

CARLYNTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

Voting Meeting

May 1, 2017

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

MINUTES

The Carlynton School District Board of Education held a voting meeting May 1, 2017 in the junior-senior high school library. Those in attendance included President Jim Schriver, Vice President Joe Appel and Directors Monica Dugan, George Honchar, Marissa Mendoza and LeeAnne O'Brien. Also present was Superintendent Gary Peiffer, Solicitor Bill Andrews and administrators Rachel Andler, Marsha Burleson and Michael Loughren. The audience was comprised of two individuals.

CALL TO ORDER - *President Schriver called the meeting to order at 7:31 pm. Crafton Elementary third grader Bella Adams led the pledge. Bella was runner-up in a rotary-sponsored spelling bee last month. The roll was called by Recording Secretary Michale Herrmann. Directors Richardson, Schell and Zaletski were absent.*

PUBLIC COMMENT ON BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD: *None*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Director Honchar moved, seconded by Director O'Brien, to approve the minutes of the April 10, 2017 voting meeting as presented. **By a voice vote, the motion carried 5-0-1, with Director Dugan abstaining due to absence.**

Minutes of February 21, 2017
Voting Meeting

REPORTS:

- **Executive Session** – *President Schriver said personnel and negotiation matters were discussed in the closed session.*
- **Administrative Reports**
 - **Superintendent** – *Dr. Peiffer said the PSSA testing continues and is running smoothly. AP testing and Keystone exams will be administered next. It is the preliminary budget season and the planning continues.*
 - **Principals** – *High school principal Michael Loughren said as the school year winds down, May will be a busy month. He met with service providers for online credit recovery and one company is standing out above others. With Mrs. Gattuso off for a short period, everyone is pitching in. Crafton principal Marsha Burleson said the PSSAs are going well in her building; it is Teacher Appreciation Week; and kindergarten registration went smoothly. Parent meetings for new kindergarten students has been scheduled. Parents are pleased about a summer playdate and the staggered start for kindergarteners. Mrs. Burleson distributed a newsletter and talked about some of the news items within the newsletter.*
 - **Director of Special Education** – *Dr. Andler reported that her staff is completing year-end reporting and a parent training will be offered in May. Dr. Andler said she is working with guidance counselors to*

plan a career fair next year. A sixth to seventh grade transition meeting for parents is scheduled and a computer system called SCOIR appears to be a better option for Naviance and it is offered to the district at no cost.

I. Miscellaneous

Director Dugan moved, seconded by Director Appel, to approve the additions to the 2016-2017 Conference and Field Trip Requests as submitted. (Miscellaneous Item #0517-01 REVISED) **By a voice vote, the motion carried 6-0.**

Conference and FT Requests

II. Finance

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

Treasurer's Report – March 2017

The March 2017 bills in the amount of \$2,816,314.78;

March 2017 Bills

The March 2017 Athletic Fund Report with an ending balance of \$10,999.10; (Finance Item #0517-01)

March 2017 Athletic Fund Report

The March 2017 Activities Fund Report with an ending balance of \$102,956.48; (Finance Item #0517-02)

March 2017 Activities Fund Report

And the May 2017 Real Estate Tax Refunds for the Borough of Carnegie as submitted. (Finance Item #0517-03) **By a voice vote, the motion carried 6-0.**

Carnegie RE Tax Refunds

III. Personnel

Director Dugan moved, seconded by Director Appel, to approve the additions to the 2017-2018 Athletic Supplemental List as presented; (Personnel Item #0517-01)

Addition to Athletic Supplemental List

And the Leave of Absence as submitted by employee SCA1617-11. (Personnel Item #0517-02) **By a voice vote, the motion carried 6-0.**

Leave of Absence

IV. Policy

Director Honchar moved, seconded by Director Dugan, to approve the second and final reading of Policies 221 through 233 as recommended per the full PSBA policy review; (Policy Item #0517-01)

Final Reading of Policies 221-233

The first reading of Policy 215, Promotion and Retention, with revisions; (Policy Item #0517-02 REVISED)

Revisions to Policy 215, First Reading

And the first reading of Policy 217, Graduation, with revisions. (Policy Item #0517-03 REVISED) **By a voice vote, the motion carried 6-0.**

Revision to Policy 217, First Reading

OLD BUSINESS: *None*

NEW BUSINESS:

Three items were added:

Director Mendoza moved, seconded by Director Dugan, to approve the Leave of Absence for Business Manager Kirby Christy, effective May 2 through August 2, 2017 and which at the conclusion he may take an FMLA. **By a voice vote, the motion carried 6-0.**

Leave of Absence

Director Appel moved, seconded by Director Mendoza, to employ William Reilly as the interim business manager for the period of May 2 through August 2, 2017. **By a voice vote, the motion carried 6-0.**

Interim Business Manager –
William Reilly

Director Appel asked for Mr. Reilly's qualifications. Dr. Peiffer explained the process in finding an interim business manager and said Mr. Reilly was highly recommended. He was business manager for over 25 years in the Freeport School District and held an interim position in the Beaver Area School District from 2014-2016. He was a former Olympian, U.S. Marine and is active in the WPIAL.

Director Dugan moved, seconded by Director Appel, to accept, with regret, the resignation of Carnegie Elementary Principal John McAdoo, effective July 31, 2017. **By a voice vote, the motion carried 6-0.**

Resignation – Carnegie
Principal John McAdoo

Dr. Peiffer offered kind words and many thanks to John for her service. The board concurred and reiterated regret in his leaving.

OPEN FORUM: *Director Mendoza thanked everyone for attending "Taste of Carlynton." The well-attended event raised over \$9,500 and enables classroom grants to benefit students and teachers.*

Director Dugan asked for an update on the budget. President Schriver said the final budget will be approved at the June 25 meeting and a proposed preliminary budget accepted on May 15. When passed, the preliminary budget is not final and changes can be made before the final budget is adopted. A Finance Committee meeting will be held before the May 15 meeting for further discussion.

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business, Director O'Brien moved for adjournment at 8:17 pm, seconded by Director Mendoza. **By a voice vote, the motion carried 6-0.**

Respectfully submitted,

William Reilly for Kirby Christy, Board Secretary

Michale Herrmann, Recording Secretary