

***NORTH STAR SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
APRIL 11, 2017***

A Regular Meeting of the North Star Board of School Directors was held in the Library at North Star Central Elementary on Tuesday, April 11, 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. Dave Lichliter, Mr. Mike Revak, Mrs. Cindy West, and Mrs. Gina Wiedenhoft

Total members present: 8

Members absent: 1 – Mrs. Carol Shaulis (illness)

OTHERS ATTENDING... Mr. Louis Lepley, Superintendent; Mr. Brandon Studer, Business Manager; Mrs. Renee Lepley, Elementary Principal; Mrs. Cheryl Slade, Middle School Principal; Mr. Thad Kiesnowski, High School Principal; Mr. Terry Ohler, Maintenance Supervisor; Mr. Stacy Schmitt, Athletic Director; and Mrs. Diana Duvall, Board and Superintendent's Secretary

VISITORS... Mr. Michael Barbera, BCBRM
Mr. Matthew Toth, Somerset Daily American
Mrs. Adrienne Wilson, NS Teacher

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 Mr. Revak, seconded by Mrs. DeLuca and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board adopted the evening's Agenda, as amended.

MINUTES... On a motion by Mrs. DeLuca, seconded by Mrs. West and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved the Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting of March 21, 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 March 31, 2017.

PAYMENT OF BILLS... On a motion by Mr. Lichliter, 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.

APRIL TEACHER OF THE MONTH... Mrs. Adrienne Wilson was chosen as April's Teacher of the Month. Mrs. Wilson teaches second grade at Central Elementary.

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2017-2018 STUDENT SCHOOL BOARD REPRESENTATIVE... Christopher Koontz was selected to serve as the student school board representative for the 2017-2018 school year. Christopher will be a Junior at NS High School.

CONSENT AGENDA... On a motion by Mrs. Wiedenhoft seconded by Mr. Revak, 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. Pelesky (2)	Recognizing & Reporting Child Abuse	Somerset	4/7/17	\$16.42	GF
2.	J. Little (5)	Western PA Stands Up to Bullying	Westmoreland IU	4/10/17	\$0	--
3.	B. Shontofski (3)	Dept. of Health Update	SCTC	4/11/17	\$58.86	Act 48
4.	A. Salyers (4)	Code.org's CS Fundamentals	IU8 Altoona	5/9/17	\$189.44	T2
5.	C. Lintz (1)	PSERS Employers 2017 Spring Workshop	IU8 Ed Tech Center	5/10/17	\$36.05	GF
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.	K. Duryea	LS Transition to Work Students (15)	Somerset – CVS Warehouse, Wendys; SCTC	3/22/17	\$92.48	Sp Ed Performance Grant
2.	K. Duryea	LS Transition to Work Students (15)	Career Link, Wendys, SCTC	3/30/17	\$142.14	Sp Ed Performance Grant
3.	C. Lohr	Life Skills (6)	SCTC; Rey Azteca; Walmart	3/31/17	\$127.58	GF
4.	Egal, Lynch, Gallina, Saylor, Griffith	MS/HS Reading Competition Teams (24)	Forest Hills Jr./Sr. HS	4/4/17	\$439.16	GF
5.	Egal, Lynch, Gallina	5 th & 6 th Reading Competition Teams (24)	Forest Hills Jr./Sr. HS	4/6/17	\$314.50	GF
6.	C. Lohr	Life Skills (6)	Goodwill, Hiram G. Andrews	4/6/17	\$115.62	GF
7.	Adams, Kohler, Shaffer, Shotts, Blackner, Wilt	Guidance (78)	SCTC	5/4/17	\$160.52	GF
8.	Mishko	French Club (26)	Carnegie Art Museum, Pittsburgh. (Registration and transportation paid through Carnegie grant)	4/27/17	\$115.00 (Substitute)	GF
9.	C. Slade	Middle School (311)	MS students going to see the HS musical	4/28/17	\$473.60	GF
10.	H. Baltzer, Z. Vena	MS 6 th & 7 th gr. math students (16)	Math Tournament - Central Cambria Middle School	5/10/17	\$325.00	GF
11.	A. Baltzer, Bowser, Phoenix, Z. Vena, Berkebile, J. Zimmerman, Scrimager, M. Shotts	6 th Grade (75)	Camp Sequanota Trip	5/18/17	\$1,675.74 \$50.88 \$50.88 (Return trips)	Student Council/GF
12.	C. Lohr	Life Skills (6)	Pittsburgh Zoo	4/11/17	\$356.38	GF

