

BOARD MINUTES

AN EXECUTIVE SESSION WAS HELD AT 6:00 P.M. TODAY, September 20, 2016
CONCERNING PERSONNEL/LEGAL MATTERS

The regular scheduled meeting of the Palmerton Area School District Board of Directors was held on Tuesday, September 20, 2016, at 6:41 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Administration Office. President Recker presided.

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

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

**OTHER
ATTENDANCE**

Scot Engler - Superintendent, Deb Scheckler – Board Secretary, Attorney Angie Evans – Solicitor, Ryan Kish – Business Manager

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

- Received a thank you letter from the Palmerton Library for the District's donation
- SHINE program is up and running in Parkside. The District hopes to add SS Palmer next year.

STUDENT REPORT: Kody Kolnik

- Student Council is preparing for Spirit Week. The Bon fire and the football game
- Sophomore Class is obtaining information on Class Rings
- The Leo Club is working on some community involvement projects
- Senior Class is working on the Homecoming Dance
- Yearbooks have arrived
- FBLA over 60 students came to first meeting. Fundraising includes two bus trips
- NHS – scheduling babysitting services at Towamensing and Palmer as well as tutoring at the Palmerton Library
- Marching Band has been preparing for the football season, performances, parades, and other school events
- Chorus has 24 members and are preparing for their winter concert
- Scholastic Scrimmage – Tryouts for the team are taking place
- Academics – High School's Open House was a success

BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT:

- PDE preliminary index arrived
- Single Audit Report for the district has been approved by PDE
- Local auditors will be in the District the end of this week

**CONSENT
AGENDA
APPROVED**

Director Myers moved, seconded by Director Smale 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 August 16, 2016 meeting.
(attachments on file)
- FINANCIAL REPORTS** Approve the financial reports listed below:
- TREASURER’S REPORTS. (attachment on file)
 - ACCOUNTS PAYABLE. (attachment on file)
 - GRANTS. (attachment on file)
- SCHOLARSHIP** Approve the establishment of a scholarship account funded by Blue Ridge Communications TV-13 in memory of Robert Mlkvy, who was an outstanding basketball player, student and sports commentator for TV-13.
- LICENSE** Approve the License Performance and Production Contract with Music Theatre International for the stage performance “Little Shop of Horrors” by the Drama Club in April 2017.
- AGREEMENT** Approve letter of Agreement between CSM Medical Care Corporation and PASD for generator costs for the Dental Van for the 2016-2017 school year.
- SUBSTITUTES** Approve the following Substitutes:
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| Sally Krawchuck | Substitute Secretary |
| Phillip Otto | Guest Teacher |
- CO-CURRICULAR POSITIONS** Approve the following Co-curricular positions for the 2016-2017 school year:
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|-----------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Denise L.Strohl | Volunteer Ski Club Advisor | |
| Brad Landis | Volunteer Ski Club Advisor | |
| Joe Russo | Assistant Girl’s Basketball Coach | Salary pending negotiations |
| Tammy Muniz | Assistant Girl’s Basketball Coach | Salary pending negotiations |
| Adrienne Allen | Volunteer Swim Coach | |
- REMOVE SUBSTITUTES** Remove the following from the substitute list as per their requests:
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|-------------------|-------------------------------|
| Angelia Eibach | Substitute Teacher |
| Sydney Schafer | Substitute Teacher |
| Kara Kern | Substitute Teacher |
| Jena Smith | Substitute Teacher |
| Kathryn Edgar | Substitute Instructional Aide |
| Jessica Ferdinand | Substitute Teacher |
- CO-CURRICULAR CHANGES** Approve the following Co-curricular change for the 2016-2017 school year:
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|-----------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|
| ChristineDeLong | Student Council Advisor | ½ stipend, pending negotiations |
| Briel Rhoades | Student Council Advisor | ¼ stipend, pending negotiations |
| Randi Freed | Student Council Advisor | ¼ stipend, pending negotiations |
- SALARY CHANGE** Approve the change of Justin Petersen from Bachelors to Bachelors+24 retroactive to hire date.
- RESIGNATION** Accept the resignation of Karen Miata from her Instructional Aide position, effective September 7, 2016.
- TUITION RE - IMBURSEMENT** Approve the attached tuition reimbursement

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**FIRST READING
OF POLICIES**

Approve the first reading of the following policies:

- Policy 207 – Confidentiality
- Policy 626 - Federal Fiscal Compliance Policy 626.1 – Travel Reimbursement – Federal Programs
- Policy 827 – Conflict of Interest

End of Consent Agenda

**FINANCIAL
ADVISORS FOR
BONDS ISSUED
APPROVED**

Director Haas moved, seconded by Director Myers that the Board of Directors of the Palmerton Area School does hereby authorize the Administration to work with PFM Financial Advisors LLC. as Financial Advisor, Rhoads & Sinon LLP as Bond Counsel, Boenning & Scattergood as Underwriter and its local Solicitor in conjunction with the issuance of General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2016 to provide for the new money needs of the District as shown Option_2A__ (19 years).

Aye Votes: All Directors Present.

Nay Votes: None. Motion Carried

INFORMATION ITEMS: (attachments on file)

- Enrollment, August 31, 2016
- LCCC Board Minutes , August 4, 2016
- LCCC President’s Desk, September 2016
- 2016 Palmerton Yearbook
- Board Summary

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Mr. George Ashman

- Stated that Horsehead assessment has been reduced and asked Ryan for the loss to the District; Ryan stated the loss is \$200,000

Ms. Brittany Hunsicker

- Gave a report on the updates of the school openings and the events in each building

Ms. Brenda McGrath

- Statement on the state evaluation form for the principal

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:

Tammy Recker

- Mrs. Debski is no longer the Board Representative for Palmerton Library; Mrs. Haas will now be the Representative
- Thanked the staff for their part in getting the school ready for the students

ADJOURNMENT

Director Debski moved, seconded by Director Yeakel that the Board of Directors of the Palmerton Area School District adjourn the meeting at 6:59 PM.

Aye Votes: All Directors Present

Nay Votes: None. Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah A. Scheckler
Board Secretary