

PALMERTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
PALMERTON, PA.
April 17, 2018

BOARD MINUTES

AN EXECUTIVE SESSION WAS HELD AT 6:00 P.M. AND 7:15, ON APRIL 17, 2018
CONCERNING PERSONNEL/LEGAL MATTERS

The regular meeting of the Palmerton Area School District Board of Directors was held on Tuesday, May 15, 2018, at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Administration Office. President Scherer presided.

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

Present: Directors Baumgardt, Fallow, Gildner, Paules, Smale, and Scherer
Absent: Directors Harry, Haas and Recker

**OTHER
ATTENDANCE**

Scot Engler - Superintendent, Deb Scheckler – Board Secretary, Ryan Kish – Business Manager, John Audi - Solicitor

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:

- Two weeks ago met with Rep. Heffley and yesterday the Carbon Superintendents met collectively with him to discuss school safety and funding.
- Thanks to American Legion Jim Thorpe Post 304 and Germantown Grove Association for holding the 64th annual special needs fishing derby last Friday. Students from Carbon County attended.
- Three teachers from our district held dress down days and donated the funds to the Germantown Grove Association.

BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT:

- Upon approval of the proposed budget tonight, it will be advertised then Final budget vote on June 19th.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

CCTI report – Kathy Fallow

- Set a new record for winners at states and many are to go on to Nationals. There were 10 gold, 4 silver and 20 bronze medals at states.

PSBA report – Kathy Fallow

- There is legislation out to stop cross filing of candidates. PSBA is against this.
- There are discussion groups on the PSBA website for directors.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Mr. Jeff Henry

- Questioned why there is a tax increase.

Mr. Ryan Kish

- Many factors caused a decrease in the fund balance.

**APPROVED
CONSENT
AGENDA**

Director Baumgardt moved, seconded by Director Smale that the Board of Directors of the Palmerton Area School District approves the following consent agenda.

Aye Votes: All Directors Present.

Nay Votes: None. Motion Carried

Consent Agenda

MINUTES

MEETING MINUTES:

Approve the minutes from the April 17, 2018 meeting.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR DISTRICT ACCOUNTS:

Approve the financial reports listed below:

**FINANCIAL
REPORTS**

TREASURER’S REPORTS:

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

BUDGET TRANSFERS:

**CLIU
TECHNOLOGY
POOL
AGREEMENT**

FISCAL:
Motion for Palmerton Area School to participate in the CLIU Technology Pool Legal Services Consultation Agreement. (Contract on file)

**THERAPY
SERVICES
CONTRACT**

Palmerton Area School District to approve the Therapy Services Contract with Pediatric Therapeutic Services for the 2018-2019 school year. (as submitted)

CHANGE ORDER

Recommendation to approve Change Order Number 001, Myco Mechanical. The contract sum will be increased by this change order in the amount of \$21,430.69 and the new contract sum including this change order will be \$985,330.69.

**LICENSING
CONTRACT**

Recommendation to approve the Production and Licensing Contract with Music Theatre International for the performance of Disney's The Lion King Jr. by the Drama Club.

PROM DEPOSIT

Recommendation to approve the Stroudsmoor Country Inn \$500.00 deposit due for the PHS Class of 2019 prom to be held on May 3, 2019.

FRONTLINE

Approve Frontline Education Absence & Substitute Management renewal at a cost of \$5,737.18 for the 2018-19 school year

**SCHOOLDUDE
RENEWAL**

Approve the renewal of SchoolDude Solutions for the 2018-19 school year at a cost of \$2,232.57.

PERSONNEL:

**TUITION RE-
IMBURSEMENT**

Approve tuition reimbursement as submitted.

RETIREMENTS

Approve the retirement of Marsha Beers from her position as HS teacher, effective the end of the 2017-2018 school year.

Approve the retirement of Tamara Dobias from her position as elementary teacher, effective the end of the 2017-2018 school year.

**EXTRA-
CURRICULAR
POSITIONS**

Approve the following extracurricular positions for the 2018-19 school year:

Jeremy Coleman	Asst. Boys' Basketball Coach	Stipend Pending Approval
Brian Stevko	Asst. Boys' Basketball Coach	Stipend Pending Approval
Art George III	Volunteer Boys' Basketball Coach	
Mark Quinn	Volunteer Boys' Basketball Coach	
Dan Beck	Head Coach Girls' Basketball	Stipend Pending Approval
Linsey German	Varsity Cheerleading Advisor	\$2457 Stipend
Christine Delong	JV Cheerleading Advisor	\$2457 Stipend
Tom Heinick	HS Concert Band Advisor	\$2085 Stipend
Tom Heinick	HS Marching Band Advisor	\$4578 Stipend
Laura Cressley	Junior High Band Advisor	\$1508 Stipend
Laura Cressley	Junior High Chorus Advisor	\$1508 Stipend
Natalie Madeira	HS Chorus Advisor	\$2085 Stipend
Chrissy Rehatchek	Marching Band/ColorGuard Advisor	\$1356 Stipend
Marcia Heinick	HS Asst Marching Band Advisor	\$2527 Stipend

