

***NORTH STAR SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MARCH 21, 2017***

A Regular Board Meeting of the North Star Board of School Directors was held in the Library at North Star Central Elementary on Tuesday, March 21, 2017 at 7:00 PM.

The meeting was called to order by Board President, Mr. Wayne Lohr, with the following additional board members present: Mr. Marty Blough, Mr. Bernie Carlson, Mrs. Colleen DeLuca, Mr. Mike Revak, Mrs. Cindy West, Mrs. Gina Wiedenhoft

Total members present: 7

Members absent: 2 – Mr. Dave Lichliter (vacation), Mrs. Carol Shaulis

OTHERS ATTENDING... Mr. Louis Lepley, Superintendent; Mrs. Renee Lepley, Elementary Principal; Mrs. Cheryl Slade, Middle School Principal; Mr. Thad Kiesnowski, High School Principal; Mr. Dan Rullo, School Solicitor; Mr. Terry Ohler, Maintenance Supervisor; Miss Sadie Powell, Student School Board Representative; Mr. Stacy Schmitt, Athletic Director; Mrs. Diana Duvall, Board and Superintendent's Secretary.

VISITORS... Mr. Dave Slade, HS Teacher
Mr. Michael Barbera, BCBRM
Mr. Matt Toth, Somerset Daily American

Mrs. Duvall called the Roll and Mr. Lohr led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

AGENDA ADOPTED... On a motion by Mrs. Wiedenhoft, seconded by Mrs. DeLuca and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board adopted the evening's Agenda, as amended.

MINUTES... On a motion by Mr. Revak, seconded by Mrs. DeLuca and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved the Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting of February 14, 2017.

TREASURER'S REPORT... On a motion by Mrs. DeLuca, seconded by Mrs. West and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved the Treasurer's Report for the month ending February 28, 2017, as attached to these Minutes.

PAYMENT OF BILLS... On a motion by Mr. Revak, seconded by Mrs. DeLuca and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved payment of all General, Cafeteria, and Federal Fund bills, as attached to these Minutes.

PUBLIC COMMENT... There was no public comment.

SCHOLARSHIPS... Mr. Ed Denner, retired Business Manager, is setting up a two annual scholarships using funds from his accumulated, unused sick days. The fund will

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be set up with the Community Foundation of the Alleghenies, who will distribute the scholarships to North Star recipients annually.

PSBA VOTING DELEGATES... The Board appointed the following members as voting delegates for the 2017 Delegate Assembly on Friday, Oct. 20, 2017 at the conclusion of the PASA-PSBA School Leadership Conference in Hershey:

- (1) Mrs. Cindy West
- (2) Mr. Wayne Lohr

ORAL CHEMOTHERAPY COVERAGE... On a motion by Mr. Blough, seconded by Mrs. Wiedenhoft and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board opted in to the PA Mandated Health Benefit for oral chemotherapy medications. A copy of the Declaration Form with further details is attached to these Minutes.

TEACHER OF THE MONTH... Mr. Dave Slade was chosen as the March Teacher of the Month. Mr. Slade teaches Technical Education at the High School.

CONSENT AGENDA... On a motion by Mrs. Wiedenhoft, seconded by Mrs. DeLuca, and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved the following items on the Consent Agenda:

