

CARLYNTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

Voting Meeting

January 24, 2013

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

MINUTES

The Carlynton School District Board of Education held its Regular Voting Meeting on January 24, 2013 in the library of the junior-senior high school. Those in attendance for the meeting included Directors Joe Appel, Sandra Hughan, Nyra Schell, Ray Walkowiak and President Roussos by phone. Also present was Superintendent Gary Peiffer, Solicitor Bill Andrews, Business Manager Kirby Christy, Principals Laura Burns, Carla Hudson and Robert Susini, and Director of Pupil Services Lee Myford. The audience was comprised of two individuals and one member of the press.

CALL TO ORDER - *The meeting was called to order by Director Walkowiak (President Roussos participated by phone) at 7:30 pm. Carnegie Elementary student Janae Goolsby led the pledge.*

The roll was called by Recording Secretary Michale Herrmann; Directors Schirripa, Schriver, Tassaró and Wilson were absent.

PRESENTATION: *Steve Neidenberger, a representative from Hosack, Specht, Muetzel and Wood, provided an overview of the audit report for fiscal year ending June 30, 2012. He said it was a clean audit and the balance sheet highlighted a \$14.8 million fund balance.*

PUBLIC COMMENT ON BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD: *Audience member and employee Karen Eonta thanked the board for taking prompt action in regards to the security of district buildings.*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Director Appel moved, seconded by Director Schell, to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2013 Committee/Agenda Setting/Voting Meeting as presented.

Director Hughan called attention to a typo in the minutes, i.e., the district was to receive a refund from Parkway West CTC in the amount of \$63,000 and not \$600,000 as was recorded.

President Roussos moved to amend the motion, seconded by Director Appel. **By a voice vote, the motion carried 5-0.**

The original motion was then approved with the above amendment:

By a voice vote, the motion carried 5-0.

REPORTS:

- **Executive Session** – *Director Walkowiak said personnel and negotiation matters were discussed in the closed session.*
- **Administrative Reports** – *Mrs. Myford and the principals offers highlights of events occurring in their departments/buildings*

Minutes of the January 10, 2013, Committee/Agenda Setting/Voting Meeting

- Superintendent's Report – Mr. Peiffer thanked the board for their time and commitment during the retreat and tours of the elementary buildings. He said the retreat went very well and the board is prepared to move forward. He also reported he has met with a regional group of principals as part of a committee for school safety.
- Committee Reports
 - ✓ Parkway West CTC Report – Director Hugan said Mr. Highfield, supervisor, has announced his retirement
 - ✓ PSBA-Legislative – Director Schell provided information about charter schools and the PSSA. Charter schools that administered the exam did not meet AYP under recalculations. Director Schell also announced the PA Governor School for the Sciences will resume operation and enrollment is open to students.

I. Miscellaneous

Director Appel moved, seconded by Director Hugan, to approve the list of conference and field trip requests as presented and approved by administration. (Miscellaneous Item #0113-01 REVISED) **By a voice vote, the motion carried 5-0.**

II. Finance

Director Schell moved, seconded by Director Appel, to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of December 2012 as presented;

The December 2012 bills in the amount of \$1,848,999.67 as presented;

The audit report of the district as presented by Hosack, Specht, Muetzel and Wood, LLP for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012; (Finance Item #0113-01)

Director Hugan said she believes the accumulation of monies in the fund balance is not fair to the tax payers.

The Earned Income Tax Refunds for Rosslyn Farms as presented by Jordan Tax Service, Inc.; (Finance Item #0113-02)

Resolution #453-13 representing Act 1, the Taxpayer Relief Act, which requires school districts to limit tax increases to the level set by an inflation index unless the tax increase is approved by voters in a referendum or the school district obtains certain referendum exemptions from the Department of Education or a Court of Common Pleas. The district's index rate is 2.1 percent; (Finance Item #0113-03)

The Agreement and Resolution #454-13 to designate Jordan Tax Service as the pre-2012 Delinquent Earned Income Tax Collector for the Boroughs of Carnegie, Crafton and Rosslyn Farms as presented; (Finance Item #0113-04)

Conference and Field Trip Requests

December 2012 Treasurer's Report

December 2012 Bills

Audit Report, Year Ending June 30, 2012

RF EIT Refunds

Taxpayer Relief Act – Resolution #453-13

Delinquent EIT Collector – Jordan Tax Service

The Agreement between the district and the AlleghenyConnect Consortium for procurement of Telecommunications and/or Internet Access Services as presented; (Finance Item #0113-05)

