

CARLYNTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

Voting Meeting

March 20, 2017

Carlynton Jr.-Sr. High School Library – 7:30 pm

MINUTES

The Carlynton School District Board of Education held the second of two monthly voting meetings March 20, 2017 in the junior-senior high school library. Those in attendance included President Jim Schriver, Vice President Joe Appel and Directors Monica Dugan, Marissa Mendoza, LeeAnne O'Brien and Kelly Zaletski. Also present was Superintendent Gary Peiffer, Solicitor Bill Andrews and administrators Kirby Christy, Dennis McDade, Rachel Gattuso, Hillary Mangis and John McAdoo. The audience was comprised of two individuals.

CALL TO ORDER – President Schriver called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Director Zaletski led the Pledge of Allegiance. The roll was called by Recording Secretary Michale Herrmann. Directors Honchar, Richardson and Schell were absent.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD: Audience member Isabel Ford informed board members of the upcoming Arts and Music Extravaganza to be held at the Carnegie Free Library and Music Hall, a collaboration between the district and the library. She also invited the board to the Taste of Carlynton, to be held April 3 at Chartiers Country Club. The event is sponsored by the Carlynton Education Foundation, an organization that benefits the teachers and students of the district. Over \$10,000 in teacher grants has already been gifted by the foundation, said Mrs. Ford.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Director Dugan moved, seconded by Director Zaletski, to approve the minutes of the March 6, 2017 regular voting meeting as presented. **By a voice vote, the motion carried 5-0-1 with Director O'Brien abstaining due to absence.**

Minutes of March 6, 2017
Meeting

REPORTS:

- **Executive Session** – President Schriver said discussion in the closed session revolved around personnel and real estate matters.
- **Administrative Reports**
 - **Superintendent Report** – Dr. Peiffer, as a follow up to the Finance Committee Meeting, directed thanks to Mr. Christy for his careful budget planning during a time of uncertainty. As a smaller district, Dr. Peiffer said he is proud of the accomplishments and personal touches provided to students although he fears budget restrictions will offer many challenges as the board moves forward.
 - **Principals** – Carnegie Principal John McAdoo said his staff is preparing for the PSSAs and he has witnessed a tremendous amount of effort put forth by counselor Sheree Lee, for which he is grateful. Kindergarten registration is at the end of the month and a recent talent show and family reading night held at the school were successful. Mr. McAdoo shared news of three recent enrollees from Syria, noting it is remarkable to watch them adjust and see other

students embrace them. High School Principal Rachel Gattuso announced that students are facilitating a We Care Project, a clothing drive to benefit the Red Cross and local agencies. Additionally, she shared news of winter sports successes, a St. Patrick's Day party sponsored by Best Buddies and the upcoming spring musical. Mrs. Gattuso said teachers at the high school are also prepping for the PSSAs and remarked that Bethany Mudd, newly hired home-school visitor, has been an asset.

- Pupil Services – Dr. Mangis, in reference to a discussion during the Finance Committee Meeting regarding proposed budget reductions to Medicaid, said the service is valuable to students and covers a broad area. The cutback would be upsetting, she added. Dr. Mangis also reported that kindergarten registration will be conducted a little differently than in past. Dr. Peiffer thanked Dr. Mangis for her time with the district and the guidance she is providing to incoming Special Education Director Rachel Andler.
- Facilities and Maintenance – Mr. McDade said water testing in all three district buildings offered good results; the water was well below all guidelines for lead detection. Efforts to remedy the temperature in the server room is ongoing. Mr. McDade reported he will be replacing light bulbs in Carnegie Elementary auditorium with LED lights, which are brighter and more energy efficient. Lastly, an AC unit at Crafton Elementary is not working properly but repairs and replacement parts will be covered under warranty.

➤ Committee Reports

- Parkway West CTC – Dr. Peiffer, who attended the meeting, said the budget was reviewed and discussion was held for the planning of a new diesel program.
- SHASDA – Director Dugan reported that senior Lorin Welsh represented the district well at the student forum held March 16.