1. STAFF TRIPS AND CONFERENCES: (Education/Policy)						
<i>No.</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Conference/Workshop Title</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Date(s)</i>	<i>Cost Estimate</i>	<i>Funding Source</i>
1.	K. Kaltenbaugh (2) M. Mayak (2)	LETRS I	IU8 Ebensburg	2/23/17 (Reaffirm)	\$348.82	T2
2.	M. Weimer (5) S. Vena (4)	LETRS Module 5: Developing Fluency	IU8 Ebensburg	3/10/17 (Reaffirm)	\$302.42	T2
3.	J. Little (4)	ADOS-2 Clinical Workshop	Pittsburgh	5/4-5/17	\$646.60	GF
4.	A. Griffith (6)	Psychological First Aid	Altoona	3/1/17 (Reaffirm)	\$189.44	Act 48
5.	D. Robertson (5)	Language Sample Analysis	IU8 Richland	5/11/17	\$70.00	Act 48
6.	T. Ohler (3)	Allegheny Supply & Trade Seminar	Altoona	3/30/17	\$62.06	GF
7.	Risch (5)	Code.org Fundamentals Computer Science Workshop	IU8 Altoona	5/9/17	\$170.16	T2
2. STUDENT TRIPS: (Education/Policy)						
<i>No.</i>	<i>Teacher/Requestor</i>	<i>Student/Group</i>	<i>Destination/Purpose</i>	<i>Date(s)</i>	<i>Estimated Cost</i>	<i>Funding Source</i>
1.	Rhoads, Gallina, K. Zimmerman, M. Kaltenbaugh, Hemmingner, Walker, MK Putman	5 th Grade (79)	UPJ Pasquerilla Center Young People's Concert	4/11/17	\$205.24	GF
2.	Bowers	Guidance (5)	UPJ	3/24/17	\$70.86	GF
3.	Etris, Mayak, Rosa, Salyers, Seibert, Fausey, Kaltenbaugh, Timulak, Zimmerman	3 rd & 4 th Grades (194)	Mountain Playhouse	5/8/17 Morning	\$202.56	PTO
4.	Hostetler, Lichvar, McDannell, Wilson, DeBlase, Fox, Landis, Putman, Komula, Buncich, Frampton, Lichtenfels, Powell	Kdgn, 1 st & 2 nd Grades (265)		5/8/17 Afternoon	\$270.08	PTO

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5.	Bowser, Vena, Baltzer, Phoenix	6 th Grade (75)	Fort Ligonier	5/9/17	\$377.05	GF
6.	DeLuca	HS History Students (10)	Penn State Fayette (Eberly Campus)	3/9/17 (Reaffirm)	\$156.89	GF
7.	Boyd	Middle School Students (30)	To put flags at local cemeteries.	5/16/17	\$144.28	GF
8.	C. Lohr	Ollies, JoAnn Fabric, Arby's, Outhouse	Life Skills (6)	3/17/17	\$114.06	GF
9.	Skerl, Barnick	Pre-K Class (25)	Johnstown Children's Museum	4/20/17	\$148.94	T1
10.	Barron, H. Baltzer, C. Blackner, Boyd, Feathers, Wood, Sarver, Nurse	7 th Grade (80)	Lincoln Caverns	5/8/17	\$720.00 \$779.53	MS Student Activity GF
11.	Szczur	Archery Outdoorsman (12)	Shade Sportsman	3/24/17	\$376.69	Archery Club
12.	M. Blucas, Evans	HS Learning Support (10)	Yough River Lake	5/4/17	\$316.55	GF
13.	C. Lohr	Life Skills (6)	Altmyers, Corner Coffee Shop, Value It, Sweet Frog	3/24/17	\$58.28	GF
14.	K. Duryea, Statler, Balsley, Carbonara	Senior Class	Hershey Park	5/12/17	\$0	Sr. Class
15.	K. Duryea	LS Transition to Work Students (11)	Somerset - CVS Warehouse, Wendy's, SCTC	3/22/17 (Reaffirm)	\$92.48	Sp Ed Performance Grant
16.			Career Link @ GJCTC Wendy's Somerset, SCTC	3/30/17	\$142.14	

3. TEACHER SUBSTITUTES: (Personnel/Grievance)

No.	Name	Certification
1.	Mrs. Melanie Kennell, Somerset <i>(pending completion of paperwork)</i>	Grades PK-4

4. STUDENT TEACHERS / OBSERVERS: (Personnel/Grievance)

No.	Name	
1.	Mrs. Melanie Kennell, Somerset	To observe in 2 special education classrooms during the Spring semester

COACH RESIGNATIONS... On a motion by Mr. Revak, seconded by Mrs. DeLuca and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board regrettably accepted the following coach resignations and granted approval to advertise as needed:

			Effective
a.	Mrs. Karen Walker	Head Jr. High Forensics	February 24, 2017
b.	Mrs. Carolyn Mullen	Assistant Rifle	March 2, 2017

