

**NORTH HILLS SCHOOL DISTRICT  
WORK SESSION/LEGISLATIVE MEETING MINUTES  
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2017  
NORTH HILLS MIDDLE SCHOOL LGI ROOM  
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**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Arlene Bender, Joe Muha, Annette Giovengo Nolish, Louis Nudi, Kathy Reid, Helen Spade, Edward Wielgus and Mike Yeomans.

**BOARD MEMBERS NOT PRESENT**

Thomas Kelly

**ALSO PRESENT**

Dr. Patrick J. Mannarino, Dr. Jeff Taylor, Dr. Johannah Vanatta, David Hall, Valerie Mengine, Denise Haberman and Kris Kaufman. Board Secretary, Lori Rieger was absent. Denise Haberman provided secretarial support to the Board.

**PERSONS SIGNING THE REGISTER**

Janet Lukac, 109 Richmond Circle, Ross Township

Jim Barr, 200 Frankfort Avenue, West View Borough

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Work Session was called to order by Mr. Wielgus at 7:03 p.m. There was a moment of silence and a salute to the flag. Mr. Wielgus announced 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 this evening were Board members Arlene Bender, Joseph Muha, Annette Giovengo Nolish, Louis Nudi, Kathy Reid, Helen Spade, Edward Wielgus, Michael Yeomans, as well as Dr. Patrick Mannarino.

**BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

None.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS**

None.

**AGENDA ITEMS:**

**EDUCATION:**

1. NHSD Comprehensive Plan – PDE requires all school districts to submit a comprehensive plan every three years. The Board previously approved our plan from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2020 last year. However it was not reviewed by the state because of Act 118 of 2016 and PDE required us to resubmit. This comprehensive plan is dated July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2021.
2. AMLE Grant and Presentation – A request for the Board to approve the receipt of a \$2,000 grant award. Also, requested the Board to approve Mrs. Truchan and Mr. Welch to present their winning interdisciplinary project on historical story telling at the Association for Middle Level Educators conference in Hershey, PA.

3. Disposition of Outdated and Obsolete Equipment - Computers – A request for the Board to approve the disposal of approximately 275 obsolete computers and laptops via the Apple Buy-Back Program.

A motion was made by Mrs. Bender and seconded by Mrs. Spade to include Education Items 1 through 3 on the Legislative Meeting agenda for approval.

### **ATHLETICS & ACTIVITIES**

1. NHHS Competition Cheerleading Squad Request to attend Cheerleading Championships in Orlando, Florida – A request for the squad to travel February 8 through February 12, 2018 at no cost to the district.

A motion was made by Mr. Muha and seconded by Dr. Nolish to include Athletics and Activities Item 1 on the Legislative Meeting agenda for approval.

### **A. W. BEATTIE CAREER CENTER**

None

### **PERSONNEL**

1. Resignations
2. Appointments
3. Change of Status
4. Other

A motion was made by Mr. Wielgus and seconded by Mrs. Bender to include Personnel Items 1 through 4 on the Legislative Meeting agenda for approval.

### **POLICY**

1. Policy 217 – Graduation Requirements – First Reading – A request for revisions to this policy to reflect changes in personal fitness requirements as well as required STEAM electives.

### **COMMUNITY & INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS**

1. Donation of Property to Allegheny County Department of Public Works – There is a small parcel of land on Jacks Run Road that is jointly owned by Ross Township, Allegheny County and the North Hills School District. The county is repairing and upgrading Jacks Run Bridge #4 and needs to take a portion of this parcel to complete their project. They asked the district if we would consider donating this portion to avoid the process of taking by eminent domain. The district's portion of land is unusable and not suited for any future development by NHSD.

**FINANCE**

1. General Fund Bills
2. Construction Fund Bills
3. Capital Project Fund Bills
4. Budget Transfers
5. Payroll for the month of August 2017 in the amount of \$2,693,034.94

A motion was made by Dr. Nolish and seconded by Mr. Nudi to include Finance Items 1 through 5 on the Legislative Meeting Agenda for approval.

**SUPPORT SERVICES**

1. Allies for Children Grant and Partnership – A request to approve the MOU and grant for the 2017-18 school year. To Provide training for food service staff, celebrate district efforts to encourage breakfast participation. The district will receive \$3,000 unrestricted funds.

A motion was made by Mrs. Spade and seconded by Mrs. Bender to include Support Services Item 1 on the Legislative Meeting Agenda for approval.

**ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mr. Jim Barr announced that September 17<sup>th</sup> was Constitution Day and wished to remind the district that students should be provided educational lessons on the Constitution.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Wielgus adjourned the Work Session/Legislative Meeting at 7:25 p.m.



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Denise Haberman