I. Miscellaneous

Director O'Brien moved, seconded by Director Dugan, to approve the additions to the 2016-2017 Conference and Field Trip Requests as presented; (Miscellaneous Item #0317-01 REVISED)

And the election ballot of Mary D. Birks of the Mt. Lebanon School District to the Allegheny County Schools Health Insurance Consortium as a School Board Trustee for the Western Region for the period of March 29, 2017 through March 2018. (Miscellaneous Item #0317-02) **By a voice vote, the motion carried 6-0.**

II. Finance

Director Dugan moved, seconded by Director Mendoza, to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of February 2017 as presented;

The February 2017 bills in the amount of \$2,338,062.27 as presented;

The 2017-2018 General Operating and Jointure Budget for Parkway West Career and Technology Center as presented; (Finance Item #0317-01)

Additions to 2016-2017
Conference and Field Trips

Health Consortium Trustee -
Mary D. Birks

Treasurer's Report –
February 2017

January 2017 Bills

Parkway West CTC Budget

The proposed 2017-2018 Allegheny Intermediate Unit Program of Services Budget in the amount of \$2,034,004. The Allegheny County (AIU3) school districts' total contribution to the budget is \$1,835,198 and the District's contribution to the Program of Services Budget is estimated to be \$20,276 and will be determined by PDE according to the District Aid Ratio and Weighted Average Daily Membership; (Finance Item #0317-02)

AIU Program of Services Budget

The February 2017 Athletic Fund Report with an ending balance of \$7,503.29; (Finance Item #0317-03)

February 2017 Athletic Fund Report

And the February 2017 Activities Fund Report with an ending balance of \$84,626.12. (Finance Item #0317-04) **By a voice vote, the motion carried 6-0.**

February 2017 Activities Fund Report

III. Personnel

Director Zaletski moved, seconded by Director Appel, to award the position of junior-senior high school secretary to Catherine Columbus, a Class I position consistent with the terms of the Secretarial-Cafeteria-Aides Collective Bargaining Unit Agreement; (Personnel Item #0317-01)

JSHS Secretary – Catherine Columbus

Award the position of instructional aide at Crafton Elementary to Justin Lambert, a Class III position consistent with the terms of the Secretarial-Cafeteria-Aides Collective Bargaining Unit Agreement; (Personnel Item #0317-02)

Instructional Aide, Crafton – Justin Lambert

Award the following positions for the 2017 Summer Academic Program to be held June 19-July 14, 2017 at Carnegie Elementary School at the individual's per diem rate:

Positions for Summer Academic Program

- Math – Pamela Stone
- Reading – Brian Harewicz
- Writing – Bethany Martys and Andrea Harrity
(Personnel Item #0317-03)

The Leave of Absence Request as submitted by employee SCA1617-09; (Personnel Item #0317-04)

Leave of Absence

The Letter of Intent to Retire as submitted by lunchroom/playground worker Florence Brown, effective the last day of the 2016-2017 school year and consistent with the terms of the Secretarial-Cafeteria-Aides Collective Bargaining Unit Agreement; (Personnel Item #0317-05)

Letter of Intent to Retire – Florence Brown

Award the position of lunchroom/playground aide at Carnegie Elementary to Kathleen Schneider, effective March 21, 2017 under the terms of the Secretarial-Cafeteria-Aides Collective Bargaining Unit Agreement; (Personnel Item #0317-06)

Lunchroom/Playground Aide – Kathleen Schneider

And award the position of elementary after-school reading tutor at Carnegie Elementary to Mary Campbell, effective immediately. This position funded by the Ready to Learn Grant. (Personnel Item #0317-07) **By a voice vote, the motion carried 6-0.**

Elementary Reading Tutor – Mary Campbell

IV. Policy

Director Dugan moved, seconded by Director O'Brien, to approve the first reading of Policy 209.2, a new policy for Diabetes Management, as presented; (Policy Item #0317-01)

First Reading – Policy 209.2

And the first reading of Policies 220 through 233 as presented. (Policy Item #0317-02) **By a voice vote, the motion carried 6-0.**

First Reading – Policies 220 - 233

OLD BUSINESS: *None*

NEW BUSINESS: *None*

OPEN FORUM: *President Schriver extended best wishes to Hillary Mangis who will be departing the district for another position.*

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business, Director Appel moved for adjournment at 8:23 pm, seconded by Director Zaletski. **By a voice vote, the motion carried 6-0.**

Respectfully submitted,

Kirby Christy, Board Secretary

Michale Herrmann, Recording Secretary