

**NORTH HILLS SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION
LEGISLATIVE MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, JANUARY 11, 2018 ~ 7:00 P.M.
NORTH HILLS MIDDLE SCHOOL – LGI ROOM
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Board Members Present

Arlene Bender, Thomas Kelly, Sandra Kozera, Allison Mathis, Louis Nudi, Kathy Reid, Helen Spade and Edward Wielgus.

Board Members Not Present

Annette Giovengo Nolish

Also Present

Dr. Patrick Mannarino, Dr. Jeff Taylor, David Hall, Valerie Mengine, Michael J. Witherel, Esq., Amanda Hartle, Kris Kaufmann and student representative Olav Carter.

Persons Signing the Register

None

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 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 Arlene Bender, Thomas Kelly, Sandra Kozera, Allison Mathis, Louis Nudi, Kathy Reid, Helen Spade and Edward Wielgus, along with Dr. Patrick Mannarino. Mr. Hall joined the Board to discuss one item, and Dr. Taylor joined the Board to discuss one item.

Student Performance

Ms. Lisa Marcellus and members of the cast of Aladdin, Jr. performed “A Whole New World” from the upcoming middle school winter musical.

Public Recognition

January is School Director Recognition month in Pennsylvania. As such, district librarians organized a presentation whereby several district students presented books to individual board members. The books were selected with each board member’s interest in mind, and will then be donated to the school libraries. Katherine McGoey presented the book *Here We Are* to Mr. Wielgus. Shelby Ponaitowski presented the book *Life* to Dr. Nolish. Amelia Schultz presented the book *Star Wars Coding Projects* to Mr. Kelly. Isabella Downes presented the book *Javascript for Kids: A Playful Introduction to Programming* to Mr. Witherel. Colter Mathis presented the book *Trash Magic: A Book About Recycling a Plastic Bottle* to Mrs. Mathis (his mother). Cole Jesz presented the book *Moo* to Mrs. Spade. Reed Jesz presented the book *Good News, Bad News* to Mrs. Bender. Julia Addink presented the book *Super Women: Six Scientists Who Changed the World* to Mrs. Reid. Kevin Tian presented the book *Girls Who Code* to Ms. Kozera. Olav Carter presented the book *Endurance: A Year in Space, a Lifetime* to Mr. Nudi. Sydney Burkhardt presented the book “*Wonder*” to Mrs. Rieger.

Board Member Comments

None.

Public Comments on Agenda Items

None

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Wielgus seconded by Mrs. Bender and unanimously passed to approve the minutes from the December 5, 2017 Reorganization Meeting and the December 5, 2017 Work Session/Legislative Meeting.

Solicitor's Report

None

Student Representatives' Reports

Olav Carter presented his report on Activities for January.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Mannarino presented his Points of Pride for January.

Presentation

Mr. Peter Vancheri of Hosack, Specht, Muetzell and Wood, LLP, presented the results of the Audited Financial Statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017.

AGENDA ITEMS:

EDUCATION

1. A motion was made by Mrs. Mathis, seconded by Mrs. Bender and unanimously **passed to approve Ready to Learn Grant**, as per document 1, as recommended by the Superintendent.
2. A motion was made by Mrs. Mathis, seconded by Mrs. Bender and unanimously **passed to approve the Pilot Expansion of the Summer Literacy Program**, as per document 2, as recommended by the Superintendent.
3. A motion was made by Mrs. Mathis, seconded by Mrs. Bender and unanimously **passed to approve Project Lead the Way Grant Proposal**, as per document 3, as recommended by the Superintendent.

ATHLETICS AND ACTIVITIES

1. A motion was made by Ms. Kozera, seconded by Mrs. Spade and unanimously passed to approve the **Contract with Ross Township for Off-Duty Police Support** as per document 1, as recommended by the Superintendent.

2. A motion was made by Ms. Kozera, seconded by Mrs. Spade and unanimously passed to **approve the Field Trip Request for Varsity Baseball Spring Training Trip to Myrtle Beach, SC**, as per document 2, as recommended by the Superintendent.

3. A motion was made by Ms. Kozera, seconded by Mrs. Spade and unanimously passed to **approve the Field Trip Request for Future Business Leaders of America competition trip to Hershey, PA**, as per document 3, as recommended by the Superintendent.

A.W. BEATTIE CAREER CENTER

Mrs. Bender announced the November/December Students of the Month: Brennan McCloud for Automotive Technology; Mya N. Stevey for Cosmetology; Elija Peterson for Culinary; Krista L. Leffakis for Early Childhood Education; David G. Vrana for HVAC; and Alex M. Dietrich for SMART-EST.

PERSONNEL

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.

RESIGNATIONS

First Name	Last Name	Position	Location	Effective	Type
Kelli	Oliverio	food service worker	Ross	December 21, 2017	resignation
Kecia	Morway	paraprofessional	Ross	December 2, 2017	resignation
Mary Lou	Bassett	custodian	High School	January 3, 2018	resignation w/Intent to Retire
Janet	Interthal	custodian	High School	February 8, 2018	resignation w/Intent to Retire

Ondrejana	Zatek	MS Head Boys' Volleyball Coach		December 18, 2017	resignation
Anna	Sondergard	MS Head and Varsity Head Girls' Volleyball Coach		December 19, 2017	resignation

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.

