

CARLYNTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

Agenda Setting/Committee/Voting Meeting April 4, 2013 Carlynton Jr.-Sr. High School Library – 7:30 pm

MINUTES

The Carlynton School District Board of Education held its Agenda Setting/Committee/Voting Meeting on April 4, 2013 in the library of the junior-senior high school. In attendance was President David Roussos, Vice President Betsy Tassaró, Directors Joe Appel, Sandra Hugan, Nyra Schell, Jim Schriver and Sharon Wilson. Also present was Superintendent Gary Peiffer, Solicitor Bill Andrews, Principals Laura Burns and Jacie Maslyk, Business Manager Kirby Christy and Director of Pupil Services Lee Myford. The audience included four individuals and one member of the press.

CALL TO ORDER - *The meeting was called to order by President Roussos at 7:30 pm. High school students and siblings Lana and Aidan Meyer led the pledge.*

The roll was called by Recording Secretary Michale Herrmann; directors Schirripa and Walkowiak were absent.

STUDENT RECOGNITION: *Attention was given to senior Lana Meyer who was recognized as a national gold medal winner in the 2013 Scholastic Arts and Writing Awards for creative dramatic script.*

PUBLIC COMMENT ON BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD: *None*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Director Schell moved, seconded by Director Wilson, to approve the minutes of the March 7, 2013 Special Meeting for General Purposes as presented;

And the minutes of the March 14, 2013 Committee/Voting Meeting as presented. By a voice vote, the motion carried 7-0.

REPORTS:

- **Executive Session** – *President Roussos said personnel and legal items were discussed in the closed session.*
- **Administrative Reports**
 - **Superintendent's Report** – *Mr. Peiffer reminded all of the upcoming spring testing dates, the 100th anniversary celebration for Crafton Elementary, and the upcoming spring musical*
 - **Director of Pupil Services' Report** – *Mrs. Myford distributed data for the 21st Century Learning program and announced that reimbursement through ACCESS has totaled to \$120,191 as of March 21, 2013*
 - **Principals' Report** – *Mrs. Burns called attention to handouts at everyone's seat with school news and the testing schedule; Dr. Maslyk announced several happenings and upcoming events at Crafton Elementary*
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Minutes of March 7, 2013
Special Meeting

Minutes of March 14, 2013
Meeting

I. Miscellaneous

Director Wilson moved, seconded by Director Schell to approve the 2012-2013 list of conference and field trip requests as presented and approved by administration. (Miscellaneous Item #0413-01 REVISED) **By a voice vote, the motion carried 7-0.**

Conference and Field Trip Requests

II. Finance

Director Schell moved, seconded by Director Hughan, to approve the proposed 2013-2014 Allegheny Intermediate Unit Program of Services Budget as presented. The budget totals \$3,809,028, with no increase in the total district allocation. The Carlynton School District's expected contribution to the AIU Program of Services budget is \$20,165.01; (Finance Item #0413-01)

AIU Program of Services Budget for 2013-2014

The proposed Carlynton High School Physical Education Summer School program for student credit recovery and/or advance academic students wishing to allocate additional credit for advanced courses or electives as presented; (Finance Item #0413-02)

Summer School Physical Education Program

Several directors had questions about this new offering, in particular, enrollment, costs, transportation and staffing. Mr. Peiffer said a few things will be ironed out but felt there was enough interest on the part of the student body and explained the physical education teachers took the time to write the curriculum and were on board. It was noted that a highly qualified educator must teach the class and thereby the reason a sport cannot qualify for a physical education credit.

A research program to be conducted by Duquesne University for spelling interventions among a targeted group of middle school students as presented; (Finance Item #0413-03)

Spelling Intervention Research Program – Duquesne University

Director Schell asked how this study would benefit the district. Mr. Peiffer the greatest benefit is reaped by working collaboratively through partnerships with local post-secondary institutions.

