

BOARD MINUTES

AN EXECUTIVE SESSION WAS HELD AT 6:00 P.M. TODAY, March 17, 2015 CONCERNING PERSONNEL/LEGAL MATTERS

The regular scheduled meeting of the Palmerton Area School District Board of Directors was held on Tuesday, March 17, 2015, at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Administration Office. President Recker presided.

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

Present: Directors Debski, Gildner, Harry, Myers, Recker, Scherer, Smale and Haas
Absent: Director Yeakel

OTHER ATTENDANCE

Scot Engler - Superintendent, Deb Scheckler – Board Secretary, Matt Sawarynski – Business Manager, Attorney Angela Evans – Solicitor

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:

- Public Budget Meeting is May 5th at HS Auditorium
- Policies for review include the volunteer policy but we do not have the sample policies
- Revised calendar on agenda and snow on Friday

STUDENT REPORT: Charles Debski

- Student Council – Spring Day
- Jr. Class candy sale
- Sr Class candy fundraiser
- FBLA had career speakers and community service
- NHS two more dates for volunteer at St John’s church dinner
- SS – Carbon County meet.
- Blood Drive is April 3rd
- Marking period five started on Friday

BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT: Matt – Budget Report

- At January workshop we had a deficit of 1.4 million
- \$330,000 improvement which puts the deficit at 1.1 million dollars now

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Mr. George Ashman

- Advised to check on Blood Drive date

CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED

Director Scherer moved, seconded by Director Debski that the Board of Directors of the Palmerton Area School District approve the following consent agenda.

Aye Votes: All Directors Present
Nay Votes: None. Motion Carried

Consent Agenda

MINUTES

Approve the minutes from the February 17, 2015 meeting (attachment on file)

FINANCIAL

Approve the financial reports listed below:

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REPORTS

- TREASURER’S REPORTS (attachment on file)
- ACCOUNTS PAYABLE (attachment on file)
- BUDGET TRANSFERS (attachment on file)
- GRANTS (attachment on file)

**APPROVE
SUBSTITUTES**

Approve the following Substitutes effective March 18, 2015:

- Aubrey Costenbader Substitute Teacher
- Nakea Beers Substitute Teacher
- Karen Jetty Substitute Instructional Aide and Substitute Secretary
- Jill Kuzo Substitute Instructional Aide and Substitute Secretary

MENTORS

Approve Amy Negley and Alexandra Spalding as mentors to Kristina Hummelwright for the remainder of the 2014-2015 school year at the rate of \$340.75 each.

ESY STAFF

Approve the following staff for the ESY Program which will run July 6 to July 30, 2015, Monday-Thursday from 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.:

- Katherine Gilmartin Teacher \$30.00/hour
- Ashley Hummer Teacher \$30.00/hour
- Christine DeLong Teacher \$30.00/hour
- Michelle Bisbing Nurse \$15.99/hour
- Gari Savage Instructional Assistant \$15.51
- Marcia Heinick Instructional Assistant \$14.31
- Christina Bravo Instructional Assistant \$14.31
- Casey Rinfret One-On-One Instructional Assistant \$14.31

Approve the following extracurricular positions for the 2015-2016 season:

**EXTRA
CURRICULAR
POSITIONS**

- Leigh Keenan Head Boys’ Basketball Coach \$6,029
- Brett Zieber Assistant Boys’ Basketball Coach \$3,947
- Jeremy Coleman Assistant Boys’ Basketball Coach \$3,947
- Rodney Strohl Head Girls’ Basketball Coach \$6,029
- Ralph Andrews Assistant Girls’ Basketball Coach \$3,947
- Sue Lynn Assistant Girls’ Basketball Coach \$3,947
- Justin Petersen Head Wrestling Coach \$6,029
- Erick Kresge Assistant Wrestling Coach \$3,947
- Rick Petersen Assistant Wrestling Coach \$3,947
- Rick Anderson Volunteer Wrestling Coach Volunteer
- Trevor Bartholomew Volunteer Wrestling Coach Volunteer
- Brielle Rhodes JH Cheering Advisor \$1,192

**TUITION RE -
IMBURSEMENT**

Approve the attached tuition reimbursements.

AGREEMENT

Approve the agreement with James R. Schwab for behavioral intervention and counseling at the rate of \$120/hour as needed, effective January 25, 2015.

**PROGRAM OF
STUDIES**

Approve the Palmerton Area Senior High School’s Program of Studies for the 2015-2016 school year.

**SENIOR CLASS
OUTTING**

Approve the contract with Pocono Valley for the senior class of 2015 outing event to be held on May 22, 2015.

DONATION

Accept a donation of \$5,000 to the District from Bowmanstown Rod & Gun Club.

**GENERAL
SCHOOL
SUPPLIES**

Award the General School Supplies bid for \$23,380.55 (attachment)

End of Consent Agenda

Director Myers moved, seconded by Director Gildner that the Board of Directors of

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**ADVISORS
APPROVED**

Palmerton Area School District approve Jodi Smale as Cheering Advisor for the 2015-2016 season at the rate of \$2,385.

Aye Votes: Directors Recker, Debski, Gildner, Haas, Harry, Myers, and Scherer.

Nay Votes: None.

Absent: Director Yeakel.

Abstained: Director Smale. Motion Carried

Director Haas moved, seconded by Director Gildner that the Board of Directors of Palmerton Area School District approve Linsey German as Cheering Advisor for the 2015-2016 season at the rate of \$2,385.

Aye Votes: All Directors Present

Nay Votes: None. Motion Carried

**GRADUATION
DATE APPROVED**

Director Scherer moved, seconded by Director Smale that the Board of Directors of Palmerton Area School District approve June 8, 2015 as the graduation date for the class of 2015.

Aye Votes: All Directors Present

Nay Votes: None. Motion Carried

**REVISED 2014-
2015 SCHOOL
CALENDAR
APPROVED**

Director Myers moved, seconded by Director Debski that the Board of Directors of Palmerton Area School District approve the Palmerton Area School District 2014-2015 revised school calendar.

Aye Votes: All Directors Present

Nay Votes: None. Motion Carried

**2015-2016
SCHOOL
CALENDAR
APPROVED**

Director Scherer moved, seconded by Director Debski that the Board of Directors of Palmerton Area School District approve the Palmerton Area School District 2015-2016 school calendar.

Aye Votes: All Directors Present

Nay Votes: None. Motion Carried

**2015-2016
BREAKFAST AND
LUNCH PRICES
APPROVED**

Director Smale moved, seconded by Director Haas that the Board of Directors of Palmerton Area School District approve the breakfast and lunch prices for 2015-2016 as mandated by Section 205 of the Healthy, Hunger-Free Lids Act of 2010.

- Elementary Breakfast \$1.15
- Secondary Breakfast \$1.25
- Adult Breakfast \$2.10
- Elementary Lunch \$2.20
- Secondary Lunch \$2.30
- Adult Lunch \$3.50
- Milk \$.55

Aye Votes: All Directors Present

Nay Votes: None. Motion Carried

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INFORMATION ITEMS: (attachments on file)

- Enrollment, February 28, 2015
- Avenger, Volume 18, Issue 3
- Board Summary

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Mr. George Ashman

- Question about Café breaking even
- Inquired about number of delayed openings and early dismissals

Audrey Larvey

- LCCC came in third place for the Lehigh Valley large employer and President came in first place

Director Scherer moved, seconded by Director Gildner that the Board of Directors of the Palmerton Area School District adjourn the meeting at 6:51 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Aye Votes: All Directors Present

Nay Votes: None. Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah A. Scheckler
Board Secretary