

CARLYNTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regular Voting Meeting April 18, 2013 Carlynton Jr.-Sr. High School Library – 7:30 pm

MINUTES

The Carlynton School District Board of Education held its Regular Voting Meeting on April 18, 2013 in the library of the junior-senior high school. In attendance were President David Roussos, Directors Joe Appel, Sandra Hugan, Nyra Schell, Jim Schriver, Ray Walkowiak and Sharon Wilson. Also present was Superintendent Gary Peiffer, Solicitor Bill Andrews, Principals Laura Burns, Carla Hudson and Jacie Maslyk and Director of Pupil Services Lee Myford. The audience included five individuals and one member of the press.

CALL TO ORDER - *The meeting was called to order by President Roussos at 7:34 pm. Crafton Elementary students Chloe Evans and Anthony Killen led the pledge.*

The roll was called by Recording Secretary Michale Herrmann; Directors Schirripa and Tassaro were absent.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD: *None*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Director Schell moved seconded by Director Appel, to approve the minutes of the April 4, 2013 Committee/Agenda Setting/Voting Meeting as presented. **By a voice vote, the motion carried 6-0-1 with Director Walkowiak abstaining due to absence.**

Minutes of April 4, 2013
Meeting

REPORTS:

- **Executive Session** – *President Roussos said personnel and litigation was discussed in the executive session. He said the board would reconvene briefly following the meeting.*
- **Administrative Reports**
 - **Superintendent's Report** – *Mr. Peiffer reported that testing continues with the science PSSAs followed by the Keystone Exams. He also announced Parent Link will launch the district app on May 20, offering school news, alerts and emergency information.*
 - **Director of Pupil Services' Report** – *Mrs. Myford told board members a request to run a summer reading program would be an agenda item in May. The program is operated every summer.*
 - **Principals Report** - *Dr. Maslyk reminded all about the STEAM Night on April 25 and the centennial celebration on April 27, along with a veterans' luncheon. Mrs. Hudson spoke of a culture studies program and its success school-wide, adding that displays were available at a recent fundraiser at Barnes and Noble Bookstore.*
 - *Student Code of Conduct, Discipline Committee – Mrs. Burns and Ms. Begg distributed policies in line with the structure of the student code of conduct. Policies were presented in the original format as well as a mark-up format to illustrate the*

proposed modifications. Board members said they would review all the proposals and get back to the committee by the second meeting in May. They commended the committee for a “remarkable job.”

- Pathfinder Report – Director Wilson said they will be some budget cuts for the district; nine students are graduating; the installation of a pond with landscaping is being donation on school grounds
- Parkway West CTC Report – Director Hughan announced that Carlynton student Cheyenne West was named Student of the Month and Darby Copeland was named director of the school
- PSBA-Legislative – Director Schell shared news regarding legislative bills, related to education, that have been passed, including upgrades and new language to the Common Core Standards. Director Schriver asked of news pertaining to the Plan Con moratorium; Director Schell said debates continue on that matter.
- Renovation Update – Jon Thomas of Thomas and Williamson said the renovation plans have moved into the design phase and everything is moving along. Discussion included the replacement of the high school track, demolition to the tennis courts and a new façade for Carnegie Elementary. Mr. Thomas also said they are waiting for a response from Duquesne Light regarding costs and said bids for asbestos abatement at each school will be submitted. Board members asked when planning could begin for the next phase of work, slated for summer of 2014. Mr. Thomas said it would be best to begin as soon as possible and the board decided to add an additional meeting in July for planning. Director Walkowiak suggested the board begin to develop the framework for a five year plan.

I. Miscellaneous

Director Wilson moved, seconded by Director Walkowiak, to approve the additions to 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 Walkowiak moved, seconded by Director Hughan, to approve the Treasurer’s Report for the month of March 2013 as presented;

March 2013 Treasurer’s Report

The March 2013 bills in the amount of \$2,462,958.74 as presented;

March 2013 Bills

The April 2013 Real Estate Tax Refunds for the Borough of Crafton as presented; (Finance Item #0413-01)

April 2013 RE Tax Refunds – Crafton

The March 2013 Athletic Fund Report with an ending balance of \$12,797.35 as presented; (Finance Item #0413-02)

March 2013 Athletic Fund Report

The March 2013 Activities Fund Report with an ending balance of \$47,542.94 as presented; (Finance Item #0413-03)

March 2013 Activities Fund Report

~~The proposal for _____ switches as part of the technology upgrades.~~
REMOVED FROM THE AGENDA

