

PALMERTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
PALMERTON, PA.
August 20, 2019

BOARD MINUTES

An executive session was held tonight 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 August 20, 2019, at 6:30 P.M. in the Conference Room of the Administration Office. President Baumgardt presided.

FLAG SALUTE

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

**OTHER
ATTENDANCE**

Thomas McLaughlin – Interim Superintendent, Ryan Kish - Business Manager/Board Secretary, Sharon Montanye – Solicitor

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:

- Faculty and staff back today for in-service
- District partnering with LCCC for teacher in the workplace
- Second game of season for football game is being changed from away game to home game

BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT:

- Engineer of record request for proposal had three firms responding
- Will schedule interviews and presentations for the Engineer of Record at next board workshop

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

CCTI Report – Director Fallow

- 440 students scheduled to attend.
- New student orientation August 20th and the first day is August 22.

PSBA Report – Director Fallow

- Act 67 of 2019 established new safety commission – school security program. Third party security optional, law does not mandate armed personnel but gives the district an option.

CLIU IU 21 Report – Director Haas

- Trying to get presentations from IU to present at district.
- Bikes that were presented to kids were on display.

Library Report – Director Haas

- Friday is golf tournament, Saturday student art and photo show.
- Tutor match, no homework helpers right now, just one on one tutoring

- Anime club third Tuesday of month, basket drawing September 9th.

**APPROVED
CONSENT
AGENDA** Director Gildner moved, seconded by Director Baumgardt, to approve the attached consent agenda.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

MINUTES Approved the minutes from July 16th, 2019 Board Meeting, August 6th, 2019 CPCT Committee Meetings, August 6th, 2019 Policy Committee Meeting, and August 6th, 2019 Building and Grounds Committee Meeting.

**FINANCIAL
REPORTS** Approved the Treasurer's Reports and Accounts Payable Reports.

TUITION Approved the attached tuition reimbursement.

**AST. FOOTBALL
RESIGNATION** Accepted the resignation of Austin Cseh from his position as assistant Football Coach.

**19-20 EXTRA
CURIC.** Approved the following extracurricular positions for the 2019-2020 school year:

Denise L. Strohl	Volunteer Ski Club Advisor	
Brad Landis	Volunteer Ski Club Advisor	
Matt Guedes	½ Football Coach	\$2,018

**ELEMENTARY
TEACHER
HIRED** Approved Kelly Ord as an Elementary teacher, effective August 20, 2019, at the rate of Masters, Step 1 - \$47,500.00.

**SPEC. ED.
TEACHERS
HIRED** Approved Jamie Frockowiak as a Special Education Instructional Assistant at SS Palmer, effective August 20, 2019, at the rate of \$15.35/hour.

Approved Mary Beth Zulic as a Special Education Instructional Assistant at SS Palmer, effective August 20, 2019, at the rate of \$15.35/hour.

**PT FLEX
CUSTODIAN
HIRED** Approved Eli DeSocio as a Part-time Flex Custodian effective August 21, 2019, at the rate of \$13.82/hour.

**DISH ROOM
HIRED** Approved Teresa Reed as a 3-hour Junior High Dish Room Employee, effective August 20, 2019, at the rate of \$13.06/hour.

**CAFÉ SUBS
HIRED** Approved Jayme Bass as a substitute Café Worker, effective August 26, 2019.

Approved Erika Katona as a substitute Café Worker, effective August 26, 2019

**SHORT TERM
SUB HIRED** Approved Meghan Wentz as a short-term elementary sub at the rate of \$120/day, effective August 20, 2019.

SUB HIRED Approved Tara Marques as a substitute Teacher, effective August 26, 2019.

IA SUBS HIRED Approved Lindsay Dillman as a substitute Instructional Assistant, effective August 26, 2019.

Approved Mary Herrmann as a substitute Instructional Assistant, effective August 26, 2019.

MATH COACHES HIRED Approved Felicia Fischer as a Math Coach, at the rate of master's Step 6 - \$51,000, effective August 20, 2019.

Approved Kim Nenscel as a Math Coach, at the rate of master's +15, Step 6 - \$52,000, effective August 20, 2019.

