

CARLYNTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
Voting Meeting
February 17, 2015
Carlynton Jr.-Sr. High School Library – 7:30 pm

MINUTES

The Carlynton School District Board of Education held its regular voting meeting February 17, 2015 in the library of the junior-senior high school. Those in attendance included President David Roussos, Treasurer Joe Appel and Directors Monica Dugan, Marissa Mendoza-Burcham, Nyra Schell, Jim Schriver, Ray Walkowiak and Sharon Wilson, via phone. Also present was Superintendent Gary Peiffer and Solicitor Bill Andrews. The audience was comprised of five individuals and one member of the press.

CALL TO ORDER– *The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by President Roussos; Director Appel led the pledge. The roll was called by Michale Herrmann; Director Hart was absent.*

PUBLIC COMMENT ON BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD: *None*

PRESENTATIONS:

Mr. Jeff Willoughby of Burns and Scalo Roofing reported on the roof issues at Carnegie Elementary; dividing the roof into four sections, he said the gym roof is in good condition. Burns and Scalo is certified in all roofing applications and is part of the TCPN network. Director Schriver asked about the option to change the roof to green at a later time. Mr. Willoughby said it could be done by reinforcing the seams and sealing the surface.

Dr. Ron Dufalla, a Circuit Rider for Pennsylvania spoke about the campaign for fair education funding, a coalition of some 50 organizations who are committed to a two-year process to develop a new basic education funding formula. The formula is necessary to benefit students and provide stability to public schools.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Director Schriver moved, seconded by Director Dugan, to approve the minutes of the February 2, 2015 Agenda Setting/Committee/Voting Meeting as presented.

Director Schell made a motion to amend the minutes, seconded by Director Dugan, due to an error on page 7587, replacing the word “course” with “exam” in reference to the AP prerequisite. **By a voice vote, the motion to amend was approved 8-0.**

The motion to approve the minutes as amended was approved 6-0-2 with Directors Appel and Wilson abstaining due to absence at the February 2nd meeting.

REPORTS:

- Executive Session – *President Roussos said real estate tax litigations, student matters and contract items were discussed in the closed session.*
- Administrative Reports

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- Maintenance and Grounds – Dennis McDade distributed photos of the Crafton field house, adding that he found no holes in the roof. He said the building does need upgrades, cleaning and painting, which he plans to do with the help of the maintenance staff. He noted that a non-functioning and tagged furnace is on the premises; he will investigate why the furnace was tagged. Mr. McDade also shared information about available energy rebates, an area he hopes to explore, and said he held an in-service training with the custodians to review OSHA regulations. Plans are in place to train custodians in restroom cleaning, carpet wear and cleaning and time saving measures.
- Technology – Brian Durica reported that the bid for the district Wifi is currently being advertised and he hopes a vendor to be approved at the March 16 meeting. He is working to complete a network assessment and will also be bringing in student information vendors for an analysis and comparison with the current Pro-Soft system.

➤ Committee Reports:

- Pathfinder – Director Mendoza-Burcham said a reorganization of the committee was held; the principal plans to retire; and Mr. Richard Rose has agreed to provide consulting services. There are currently 85 students enrolled at the school.
- Parkway CTC – Director Dugan announced that the Construction Building program has received an endorsement from the builders association; also, students were named and recognized as members of the National Vocational-Technical Honor Society.
- Legislative/PSBA – Director Schell said there is now a bill to end the Keystone Exams. She reported information about a Pennsylvania investment tax, a proposal for property tax reduction and Senate Bill 4 that is addressing the qualifications of a public charity.

I. Miscellaneous

Director Appel moved, seconded by Director Schell, to approve the additions to the Conference and Field Trip Requests for the 2014-2015 school year as submitted; (Miscellaneous Item #0215-01 REVISED) **By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.**

2014-15 Conference and
Field Trip Requests

II. Finance

Director Dugan moved, seconded by Director Wilson, to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of January 2015 as presented;

January Treasurer's Report

The January 2015 bills in the amount of \$1,694,356.95 as presented;

January 2015 Bills

Adopt the 2015-2016 Proposed Preliminary Budget as presented with the intent to request approval from the Pennsylvania Department of Education for a referendum exception up to the maximum permitted by law. The superintendent is directed to give the public notice of this motion through publication in the newspaper;

Proposed Preliminary Budget

The February 2015 Real Estate Tax Refunds for the Borough of Rosslyn Farms as submitted; (Finance Item #0215-01)	February 2015 Rosslyn Farms RE Tax Refunds
The Food Service Report for the months of September 2014 through January 2015 as submitted by Aramark Educational Services; (Finance Item #0215-02)	Food Service Report – September 2014-January 2015
The agreement between the district and STA of Pennsylvania for student transportation services as submitted. (Finance Item #0215-03)	Agreement with STA – Student Transportation
The January 2015 Athletic Fund Report with an ending balance of \$15,871.85 as submitted; (Finance Item #0215-04)	January 2015 Athletic Fund Report
And the January 2015 Activities Fund Report with an ending balance of \$67,191.13 as submitted. (Finance item #0215-05) By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.	January 2015 Activities Fund Report
III. Personnel	
Director Schell moved, seconded by Director Walkowiak, to approve the addition to the 2014-2015 Athletic Supplemental Contracts as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Joshua Ray, Boys/Girls Bowling Coach▪ Timothy Sasson, Boys/Girls Varsity Assistant Track Coach▪ Ashley Ferraro, Boys/Girls Junior High Assistant Track Coach▪ Kristen Fischer, Boys/Girls Junior High Assistant Track Coach (Personnel Item #0215-01)	Athletic Supplemental Contracts
And the requests for Leaves of Absences for Employees SCA14-15-14 and CFT14-15-15 as submitted. (Personnel Item #0215-02) By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.	Leave of Absence
<u>OLD BUSINESS:</u> Director Schell informed the audience that the board would be holding a workshop.	
<u>NEW BUSINESS:</u> None	
<u>OPEN FORUM:</u> George Honchar of Carnegie asked the board to consider opening the high school pool for family recreational use. He also spoke of a personal concern regarding the train tracks near Carnegie Elementary and the potential risk of a derailment which might put students at risk.	
<u>ADJOURNMENT:</u>	
With no further business to review, Director Dugan moved, seconded by Director Mendoza-Burcham, to adjourn the meeting at 8:44 pm. By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.	
Respectfully submitted,	
<hr/> Kirby Christy, Board Secretary	
<hr/> Michale Herrmann, Recording Secretary	