

PALMERTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
PALMERTON, PA.  
November 20th, 2018

**BOARD MINUTES**

An executive session was held at 6:00 P.M. concerning personnel and legal matters.

The regular meeting of the Palmerton Area School District Board of Directors was held on November 20, 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, Haas, Paules, Recker, Scherer, and Smale

Absent: Director Harry

**OTHER  
ATTENDANCE**

Ryan Kish - Business Manager/Board Secretary, Shawn Lochinger - Solicitor

**STUDENT REPORT – MIA FANTASIA:**

- Student Council Update
- Mini-thon – all money raised for pediatric cancer will be held over presidents day weekend
- Bus trip to Wells Fargo Center – December 10<sup>th</sup> for basketball game
- Winter sports pep rally/talent show

**BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT:**

- Budget presentations tentatively expected at the workshops in February and May.

**BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:**

CCTI Report – Director Fallow

- CCTI resource officer became armed officer, will identify students in need.
- Director Fallow interested in serving another term as CCTI representative.

PSBA – Director Fallow

- Attended PSBA conference – policy, planning, and security. Saw what other schools were doing
- Forwarded presentation to CCTI JOC.

CLIU 21 Report – Director Haas

- IU Provided proposed budget for next year – no increase. One increase in 10 years.

Library Report – Director Haas

- Christmas party – December 17<sup>th</sup>.
- Use Amazon Smile to help support Library.

**APPROVE  
CONSENT  
AGENDA**

Director Haas moved, seconded by Director Recker, to approve the attached consent agenda.

Aye Votes: All Directors Present.

Nay Votes: None. Motion Passed.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**MINUTES**

Approved the minutes from October 16, 2018 meeting.

**FINANCIAL  
REPORTS**

Approved the financial reports listed below:

- A. TREASURER’S REPORT
- B. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
- C. BUDGET TRANSFERS

**VERIZON  
AGREEMENT**

Approved the site access agreement with Verizon Wireless. (Agreement on File)

<b>DELINQUENT PER CAPITA</b>	Authorized Berkheimer Tax Administrators to remove delinquent per capita accounts from 2008 and prior.  Authorized Berkheimer Tax Administrators to remove delinquent per capita charges for Carolyn Kroboth prior to 2010 due to having duplicate accounts.										
<b>TUITION REIMBURSEMENT</b>	Approved the attached tuition reimbursement.										
<b>PASBO CONFERENCE</b>	Approved Ryan Kish to attend the Annual PASBO Conference in Hershey on March 5-8, 2019, cost not to exceed \$950.00.										
<b>EXTRA-CURRICULAR</b>	Approved the following extra-curricular positions for the 2018-2019 school year: <table border="0" style="margin-left: 40px;"> <tr> <td>Brent Harris</td> <td>Volunteer Film Club Advisor</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Kerry Palumbo</td> <td>Volunteer Games Club Advisor</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Justin Peterson</td> <td>Volunteer Social Media Club Advisor</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Alex Knoll</td> <td>Volunteer Teachers of Tomorrow Advisor</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Janice Blose</td> <td>Volunteer Swimming Coach.</td> </tr> </table>	Brent Harris	Volunteer Film Club Advisor	Kerry Palumbo	Volunteer Games Club Advisor	Justin Peterson	Volunteer Social Media Club Advisor	Alex Knoll	Volunteer Teachers of Tomorrow Advisor	Janice Blose	Volunteer Swimming Coach.
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<b>ELEM IA</b>	Approved April Pilz as an Elem Instructional Assistant, effective November 21, 2018 at the rate of \$14.91/hour.										
<b>ELEM SPECIAL ED/ESL</b>	Approved Suzanne Lynn as an Elementary Special Education/ESL teacher, effective upon release from current employer, at M, Step 6, \$50,750 (pro-rated).										
<b>CAFÉ</b>	Approved Joseph Tobia as a cafeteria worker, effective November 21, 2018 at the rate of \$12.68/hour.										
<b>CAFÉ SUB</b>	Approved Mary Tobia as a cafeteria substitute, effective November 21, 2018 at the substitute rate of \$7.25/hour.										
<b>NURSE SUB</b>	Approved Arissa Snyder as a substitute nurse, effective November 21, 2018, at the nurse substitute rate of \$90/day.										
<b>DJ CONTRACT</b>	Approved the DJ contract with Slammin Jamz Entertainment retroactive to October 26, 2018 for the JH Halloween Dance.										
<b>SPEAKER CONTRACT</b>	Approved the Speaking Engagement Letter of Agreement Contract with Mike Marsteller for the programs being presented at the HS on November 21, 2018.										
<b>POLICY #008 – FIRST READING</b>	Approved first reading of revision to Policy #008- Organization Chart										
<b>POLICY #317.1 – FIRST READING</b>	Approved 2nd reading of policy #317.1-Educator Misconduct										
<b>NYC TRIP</b>	Approved the Drama Club’s trip to New York City on April 3, 2018 to attend the performance of Aladdin at the cost to the District of a substitute.										

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

**COMPREHENSIVE PLAN** Director Haas moved, seconded by Director Recker, to approve to submit the final draft of the Comprehensive Plan to the Pennsylvania Department of Education prior to November 30, 2018.

Aye Votes: Directors Haas, Gildner, Recker, and Scherer  
Nay Votes: Directors Baumgardt, Fallow, Paules, and Smale. Motion Fails.

After a brief discussion, the board agreed to schedule a special meeting of the Board of Directors on November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018 to address unresolved questions and revote on the motion.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

Patrick Frank

- Thanked board for approval as field hockey coach this season – proud of team
- Largest participation ever at Palmerton – 57 players

Doris Zellers

- Questioned the author of the comprehensive plan
- Board does not know what they are doing, disappointed items are not being read

Cora Wentz – Palmerton Girl Scout Troop 303

- Changing cleaning products in school to ones that are more safe

Lily Stein - Palmerton Girl Scout Troop 303

- Getting rid of volatile organic compounds – paints, paint strippers, etc.

Madison Potoczak - Palmerton Girl Scout Troop 303

- Do it yourself cleaner –homemade all-purpose cleaners

Anne Cronk

- Thanked the Administration, Board, and Community for their support for the band to go to Disney.

**FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:**

Director Scherer

- Husar termination hearing scheduled Thursday, November 29<sup>th</sup> and December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 6 P.M. in Board Room.

Director Haas

- Salisbury community commenting on Palmerton being class act – moment of silence was given to Salisbury student at Palmerton, bands played together

Director Haas moved, seconded by Director Fallow, that the Board of Directors of the Palmerton Area School District adjourn the meeting at 7:40 P.M.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Aye Votes: All Directors Present

Nay Votes: None. Motion Carries.

Respectfully submitted,

Ryan P. Kish  
Board Secretary