EXTRA MUSIC POSITIONS... On a motion by Mr. Revak, seconded by Mrs. DeLuca and carried by Roll Call vote, the Board hired Mr. Ian Dively for the following extracurricular music positions for the 2016-2017 school year:

a.	Stage Crew/Lighting & Sound	\$197.38	Pro-rated from Feb. 13, 2017
b.	Music Director – Musical	\$300.00	
c.	Vocal Coach – Musical	\$675.00	

YES – 6 – Mr. Revak, Mrs. DeLuca, Mr. Blough, Mr. Carlson, Mrs. Wiedenhoft, Mr. Lohr

NO – 1 – Mrs. West

ABSENT – 2 – Mr. Lichliter, Mrs. Shaulis

Motion carried 6 – 1 – 2

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COACHES/ADVISORS... On a motion by Mr. Revak, seconded by Mrs. DeLuca and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board hired the following coaches/advisors for the 2017-2018 school year, at salaries determined by the NSEA contract being negotiated:

a.	Ms. Courtney Blackner	Head Jr. High Forensics
b.	Mr. Chad Duryea	Head Varsity Boys' Soccer (on step – no break in service)

CHARTER BUS FOR PLAYOFF GAMES... On a motion by Mr. Revak, seconded by Mrs. DeLuca and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board reaffirmed approval for the district to fund a charter bus for play-off games outside of a 50 mile radius. (changed from a 75 mile radius)

SOCCER CO-OP... On a motion by Mr. Revak, seconded by Mr. Blough and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board granted approval to explore a possible Varsity Boys' Soccer Co-Op with Johnstown Christian School.

JELLY BEAN MULCH... On a motion by Mrs. DeLuca, seconded by Mr. Revak and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved the purchase of Jelly Bean Mulch for the elementary playground from Nicco LLC of Houston, Texas at a cost of \$24,200.00 delivered. (COSTARS Vendor)

CAFETERIA REPORT... On a motion by Mr. Carlson, seconded by Mr. Revak and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved the Cafeteria Monthly Report for the month ending February 28, 2017 as included in your board mailing.

SCHOOL BOARD POLICY ADOPTED... On a motion by Mrs. West, seconded by Mr. Carlson and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board adopted the following 000 Section School Board Policies following last month's First Reading:

Policy #	000 Section – Local Board Procedures
000	Board Policy/Procedure/Administrative Regulations
001	Name and Classification
002	Authority and Powers
003	Functions
004	Membership
004.1	Student School Board – DELETED – Procedural administrative regulation
005	Organization
006	Meetings
007	Policy Manual Access
008	Administrative Organization/Organizational Chart – DELETED – Procedural administrative regulation
011	Principles for Governance and Leadership

MANDATED REPORTER TRAINING... On a motion by Mrs. West, seconded by Mr. Blough and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board granted approval to schedule the staff Mandated Reporter Training for next school year, at a cost of \$600.00, to be paid out of the 2017-2018 budget.

REVISED 2016-2017 CALENDAR... The 2016-2017 school calendar was revised due to recent snow days. Graduation and the last day of school will remain on May 26, 2017. See copy attached to these Minutes.

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RTI INFORMATION... The District has received approval from PDE/Bureau of Special Education to use Response to Intervention for Specific Learning Determination in Reading in Grades K-4 at Central Elementary School.

CAMCO AGREEMENT... On a motion by Mrs. West, seconded by Mrs. DeLuca and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved the renewal Agreement with CAMCO PT/OT, LLC to provide physical and occupational therapy services to students with special needs for period of August 1, 2017 through July 31, 2019.

2017-2018 SCTC BUDGET... On a motion by Mrs. Wiedenhoft, seconded by Mrs. DeLuca and carried by Roll Call vote, the Board approved the Resolution to adopt the Somerset County Technology Center's proposed Secondary Budget for the 2017-2018 Fiscal Year in the amount of \$4,478,593.98 General Fund and \$436,195.00 Debt Service for a total of \$4,914,788.98.

