

CARLYNTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

Agenda Setting/Committee/Voting Meeting May 5, 2014 Carlynton Jr.-Sr. High School Library – 7:30 pm

MINUTES

The Carlynton School District Board of Education held its agenda setting/committee/voting meeting May 5, 2014 in the library of the junior-senior high school. Those in attendance included President David Roussos, Vice-President Betsy Tassaro and School Directors Joe Appel, Antriece Hart, Nyra Schell, Jim Schriver and Sharon Wilson. Also present was Superintendent Gary Peiffer, Solicitor Bill Andrews, Business Manager Kirby Christy, Principals Carla Hudson, Paul Kirsch and John McAdoo, and Special Education Coordinator Hillary Mangis. Three individuals and two members of the press remained in the audience following the pledge.

CALL TO ORDER – *The meeting was called to order at 7:39 pm by President Roussos. Carnegie Elementary students led the pledge. The roll was called by Katie Kovach; Directors Hunt and Walkowiak were absent from the meeting.*

PUBLIC COMMENT ON BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD: *None*

REPORTS:

- Executive Session - *President Roussos reported that personnel, contractual and litigation matters were discussed in the closed session.*
- Administrative Reports
 - Superintendent's Report – *Mr. Peiffer addressed a budget "wish list" and spoke of staffing, resources, capital improvements and other needs. He also commented on the students present from the 21st Century program and its success. Facilitator Lisa Rowley was in the audience and added some comments about the program.*
 - Business Manager Report – *Mr. Christy reported that gambling funds should bring \$557,987 to the district, up slightly from last year*
 - Director of Pupil Services Report – *Dr. Mangis distributed a hand-out regarding research and bullying*
 - Principals' Report – *Dr. Kirsch said the field trip to the Wheeling Jesuit Challenger Center was a great experience for students; Mrs. Hudson spoke about teacher appreciation, field trips, pen pals and the cultural diversity activity. She also distributed a Carnegie newsletter; Mr. McAdoo recognized two teachers and reminded all of the upcoming National Honor Society Induction Ceremony.*
 - Technology Report – *Mr. Durica reported that a virus with Internet Explorer was unpreventable. He then went on to speak of upgrades to technology and offered estimated dollar values for the upgrades. These included upgrades to ProSoft and Student Gradebook, PIMS and data reporting, system maintenance costs, laptops for students and teachers, laptop carts and upgrades to virtual labs. Mr. Christy said approximately \$300,000 is in next year's budget for technology.*

There was considerable discussion about end of year spending and how to best approach the costs for the upgrades.

- Thomas & Williamson – Mr. John Hayes began by speaking of Carnegie Elementary auditorium and the scope of work. There was also discussion about the completion of the track and field and the shot put area, the exterior door package for the elementary schools, the color of tile for the elementary vestibules and the soft costs to replace the roof at Carnegie Elementary. Discussion then moved to the HVAC at the elementary schools and training of staff for programming the thermostats. Mr. Hayes suggested a maintenance program called “School Dude” and explained how it operated. The overall discussion about renovations was lengthy and informative.

I. Miscellaneous

Director Tassaró moved, seconded by Director Schell, to approve the additions to the 2013-2014 conference and field trip requests as presented and approved by administration; (Miscellaneous Item #0514-01 REVISED)

The agreement to continue student participation in Keystone Oaks’ Project Succeed program for the 2014-2015 school year;

Declare the district’s old Ford truck to be unused and unnecessary for school purposes and to approve the donation of the Ford truck to Parkway West Career and Technology Center;

And the two year agreement to continue the athletic training services of Allegheny Health Network, Inc. at a cost of \$30,000 each year. **By a voice vote, the motion carried 7-0.**

II. Personnel

Director Hart moved, seconded by Director Schriver, to approve the appointment of Rebecca Sawcheck as School Psychologist as recommended by administration and as submitted; (Personnel Item #0514-01)

The additions to the 2014-2015 Supplemental Athletic Positions as recommended and presented;

- Daniel Hahn, Head Varsity Golf Coach
 - Lysie Merglowski, Head Bowling Coach
 - Annemarie Bunch, Asst. Athletic Director
 - Nathan Milsom, Athletic Director and Equipment Manager
 - Derek Yobbi, Asst. Varsity Boys’ Soccer
 - Charles Dagnal, Head Varsity Boys’ Soccer
 - David Dedola, Head 7-8 Boys’ Soccer
 - David Zinski, Head Varsity Girls’ Soccer
 - Andrew Bogats, Head 7-8 Girls’ Soccer
 - Kyle Maines, Girls’ Varsity Tennis
 - Emily Tupi, Head Varsity Volleyball
 - Brenda Potkrajac, Asst. Varsity Volleyball
- (Personnel Item #0514-02 REVISED)

Additions – 2013-2014
Conference and FT Requests

Student Participation in
Project Succeed

Donation of Old Ford Truck

Allegheny Health Network,
Inc. Athletic Training
Services

School Psychologist

Additions to Supplemental
Athletic List – 2014-2015

And the additions to the 2014-2015 Supplemental Activities Positions as recommended and presented;

- Ryan Gevaudan and Rachel Foltz, Audio-Visual Coordinators
- Russ Pedersen and Karen Wilmus, Auditorium Managers
- Todd Obidowski, Band Director
- Jennifer Searles, Asst. Band Director
- Evelyn Amerson, Asst. Band Director
- Annemarie Bunch, Junior Class Sponsor
- Rebecca Chenette, Senior Class Sponsor
- Rachel Foltz, Sophomore Class Sponsor
- Kelsey Benigni, Drum Instructor/ Percussion
- Heidi Aitken and Diane Criste, Intramural Lunch-Carnegie
- Nicholas DeRoss, Intramural Lunch-Crafton
- Stephen Baldanzi, Musical Asst., Instrumental
- Cynthia Eddy, National Honor and National Junior Honor Society
- Diane Criste, Patrol Sponsor, Carnegie
- Shannon Vitali-Guay, Patrol Sponsor, Crafton
- James Nagorski, Peer Sponsor, Crafton
- Tonilyn Longo, Play Director
- Tracy Post, Play Assistant
- Laura Begg, Sr. High Student Council
- Marlynn Vayanos, Yearbook Sponsor
(Personnel Item #0514-03)

By a voice vote, the motion carried 7-0.

OLD BUSINESS: *President Roussos informed all that a response to the Rosslyn Farms appeal had been made earlier that day.*

NEW BUSINESS: *Mr. Peiffer noted that KMA Design would attend the next meeting to discuss the branding of the district.*

OPEN FORUM: *An audience member announced that the district would be hosting the PMEA elementary band festival at the high school. Discussion arose about the senior Baccalaureate Ceremony and it was decided to leave as is and hold in the auditorium.*

Director Wilson recognized the 2014 SHASDA honoree students and shared a booklet from the event. She also mentioned the bullying movie that was shown at Carnegie Elementary. Director Tassaro added a few comments about the movie.

Director Schell brought up questions about the budget, expenditures and revenues. She has some concerns about the gifted, guidance and Title programs and questioned if the sports medicine services was in the budget. She spoke of the building improvements and the Carnegie roof replacement and raised concerns about funding and the balance in the budget reserve.

Additions to Supplemental
Activities List – 2014-15

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business to discuss, Director Hart moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:55 pm, seconded by Director Schriver. **By a voice vote, the motion carried 7-0.**

Respectfully submitted,

Kirby Christy, Board Secretary

Michale Herrmann, Recording Secretary,
as recorded by Katie Kovach