

***NORTH STAR SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER 4, 2017***

A Regular Board Meeting of the North Star Board of School Directors was held in the Library at North Star Central Elementary on Monday, December 4, 2017 immediately following the Annual Reorganization Meeting at 7:00 PM.

CALL TO ORDER... The Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM with the following board members in attendance:

Mr. Marty Blough
Mr. Bernie Carlson
Mrs. Colleen DeLuca
Mr. Chad Kaltenbaugh
Mr. Mike Revak
Mrs. Cindy West
Mrs. Gina Wiedenhoft

Total sitting members present: 7

Absences: 2 Mrs. Carol Shaulis
Vacancy – Region 3

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. Louis Lepley, Superintendent; Mr. Michael Barbera, School Solicitor; Mr. Brandon Studer, Business Manager; Mr. Thad Kiesnowski, High School Principal; Mrs. Cheryl Slade, Middle School Principal; Mrs. Renee Lepley, Elementary Principal; Mr. Terry Ohler, Maintenance Supervisor; Mrs. Nancy Wojnarowski, Assistant Business Manager; Mrs. Diana Duvall, Board and Superintendent's Secretary

VISITORS: Mr. Harold "Bud" Graham
Ms. Sue Stager
Mrs. Gail Charlton
Mr. Robbie Bloom
Mr. Vaughn Bloom
Mr. Joshua Bloom
Mrs. Monica Morrill
Mrs. Tracey Koontz (Teacher of the Month)
Mr. Eric Keita (Somerset Daily American)

ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE... Mrs. Duvall called the roll. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited by the group at the Reorganization Meeting.

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

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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 November 14, 2017.

TREASURER’S REPORT... On a motion by Mrs. West, seconded by Mrs. DeLuca and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved the Treasurer’s Report for the month ending November 30, 2017.

PAYMENT OF BILLS... On a motion by Mrs. DeLuca, seconded by Mrs. West 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 general public comment. During the public comment period, the Board turned attention to the persons in attendance who sent letters of interest to the Board seeking the vacant school board seat in Region 3.

SCHOOL BOARD DIRECTOR APPOINTED... These four individuals sent letters of interest to the Board and were given the opportunity to introduce themselves and talk about their interest in being appointed to the vacancy in Region 3:

- Mrs. Monica Morrill, Stoystown Borough
- Mrs. Gail Charlton, Quemahoning Township
- Mr. Harold “Bud” Graham, Quemahoning Township
- Mr. Robbie Bloom, Quemahoning Township

Following introductions and brief summations of interest, Mrs. West moved that Mrs. Gail Charlton be appointed to the vacant seat in Region 3. There was no second, and the motion died.

On a motion by Mrs. DeLuca, seconded by Mr. Carlson and followed by Roll Call vote, the Board appointed **Mr. Robbie D. Bloom of Hooversville** to the vacant seat in Region 3 for a two-year term until the municipal election in 2019.

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

NO – 0

Absent – 1 – Mrs. Shaulis

Motion to appoint Mr. Bloom passed 7-0-1

Mr. Bloom must be sworn in before a notary public before he may participate as a voting member.

TEACHER OF THE MONTH... Mrs. Tracey Koontz was selected as the December 2017 Teacher of the Month. Mrs. Koontz teaches Health and Physical Education at the high school.