**SUMMER
EMPLOYEES**

Approve the following summer employees at the rate of \$7.25/hour, 28 hours/week, effective Monday, June 18, 2018 and will end on Thursday, August 30, 2018

1. Armando Baez
2. Kyle Kralik
3. Jacob Green
4. Richard Hrusovsky

**SHORT TERM
VOLUNTEERS**

Approve the following short-term volunteers for Spring Day, Friday June 1st at Palmerton Area HS:

- Marge Beahm
- Tiffani Christman
- Stacey Connell

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- Tara Frantz
- Mary Jo King
- Melissa Martinez
- Billie Jo Moyer
- Danielle Paules
- Sheila Reis
- Rochelle Taschler
- Jenny Serfass

**ATHLETIC
COACHES'
STIPENDS**

Approve Athletic coaches' stipends for 2018-2019, 2019-2020, and 2020-2021. (attachment)

SUB REMOVAL

Approve the removal of Suzy Banko from the substitute list, effective May 16, 2018.

RESIGNATION

Approve the resignation of Deb Scheckler as School Board Secretary, effective May 31, 2018.

**SCHOOL BOARD
SECRETARY**

Approve Ryan Kish as School Board Secretary, effective June 1, 2018 to June 30, 2021, at the rate of \$1,500.00 per year, prorated for 2017-18.

OTHER:

**PSBA VOTING
DELEGATE**

Appoint Kathy Fallow as the voting delegate to the PSBA Delegate Assembly on October 19, 2018.

**PSBA POLICY
MERGE
AGREEMENT**

Approve PSBA Policy Merge Agreement, with the one-time fee of \$1,675.00. (attachment)

**TRANPERFECT
REMOTE
INTERPRETERS
AGREEMENT**

Approve the Agreement for TranPerfect Remote Interpreters Products and Services with the CLIU for the 2018-2019 school year.

End of Consent Agenda

**APPROVE
PROPOSED FINAL
BUDGET**

Director Smale moved, seconded by Director Fallow that the Board of Directors of the Palmerton Area School District approve proposed final budget with a 0.5 mill increase and expenditures total of \$32,666,021. The 2018-2019 Real Estate Tax mill will be set at 57.2793. The final budget is set to be approved at the June 19, 2018 board meeting.

Aye Votes: Directors Baumgardt, Fallow, Paules, Scherer, and Smale.

Nay Votes: Director Gildner. Motion Carried

**APPROVED
SHORTTERM
VOLUNTEER**

Director Smale moved, seconded by Director Baumgardt that the Board of Directors of the Palmerton Area School District approves Tammy Recker as a short-term volunteer for Spring Day, Friday June 1st at the Palmerton Area HS.

Aye Votes: All Directors Present.

Nay Votes: None. Motion Carried

**ACCEPT
RESIGNATIONS**

Director Gildner moved, seconded by Director Smale that the Board of Directors of the Palmerton Area School District accepts the resignation of Taryn Burke for the Head Field Hockey position.

Aye Votes: All Directors Present.

Nay Votes: None. Motion Carried

Director Smale moved, seconded by Director Gildner that the Board of Directors of the Palmerton Area School District accepts the resignation of Brianna Oswald from the Middle School Cheerleading Coach position.

Aye Votes: All Directors Present.

Nay Votes: None. Motion Carried

INFORMATION ITEMS: (attachments on file)

May 15, 2018

- Enrollment, April 30, 2018
- LCCC Meeting Minutes, April 5, 2018
- LCCC President's Desk, May 2018
- SS Palmer/Parkside Art Show Invitation
- Board Summary

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Mr. Brandon Mazepa

- Stated that the crowd at the hearings was not unruly.

Mrs. Brenda McGrath

- Stated that the crowd at the hearing was not unruly.

Mr. Steve Trainer

- Would like the Board to reconsider the tax increase.

Mr. Jeff Henry

- Stated his concerns on the leadership of the District.

Director Scherer

- Felt a small tax increase is better than a large increase in the future.

Mrs. Doris Zellner

- Questioned if the hearing outburst was recorded.
- Made a statement regarding the door locking issue.

Mrs. Lori Nemeth

- Question about the project update.
- Question about administrators attending meetings.

Mrs. Jessica Fredricks

- Made a statement that she wasn't disruptive during the hearing.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:

Director Scherer

- Skyler Graver outstanding work at CCTI
- Champion Softball games in Colonial League
- Boys Baseball to Districts
- Email from Brent Harris, shop class students made a table out of the Phantoms used hockey sticks for their locker room.
- FBLA successful students; 4 go to Nationals (Jacob Martinez, Mitchel
- Hourt, Matt Handwork, Ian Farrell, top 10 places at States
- Derby Schwab is going to the World competition for machining.

ADJOURNMENT

Director Smale moved, seconded by Director Baumgardt that the Board of Directors of the Palmerton Area School District adjourn the meeting at 7:05 PM.

Aye Votes: All Directors Present

Nay Votes: None. Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah A. Scheckler
Board Secretary

May 15, 2018