YES – 7 – Mrs. Wiedenhoft, Mrs. DeLuca, Mr. Blough, Mr. Carlson, Mr. Revak,
Mrs. West, Mr. Lohr

NO – 0

ABSENT – 2 – Mr. Lichliter, Mrs. Shaulis

Motion carried 7-0-2

On a motion by Mrs. Wiedenhoft, seconded by Mrs. DeLuca and carried by Roll Call vote, the Board approved the Resolution to adopt the Somerset County Technology Center's proposed Adult Budget for the 2017-2018 Fiscal Year in the amount of \$1,587,005.37.

YES – 7 – Mrs. Wiedenhoft, Mrs. DeLuca, Mr. Blough, Mr. Carlson, Mr. Revak,
Mrs. West, Mr. Lohr

NO – 0

ABSENT – 2 – Mr. Lichliter, Mrs. Shaulis

Motion carried 7-0-2

2017-2018 IU8 BUDGET... On a motion by Mrs. Wiedenhoft, seconded by Mrs. DeLuca and carried by Roll Call vote, the Board adopted the 2017-2018 Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8 General Operating Budget.

YES – 7 – Mrs. Wiedenhoft, Mrs. DeLuca, Mr. Blough, Mr. Carlson, Mr. Revak,
Mrs. West, Mr. Lohr

NO – 0

ABSENT – 2 – Mr. Lichliter, Mrs. Shaulis

Motion carried 7-0-2

AIDE RESIGNATION... On a motion by Mr. Blough, seconded by Mrs. DeLuca and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board regretfully accepted the resignation of Mrs. Crystal Sprock as a 5 hour educational assistant at Central Elementary, effective February 22, 2017 and reaffirmed approval to advertise the position as needed.

EMPLOYMENT DISCONTINUED... On a motion by Mr. Blough, seconded by Mrs. DeLuca and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board discontinued the employment of Ms. Tiffany Turner as a 5 hour cafeteria worker at the Middle School, effective at the end of the work day on February 16, 2017, and reaffirmed approval to advertise the position. Ms. Turner was still within her 60 work day probationary period.

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ELIGIBLE FOR TENURE... The following teachers will be eligible for Tenure at the end of the 2016-2017 school year, conditional upon receiving their third year of satisfactory teaching evaluations at the conclusion of the school year:

a.	Mrs. Diane Feathers	Middle School	7 th Grade Reading
b.	Ms. Ashley Griffith	High School	History
c.	Mrs. Kelly Kaltenbaugh	Central Elem	3 rd Grade
d.	Mr. Salvatore Lascari	High School	History
e.	Ms. Laura Zubal	Central Elem	Title I Reading Specialist

TEACHER AIDE HIRED... On a motion by Mr. Blough, seconded by Mrs. Wiedenhoft and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board hired Mr. Kevin Fondelier of Jenners as a 5 hour educational assistant at Central Elementary, to begin on March 22, 2017, at a rate of \$7.25 per hour, increasing to \$7.60 per hour after successful completion of a 60 work-day probationary period.

EXECUTIVE SESSION... On a motion by Mrs. DeLuca, seconded by Mr. Revak and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board went into Executive Session to discuss personnel at 8:13 PM.

On a motion by Mr. Revak, seconded by Mrs. West and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board came out of Executive Session at 8:37 PM.

UNPAID LEAVE... On a motion by Mr. Blough, seconded by Mr. Revak and carried by Roll Call vote, the Board granted a request by an elementary teacher for 7 days of unpaid leave for a mission trip teaching opportunity in Africa. Employee #008087

YES – 6 – Mr. Blough, Mr. Revak, Mr. Carlson, Mrs. DeLuca, Mrs. West,
Mrs. Wiedenhoft

NO – 1 – Mr. Wayne Lohr

ABSENT – 2 – Mr. Lichliter, Mrs. Shaulis

Motion passed 6 – 1 – 2

On a motion by Mr. Blough, seconded by Mr. Revak and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board granted a request for unpaid leave for medical purposes for a 5 hour educational assistant at Central Elementary, starting on March 23, 2017 as needed through the end of the school year. Employee #014035

ADJOURNMENT... On a motion by Mr. Revak, seconded by Mrs. Wiedenhoft and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Regular Board Meeting was adjourned at 8:41 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved,

Diana L. Duvall, Secretary
Board of Directors
North Star School District

B. Wayne Lohr, President
Board of Directors
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