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

1. STAFF TRIPS AND CONFERENCES: (Education/Policy)						
No.	Name	Conference/Workshop Title	Location	Date(s)	Cost Estimate	Funding Source
1.	T. Crisafulli (1)	PVCA Coaches Clinic	State College	12/1-2/17 (Reaffirm)	\$420.09	EC
2.	T. Rosa (3) A. Fausey (2) E. McDannell (1) T. Custer (2)	GO Math! Summit	IU8 Altoona	1/17/18	\$776.52	T2
3.	S. Mrosko (2)	PETE & C Conference (PA Educational Tech Expo & Conference)	Hershey	2/12-14/18	\$1,396.44	T2
4.	C. Duryea (2)				\$1,389.99	
5.	A. Borodach (2)				\$1,463.95	
6.	A. Salyers (1)				\$1,418.96	
7.	A. Fox (2) H. Komula (3) E. McDannell (2)	Dibels Math Data Interpretation	PaTTAN Pittsburgh	3/15/18	\$513.90	T2
8.	M. Garman (3)	PDE Data Summit 2018	Hershey	3/25-28/18	\$998.64	GF
9.	B. Carlson (1)				\$981.60	
10.	J. Pritts (1)				\$982.44	
11.	S. St.Clair (5)				\$954.95	
12.	D. Robertson (3)	Establishing Basic Skill Sets for Students with ASD	PaTTAN Harrisburg	1/17-18/18	\$349.60	T2
2. STUDENT TRIPS: (Education/Policy)						
No.	Teacher/Requestor	Student/Group	Destination/Purpose	Date(s)	Estimated Cost	Funding Source
1.	C. Lohr, M. Weimer	Life Skills, Autistic Support	SCTC, Dollar Store	12/8/17	\$112.50	GF
2.	7-8 gr teachers/aides (13)	Middle School Gr. 7-8. (163)	Richland Cinemas to see the movie "Wonder" compliments of the Shaffer family and Somerset Trust (See letter in your mailing)	12/13/17	\$0	Tyler Shaffer Scholarship Fund & Somerset Trust
3.	5-6 gr teachers/aides (12)	MS Student Gr. 5-6 (195)		12/14/17		
3. TEACHER SUBSTITUTES: (Personnel/Grievance)						
No.	Name	Certification				
1.	Ms. Elrita Graham, Johnstown	IU8 Substitute				
4. STUDENT TEACHER: (Personnel/Grievance)						
No.	Name	Mentor Teacher				
1.	Mr. Bradley Walker, UPJ, SCED English	Mrs. Diane Feathers' Middle School classroom, 7 th Grade Reading Pre-student teacher mentor in the Spring of 2018 (2/5 – 4/20/18) Student teacher mentor in the Fall of 2018				

RIFLE TEAM PARTICIPATION... On a motion by Mrs. DeLuca, seconded by Mr. Revak and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved the following revision in the Extracurricular Handbook pertaining to the "No Cut Philosophy" for the Rifle Team: "Safety and practical concerns may require the limitation of *active* participants on the rifle team. All students who successfully pass the Rifle Safety Course will be considered team members."

VOLLEYBALL TEAM AA DIVISION... The girls' volleyball team will continue to compete in the AA division for the 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 school years.

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CAFETERIA REPORT... Due to the early meeting date, there will be no cafeteria report this month – two reports will be presented in January.

FOOTWEAR FOR CAFETERIA WORKERS... On a motion by Mr. Carlson, seconded by Mrs. DeLuca and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved a practice for cafeteria workers to wear non-slip shoes for safety reasons and to comply with school board policy requiring dress consistent with the needs of the job to be performed.

BOARD POLICY ADOPTED... On a motion by Mrs. West, seconded by Mr. Revak and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board adopted the following school board policies following last month’s First Reading:

- a. Policy #150 – Title I Comparability of Services
- b. Policy #819 – Suicide Awareness, Prevention and Response

INFORMATION: BOTVIN LIFESKILLS TRAINING... The Middle School will add the Botvin LifeSkills Training Prescription Drug Abuse Prevention Module for students in grades 6-9 to its current curriculum beginning this school year.

MTG CLUB TABLED... On a motion by Mrs. West, seconded by Mrs. DeLuca and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board tabled the proposed after-school Magic the Gathering Club (MTG) at the Middle School until additional information is gathered.

END OF YEAR BILLS... On a motion by Mrs. Wiedenhoft, seconded by Mrs. DeLuca and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved payment of any bills necessary to close the calendar year ending December 31, 2017.

CAFETERIA WORKER HIRED... On a motion by Mr. Kaltenbaugh, seconded by Mrs. DeLuca and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board hired the following cafeteria worker at the hourly rate set by the new NSESPA contract, to be cross-trained to work in any building:

	Name	Hours/Assignment	Retroactive Start Date
a.	Ms. Janet Shaulis	Middle School – 5 hrs	11/30/17

SUPPORT STAFF PROBATION INFORMATION...

	Name	Position	30 th Day ½ way point	60 th Day - Last day of probation
a.	Mrs. Breanna Harmon	5 hr cafeteria worker Middle School	1/18/18	3/2/18

TENURE INFORMATION... Mrs. Jaclyn Winters (8th grade science) was granted tenure from the Turkeyfoot Valley SD in November. North Star will issue her a permanent contract to replace her temporary contract since her tenure was not official when she was hired in August.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION... On a motion by Mrs. DeLuca, seconded by Mr. Carlson and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board went into Executive Session to discuss labor relations at 7:52 PM.

On a motion by Mr. Revak, seconded by Mrs. Wiedenhoft and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board came out of Executive Session at 8:32 PM.

ADJOURNMENT... On a motion by Mr. Revak, seconded by Mrs. Wiedenhoft and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Regular Board Meeting adjourned at 8:32 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved,

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

Martin E. Blough, President
Board of Directors
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