

## CARLYNTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

### Committee/Voting Meeting March 7, 2016 Carlynton Jr.-Sr. High School Library – 7:30 pm

#### MINUTES

The Carlynton School District Board of Education held its committee/voting meeting March 7, 2016 in the library of the junior-senior high school. Those in attendance included Vice President Joe Appel, Treasurer Marissa Mendoza and Directors Monica Dugan, Antriece Hart, George Honchar, LEEANNE O'Brien, Nyra Schell and Kelly Zaletski. Also present at the meeting was Superintendent Gary Peiffer, Solicitor Bill Andrews and Administrators Kirby Christy, Carla Hudson, Michael Loughren and Ed Mantich. The audience was comprised of five individuals.

**CALL TO ORDER** - *The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Vice President Appel; Carnegie Elementary students Arionna Lemon, Timmy Smith and Bailey Vetter led the pledge. The roll was called by recording secretary Michale Herrmann; President Jim Schriver was absent.*

*The Carnegie students presented projects they developed during exploratory time involving project-based learning. Timmy Smith presented a video he created with Legos using stop-motion design. Arionna Lemon and Bailey Vetter shared the project, "Hats for Addi," in which they designed and sewed head-covering solutions for Mrs. Hudson's daughter, Addi, who had surgery for Craniosynostosis. The hats were designed to cover exposed pins behind Addi's ears. Addi was present for the meeting and briefly modelled the stylish hat. Board members praised the students for their efforts.*

**PRESENTATION** – *Erika Fricke, Health Policy Director, and Chris West from the Pittsburgh Community Food Bank provided a school breakfast report for the schools in the district, explaining the importance of the morning meal. As representatives for "Allies for Children," the couple distributed a county-wide report to all board members.*

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Director Honchar moved, seconded by Director O'Brien, to approve the minutes of the February 16, 2016 Voting Meeting as presented. **By a voice vote, the motion carried 6-0-2, with Directors Hart and Schell abstaining due to absence.**

#### **REPORTS:**

- Executive Session – *Vice President Appel said contractual, personnel and student issues were discussed in the closed session.*
- Administrative Reports
  - Superintendent Report – *Dr. Peiffer announced that the board held a productive work session on Saturday, February 27. They will meet again on Saturday, May 21 and will also convene for a Tri-State work session April 8-9. Dr. Peiffer said he continues to*

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work with the administrative team to develop the comprehensive plan. He reminded everyone about the upcoming musical, Pippin, and concluded by saying the state budget impasse continues to be disheartening and the district's revenues should carry the budget through June.

- Principals – High School Principal Mike Loughren said his team has begun the scheduling process. He announced that the Carlynton Unified Bocce team took the gold at the last meet and has qualified for the state competition in Hershey. Mr. Loughren said the Robotics teams competed at North Allegheny with the junior high team winning “Best Design” and the senior high team placing 9<sup>th</sup> out of 21 teams. Also, a team of students has responded to an RFP to design a courtyard at the Energy Innovation Center. The students are working with individuals from four other school districts and are using CAD and Google Design to develop drawings.  
Carnegie Principal Carla Hudson distributed a newsletter and called attention to a meeting on April 4 for parents about Growth Mindset and Grit. Kindergarten registration is March 18 at Carnegie, students successfully performed at District Choir and Band festivals and the recent Read Across America week went very well. Mrs. Hudson also shared that a visit from the Pitt Mobile Science Lab provided a great learning experience for students.
- Business Manager – Mr. Christy said he has received notice of health and benefits rates for the next school year. Dental and eye insurance rates will hold and health care will increase by 2.25 percent, or about a \$73,000 increase for the district, which is less than anticipated. Mr. Christy said he hopes to see state budget funding for retirement, Special Education and transportation, as promised. As of yet, the district has not been allocated any funding for basic education.
- Curriculum/Data – Mr. Mantich said he is in prep-mode for the upcoming PSSA and Keystone exams. Training for principals, testing administrators and proctors is underway.
- Food Services – Mr. Graff reported the elementary schools received a new food line configuration with the addition of salad bars. The bars have a sneeze guard and will keep food colder.

## I. Miscellaneous

Director Mendoza moved, seconded by Director Hart, to approve the additions to the 2015-2016 Conference and Field Trips Requests as submitted; (Miscellaneous Item #0316-01 REVISED) **By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.**

Conference and Field Trip Requests

## II. Finance

Director Dugan moved, seconded by Director Hart, to approve the proposed 2016-2017 Allegheny Intermediate Unit Program of Services Budget in the amount of \$2,021,185. The district contribution to the Program of Services Budget is estimated to be \$20,141 and will be determined by PDE according to

2016-2017 AIU Program of Services Budget

District Aid Ratio and Weighted Average Daily Membership (WADM). (Finance Item #0316-01)

And the 2016-2017 General Operating Budget as submitted by Parkway West Career and Technology Center in the amount of \$5,919,322 with a Jointure Budget of \$476,534. The Carlynton School District's contribution to the General Operating Budget is \$371,417.63 with a contribution of \$18,587.22 to the Jointure Budget. (Finance Item #0316-02) **By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.**

### III. Personnel

Director Hart moved, seconded by Director Zaletski, to award the following Class I, III and IV positions to the successful bidders as follows, effective immediately, under the terms of the Secretary-Cafeteria-Aides Collective Bargaining Unit:

- Title I Aide, Carnegie – Denise Warne
- Title I Aide, Crafton – Lorrie Rose
- Life Skills/Autistic Support Aide, Crafton – Nancy McMullen (recalled from furlough)
- Playground Aide, Carnegie – ~~Fatima Jawad~~ (rescinded) Chris Trombetta (recalled from furlough) (Personnel Item #0316-01)

The letter of intent to retire from Crafton Elementary teacher James Nagorski, as submitted, per the terms of the Carlynton Federation of Teachers Collective Bargaining Unit Agreement and effective the last day of the 2015-2016 school year; (Personnel Item #0316-02)

Employ Kristen Bonner as District Child Accounting-Registrar, a Class I position effective March 4, 2016 under the terms of the Secretary-Cafeteria-Aides Collective Bargaining Unit Agreement. (Personnel Item #0316-03)

The request for unpaid personal time for high school teacher Rachel Foltz for the dates of June 8-9, 2016 as submitted; (Personnel Item #0316-04)

And the addition to the 2015-2016 Day-to-Day Substitute List as submitted:

- Mark Jacobs – Mathematics, 7-12 (Personnel Item #0316-05)

**By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.**

### IV. Student Matter

Director Schell moved, seconded by Director Mendoza, to approve the adjudication agreement for Student #1516-03 as presented. (Student Item #0316-01) **By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.**

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

PWCTC 2016-2017 General Operating Budget and Jointure Budget

Aide Positions – Award Successful Bidders

Letter of Intent to Retire- James Nagorski

District Registrar – Kristen Bonner

Unpaid Personal Time Request

Day-to-Day Sub List – Mark Jacobs

Adjudication – Student #1516-03

**OPEN FORUM:** *Audience member and employee Maureen Nelson called attention to a door being left open at Carnegie Elementary in the evenings. Dr. Peiffer said he would look into it.*

**ADJOURNMENT:**

With no further business to discuss, Director Hart moved, seconded by Director Zaletski, to adjourn the meeting at 8:41 pm. **By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.**

Respectfully submitted,

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Kirby Christy, Board Secretary

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Michale Herrmann, Recording Secretary