MENTORS Approved the following mentors:

Vicki McHugh for Maria Lear
Michael Brennan for Kristin Perdew
Ryan Heller Co-mentor for Michael Horvath
Rebecca Sabo Co-mentor for Michael Horvath
Michelle Muffley ½ year mentor for Kim Nenscel
Kayla Creed ½ year mentor for Kelly Ord
Kristin Heller ½ year mentor to Felicia Fischer

19-20 ADVISORS Approved the following Advisors at SS Palmer Elementary and Parkside Education for the 2019-2020 School Year:

Holly Hausman Sell	CAC, Grades K & 1	\$1,721.00
Christopher Kimmel	CAC, Grades 2 & 3	\$1,721.00
Meghan Barclay	CAC, Grade 4	\$1,721.00
Deanna Isles	CAC, Grade 5	\$1,721.00
Monique Hofford	CAC, Grade 6	\$1,721.00
Carole Burkhardt	Elementary Chorus	\$1,523.00
Lynn Sutton	Environmental Club	\$1,173.00
Monique Hofford	Sixth Sense	\$393.00
Deanna Iles	Sixth Sense	\$393.00
Pamela Andrews	Yearbook	\$772.00

Approved the following Advisors at The Junior High School for the 2019-2020 School Year:

Patricia Boyd	Ace	\$786.00
Kevin Young	Jr. High Student Council Co-advisor	\$488.50
Christopher Kery	Jr. High Student Council Co-advisor	\$488.50
Kevin Kolodziejwski	Jr High Yearbook	\$1,926.00
Brianna Carroll	Jr. High Honor Society	\$980.00
Laura Reichard	Jr. High Chorus	\$1,523.00
Laura Reichard	Jr. High Band	\$1,523.00

COLUMN MOVEMENT Approved the following column movement:

Michael Gombert	Masters to Master's+15
Travis Fink	Masters to Master's+15
Krystle Meglio	Bachelors to Bachelors+24
Brian Stevko	Bachelors+24 to Master's
Ryan Sharkazy	Master's to Master's+15

PAMPA CHAPERONES Approved the following PAMPA volunteer chaperones:

- Michele Heydt
- Kristine Keblish
- Ron Keblish
- Lisa Kistler
- Don Szena
- Marla Szena
- Janine Mack
- Charles Laviolette
- Gretchen Laviolette
- Anne Marie Cronk
- John Cronk
- Kelli Costenbader
- Krista Campbell
- April Lyon-Whitaker
- Opal Snyder
- Matthew Kimmel
- Larissa Kimmel
- Tom Hourt
- Jodie Hourt
- Kelly Connelly
- Carly Heist
- Jamie Drake

CAFÉ RESIGNATION Accepted the resignation of Joleene Delgado from her position as café worker, effective August 30, 2019.

GRADUATIONS Accepted the status that student #16015, #19280, #17149, and student #19229 have completed the graduation requirements set forth by the Pennsylvania Department of Education and the Board of Education of the Palmerton Area School District.

HANDBOOK Approved the 2019-2020 PHS Faculty Handbook

DONATION Accepted the donation of \$130 from the Aetna Foundation, Inc.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

CHANGE ORDERS APPROVED Director Haas moved, seconded by Director Scherer, to approve Change Order Number 010, Myco for Tank Monitoring System The contract sum will be increased by this change

order in the amount of \$44,720.00.

Aye Votes: All Directors Present.

Nay Votes: None. Motion Carried

Director Scherer moved, seconded by Director Gildner, to approve Change Order Number 011 Penn Builders Inc. for softball field restoration. The contract sum will be increased by this change order in the amount of \$20,859.00.

Aye Votes: All Directors Present.

Nay Votes: None. Motion Carried

**BUS DRIVER
AND ROUTES
APPROVED**

Director Baumgardt moved, seconded by Director Fallow, to approve the 2019-20 Bus Drivers and Bus Routes.

Aye Votes: All Directors Present.

Nay Votes: None. Motion Carried

**DRAMA TRIP
APPROVED**

Director Fallow moved, seconded by Director Gildner to approve the Drama Club field trip the Broadway Theatre and Hard Rock Café in New York City on April 1, 2020, cost to the District is the Substitute Teacher only. The funding for the trip will be covered by the drama parents club and a final request for chaperones must be presented for final approval.

Aye Votes: All Directors Present.

Nay Votes: None. Motion Carried

**ADVISOR
RESIGNATION
APPROVED**

Director Scherer moved, seconded by Director Haas, to accept the resignation of Jose Elvir from his volunteer position of advisor to the International Travelers' Club.

Aye Votes: All Directors Present.

Nay Votes: None. Motion Carried

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Doris Zellers – Questioned the difference between a donation and a gift so that people or organizations donating to the school should know what the district would classify the donation as. Director Baumgardt stated that it would be a good discussion for the policy committee.

Amanda Zellers – PTO donations of technology items – questioned if the money for those items were already budgeted or denied. Mr. Heaney stated we budget for what is needed, no specific requests were received regarding PTO donation.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:

Director Haas – Band Preview night Thursday evening. September 14-15 – Little Mermaid Jr. play. Tickets can be purchased in advance at High School or online.

ADJOURNMENT

Director Scherer moved, seconded by Director Haas, that the Board of Directors of the Palmerton Area School District adjourn the meeting at 7:12 P.M.

Aye Votes: All Directors Present

Nay Votes: None. Motion Carries

Respectfully submitted,

Ryan P. Kish
Business Manager/Board Secretary