

**NORTH HILLS SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION
WORK SESSION/LEGISLATIVE MEETING
THURSDAY, MAY 30, 2019 - 7:00 P.M.
NORTH HILLS MIDDLE SCHOOL – LGI ROOM
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Board Members Present

Timothy Burnett, Allison Mathis, Annette Giovengo Nolish, Louis Nudi, and Edward Wielgus. Thomas Kelly was present via telephone. (Ms. Kozera arrived at 7:30 p.m.)

Board Members Not Present

Kathy Reid and Helen Spade

Also Present

Dr. Patrick Mannarino, Dr. Jeff Taylor, David Hall, Jerry Muth, Heather Pelat, and Kris Kaufmann.

Persons Signing the Register

Patricia Popadyn, 131 Buckhill Road, Ross Township, PA
Denise Piveronas, 98 Buckhill Road, Ross Township, PA

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Mr. Wielgus opened the meeting with 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. Burnett, Mrs. Mathis, Dr. Nolish, Mr. Nudi, Mrs. Spade, Mr. Wielgus, and Superintendent Dr. Patrick Mannarino.

Board Member Comments

Mrs. Mathis congratulated the graduating Class of 2019. She also announced that West View Elementary was sponsoring a Summer Safety Fair scheduled for Saturday, June 8th from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Mr. Nudi attended the West View Elementary 6th grade graduation and congratulated the students, and thanked the teachers for continuing this long-standing tradition.

Public Comments on Agenda Items

Patricia Popadyn stated that she was adamantly opposed to the proposed tax millage increase and requested that the Board find another way to balance the budget.

Denise Piveronas stated that she too was opposed to the proposed tax increase and requested that the Board make cuts instead of raising taxes.

Presentation – Special Education Department

Dr. Nicole Bezila, Director of Pupil Services presented an update on Special Education Transition Services provided by the district.

EDUCATION

1. 2019-2020 Textbook Adoptions
2. Dual Enrollment Agreement with Community College of Allegheny County
3. Affiliation Agreement with California University of Pennsylvania
4. Donation from Plymouth Rock Management Company
5. Bid Award – Music Curriculum Furniture and Bid Rejection for Music Stands and Choral Risers
6. Replacement of Choral Risers – Middle School and High School
7. Bid Award – Music Instruments
8. Bid Award – Choral Robes

A motion was made Mrs. Mathis and seconded by Mr. Burnett to add Education Items 1 through 8 to the Legislative Meeting agenda.

ATHLETICS AND ACTIVITIES

1. Resolution 2019-11 – Recognizing the North Hills Girls Soccer Boosters as an Official Booster Organization of the North Hills School District.

A motion was made by Mr. Wielgus and seconded by Mr. Burnett to add Athletics & Activities Item 1 to the Legislative Meeting agenda.

A.W. BEATTIE CAREER CENTER

Mr. Nudi stated that the 2019 A.W. Beattie Senior Recognition was held last evening at the North Hills Middle School. He congratulated all of the graduates and thanked the staff at North Hills for hosting the event.

PERSONNEL - ACTION ITEMS

Resignations

A motion was made by Mr. Wielgus, seconded by Mr. Burnett and unanimously passed to **approve Resignations**, as per document 1, as recommended by the Superintendent. Present for the vote was Mr. Burnett, Mr. Kelly, Mrs. Mathis, Dr. Nolish, Mr. Nudi and Mr. Wielgus.

Laura Otte – Musical Choreographer at the middle school, effective June 1, 2019

Deborah Gross – Satellite Leader at the middle school, intent to retire effective June 1, 2019.

Appointments

A motion was made by Mr. Wielgus, seconded by Mr. Burnett and unanimously passed to **approve Appointments**, as per document 1, as recommended by the Superintendent. Present for the vote was Mr. Burnett, Mr. Kelly, Mrs. Mathis, Dr. Nolish, Mr. Nudi and Mr. Wielgus.

Kevin McKiernan – High School Principal at the rate of \$122,500, effective July 1, 2019

John Lesjack – Assistant High School Principal at the rate of \$78,000, effective July 1, 2019

Hanna Mincemoyer – Assistant High School Principal at the rate of \$78,000, effective July 1, 2019

Jessica Sapsara – Elementary Assistant Principal at the rate of \$69,000, effective July 1, 2019

Alex Martinez – Mid-Level Math/English at the middle school at the rate of \$44,280, effective August 13, 2019 – pending certification. (Note: certification awarded and received by NHSD)

Laura Dietrich – Library Teaching Assistant at the high school at the rate of \$14.81/hour, effective for the 2019-20 school year

Ashley Meyer – Summer Literacy Teacher at the rate of \$40/hour, effective summer of 2019

Danielle Lipscak – Summer Literacy Teacher at the rate of \$40/hour, effective summer of 2019

Jamie Pantone- Summer Literacy Teacher at the rate of \$40/hour, effective summer of 2019

John Dunlap, DMD – School Dentist - \$6/exam with sterilization fee of \$60, effective for the 2019-20 school year

Mara Dunlap, DMD – School Dentist - \$6/exam with a sterilization fee of \$61, effective for the 2019-20 school year.