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3. TEACHER SUBSTITUTES: (Personnel/Grievance)		
<i>No.</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Certification</i>
1.	Mr. Raymond Jacob, Johnstown	IU8 Substitute
2.	Ms. Ashley Ruffing, Johnstown (pending paperwork)	Social Studies 7-12
4. MISCELLANEOUS:		
1.	Permission to advertise for teacher, support and custodian substitutes as needed.	
5. TRANSPORTATION DRIVERS		
1.	Ms. Deanna Marker, Boswell	Griffith Transportation

EXTRACURRICULAR RESIGNATIONS... On a motion by Mr. Revak, seconded by Mr. Lichliter and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board regretfully accepted the following extracurricular resignations and granted approval to advertise the vacant positions:

			<i>Effective</i>
a.	Ms. Billie Jo Miller	Technical Design – School Musical	Dec. 31, 2016
b.	Mr. Barry McVicker	Head Jr. High Girls’ Basketball Coach	April 11, 2017
c.	Mr. Kent Biery	Head Jr. High Boys’ Basketball Coach	April 10, 2017

SATURDAY SUSPENSION/DETENTION... On a motion by Mr. Revak, seconded by Mrs. DeLuca and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board reaffirmed the following teachers to serve as Saturday suspension/detention advisors for the 2016-2017 school year at a rate of \$23 per hour:

a.	Mr. Chad Duryea
b.	Mr. Jordan Zimmerman

MUSICAL VOLUNTEERS... On a motion by Mr. Revak, seconded by Mrs. DeLuca and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved the following volunteers for the 2016-2017 school musical:

a.	Mr. Ethan Leydig	Lighting Design – School Musical
b.	Mrs. Lisa Strasiser	Technical Design – School Musical

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 March 31, 2017.

SCHOOL BOARD POLICY FIRST READING... On a motion by Mrs. West, seconded by Mrs. DeLuca and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved the First Reading of the 100 Programs Section of School Board Policy, per the list attached to these Minutes.

SERVICE CONTRACTS APPROVED... On a motion by Mrs. West, seconded by Mr. Lichliter and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved the following contract agreements:

	<i>Agency</i>	<i>Services</i>	<i>Rate</i>
a.	Bedford Somerset DBHS 8/1/2016 – 6/30/2017	Contract Addendum to increase the hours of service and contract cap.	\$54 per hr (No change)
b.	BAYADA Home Health Care, Inc. 7/1/2017 – 6/30/2018	In-school home health care services for a student.	\$22.50 per hr (No change)

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EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR... On a motion by Mrs. West, seconded by Mr. Lichliter and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board granted approval to provide and staff a summer Extended School Year Program during the month of July 2017, paid through 2017-2018 IDEA-B funds.

<i>Students</i>	7 in-house students currently qualify for ESY Outside placement students who qualify will attend at their assigned placements		
<i>When/Where</i>	3 days per week, 3 hrs per day – July 5, 6, 11, 12, 13, 18, 19, 20, 25, 26, 27, 2017 9:00 AM – 12:00 Noon – NS High School		
<i>Teacher</i>	Mrs. Cathy Lohr	4 hrs per day	8:30 – 12:30
<i>Aide</i>	Mrs. Barbara Bittner	3.5 hrs per day	8:45 – 12:15
<i>Rate</i>	Paid hourly according the rates determined by their new contracts.		
<i>Other costs</i>	Transportation will be arranged and provided by the district.		

IU8 POLICIES AND PROCEDURES... On a motion by Mrs. West, seconded by Mrs. DeLuca and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved the 2017-2018 IU8 Funding Distribution and Notice of Adoption of Policies, Procedures and Use of Funds by the North Star SD.

PARENT TRANSPORTATION... On a motion by Mr. Blough, seconded by Mrs. DeLuca and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved a parent transportation agreement to assume responsibility for a student to attend Robert Ketterer Charter School in the 2016-2017 school year, 3 days per week, at the IRS mileage rate of .535 cents per mile round trip.

