## PALMERTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT PALMERTON, PA. June 20, 2017 BOARD MINUTES

	AN EXECUTIVE SESSION WAS HELD AT 6:00 P.M. AND AT 8:15 TODAY, JUNE 20, 2017, AND ON JUNE 6, 2017 CONCERNING PERSONNEL/LEGAL MATTERS
	The regular scheduled meeting of the Palmerton Area School District Board of Directors was held on Tuesday, June 20, 2017, at 6:33 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Administration Office. President Myers presided.
	FLAG SALUTE
ROLL CALL	Present: Directors Recker, Debski, Myers, Gildner, Haas, Harry, Smale, Scherer and Yeakel Absent: None
OTHER ATTENDANCE	Scot Engler - Superintendent, Deb Scheckler – Board Secretary, Attorney Ellis Katz – Solicitor, Ryan Kish – Business Manager
	<ul> <li>SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:</li> <li>LCCC graduation was May 18<sup>th</sup> with 26 grads from Palmerton</li> <li>PASD graduation last night</li> <li>District ready for summer projects</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT:</li> <li>Working on tax bills, bills will go out beginning of July</li> <li>Audit next week</li> <li>Governor Wolf signed new pension plan</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:</li> <li>Andy Pisolak <ul> <li>Own property on east side of baseball field</li> <li>Question about a fence</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Kathy Fallow</li> <li>Questions about Act 93 contract and support contracts costs</li> <li>Audrey Larvey</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Question about summer program hours</li> <li>Question about The Meadows School – alternate school</li> </ul>
CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED	Director Haas moved, seconded by Director Gildner 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 May 16, 2017 and the June 6, 2017 meetings.
FINANCIAL REPORTS	<ul> <li>Approve the financial reports listed below: (attachments on file)</li> <li>TREASURER'S REPORTS</li> <li>ACCOUNTS PAYABLE</li> <li>BUDGET TRANSFERS</li> <li>GRANTS</li> </ul>
FARMSTEAD/ HOMESTEAD EXCLUSION	Approve the 2017-2018 homestead/farmstead taxable assessment exclusion of \$3,578 and the homestead/farmstead tax exclusion of \$203.16

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INSTALLMENT TAX RESOLUTION	Be it resolved, that the Board of Directors approve resolution #06.20.17 Per the Real Estate Tax Universal Installment Payment Plan Resolution, to use the following installment dates for the collection of the 2017 Real Estate Taxes. (attachment on file)		
TAX DUPLICATES	It is recommended that the Board of Directors grant permission to release the 2017 Tax Duplicates to the respective tax collectors for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017.		
WORKERS COMPENSATION	Approve the 2017-18 workers compensation coverage through CM Regent at an estimated cost of \$128,927.		
ATHLETIC INSURANCE	Approve the athletic insurance coverage through Axis Insurance Company for the period of August 7, 2017 to August 6, 2018 at a cost of \$34,706 with primary excess coverage over \$100.		
STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE	Approve voluntary student accident coverage through Axis Insurance Company for the period of August 7, 2017 to August 6, 2018 for a 24-hour wrap around rate of \$75.00, benefits excluding all sports.		
CONTRACTS	Approve the Music Theatre International Production Contract for the performance of Disney's Mulan Jr. scheduled for September 2017.		
		Specialties Inc for shop machinery maintenance for the \$1,450.00 plus any parts required throughout the year.	
INSURANCE	Approve a 0.3% increase per member in Stop Loss Coverage for the 2017-18 fiscal year through Great Midwest Insurance Company. The per employee per month charge will be \$133.07 with a maximum per employee deductible set at \$125,000.		
2017-2018 BREAKFAST AND LUNCH PRICES	Approve the breakfast and lunch prices for 2017-2018 as mandated by Section 205 of the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010.		
	• Elementary Breakfast	\$1.15	
	Secondary Breakfast	\$1.25	
	• Adult Breakfast	\$2.10	
	• Elementary Lunch	\$2.45	
	Secondary Lunch	\$2.55	
	Adult Lunch	\$3.50	
	• Milk	\$.55	
COPY PAPER QUOTE	Approve WB Mason copy paper quote for the 2017-18 school year @ \$19.83/carton.		
MOVIE LICENSE	Approve Movie Licensing USA - Single Event Public Performance Site License retroactive to the showing of the movie "Sing" at Towamensing Elementary on June 19, 2017.		
ACCTS PAYABLE PAYMENT RELEASE	Authorize the Superintendent & Business Manager to make and release payments for the remaining June and July accounts payable.		
BUDGET TRANSFERS	Approve all budget transfers for fiscal year ending June 30, 2017 in order to comply with audit requirements. The Board will be provided with an itemized listing of all required budget transfers upon completion of the 2016-2017 audit.		
CURRICULUM COORDINATORS	Recommendation to approve the following as curriculum coordinators at Parkside/S.S. Palmer for the 2017-2018 school year:		
	• Holly Hausman Sell	Grades K-1	
	<ul><li>Roberta Yeager</li></ul>	Grades 2- 3	
	<ul><li>Meghan Barclay</li></ul>	Grade 4	
	<ul><li>Deanna Iles</li></ul>	Grade 5	
	Monique Hofford	Grada 6	

