

CARLYNTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

Voting Meeting January 19, 2012 Carlynton Jr.-Sr. High School Library – 7:30 p.m.

MINUTES

The Carlynton School District Board of Education held its Regular Voting Meeting on January 19, 2012 in the library of the junior-senior high school. Those in attendance included President David Roussos, Vice President Betsy Tassaró and School Directors Joseph Appel, Nyra Schell, Patricia Schirripa, Jim Schriver, Raymond Walkowiak and Sharon Wilson. Also present was Interim Superintendent Joseph Dimperio, Solicitor William Andrews, Business Manager Kirby Christy, Director of Pupil Services Lee Myford and principals Laura Burns, Carla Hudson, Jacie Maslyk and Robert Susini. The audience was comprised of seven individuals and two members of the press.

CALL TO ORDER – *The meeting was called to order by President Roussos at 7:33 pm.*

ROLL CALL - *The roll was called by Recording Secretary Michale Herrmann; Director Hughan was excused from the meeting. Crafton Elementary students Phoebe Appel and Alexis Dixon led the pledge.*

PUBLIC COMMENT ON BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD: *None*

PRESENTATIONS:

- *Board Appreciation – PSBA recognition of board members for service*
- *Audit review –Stephen Neidenberger from Hosack, Specht, Muetzel and Wood offered a review of the audit report stating the auditors found a clean opinion on the financial statements. Mr. Neidenberger drew attention to a few pages regarding revenue and budgets and provided an explanation of the synopsis. Director Walkowiak questioned the “Custodial Credit Risks” regarding a large sum of money; Kirby Christy said he believes the money is secure in PNC Bank because of its size and reputation, unless some sort of national financial disaster would occur. There was some discussion regarding this matter. Director Schriver questioned the summary regarding Carnegie Borough; Mr. Neidenberger explained what had occurred and how it was addressed.*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Director Tassaró moved, seconded by Director Wilson, to approve the minutes of the January 5, 2012 Agenda Setting/Committee/Voting Meeting as presented. **By a voice vote, the motion carried 7-0-1 with Director Schirripa abstaining due to absence.**

Director Walkowiak said he spoke with Mrs. Herrmann regarding a change in language; the change was made prior to the meeting and the revised minutes were at the seats of all school directors.

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REPORTS:

- Executive Session – President Roussos indicated that labor, personnel, and litigation issues were discussed in the closed session.

Due to bad weather, most reports were withheld.

- Director of Pupil Services' Report – Mrs. Myford announced the date of the next Pupil Services Committee meeting

The administrators were dismissed.

- ✓ *The minutes of the November 1, 2011 Parkway West Career and Technology Center Joint Committee meeting were entered into record. (SC Item #0112-01)*
- Parkway West CTC Report – Director Walkowiak asked for direction regarding the funding formula for Parkway. Mr. Christy said that because the enrollment of Carlynton students has been falling, it is more favorable for the district to continue paying as we go. Director Walkowiak said he would convey the message to the school.

I. Miscellaneous

Director Wilson moved, seconded by Director Schell, to approve the list of conference and field trip requests as presented and approved by administration:

- C...L.Myford...Verango Cty...Disaster Training...1/24
- C...L.Myford...Penn State University...SAP Conference...2/26-28
- FT...MBVeri...Pgh. Aviary...Animal Study...1/30
- C...Mickolay/Sacco...Network Access Corp...Seminar...1/20
- C...Mickolay/Sacco...Sheraton SS...Network w/Dell Seminar...2/2
- C...K.Christy...Four Points Sheraton...Budget Seminar...2/23
- FT...Ferro/Pedersen...Heinz Hall...Symphony Perform/Grade 4...1/19
- FT...Ferro/Pedersen...Heinz Hall...Symphony Perform/Grade 6...1/27
- FT...Barnes/Canty...Convention Center...College Fair...2/9
- FT...E.Jones...Carnegie Museum...Rocks, Minerals, Fossils...3/23

(Miscellaneous Item #0112-01 REVISED)

By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.