BUDGET MEETING SCHEDULED... There will be a Special Meeting of the North Star School Board on Tuesday, May 2, 2017, at 6:00 PM at Central Elementary for discussion of the 2017-2018 Preliminary Budget.

COPIER PAPER... On a motion by Mrs. Wiedenhoft, seconded by Mr. Blough and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved the purchase of white copier paper this school year (2016-2017) through the 2017-2018 IU8 bid price at a cost of \$22.73 per carton for white paper (1 carton = 10 reams), to be delivered in June 2017. 2016-2017 bid price was \$23.94 per carton.

On a motion by Mrs. Wiedenhoft, seconded by Mrs. DeLuca and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved the purchase of colored copier paper for the 2017-2018 school year through the 2017-2018 IU8 bid price at a cost of \$35.92 (1 carton = 10 reams). 2016-2017 bid price was \$36.63 per carton.

QUARTERLY REPORTS... On a motion by Mrs. Wiedenhoft, seconded by Mrs. DeLuca and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board accepted the following Quarterly Reports for the quarter ending March 31, 2017:

- a) High School Activity Fund
- b) Middle School Activity Fund
- c) Central Elementary Activity Fund
- d) Extracurricular Revenue Summary Report
- e) High School Scholarship Fund

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CAFETERIA RETIREMENT/RESIGNATION... On a motion by Mr. Lichliter, seconded by Mrs. DeLuca and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board regretfully accepted the retirement resignation of Mrs. Margaret Mikolich as a 6 hour cafeteria worker at the high school, effective at the end of the 2016-2017 school year, and granted approval to advertise the vacant position.

EMPLOYMENT PROBATION INFORMATION...

<i>Name/position</i>	<i>Start date</i>	<i>½ point</i>	<i>End of probation</i>	<i>Regular employment</i>
Mr. Kevin Fondelier, Aide, Central Elem	3/22/17	5/4/17	9/15/17	9/18/17

IU8 SUBSTITUTE TEACHER PROGRAM... On a motion by Mr. Lichliter, seconded by Mrs. DeLuca and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved continued participation in the Appalachia IU8 Substitute Teacher Program for the 2017-2018 school year a cost of \$500. (no increase)

SUPERINTENDENT CONSORTIUM... On a motion by Mr. Lichliter, seconded by Mrs. DeLuca and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board granted approval for Mr. Lepley to participate in the Central PA Superintendent Consortium through IU8 for the 2017-2018 school year, at a cost of \$1,000.

EXECUTIVE SESSION... On a motion by Mrs. DeLuca, seconded by Mrs. Wiedenhoft and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board went into Executive Session to discuss personnel at 7:28 PM.

Mr. Michael Barbera arrived at 7:31 PM to represent BCBRM.

On a motion by Mrs. West, seconded by Mrs. DeLuca and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board came out of Executive Session at 7:40 PM.

ACT 235 TRAINING... On a motion by Mr. Lichliter, seconded by Mrs. DeLuca and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved Act 235 training participation for four (4) staff members, and payment of a one-time stipend of \$500 each after successful completion of the Act 235 training to cover costs to carry out their Act 235 responsibilities.

UNPAID LEAVE APPROVED... On a motion by Mr. Lichliter, seconded by Mrs. DeLuca and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved two (2) days of unpaid leave for employee #002550, on May 12 (Act 80) and May 15, 2017.

RESOLUTION - BOARD MEMBER RESIGNATION... Moved by Mrs. DeLuca and seconded by Mr. Carlson, to accept the resignation of Mr. David E. Lichliter, Jr. from Region 3 of the Board of School Directors of the North Star School District, Somerset County, Pennsylvania, with regret and thanks for his many years of service and dedication to the District.

Be it further resolved, that the resignation of Mr. Lichliter be effective at this point of the meeting on April 11, 2017.

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HEAD VARSITY GIRLS’ SOCCER COACH... On a motion by Mr. Revak, seconded by Mr. Blough and carried by unanimous voice vote, the board accepted Mr. David E. Lichliter, Jr. as the unpaid Head Varsity Girls’ Soccer Coach for the 2017-2018 school year.

ADJOURNMENT... On a motion by Mr. Blough, seconded by Mr. Revak and carried by unanimous voice vote, the Regular Board Meeting was adjourned at 7:43 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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