• Monique Hofford Grade 6

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Recommendation to approve the following as curriculum coordinators at Towamensing Elementary for the 2017-2018 school year:

•	Joyce Paulinho	Grades K-1
٠	Susan Deem	Grade 4
٠	Kathryn McKeon	Grade 5
٠	Jaclyn Ivancich	Grade 6

Recommendation to approve the following as curriculum coordinators at the Jr. High School for the 2017-2018 school year:

- Co-Chair, English/Language Arts • Patricia Boyd
- Co-Chair, English/Language Arts Kevin Kolodziejski
- Social Studies • Kim Seiler
- Brad Landis
  Ralph Andrews
  Co-Chair, Math/Science

Recommendation to approve the following as curriculum coordinators at the Sr. High School for the 2017-2018 school year:

	<ul> <li>Bonnie Tavella</li> <li>Anna Corby</li> <li>Michael Gombert</li> <li>Paul McArdle</li> <li>Pamela Wuest</li> <li>Jeanne Knepper</li> <li>Thomas Smelas</li> <li>Jose Elvir</li> <li>Carol Andrews</li> <li>Miranda Allen</li> <li>Whitney Kern</li> </ul>	Co-Chair, English Co-Chair, Social Studies Co-Chair, Social Studies Math Science Business World Language Health/Physical Education Co-Chair, Secondary Specialist Co-Chair, Secondary Specialist
TUITION REIMBURSEMENTS	Approve the attached tuition reimbursement.	
COACHES	Change Dr. Mike Martinez to a Volunteer Cross Country Coach (he was approved as a Cross Country Assistant Coach in May).	
UNPAID LEAVE	Approve an unpaid leave for Margaret Versuk from May 31st until the end of the 2016-17 school year.	
ESY TEACHER	Approve Don McGorry as a Summer ESY (Extended School Year) teacher at the rate of \$30.00/hour.	
TENURE	Approve tenure for the following teachers who have attained 3 years of Satisfactory performance ratings with the Palmerton Area School District:	
	<ul> <li>Christine DeLong</li> <li>Jaclyn Kessel</li> <li>Erin Brown</li> <li>Amber Kistler</li> <li>Kristina Manning</li> <li>Michelle Davis</li> <li>Krystle Meglio</li> </ul>	Palmerton Junior High School Palmerton Junior High School S.S. Palmer Elementary S.S. Palmer Elementary S.S. Palmer/Parkside Elementary Parkside Elementary Towamensing Elementary
SUBSTITUTES	<ul><li>Approve the following Substi</li><li>Rachel Harry</li><li>Fallon Singleton</li></ul>	tute Teachers, effective June 21, 2017: K-4 K-4
BOARD SECRETARY	Megan Wentz	Elementary bard Secretary, effective July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2021, at the

