

PALMERTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
PALMERTON, PA.  
April 4, 2017

**SPECIAL BOARD MINUTES**

The special meeting of the Palmerton Area School District Board of Directors was held on Tuesday, April 4, 2017, at 5:34 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Administration Office. President Myers presided.

FLAG SALUTE

**ROLL CALL**

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

**OTHER  
ATTENDANCE**

Scot Engler-Superintendent, Deb Scheckler – Board Secretary

**CONSENT  
AGENDA  
APPROVED**

Director Scherer motioned, seconded by Director Haas that the Board of Directors of the Palmerton Area School District approve the attached consent agenda.

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

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**FINANCIAL  
REPORTS**

Approve the financial reports listed below:

- ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: (attachment on file)

**CONTRACT  
AGREEMENTS**

Approve the Contract Agreement with B-Flat Entertainment Services, Brian N. Stephens, retroactive to March 24, 2017 - DJ services for the March 24, 2017 JH Spring Dance.

Approve the Agreement with Split Rock Resort for the Class of 2017 Senior Outing on June 15, 2017.

Approve the bus transportation agreement with Mainstreet Leasing for the Environmental Club field trip to Hummelstown/Hershey PA on May 26, 2017.

Approve the agreement with Wilkes University to support the Reading Specialist Program.

**SOLICITOR  
SERVICES**

Approve the proposal for solicitor services from Sweet, Stevens, Katz & Williams. LLP in accordance with their fee agreement (\$150/hour lawyer fee, \$125/hour legal assistant fee, & \$195/hour non-routine matters). The general fund is the main source of payment.

**PHOTO  
AGREEMENT**

Approve the School Photo Agreement with Dan's Camera for the 2017-2018 school year.

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

**BIDS  
APPROVED**

Director Haas motioned, seconded by Director Smale that the Board of Directors of the Palmerton Area School District approve the bid from Penn Builders, Inc. for the General Construction contract in the amount of \$8,669,350.00

Tim Sisock from Barry Isett and Associates stated that there is an addition of \$15,000 for the Fast Track option.

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

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Director Haas motioned, seconded by Director Smale that the Board of Directors of the Palmerton Area School District approve the bid from Myco Mechanical, Inc. for the Plumbing Construction contract in the amount of \$963,900.00.

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

Director Scherer motioned, seconded by Director Harry that the Board of Directors of the Palmerton Area School District approve the bid from JBM Mechanical, Inc. for the HVAC Construction contract in the amount of \$2,384,100.00

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

Director Smale motioned, seconded by Director Haas that the Board of Directors of the Palmerton Area School District approve the bid from George J. Hayden for the Electrical Construction contract in the amount of \$993,600.00

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

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

Chuck Laviolette

- Thanked Board for support of the public library
- Good library attendance and classes
- Free online databases
- News update – April is National Library Month
- Offers many programs; such as Basement Book Sale, Computer Classes, free concerts, photo shows, and Summer Reading Program

Kathy Farrow

- Questions about Sweet Stevens, Katz, & Williams, LLP contract
- Stated concerns about the trend of elimination of unions

**ADJOURNMENT**

Director Scherer moved, seconded by Director Harry that the Board of Directors of the Palmerton Area School District adjourn the meeting at 6:10 PM.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah A. Scheckler  
Board Secretary