wide at the pro-rated salary of \$30,000, effective November 8, 2018 through the end of the 2018-19 school year.

Shelly Wild – Permanent Substitute at Ross Elementary at the pro-rated salary of \$30,900, effective December 4, 2018 through the end of the 2018-19 school year.

Nathan Yates – Long-term Substitute Health & Phys. Ed. Teacher at Highcliff Elementary at the pro-rated salary of \$30,000, effective November 19, 2018 through the end of the 2018-19 school year.

Caitlin Evans – Permanent Substitute/Health & Phys. Ed. Long-term substitute teacher at the pro-rated salary of \$31,827, effective approximately January 3, 2019 through the end of the 2018-19 school year.

Austin Heim – Computer Technician at Highcliff Elementary at the rate of \$15.80/hour, effective October 15, 2018.

The following Volunteers were approved effective for the 2018-19 school year:

Sean Bright – Wrestling

Heather Geyer – Chorus

Brian James – Lacrosse

Brandy Shelley – Chorus

CHANGE OF STATUS

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

Amanda Hagy – from Substitute Food Service Worker to Rover Substitute Food Service Worker at the High School at the rate of \$12.50/hour, effective November 16, 2018.

Mary Grimm – Change of Salary to \$85,285, retroactive to July 1, 2018.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

A motion was made by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Burnett and unanimously passed to approve **Leaves of Absences**, as per document 4, as recommended by the Superintendent.

Allison Craig – Music Teacher, unpaid leave of absence effective through the remainder of the 2018-19 school year.

Nathan Buttenfield – Health & Phys. Ed. Teacher at Highcliff Elementary, unpaid leave of absence effective January 4, 2019 through the end of the 2018-19 school year.

COMMUNITY AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

None

LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Mr. Nudi reported that the new legislature is seated. The Pennsylvania Department of Education announced the procedures and policy for Future Ready PA Index, which is replacing the School Performance Profile.

POLICY

A motion was made by Mr. Nudi, seconded by Mr. Kelly and unanimously passed to **approve the revisions to Board Policy 006 – Meetings**, as per document 1, as recommended by the Superintendent. These revisions reflect changes in the law to allow school boards to discuss matters of safety and security in executive session.

A motion was made by Mr. Nudi, seconded by Mr. Kelly and passed by a vote of 8 yea and 1 nay to **approve the revisions to Board Policy 201 – Admission of Students**, as per document 2, as recommended by the Superintendent. Voting yea was Mr. Burnett, Mr. Kelly, Ms. Kozera, Mrs. Mathis, Dr. Nolish, Mr. Nudi, Mrs. Spade and Mr. Wielgus. Voting nay was Mrs. Reid. These revisions reflect changes in the birthdate eligibility for kindergarten registration, the requirement of being toilet trained, and the addition of a kindergarten readiness assessment.

A motion was made by Mr. Nudi, seconded by Mr. Kelly and unanimously passed to **approve the revisions to Board Policy 234 – Anti-Hazing**, as per document 3, as recommended by the Superintendent.

A motion was made by Mr. Nudi, seconded by Mr. Kelly and unanimously passed to **approve new Board Policy 626 – Procurement Code of Conduct**, as per document 4, as recommended by the Superintendent.

FINANCE

A motion was made by Dr. Nolish, seconded by Mr. Burnett and unanimously passed to **ratify General Fund Bills**, as per document 1, as recommended by the Superintendent. These include checks numbered: 54136 through 54223; 54225 through 54230; 54233 through 54260; 54262 through 54313; 54329 through 54385; 54387 through 54437; and 54444 through 54461.

A motion was made by Dr. Nolish, seconded by Mr. Burnett and unanimously passed **to ratify Construction Fund Bills**, as per document 2, as recommended by the Superintendent. These include checks numbered: 54232 and 54261.

A motion was made by Dr. Nolish, seconded by Mr. Burnett and unanimously passed to **ratify Food Service Bills**, as per document 3, as recommended by the Superintendent. These include checks numbered: 54231; 54314 through 54318; 54320 through 54328; and 54438 through 54443.

A motion was made by Dr. Nolish, seconded by Mr. Burnett and unanimously passed to **approve Budget Transfers**, as per document 4, as recommended by the Superintendent.

A motion was made by Dr. Nolish, seconded by Mr. Burnett and unanimously passed to **approve Payroll for the Month of November 2018 in the amount of \$3,252,590.25**, as per document 5, as recommended by the Superintendent.

SUPPORT SERVICES

A motion was made by Mrs. Spade, seconded by Dr. Nolish and unanimously passed to **approve the Bid Award for 50 Security Cameras to Staples Business Advantage in the amount of \$14,512.50**, as per document 1, as recommended by the Superintendent.

ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

Matthew Ferry, 309 Highland Pines Drive, Ross Township, PA

Mr. Ferry addressed the Board regarding the revisions to Board Policy 006 as it relates to safety and security. Mr. Ferry stated that he hopes the Board will not discuss all items with security in executive session, but that they will continue to talk openly on matters that do not compromise safety.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Wielgus to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Loretta J. Rieger
School Board Secretary