And the agreement between the District and Keystone Oaks School District for participation in the Project Succeed Consortium for the 2013-2014 school year as presented. (Finance Item #0413-04) **By a voice vote, the motion carried 7-0.**

Project Succeed Consortium for 2013-2014 School Year

III. Personnel

Director Schell moved, seconded by Director Tassaró, to approve the following 2012-2013 Day to Day Substitute List as recommended by administration:

Addition to 2012-2013 Day to Day Substitute List

- David Berner – Elementary / Special Education (Personnel Item #0413-01)

The resignation of Lacey Sutherland, elementary cafeteria lunchroom worker, effective April 10, 2013 as presented; (Personnel Item #0413-02)

Resignation – L. Sutherland, Lunchroom Worker

<p>An Intermittent Leave of Absence as submitted by Employee #SCA13-13 and a Leave of Absence as submitted for Employee #CFT13-14. (Personnel Item #0413-03)</p> <p>The changes and addition to the 2012-2013 Supplemental Activities List as presented with compensation to be pro-rated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Scott Wolf – Head Varsity Baseball Coach▪ Rich Klein – Assistant Varsity Baseball Coach (Personnel Item #0413-04) <p>The retirement of Carnegie Elementary Cafeteria Worker Carol Nightingale as of June 12, 2013 as submitted; (Personnel Item #0413-05)</p> <p>And approve and post for the temporary position of Dean of Discipline/Students for junior-senior high school to extend until July 1, 2013. By a voice vote, the motion carried 7-0.</p> <p>IV. Student Services</p> <p>Director Schell moved, seconded by Director Tassaro, to approve the Scholar Dual Enrollment in partnership with LaRoche College for Spanish level three and four for the 2013-2014 school year as submitted. (Student Services Item #0413-01) By a voice vote, the motion carried 7-0.</p> <p><i>Director Hughan questioned the cost of \$200 to the student and asked if credits will be transferrable. Mr. Peiffer said the cost covers the credit through LaRoche and the credit would be accepted by most colleges. He added that Spanish teacher Mr. Vayanos is already trained in the program and took the initiative to come forward to offer the class.</i></p> <p>OLD BUSINESS: <i>Director Schell followed up on an earlier presentation about the Student Code of Conduct. She also asked if the policy manual could be placed online for easy access to parents and teachers. President Roussos said the same about the student handbook. Considerable discussion took place about the best way to prepare and present the policies online. Mr. Peiffer said he would look into the matter and report back to the board.</i></p> <p>NEW BUSINESS: <i>Discussion under new business revolved around the addition of several new positions and weighing the costs versus demand. Mr. Peiffer said that when working with Mr. Christy to establish the 2013-2014 school year budget, an itemized list with costs could help to establish a more concrete and realistic list of what is and is not within the means of the district.</i></p> <p><i>Director Tassaro asked about the student scheduling process. Mrs. Burns said the process is underway and she is working with the counselors to review the tallies.</i></p> <p><i>Director Schriver mentioned the website “code.org” which entails an effort for young people to learning coding or computer programming in schools. Mr. Peiffer said he would direct this to Mr. Gevaudan, who is on the technology committee.</i></p>	<p>Leave of Absences – Employees SCA13-13 and CFT13-14</p> <p>Changes/Addition to 2012-2013 Supplemental Athletic List</p> <p>Retirement – Carol Nightingale</p> <p>Posting – Dean of Discipline/Students Scholar</p> <p>Dual Enrollment for Spanish Students</p>
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Lastly, Director Tassaro said she read that senior projects will be dropped in lieu of the Keystone Exams. Mr. Peiffer concurred, adding there is a remedial level of the keystones that does require something similar to a senior project.

OPEN FORUM:

School directors welcomed back Food Service Director Deena Mitchell who has been on a leave for a few months.

ADJORNMENT: With no further business to discuss, Director Hughan moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:42 pm, seconded by Director Appel. **By a voice vote, the motion carried 7-0.**

Respectfully submitted,

Kirby Christy, Board Secretary

Michale Herrmann, Recording Secretary