

CARLYNTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

Voting Meeting November 21, 2016 Carlynton Jr.-Sr. High School Library – 7:30 pm

MINUTES

The Carlynton School District Board of Education held its voting meeting November 21, 2016 in the junior-senior high school library. Those in attendance included President Jim Schriver, Vice President Joe Appel, Treasurer Marissa Mendoza and Directors George Honchar, Leeanne O'Brien, Caleb Richardson and Nyra Schell. Also present was Superintendent Gary Peiffer, Solicitor Tony Giglio and administrators Kirby Christy and Dennis McDade. The audience was comprised of three individuals and one member of the press.

CALL TO ORDER - *The meeting was called to order at 7:36 pm by President Schriver. Dennis McDade led the pledge. The roll was called by recording secretary Michale Herrmann. Directors Dugan and Zaletski were absent.*

PRESENTATION – *Teachers Kristen Fischer and Wendy Steiner explained The Fluency Project to board members. Designed by the Carnegie Mellon University Create Lab, the project provides strategies to encourage students to become data-fluent through problem solving and advocacy. The teachers proposed a coaching position to continue and further advance The Fluency Project across the district.*

PUBLIC COMMENT ON BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD: *None*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Director Honchar moved, seconded by Director Appel, to approve the minutes of the November 7, 2016 regular voting meeting as presented. **By a voice vote, the motion carried 6-0-1, with Director Schell abstaining due to absence.**

REPORTS:

- **Executive Session** – *President Schriver said personnel and real estate issues were discussed in the closed session.*
- **Administrative Reports**
 - **Superintendent Report** – *Dr. Peiffer said he is in the process of preliminary planning for the 2017-2018 budget. Several principals are out temporarily due to illness and injury.*
 - **Special Education/Pupil Services** – *Dr. Mangis said her department is entering the busiest time of year with child count reporting and other reports. There has been an abundance of students enrolling and withdrawing. She is applying for contingency funds to allow students to learn in the least restrictive environment. Dr. Peiffer noted that guidance will offer a college jump-start night for college and career planning.*
 - **Facilities and Maintenance** – *Mr. McDade reported that his department has shut down the cooling towers for winter, added new mulch to the front of the high school and has repaired seats, lighting and sound in the auditorium. The elementary buildings have also been winterized. The Genie Lift and the scaffolding for the district is in poor condition and needs to be replaced. Representatives from Lowe's Home*

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Improvement Stores have been working with seniors to build an outdoor eating and recreational space. The project will be completed in the spring.

▪ Technology – Mr. Durica said state reporting has kept him busy and he has completed the input of student transcripts and GPAs into the Student Information System. The elementary principals have provided feedback on technology with replacement needs; money has been set aside to replace older lap tops.

I. Miscellaneous

Director Schell moved, seconded by Director O'Brien, to approve the additions to the 2016-2017 Conference and Field Trip Requests as presented. (Miscellaneous Item #1116-01 REVISED) **By a voice vote, the motion carried 7-0.**

II. Finance

Director Honchar moved, seconded by Director Mendoza, to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of October 2016 as presented;

The October 2016 bills in the amount of \$2,094,440.45 as presented;

The resolution to approve continued membership in the Joint Purchasing Board for the 2017-2018 school year along with the Allegheny Intermediate Unit and other local school districts, which will empower the district to make bulk purchases of selected items for its use. It is further recommended that the appropriate Carlynton School District officials be authorized to sign the Joint Purchasing Agreement and that Kirby Christy be named said representative to the purchasing board and Gary Peiffer named as alternate; (Finance Item #1116-01)

The extension of the current agreement with UGI Energy Services for the supply of natural gas for the term of December 1, 2016 through August 31, 2019 as per the recommendation of the Western Pennsylvania Natural Gas Consortium; (Finance Item #1116-02)

Director Honchar asked if the extension is at a lower cost. Mr. Christy said it is as natural gas prices have decreased.