AlleghenyConnect Consortium Agreement

The AlleghenyConnect Regional Wide Area Network Service Order Extension for the period of July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2015 as presented; (Finance Item #0113-06)

Allegheny Connect Regional WAN Order Extension

The December 2012 Athletic Fund Report with an ending balance of \$6,163.50 as presented; (Finance Item #0113-07)

December 2012 Athletic Fund Report

The December 2012 Activities Fund Report with an ending balance of \$41,924.89 as presented; (Finance Item #0113-08)

December 2012 Activities Fund Report

And the Letter of Agreement between the district and Pressley Ridge for continued student services through the 2013-2014 school year as presented. (Finance Item #0113-09) **By a voice vote, the motion carried 5-0.**

Letter of Agreement – Pressley Ridge

III. Personnel

Director Appel moved, seconded by Director Schell, to approve Sharon Daley for the position of General Cafeteria Worker under the terms of the Secretarial-Cafeteria-Aides Bargaining Unit Agreement. (Personnel item #1113-01)

Cafeteria Worker – Sharon Daley

The following additions to the 2012-2013 Day to Day Substitute List per recommendation:

Additions to D-D Sub List

- Adam Cosnek – Science/Biology
- Laura Sewell – Cafeteria, Lunchroom/Playground
(Personnel Item #0113-02 REVISED)

~~Sandra Lantz for the position of para professional to the Pupil Services Department, effective under the terms of the Secretarial-Cafeteria-Aides Bargaining Unit Agreement. (Personnel Item #0113-03)~~ REMOVED FROM THE AGENDA

Para-Professional to Pupil Services – REMOVED

The additions to the 2012-2013 Supplemental Athletic List as recommended and submitted:

2012-2013 Supplemental Athletic List – Additions

- Scott Wolf – Assistant Varsity Baseball Coach
- Adam Nyswanger – JV Baseball Coach
- Robert Watson – Assistant Varsity Boys' Tennis Coach
- Chris Mangum – Assistant Junior High Wrestling Coach

Volunteer with all clearances:

- Richard Klein – Baseball
(Personnel Item #0113-04)

Proposal for the addition to the list of supplemental athletic activities for a junior high track and field program for the 2012-2013 spring season and to post for the following coaches:

Proposal for Jr. High Track Program w/Coaches

- Head Junior High Track Coach, \$1,565 stipend
- Assistant Junior High Track Coach, \$1,521 stipend
- Assistant Junior High Track Coach, \$1,521 stipend

(Personnel Item #0113-05)

Director Hughan asked if this is a new program and inquired about interest on the part of students. Mr. Peiffer said yes and President Roussos further explained it was run last year as a trial with volunteer coaches and was well received. It will offer a feeder for the varsity program.

The resignation of Jeanine Butts as Elementary Mathematics Curriculum Coordinator, effective immediately; (Personnel Item #0113-06)

The following candidates to fill the role as psychology interns in the Pupil Services Department for the 2013-2014 school year, as presented, pending receipt of all appropriate clearances:

- Amanda Graham
- Patricia Serdy

(Personnel Item #0113-07)

By a voice vote, the motion carried 5-0.

OLD BUSINESS: *Director Schell asked about the RFP process in regards to renovations. Mr. Peiffer said all information was electronically forwarded to board members because Mr. Thomas was unable to attend the meeting.*

Mr. Peiffer said he is awaiting a proposal for the parent alert system.

Director Appel commended Crafton Chief Mark Sumpter who waited outside the elementary school to alert parents of the recent closing.

NEW BUSINESS: *Director Hughan distributed an article from the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette about the city schools dropping their tax rate. Mr. Christy said the city public school system is on a different fiscal year cycle and their budget must be passed in January.*

OPEN FORUM: *None*

ADJORNMENT: With no further business to discuss, Director Hughan moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 pm, seconded by Director Schell. **By a voice vote, the motion carried 5-0.**

Respectfully submitted,

Kirby Christy, Board Secretary

Michale Herrmann, Recording Secretary

Resignation, Math CC –
Jeanine Butts

Psychology Interns for 2013-
2014 School Year – Amanda
Graham and Patricia Serdy