First Name	Last Name	Rate	Position	Location	Effective
Caitlin	Evans	annual salary of \$30,900	LTS Health & Physical Education Teacher	Sr. High	for the second semester of the 2017-18 school year
Joseph	Snyder	\$698	Middle School Musical Technical Director		17-18 s/y
Julie	Heinl	\$2,277	Middle School Assistant Softball Coach		17-18 s/y
Timothy	Wittig	\$2,974	Varsity Assistant Softball Coach		17-18 s/y
Eric	Snyder	\$3,234	Varsity Assistant Baseball Coach		17-18 s/y
David	Sentner	\$2,583	Head 9th Grade Baseball Coach		17-18 s/y
Rebecca	Edwards	\$95/day plus graduated substitute teacher increases	long-term substitute teaching assistant	McIntyre	approx 1/22/18 - end of the 17/18
Rachel	Brant	\$95/day plus graduated substitute teacher increases	long-term substitute paraprofessional	McIntyre	January 8, 2018
Lyndsay	Piette	\$40/hr.	homebound instructor		17-18 s/y

Sarah	Emanuel	pro-rated annual salary of \$31,000	long-term substitute math teacher	Middle School	January 2, 2018 through April 30, 2018, including transition days on December 18, 19th and May 1st
Rebecca	Edwards	continued pro-rated annual salary of \$31,000	Long-Term Substitute Grade 5 Teacher	McIntyre	1/2/18- approx. 1/22/18
Ashliegh	Gorman	pro-rated \$31,000	perm sub 1/2/19- approx 2/23/18 - 4/16/18 & LTS Math Tch approx 2/23/18 - 4/16/18	Middle School	January 2, 2018
Shelby	Pepmeyer	\$14.01/hr.	Saturday Detention Teaching Assistant	West View	January 6, 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

Daniel Derby – from .5 faculty manager to full-time faculty manager; stipend amount of \$2,790 for the remaining 117 days in the 2017-18 school year. Full stipend will be \$5,580 for the 2018-19 school year, effective December 5, 2017.

Deborah Gross – from head cook at the middle school to head cook at the high school, at the rate of \$18.60/hour, effective January 2, 2018.

Anna Furgiuele – from substitute food service worker to general worker #4 at Ross Elementary, at the rate of \$12.50/hour, effective January 2, 2018.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

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

Dana Gorajewski – Health & Physical Education Teacher at the high school; health sabbatical effective for the second semester of the 2017-18 school year.

JOB DESCRIPTIONS

A motion was made by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mrs. Spade and unanimously **passed to approve Job Descriptions** – Building Technician, as per document 5, 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 Memoranda of Understanding**, as per document 6, as recommended by the Superintendent. The MOU with ESPA relates to retroactive pay for employees who retired under the provisions of the expired contract. The MOU with NHEA relates to substitutes, compensatory time, separation pay benefits, retirement or resignation allotment, compensation for curriculum work, etc., teaching schedules, and paid time off.

COMMUNITY AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

A motion was made by Mrs. Reid, seconded by Mrs. Mathis, and unanimously **passed to approve the Revised School Board Meeting Calendar for 2018**, as per document 1, as recommended by the Superintendent.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Mr. Nudi reported that Senate Bill 2 (Education Savings Accounts for Underperforming Schools) was gaining steam and he urged all to contact their legislators and ask them to vote no on this bill. Passage of this bill would be extremely detrimental to public schools, particularly those from schools that are not underperforming.

POLICY

None

FINANCE

A motion was made by Mr. Wielgus, seconded by Mrs. Bender and unanimously passed to **ratify General Fund Bills**, as per document 1, as recommended by the Superintendent. These include checks numbered: 50006 through 50016; 50018 through 50038; 50040 through 50116; 50118 through 50212; 50215 through 50284; and 50286 through 50425.

A motion was made by Mr. Wielgus, seconded by Mrs. Bender and unanimously **passed to ratify Construction Fund Bills**, as per document 2, as recommended by the Superintendent. These include checks numbered: 50213 and 50214.

A motion was made by Mr. Wielgus, seconded by Mrs. Bender and unanimously **passed to approve Capital Project Fund Bills**, as per document 3, as recommended by the Superintendent. These include checks numbered 50117 and 50285.

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

A motion was made by Mr. Wielgus, seconded by Mrs. Bender and unanimously **passed to approve payroll for the month of December 2017 in the amount of \$1,875,003.27**, as per document 5, as recommended by the Superintendent.

A motion was made by Mr. Wielgus, seconded by Mrs. Bender and unanimously **passed to approve the Audited Financial Statements for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017**, as per document 6, as recommended by the Superintendent.

SUPPORT SERVICES

A motion was made by Mr. Wielgus, seconded by Mrs. Bender and unanimously **passed to approve the Change Orders for McIntyre Elementary Construction/Addition project**, as per document 1, as recommended by the Superintendent.

A motion was made by Mr. Wielgus, seconded by Mrs. Bender and unanimously **passed to approve the High School Building Roof Replacement**, as per document 2, as recommended by the Superintendent.

ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Wielgus to adjourn the meeting at 8:04 p.m.

Loretta J. Rieger
School Board Secretary