The renewal agreement with The Wilson Group for the replacement of copiers and printers and the maintenance of the devices at a lease cost of \$6,499.99 per month for a term of 60 months as presented; (Finance Item #1116-03)

The October 2016 Athletic Fund Report with an ending balance of \$1,657.82; (Finance Item #1116-04)

And the October 2016 Activities Fund Report with an ending balance of \$66,496.29. (Finance Item #1116-05) **By a voice vote, the motion carried 7-0.**

III. Personnel

Director O'Brien moved, seconded by Director Schell, to approve Sue Ankrom to the position of temporary Autistic Support/Life Skills Aide at Carnegie Elementary, a Class III position consistent with the terms of the Secretary-

Additions to 2016-2017
Conference and Field Trips

Treasurer's Report – October
2016

October 2016 Bills

AIU Joint Purchasing
Agreement for 2017-2018

UGI Energy Extension
Agreement

The Wilson Group – Lease
Agreement

October 2016 Athletic Fund
Report

October 2016 Activities Fund
Report

Sue Ankrom - Temporary
Aide at Carnegie

Cafeteria-Aides Collective Bargaining Unit Agreement; (Personnel Item #1116-01 REVISED)

To award a Professional Employee Contract to high school English teacher Rachel Enck for the successful completion of three years of satisfactory service to the district;

PE Contract – Rachel Enck

The addition to the 2016-2017 Custodial Substitute List as recommended; (Personnel Item #1116-02)

Addition to Custodial Sub List

The addition to the 2016-2017 Day to Day Substitute List as recommended; (Personnel Item #1116-03)

Addition to D-D Sub List

And employ Anthony Krause for the position of cafeteria van driver, a four-hour per day position under the terms of the Secretary-Cafeteria-Aides Collective Bargaining Unit Agreement. (Personnel Item #1116-04) **By a voice vote, the motion carried 7-0.**

Cafeteria Van Driver – Anthony Krause

IV. Policy

Director Schell moved, seconded by Director Appel, to approve the first reading of Policies 201, 209.1, 210 and 210.1 as submitted per the full policy review and recommendations of the solicitor and PSBA; (Policy Item #1116-01)

Policies 201, 209.1, 210 and 210.1 First Reading

And the first reading of Policy 809 with revisions as submitted. (Policy Item #1116-02) **By a voice vote, the motion carried 7-0.**

Policy 809 Revision / First Reading

Director Schell has some comments about the policies. Dr. Peiffer said the revisions to the nepotism policy protects professional positions and provides allowances for coaching, supplemental positions and summer job opportunities.

V. Student Services

Director Schell moved, seconded by Director O'Brien, to approve the approved list of bus drivers for the 2016-2017 school year as submitted by Student Transportation of America; (Student Services Item #1116-01)

STA – Approved Bus Drivers

The approved list of van drivers for the 2016-2017 school year as submitted by Roenigk Transportation; (Student Services Item #1116-02)

Roenigk – Approved Van Drivers

And the proposed Carlynton Marching Band trip to Nashville, Tennessee April 21-23, 2017 with performances and educational activities as submitted. (Student Services Item #1116-02) **By a voice vote, the motion carried 7-0.**

Marching Band Trip to Nashville

OLD BUSINESS: *President Schriver, in light of the earlier Finance Committee Meeting, reported that the district realized a \$618,000 deficit with the 2016-2017 budget, which was less than anticipated.*

NEW BUSINESS: *None*

OPEN FORUM: *Director Schell reminded all of the upcoming play, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory and Breakfast with Santa. Director Honchar said the band represented the district very well at the Veteran's Day parade.*

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business to discuss, Director Mendoza moved, seconded by Director Schell, to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 pm. **By a voice vote, the motion carried 7-0.**

Respectfully submitted,

Kirby Christy, Board Secretary

Michale Herrmann, Recording Secretary