~~Switches—Technology Upgrades~~

And the sale of a 1986 Grounds Equipment Trailer to the Borough of Carnegie for a price of \$1.00 as submitted. (Finance Item #0413-04) **By a voice vote, the motion carried 7-0.**

Sale of Grounds Trailer to Carnegie

III. Personnel

Director Wilson moved, seconded by Director Schell, to approve the reappointments to the 2013-2014 Athletic Supplemental List as recommended by administration:

Reappointments – 2013-2014 Athletic Supplemental List

- Michael Kozy – Varsity Head Boys’ Basketball
 - Tim Bonner – Varsity Head Girls’ Basketball
 - Rachel Smith – Varsity Cheerleading
 - James Bassano – Varsity Golf
 - Charles Dagnal – Varsity Head Boys’ Soccer
 - David Zinski – Varsity Head Girls’ Soccer
 - James Glaser – Varsity Girls’ Tennis
 - Emily Tupi – Varsity Head Volleyball
- (Personnel Item #0413-01 REVISED)

The reappointments to the 2013-2014 Activities Supplemental List as recommended by administration:

Reappointments – 2013-2014 Activities Supplemental List

- Rena Taylor – Auditorium Manager
 - Cynthia Eddy – AV Coordinator, NHS/NJHS Sponsor
 - Todd Obidowski – Band Director
 - Brady Amerson – Assistant Band Director
 - Annemarie Bunch – Junior Class Sponsor
 - Rebecca Chenette – Senior Class Sponsor
 - Rachel Foltz – Sophomore Class Sponsor
 - Susan Millan – Cougarette Instructor
 - Heidi Aitken/Diane Criste – Carnegie Intramural Sponsors
 - Nick DeRoss/Dan Kuhn – Crafton Intramural Sponsors
 - Cynthia Dougherty – Instrumental, Musical
 - Lori Dedola – Producer, Musical
 - MaryKay Smith – Director, Musical
 - Diane Criste – Carnegie Patrol Sponsor
 - Renee Orlovsky – Carnegie Peer Sponsor
 - James Nagorski – Crafton Peer Sponsor
 - Tonilyn Longo – Play Director
 - Lynne Cramer – Jr. High Student Council
 - Laura Begg – Sr. High Student Council
 - Marlynn Vayanos – Yearbook Sponsor
- (Personnel Item #0413-02)

The request for the leaves of absence by Employee #SCA13-15 and #SCA13-16 as submitted; (Personnel Item #0413-03 REVISED)

Leaves – Employee #SCA13-15 and #SCA13-16

Nate Milsom for the temporary position of Dean of Discipline/Students for the junior-senior high school for a period effective April 5, 2013 through July 1, 2013. (Personnel Item #0413-04)

Dean of Discipline/Students – Nate Milsom

Appoint Kathleen Spinnenweber to the temporary lunchroom/playground aide position at Crafton Elementary for 2.5 hours per day as submitted and consistent with the Secretarial/Cafeteria/Aides Bargaining Unit Agreement; (Personnel Item #0413-05)

Temporary Lunchroom/
Playground Aide Position –
Kathleen Spinnenweber

And appoint Laura Sewell to the position of general cafeteria worker at Carnegie Elementary School for 2.5 hours per day as submitted and consistent with the Secretarial/Cafeteria/Aides Bargaining Unit Agreement; (Personnel Item #0413-06) **By a voice vote, the motion carried 7-0.**

General Cafeteria Worker
Position – Laura Sewell

IV. Policy

~~The Parent Request for Exclusion Policy as submitted at the meeting of March 14, 2013 for the first reading. (Policy Item #0413-01) STRIKEN~~

~~Policy – Parent Request for
Exclusion~~

OLD BUSINESS: *Director Appel inquired about posting policies online*

NEW BUSINESS:

A motion was made regarding use of the pool by the swim club for lifeguarding certification classes:

Director Roussos moved, seconded by Director Wilson, to approve the request by the Carlynton Aqua Club for use of the pool and to waive the facility usage fee for the lifeguarding classes. **By a voice vote, the motion carried 7-0.**

Discussion was held about the superintendent's right to waive the fee under board policy.

OPEN FORUM:

Director Wilson announced the Relay for Life will be held in May at West Allegheny High School this year. She also commended students for a wonderful musical.

Director Schell commented about a website that offered secondary transition information.

ADJORNMENT: With no further business to discuss, Director Hughan moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 pm, seconded by Director Appel. **By a voice vote, the motion carried 7-0.**

Respectfully submitted,

Kirby Christy, Board Secretary

Michale Herrmann, Recording Secretary