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ASST BOARD SECRETARY	Approve Kim Ottinger as Assistant Board Secretary, effective July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2021.			
TREASURER	Approve Joshua Smale as Treasurer of the Palmerton Area School Board, effective July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018 at the rate of \$400.00.			
RESIGNATION	Accept the resignation of Kim Seiler as Jr. High Field Hockey Coach, effective immediately.			
CHANGE OF STATUS		tatus for Rebecca Sabo, from .8 Art e the 2017-2018 school year.	Teacher and .2 ESL Teacher to FT	
RESIGNATION	Accept the resignation	Accept the resignation of Lori Hawk as Special Education Secretary, effective June 16, 2017		
COACHES	Approve the following coaches for the 2017-2018 school year:			
	Mike Pascoe Brian Morgan Britni Michaels Erick Kresge Jake Christman Zack Christman Michael Englert Dave Lavin Dillion Massington Sam Oberlander Tom Pasquariello Marsha Thomas Pat Frank Brian Stevko Landon Small Jeremy Coleman Tony Thomas Art George III Bob Hock Mike Gombert Fran Gough Winnie Cseh Jim Hay Bill Stoudt Tyrone Lewis Lorna Lewis Russell Derrick Michael Martinez Jessica Heffelfinger Austin Cseh Jen Danzeisen Rich Roselli	Assistant Football Coach Volunteer Girls Basketball Coach Assistant Wrestling Coach 1/2 Assistant Wrestling Coach Volunteer Wrestling Coach Head Volleyball Coach Jr. High Field Hockey Coach Volunteer Boys Basketball Coach Kolunteer Track Coach Asst. Track Coach Asst. Track Coach MS Track Coach Volunteer Track Coach	Stipend pending contract approval Volunteer Stipend pending contract approval. Stipend pending contract approval Stipend pending contract approval Volunteer Volunteer Volunteer Volunteer Stipend \$3,965 Stipend pending contract approval Volunteer Volunteer Volunteer Volunteer Stipend pending contract approval Stipend pending contract approval	
JR HIGH MATH TEACHER	Approve Melissa Hoffman as a Junior High Math Teacher, effective July 1, 2017 at Bachelors, Step 1, \$43,982.			
JR HIGH SPED TEACHER	Approve Jennifer Denaro as a Junior High Special Education Teacher, effective July 1, 2017 at Masters, Step 1, \$46,157.			
HEALTH & PHYS ED TEACHER	Approve Bronwyn Cseh as an Elementary Health& Physical Education Teacher, effective July 1, 2017 at Bachelors, Step 1, \$43,982.			
RESIGNATION	Accept the resignation of Casey Rinfret from her position as Instructional Assistant, effective June 21, 2017.			
INSTRUCTIONAL ASSISTANTS	Approve Elizabeth Campbell as an Instructional Assistant at an hourly rate of \$14.47 pending contract approval, effective August 23, 2017.			
	Approve Brenda Roberts as an Instructional Assistant at an hourly rate of \$14.47 pending contract approval, effective August 23, 2017.			

	<ul><li>Approve Brandi Hoffman as an Instructional Assistant at an hourly rate of \$14.47 pending contract approval, effective August 23, 2017.</li><li>Approve Jennifer Potoczak an Instructional Assistant at an hourly rate of \$14.47 pending contract approval, effective August 23, 2017.</li></ul>		
ADVISORS	Approve the following advi	sors for the 2017-2018 school year:	
	<ul> <li>Carole Burkhardt</li> <li>Lynn Sutton</li> <li>Roberta Yeager</li> <li>Kaitlyn Bartholom</li> <li>Pamela Andrews</li> <li>Brianna Carroll</li> <li>Kevin Kolodzieski</li> <li>Natalie Maderia</li> <li>Patti Jo Boyd</li> <li>Patti Jo Boyd</li> <li>Chris Kery</li> <li>Suzanne Lynn</li> <li>Krystle Meglio</li> <li>Natalie Madeira</li> <li>Kristin Heller</li> <li>Jodi Kocher</li> <li>Stacey Olewine</li> </ul>	Yearbook – Palmer/Parkside NJHS	
SENIOR CLASS REQUIREMENTS COMPLETED	Accept the status that the members of the senior class of 2017 have completed the graduation requirements set forth by the Pennsylvania Department of Education and the Board of Education of the Palmerton Area School District. (attachment on file)		
FACILITIES CONTRACTS	Approve the facilities contracts for the 2017-2018 school year. (attachment on file)		
POLICIES	Approve 1st reading revisions to the following Policies:		
		municable Diseases and Immunization	
		th Examinations inistration of Medications/Emergency Care	
		ent Wellness	
AGREEMENTS	Approve the agreement between Safe Schools and the Palmerton Area School District for Safety & Compliance Employee training in the amount of \$1,125.00 (Consortium pricing through CLIU).		
		ween Preferred EAP and the Palmerton Area School District for ees. There is no annual fee for this service.	
PA TREATMENT	Approve PA Treatment & Healing as one of the District's alternative education placement programs for the 2017-2018 school year.		
COURSE RECOVERY FACILITATOR	Approve Andrew Remsing as summer program facilitator of the eBridges Course/Credit Recovery program for students in grades 7-12, at the rate of \$30/hr. Program to run June 26, 2017 to July 13, 2017, Monday through Thursday, two sessions 8:30-12 p.m. [Student cost is \$160 per course]		
AGREEMENTS	11 0	Approve the agreement with The Meadows School for the 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 school years at the rate of \$65 per day as needed.	
	Approve the 2017-18 agreement with Central Susquehanna Intermediate Uni computer services at a rate based on student enrollment and an estimated cost		

