

CARLYNTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

Committee/Voting Meeting

November 17, 2014

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

MINUTES

The Carlynton School District Board of Education held its committee/voting meeting November 17, 2014 in the library of the junior-senior high school. Those in attendance included President David Roussos, Vice President Ray Walkowiak and Directors Joe Appel, Monica Dugan, Antriece Hart, Marissa Mendoza-Burcham, Jim Schriver and Sharon Wilson. Also present was Superintendent Gary Peiffer, Solicitor Bill Andrews and principal John McAdoo. The audience was initially comprised of 22 individuals although the number dropped to four following the presentation. One member of the press was present as well.

CALL TO ORDER – *The meeting was called to order at 7:40 pm by President Roussos; high school senior Alex Popichak led the pledge. The roll was called by Michale Herrmann; Director Schell was absent.*

Principal John McAdoo introduced Alex Popichak who was prepared to present an overview of his Eagle Scout project. The project, which included updating the high school sign and providing landscaping, was completed. Alex presented photos and a synopsis of the work. Board members praised him for the work.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD: *None*

PRESENTATION: *Seventh grader Jane Grabowski presented a Power Point about food allergies and avoidance of foods that cause allergic reactions.*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Director Hart moved, seconded by Director Dugan, to approve the minutes of the November 3, 2014 Committee/Voting Meeting as presented. **By a voice vote, the motion carried 7-0-1 with Director Appel abstaining due to absence.**

REPORTS:

- **Executive Session** – *President Roussos said the primary discussion in the closed session encompassed litigation and student matters.*
- **Reports:**
 - *Maintenance and Grounds – Mr. McDade said the pool upgrades have been completed and everything is working well with the exception of the chlorine system. He provided the option to purchase a new chlorine pump at a cost of \$2,700 but said he will attempt to resolve the present situation first. Mr. McDade said the high school gym floor was refinished last weekend in preparation of the basketball season and he is working to put up signs along the front of the school for parking restrictions. President Roussos suggested making announcements before games to alert fans of the new parking policy. Mr. McDade reported that Carnegie Elementary is still*

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without a security system. He is working with Thomas and Williamson to obtain a refund from the contractor who left the system in disrepair. A quote for the work was obtained from Sonitrol in the amount of \$6,400. Mr. McDade said the buildings have been winterized, and he gave an account of areas he believes will need upgrades in the near future: deteriorated curbs at high school, fire steps at Crafton Elementary, restroom renovations to all schools and locker room renovations at the high school, and the visitor bleachers at Honus Wagner Field. Mr. McDade said he is building a priority list for capital improvements. Mr. Peiffer suggested prioritizing the list in terms of safety concerns and greatest needs.

- *Technology – Mr. Durica reported that all new teacher lab tops have been installed and he is hearing positive feedback. A new digital message board at the Crafton Elementary entrance has been installed. A technology survey, Bright Bytes, will begin to collect data about technology. Mr. Durica said he will also begin compiling a list of technology priorities and needs, as well as getting cost estimates.*

➤ Committee Reports:

- *Parkway CTC – Director Dugan said enrollment has increased at the school. She also announced that a Carlynton student, Donovan Barton, was named Student of the Month at the school.*

I. Miscellaneous

Director Walkowiak moved, seconded by Director Appel, to approve the additions to the Conference and Field Trip Requests for the 2014-2015 school year as submitted; (Miscellaneous Item #1114-01 REVISED) **By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.**

2014-15 Conference and
Field Trip Requests

II. Personnel

Director Wilson moved, seconded by Director Dugan, to approve the following Carnegie Elementary staff members to serve as intramural sponsors during the lunch hour for the remainder of the 2014-2015 school year as submitted. Each person will work one day per week:

Carnegie Intramural Sponsors

- Susan Cantwell
 - Mary Anne Clark
 - Renee Gerber
 - Meredith Kladakis
 - Sheree Lee
 - Elaine Retcofsky (as a substitute)
- (Personnel Item #1114-01)

The following additions to the 2014-2015 Athletic Supplemental List:

- Tyler Valentine, Varsity Assistant Boys' Basketball
 - Scott Kemmler, Grade 7 Boys' Basketball
 - Guy Dedola, Jr. High Wrestling Assistant
 - Camden Coppelli – Varsity Head Swim
 - Mike Schneiderlocher – Varsity Swim Assistant
- (Personnel Item #1114-02)

