CARLYNTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

Voting Meeting December 2, 2014 Carlynton Jr.-Sr. High School Library – 7:30 pm

MINUTES

The voting meeting was held following the reorganization meeting.

<u>CALL TO ORDER</u> – *President Roussos called the meeting to order at 8:04 pm.*

PUBLIC COMMENT ON BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD: None

<u>**RECOGNITION**</u> – Mr. Peiffer offered kind words regarding the passing of former employees Dr. Walt McMillan and Jim Glaser.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Director Schriver moved, seconded by Director Hart, to approve the minutes of the November 17, 2014 Regular Voting Meeting as presented. By a voice vote, the motion carried 7-0-1, with Director Schell abstaining due to absence.

Minutes of November 17, 2014 Meeting

REPORTS:

- Executive Session President Roussos reported that personal, contracts, litigation and legal issues were discussed in the closed session.
- ➤ Administrative Reports
 - Superintendent's Report Mr. Peiffer announced that the mid-school year point is nearing; thanksgiving baskets were delivered in November, the fall play begins in December, and the Keystone exams will be administered in the new year.
 - Business Manager Report Mr. Christy said Hosack, Specht, Muetzel and Wood will complete the audit by December 15 and will present a synopsis at a meeting in January.
 - <u>Director of Pupil Services Report</u> Dr. Mangis reported that progress has been made on the monitoring and training is ongoing for educators for IEP writing. Dr. Mangis hopes to access more mental health programs for the district and is currently reviewing the gifted support landscape to revise curriculum.
 - Curriculum/Data Report Mr. Mantich said curriculum writing continues; the staff is reviewing the CDT interactive reports and providing interventions to those who need it. Director Schriver asked if the testing process is making a difference. Mr. Mantich provided examples of teachers administering intervention in the classroom and further explained how the diagnostic tools are working to determine needs.
 - Principals' Report Dr. Maslyk said she and others are heading to Hershey in recognition of Jim Nagorski who was selected as a finalist for the PA Teacher of the Year. She also shared news about a

computer science week in the school, Global Read Aloud and student ambassadors. Mrs. Hudson said she has departmentalized the fifth and sixth grades at Carnegie to prepare students for the high school transition. The library is now a level library with the recent purchase of 3,100 books. Carnegie Elementary students are learning computer coding.

Both elementary principals distributed newsletters to board members. Mr. Loughren stated that the professional development focus has been fixated on publishing student work in the building. Strategies are being used throughout, such as a word wall on the second floor. Mr. Loughren also shared the dates of holiday concerts.

I. Miscellaneous

Director Wilson moved, seconded by Director Dugan, to approve the additions to the 2014-2015 conference and field trip requests as presented and approved by administration. (Miscellaneous Item #1214-01 REVISED) **By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.**

Additions – 2014-2015 Conference and FT Requests

II. Finance

Director Hart moved, seconded by Director Schriver, to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of October 2014 as submitted;

The October 2014 bills in the amount of \$2,665,483.75;

The December 2014 Real Estate Tax Refunds for the Borough of Carnegie as submitted; (Finance Item #1214-01)

The December 2014 Real Estate Tax Refunds for the Borough of Crafton as submitted. (Finance Item #1214-02)

And the resolution for continued membership in the Joint Purchasing Board for the 2015-2016 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 #1214-03) **By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.**

Treasurer's Report for October 2014

October 2014 Bills

RE Tax Refunds – Carnegie Borough

RE Tax Refunds – Crafton Borough

Joint Purchasing Board for 2015-2016

III. Personnel

Director Schriver moved, seconded by Director Schell, to approve Lorraine Becker to the position of High School Clerical/Library Aide, consistent with the terms of Secretary-Cafeteria-Aides Bargaining Unit Agreement. (Personnel Item #1214-01)

The resignation of cafeteria van driver Zachary Caine, effective December 23, 2014 as submitted; (Personnel Item #1214-02)

HS Clerical Aide – Lorraine Becker

Resignation of Van Driver – Zachary Caine

And the request for a Leave of Absence as submitted by Employee ACT93-13-14-10. (Personnel Item 1214-03) **By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.**

Leave of Absence

V. Policy

Director Wilson moved, seconded by Director Mendoza-Burcham, to approve the revisions to Policy No. 113.2, Behavior Support, as submitted; (Final Reading - Policy Item #1214-01)

The first reading of Policy No. 216, Student Records, as submitted. (First Reading - Policy Item #1214-03)

Director Schell had several questions and comments about Policy 216 and pointed out several inaccuracies on multiple pages. A motion was made to amend the policy in preparation of the second reading as outlined by Director Schell.

Director Hart moved, seconded by Director Dugan, to amend the policy as specified. **By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.**

A vote was then taken on the original motion. By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.

<u>**OLD BUSINESS**</u>: Director Appel asked about the security system at Carnegie Elementary; Mr. Peiffer said he would check into it.

Director Wilson asked when the board will further discuss implementing a program with either Eneroc or Constellation Energy. Mr. Peiffer said he hopes to bring it up in January.

Director Hart asked for an update on the roof at Carnegie. Mr. Peiffer said he spoke with Burns and Scalo regarding the green roof and a grant. Jeff Willowby of Burns and Scalo will be taking a look at the roof on December 10th. Bids for the job will need to be out in January.

Director Schell asked about the Food Allergy policy that was discussed in November. President Roussos said the board will continue to review and discuss.

Director Dugan asked for an update on the chlorine in the pool. Mr. Peiffer said that Dennis McDade told him all is running properly.

Director Schriver asked about construction items for the 2015-2016 school year. President Roussos said items need to be discussed further with regards to financial impacts and considering priority items based on the budget.

NEW BUSINESS: President Roussos called for a motion:

Director Schriver moved, seconded by Director Appel, to approve a salary increase for the confidential secretaries for the 2014-2015 school year of \$2,000 per employee to be applied retroactively. **By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.**

OPEN FORUM: None

Policy No. 113.2, Behavior Support

First Reading – Policy No. 216, Student Records

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business to discuss, Director Hart moved, econded by Director Mendoza-Burcham, to adjoin the meeting at 8:50 pm. By a roice vote, the motion carried 8-0.	
Respectfully submitted,	
Kirby Christy, Board Secretary	
Michale Herrmann, Recording Secretary	