BONDING	Approve the following bonding amounts for the 2017-18 fiscal year:		
	Board President	\$100,000	
	<ul> <li>Board Vice President</li> </ul>	\$100,000	
	<ul> <li>Board Vice Tresident</li> <li>Board Secretary</li> </ul>	\$100,000	
	<ul> <li>Board Treasurer</li> </ul>	\$100,000	
	<ul><li>Superintendent</li></ul>	\$100,000	
	<ul><li>Business Manager</li></ul>	\$100,000	
	<ul> <li>Employee Blanket Bond</li> </ul>	\$ 35,000	
BIDS	Approve the awarding of the bids to C side second floor and corridor of the l	GMG of Easton for flooring and painting of the south High School in the amount of \$ 44,975 and for SS or Case work in the amount of \$ 19,130.	
DRAMA COACH	Approve Angela Harris as a volunteer drama coach, effective June 21, 2017.		
RESIGNATION	Accept the resignation of Michael Svetik from the Head Baseball Coach position, effective immediately.		
EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENTS	Approve the Confidential Secretary Agreements with the Superintendent's Secretary, Business Manager's Secretary, and PIMS Secretary effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2021.		
	Approve the Act 93 Agreement effect	ive July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2021.	
SUPPORT STAFF CONTRACT	Approve the Support Staff Contract, effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2021.		
	End of Consent Agenda		
2017-2018 BUDGET APPROVED	Director Smale moved, seconded by Director Debski that the Board of Directors of the Palmerton Area School approve the Palmerton Area School District General Operating Budget for the 2017-2018 fiscal year with a real estate tax levy of 56.7793 mills (a 1.25 mill increase over 2016-2017) with budgetary expenditures of \$32,349,011. The board also authorizes, as a part of the General Operating Budget adoption, the Section 679 Per Capita Tax of \$5.00: Act 511 Earned Income Tax of 1.00%; Act 511 Per Capita Tax of \$10.00: Act 511 Realty Transfer Tax of 1.00%; Local Services Tax of \$5.00. The Board reaffirms and reenacts all collection procedures that are applicable to the local service tax, Section 679 and 511 Per Capita tax and Act 511 Earned Income Tax, and Act 511 Realty transfer tax. For informational purposes: Sharing of certain taxes occurs as permitted by law: Per Capita \$10.00 school district, \$5.00 municipality; Earned Income Tax5% school district, .5% municipality; Realty Transfer Tax5% school district, .5% municipality; Realty Transfer Tax5% school district, .5% municipality; Birctors Recker, Debski, Smale, Harry, Haas, and Yeakel Nay Votes: Directors Gildner, Myers, and Scherer Motion Carried		
FACILITIES USE AGREEMENT WITH LEHIGHTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT APPROVED	Director Scherer moved, seconded by Director Haas that the Board of Directors of the Palmerton Area School approve the Facilities Use Agreement with the Lehighton Area School District for use of their athletic facilities while Palmerton's facilities are not available. Aye Votes: All Directors Present Nay Votes: None. Motion Carried INFORMATION ITEMS: (attachments on file) Enrollment May 31, 2017 LCCC Board Meeting Minutes May 4, 2017 LCCC President's Desk Newsletter June 2017 Board Summary		

## PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Kathy Fallow:

- Read a prewritten statement
- Asked for the positive aspects of the Superintendent
- Encouraged the District to engage the community

Tammy Recker

- Team effort of the Board, school administrators and school employees
- Pride in the District. Board is vested in the District
- Superintendent's evaluation will not be on the website

Dan Heaney

• District has a strong commitment to technology

Anne Cronk:

• Opportunity to make a good change to this District with the negotiations Susan Debski

• It takes the home, the student, and the school to be responsible for a school's success Audrey Larvey

- Questions on renewing the superintendent's contracts
- On leadership, advances for our students, goals

Michelle Muffley

- Told about the events of the District in the schools
- Thanked retirees: Mrs Way, Mrs. Englert, Mr. Heiney, Mr. Amorim
- 355 days worked without a contract

LeeAnn Krause

- Upset with the District about incident on the school bus
- Also an incident with son in the Junior High

**ADJOURNMENT** Director Recker moved, seconded by Director Harry that the Board of Directors of the Palmerton Area School District adjourn the meeting at 7:50 PM.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah A. Scheckler Board Secretary