II. Finance

Director Tassaro moved, seconded by Director Wilson, to accept the resignation of Ira Weiss as Carlynton School District Solicitor as submitted; (Finance Item #0112-06)

To appoint Andrews and Price as solicitor of the District for a term of one (1) year beginning January 20, 2012 as presented; (Finance Item #0112-07)

*And to appoint The Law Offices of Ira Weiss as Tax Counsel and Delinquent Tax Collector for the District for a term of one (1) year beginning January 20, 2012. **By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.***

Dr. Dimperio welcomed Solicitor Andrews, noting that he is a respected solicitor in the educational community and also serves as legal counsel for the Allegheny intermediate Unit. President Roussos added that the work of Ira Weiss was greatly appreciated and the board looks forward to maintaining a continued relationship with him as tax counsel.

Conference and Field Trip Requests

Resignation – Solicitor Ira Weiss

Appointment of Solicitor

Tax Counsel and Delinquent Tax Collector

Director Appel moved, seconded by Director Wilson, to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of December 2011 as presented;	December 2011 Treasurer's Report
The December 2011 bills in the amount of \$1,977,360.57 as submitted;	December 2011 Bills
The Borough of Carnegie Real Estate Tax Refunds as presented; (Finance Item #0112-01)	Carnegie RE Tax Refund
The December 2011 Athletic Fund Report as submitted with an ending balance of \$10,408.63; (Finance Item #0112-02)	December Athletic Fund Report
The December 2011 Activities Fund Report as submitted with an ending balance of \$32,369.16; (Finance Item #0112-03)	December Activities Fund Report
The Audit of Financial Statements of the Carlynton School District for the year ending June 30, 2011 as submitted by Hosack, Specht, Muetzel and Wood, LLP; (Finance Item #0112-04)	Audit of Financial Statements for Year Ending June 30, 2011
And the November 2011 Cafeteria Operating Report as submitted by Aramark Education Services; (Finance Item #0112-05)	November Cafeteria Operating Report
By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.	
III. Personnel	
Director Wilson moved, seconded by Director Schell, to approve the additions to the 2011-2012 Athletic Supplemental Contract List as presented:	Additions to the 2011-2012 Athletic Supplemental Contract List
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Susan Brossmann – 7-8th Grade Ass't Boys'/Girls' Swimming ▪ Megan Carpenter – 7th Grade Volleyball ▪ James Glaser – Head Varsity Boys' Tennis ▪ Caitlin McManus – 7-8th Grade Head Boys'/Girls' Swimming ▪ Nate Milsom – Head Varsity Boys'/Girls' Track ▪ Jason Sharp – Head Varsity Boys' Baseball ▪ Emily Tupi – 8th Grade Volleyball ▪ David Marx – Girls' Varsity Softball Coach (Personnel Item #0112-01 REVISED)	
Carla Hudson as an additional administrator to serve as attendance officer for the elementary school for the purpose of filing citations and truancy reports and appearing before the magistrate for related hearings;	Attendance Officer – Carla Hudson
The retirement of Instructional Aide Carroll Gorman, effective January 19, 2012, as submitted; (Personnel Item #0112-02)	Retirement – Carroll Gorman
And the agreement with Lauren Dietz to provide consulting services to the junior-senior high school as presented. (Personnel Item #0112-03) By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.	Consulting Agreement with Lauren Dietz
IV. Policy	
Director Walkowiak moved, seconded by Director Schell, to approve the presentation for review of Policy Nos. 302, 303, 404, 504, 505 to include modifications for stricter background check requirements to remain in compliance with Act 24 of 2011 and Public School Code, 24 P.S. §1-111. (Policy Item #0112-01) By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.	Modification to Policies
<i>President Roussos explained that the policies can be publicly reviewed</i>	<i>Employment of –</i> 302: Superintendent 303: Administration 404: Professional Employees 504: Classified Employees

for 30 days before final board approval/adoption.

505: Substitutes

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: *None*

NEW BUSINESS: *None*

OPEN FORUM: *Director Wilson shared the dates of the upcoming Relay for Life: June 16-17, with the kick off at the American Cancer Society offices on January 31.*

Parent Isabel Ford asked what happened to the junior high scholars program and indicated that her son is not being challenged in classes and is bored. She was speaking specifically about English and science. She asked board members to explore re-introducing the advanced classes into the curriculum.

Dr. Dimperio thanked her for the comments and said the matter will be investigated.

Elementary band instructor Russ Pedersen shared an invitation to the fifth annual Tied to the Arts night, an evening to showcase student talent through the arts.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business to discuss, Director Schriver moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 pm, seconded by Director Appel. **By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.**

Respectfully submitted,

Kirby Christy, Board Secretary

Michale Herrmann, Recording Secretary