Additions to the Athletic
Supplemental List

<p>The addition to the 2014-2015 Day to Day Substitute List as submitted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ James DiMarco, returning (Personnel Item #1114-03) <p>Denise Warne to the position of Special Education ACCESS Secretary, a 12-month position, under the terms of the Secretary-Cafeteria-Aides Collective Bargaining Unit Agreement. (Personnel Item #1114-04)</p> <p><i>And</i> an unpaid Leave of Absence for Employee #SCA14-14-09. (Personnel Item #1114-05) By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.</p>	<p>Addition to the D-D Sub List</p> <p>Special Education ACCESS Secretary – Denise Warne</p> <p>Unpaid Leave of Absence</p>
<p>III. Student Services</p> <p>Director Hart moved, seconded by Director Schriver, to approve the following list of van and bus drivers and substitute bus drivers for the 2014-2015 school year as submitted by Roenigk and STA; (Student Services Item #1114-01)</p> <p><i>And</i> the Carlynton Marching Band proposed spring trip to Washington, D.C. for the dates of May 15-17, 2015, with itinerary as presented. (Student Services Item #1114-02) By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.</p>	<p>Van, Bus and Substitute Drivers</p> <p>Spring Band Trip to Washington, D.C.</p>
<p>IV. Policy</p> <p>Director Appel moved, seconded by Director Schriver, to approve the revisions to Policy No. 113.2, Behavior Support, Policy No. 200, and Policy No. 222, Tobacco Use, Enrollment in the District, as submitted; (Policy Item #1114-01)</p> <p><i>Director Walkowiak called attention to Policy No. 113.2, page 2 of 6, regarding the definition of the statement “seclusion without supervision.” Solicitor Andrews stated that seclusion is an appropriate tool at the discretion of the pupil services department. Discussion continued on the subject, with Mr. Walkowiak suggesting the conditions needed to be defined. It was decided to amend the motion:</i></p> <p>Director Hart moved, seconded by Director Mendoza-Burcham, to amend the motion by striking Policy No. 113.2 until further clarification is received. By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.</p> <p>The original motion, excluding Policy No. 113.2, carried 8-0 by a voice vote.</p>	<p>Policy Nos. 113.2, 200 and 222</p>
<p>V. Finance</p> <p>Director Dugan moved, seconded by Director Schriver, to approve the Aramark Food Services report for the months of September and October 2014 as submitted; (Finance Item #1114-01)</p> <p>The October 2014 Athletic Fund Report with an ending balance of \$15,837.34 as submitted; (Finance Item #1114-02)</p>	<p>Aramark Food Services Report – September/October</p> <p>October 2014 Athletic Fund Report</p>

And the October 2014 Activities Fund Report with an ending balance of \$66,085.72 as submitted. (Finance Item #1114-03) **By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.**

OLD BUSINESS: *Director Schriver and Mr. Peiffer provided information about an available grant for a green roof option at Carnegie Elementary. The grant could be written with the assistance of Carnegie Borough and would cover the difference in cost of a standard roof and a green roof. Discussions were held with Burns and Scalo and they feel the roof at the elementary school is structurally sound and will support a green roof. Mr. Peiffer said the effort would strengthen community ties. Director Schriver said they are exploring all possibilities, including the economic and educational impacts. Dennis McDade said there is not an easy access point to the roof. Director Walkowiak said the board will need to justify the cost and this might be achievable through the grant.*

Director Hart commended Alex Popichak for his work on the school sign, adding that she admires his commitment to attend board meetings and manage the sound system and filming of meetings.

NEW BUSINESS: *The board moved on the following motion:*

Director Wilson moved, seconded by Director Appel, to approve an agreement for the sale of real estate located in the 28th Ward of the City of Pittsburgh from the Glaser family for a consideration of \$165,000 as presented. **By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.**

President Roussos explained the property would allow for additional and much needed parking area for Crafton Elementary School.

Director Dugan shared information about an upcoming Stage 62 performance of Yo Vikings!

OPEN FORUM:

Carnegie resident William Griffin came forward to address the football program and said he would like the opportunity to coach the team. Mr. Griffen said he is capable of leading the team to a winning season and only wants the chance to prove it.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business to discuss, Director Hart moved, seconded by Director Mendoza-Burcham, to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 pm. **By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.**

Respectfully submitted,

Kirby Christy, Board Secretary

Michale Herrmann, Recording Secretary

October 2014 Activities Fund Report

Purchase of Real Estate –
Glaser Property