The following **substitute employees** were appointed:

Sherry Dugan – Food Service Worker at the rate of \$10/hour, effective May 14, 2019

Colton Lucas – Summer Worker at the rate of \$9/hour, effective June 3, 2019

Nicholas Pietrone – Summer Worker at the rate of \$9/hour, effective June 3, 2019

Jacob Wolfe – Summer Worker at the rate of \$9/hour, effective June 3, 2019

Tammy Brantner – Summer Worker at the rate of \$9/hour, effective June 3, 2019

Karen Zeitler – Summer Worker at the rate of \$9/hour, effective June 3, 2019

Jennifer Muzzey – Food Service Worker at the rate of \$10/hour, effective May 20, 2019

Jennifer Muzzey – Lunchroom/Playground Aide at the rate of \$9.49/hour, effective May 20, 2019

Benjamin Waltz – Summer Worker at the rate of \$9/hour, effective May 23, 2019

Michael Taylor – Summer Worker at the rate of \$9/hour, effective May 23, 2019

The following **volunteers** were appointed effective for the 2019-20 School Year:

Emma Brestensky – Band

Carol Doyle – Band

Matthew Rees – Band

Jack Wells – Band

Wesley Stuckey – German Club

Change of Status

A motion was made by Mr. Wielgus, seconded by Mr. Burnett and unanimously passed to **approve Changes of Status**, as per document 3, as recommended by the Superintendent. Present for the vote was Mr. Burnett, Mr. Kelly, Mrs. Mathis, Dr. Nolish, Mr. Nudi and Mr. Wielgus.

Beth Crivelli – from 12-month secretary at McIntyre to 12-month secretary at Highcliff effective on or before July 1, 2019

Sue Milligan – from General Worker #3 at Ross to Satellite Leader at McIntyre at the rate of \$17.30/hour, effective May 14, 2019

Kelly Grigley – from General Worker #4 at West View to Class III General Worker (Fryer Job) at the High School, at the rate of \$14.10/hour, effective August 20, 2019.

Memorandum of Understanding

A motion was made by Mr. Wielgus, seconded by Mr. Burnett and unanimously passed to **approve Memorandum of Understanding** with the NHEA regarding Curriculum Leader and Team Leader Positions, as per document 4, as recommended by the Superintendent. Present for the vote was Mr. Burnett, Mr. Kelly, Mrs. Mathis, Dr. Nolish, Mr. Nudi and Mr. Wielgus.

Tenure Recommendations

A motion was made by Mr. Wielgus, seconded by Mr. Burnett and unanimously passed to **approve Tenure Recommendations**, as per document 5, as recommended by the Superintendent. Present for the vote was Mr. Burnett, Mr. Kelly, Mrs. Mathis, Dr. Nolish, Mr. Nudi and Mr. Wielgus. The following teachers achieved tenure effective June 1, 2019:

Meredith France

Kaitlin Graf

Alexandra Khuze

Jeanine Stright

Craig Swanson

Madison Merhaut

Monica Spillane

Staff Evaluations and Recommendations

A motion was made by Mr. Wielgus, seconded by Mr. Burnett and unanimously passed to **approve Staff Evaluations and Recommendations** including Executive Staff Evaluations, Principal Evaluations, Administrative Staff Evaluations, Act 93 Goals Bonuses and Superintendent’s Evaluation and Goals Bonus, as per document 6, as recommended by the Superintendent. Present for the vote was Mr. Burnett, Mr. Kelly, Mrs. Mathis, Dr. Nolish, Mr. Nudi and Mr. Wielgus.

Superintendent Authority

A motion was made by Mr. Wielgus, seconded by Mr. Burnett and unanimously passed to **approve Superintendent Authority**, as per document 7, as recommended by the Superintendent. Present for the vote was Mr. Burnett, Mr. Kelly, Mrs. Mathis, Dr. Nolish, Mr. Nudi and Mr. Wielgus. This authorizes the Superintendent to make the day-to-day hiring and operational decisions that will be ratified by the board at the next regular meeting.

Other

A motion was made by Mr. Wielgus, seconded by Mr. Burnett and unanimously passed to **approve Other**, as per document 8 attached, as recommended by the Superintendent. Present for the vote was Mr. Burnett, Mr. Kelly, Mrs. Mathis, Dr. Nolish, Mr. Nudi and Mr. Wielgus.

COMMUNITY AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

1. Appointment of Voting Delegates for the PSBA Delegate Assembly Meeting on Friday, October 18, 2019

A motion was made by Mr. Wielgus and seconded by Dr. Nolish to add Community & Intergovernmental Relations Item 1 to the Legislative Meeting Agenda.

LEGISLATIVE

None

POLICY

None

FINANCE

1. Resolution 2019-9 Establishing the Tax Rate at 18.65 mills
2. Resolution 2019-10 Homestead/Farmstead Exemption
3. 2019-20 Final Budget Approval
4. General Fund Bills
5. Food Service Fund Bills
6. Scholarship Fund Bills
7. Budget Transfers
8. Payroll for the Month of May 2019 in the amount of \$3,174,993.43
9. General Insurance Approval
10. Workers Compensation Insurance Approval
11. Appointment of David Hall as Treasure for 2019-20
12. Facilities Use Fees for 2019-20

A motion was made by Dr. Nolish and seconded by Ms. Kozera to add Finance Items 1 through 12 to the Legislative Meeting Agenda.

SUPPORT SERVICES

1. Build Out of Sensory Room/Autistic Support Room at the Middle School
2. Build Out Family and Consumer Science Kitchen in High School R-259
3. Replacement of Middle School and West View Elementary Stage Curtains.
4. Replacement of Floor VCT and Carpet Finishes: West View Elementary and Middle School
5. High School Corridor Stabilization
6. Bid Award – Asphalt Maintenance to the Elementary Campuses Parking Lots
7. Reject Bids for the Replacement of HVAC Controls at Administration Building
8. Lunch, Breakfast and Morning Care Prices

A motion was made by Mr. Burnett and seconded by Dr. Nolish to add Support Services Items 1 through 8 to the Legislative Meeting Agenda.

ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:07 p.m.

Loretta J. Rieger
School Board Secretary