

## CARLYNTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

### Voting Meeting

June 28, 2012

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

### MINUTES

The Carlynton School District Board of Education held its Regular Voting Meeting June 28, 2012 in the library of the junior-senior high school. Those in attendance included President David Roussos and School Directors Joe Appel, Sandra Hugan, Patricia Schirripa, Jim Schriver, Betsy Tassaró, Ray Walkowiak and Sharon Wilson. Also present was Acting Superintendent Joseph Dimperio, Superintendent Gary Peiffer, Solicitor John Smart, Business Manager Kirby Christy, Principals Laura Burns, Carla Hudson, Jacie Maslyk and Robert Susini, and Director of Pupil Services Lee Myford. The audience was initially comprised of 27 individuals and two members of the press.

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**CALL TO ORDER** – President Roussos called the meeting to order at 7:34 pm.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE and ROLL CALL**: Acting Superintendent Joseph Dimperio led the pledge. The roll was called by Recording Secretary Michale Herrmann; Director Schell was absent.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD**: Crafton resident Matt Greiner inquired about the purchase of the pizza ovens referenced on the agenda. He was told to leave his phone number with the board secretary.

Carnegie resident Greg Diulus asked for clarification of the process for discussion regarding the Athletic Director position. President Roussos said it could be brought up at the end of the meeting because it was not mentioned on the agenda. Director Hugan said it was relevant because athletic supplemental positions were in fact on the agenda. After some discussion among board members, it was agreed to allow those who signed up to speak about the AD position to express their thoughts within a three (3) minute time limit.

Joseph Bickus of Crafton asked why an assistant athletic director was on the agenda and not the athletic director. He mentioned Dave Oddi, the current AD, and said Mr. Oddi was committed and had done much for athletics. He also said he was concerned about who would replace him.

Matt Greiner of Crafton, in regard to the Athletic Director position, stated that if Mr. Oddi has done something wrong, allow him the opportunity to fix it. He said Mr. Oddi is loved by the kids and he is an inspiration for those who “can’t.”

Greg Diulus said he realizes the district has gone through some division. He said athletics generally pull communities and kids together and friendships are developed through athletics. Going on, he said it would be a disservice to the communities to lose Dave Oddi and he has heard nothing but glowing comments from other AD’s about Mr. Oddi.

Dan Conley of Carnegie said his twins are going to college on partial scholarships thanks to Dave Oddi. He added that every AD in the area respects the man.

John Franchick of Carnegie called Dave Oddi “Mr. Cougar.” If Dave is let go, he said, he will be concerned for the district.

*Jim Glaser of Crafton, varsity tennis coach, said he has developed a wonderful relationship with Mr. Oddi.*

*Selene Richardson of Crafton said that Dave Oddi has empowered the sports' programs. She informed board members of a personal experience with her daughter and said he genuinely cares about kids.*

*Caleb Richardson of Crafton said that a school's academics and athletics are what drive people to move into a school district. He said Dave Oddi, as AD, has shown support to all communities and is beneficial to the athletic program.*

*Kelly Chapman of Carnegie said she fully supports the earlier comments, adding that the friendships built through elementary feeder sports programs allows kids from the different communities to come to seventh grade as friends.*

*Rich Griffin, girl' varsity basketball coach, said he came to Carlynton because Mr. Oddi made him believe something good would happen here.. He said Mr. Oddi was a Carlynton man and cared deeply for the district.*

*Charlie Dagnal, varsity head soccer coach, added that Dave Oddi is a Carlynton guy; went to school here and lives in the community. He added that Mr. Oddi is passionate about athletics.*

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Director Appel moved, seconded by Director Hughan, to approve the minutes of the June 7, 2012 Regular Voting Meeting as presented. **By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.**

Minutes of the June 7, 2012 Meeting

#### **REPORTS:**

- Executive Session – President Roussos reported that contractual, personnel and legal issues were discussed in the closed session.
- Administrative Reports – Dr. Dimperio
  - Superintendent's Report – Dr. Dimperio expressed sincere thanks to the board for the opportunity to return and work within the district this past year. He said it has been a privilege and he is grateful for the opportunity.
  - Principals' Reports – Dr. Maslyk spoke of the grant from The Grable Foundation and how she intends to use it for a STEAM classroom
  - Director of Pupil Services' Report – Mrs. Myford called attention to information provided in the board packets and said the second year of special education monitoring was recently completed.
  - Technology Update – Bob Mickolay said all equipment from the funds approved at the last meeting has been ordered.
- Committee Reports
  - ✓The minutes of the Parkway West CTC Joint Operating Committee of May 1, 2012 were entered record as submitted. (SC Item #0612-01)

## **BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD:**

### **I. Miscellaneous**

Director Tassaro moved, seconded by Director Wilson, to approve the list of conference and field trip requests for the 2012-2013 school year as submitted and approved by administration:

- C...L.Ramandames, PATTAN for DIBELS Training, 9/25
- FT...T.Obidowski, Fort Cherry HS, Band-Away Football, 8/31
- FT...T.Obidowski, Bishop Canevin HS, Band-Away Football, 9/14
- FT...T.Obidowski, Mt. Lebanon HS, Band Festival, 9/15
- FT...T.Obidowski, Serra Catholic HS, Band Away Football, 9/21
- FT...T.Obidowski, Chartiers Valley HS, Band Festival, 9/22
- FT...T.Obidowski, Chartiers-Houston HS, Band-Away Football, 10/12
- FT...T.Obidowski, California HS, Band-Away Football, 10/19
- FT...N.Martin, Byham Theater, A Christmas Carol Musical, 12/19
- C...C.Eddy, Library Media Forum, AIU, 9/12; 11/27; 1/29; 3/26; 5/14
- C...J.Maslyk, Principals' Conference, Station Square, 10/21-23
- FT...M.Dzurenda, Eco-Challenge, Phipps Conservatory, 9/28
- FT...M.Dzurenda, Calculus g.9-10, Duquesne University, 10/4
- FT...M.Dzurenda, Calculus g. 11-12, Duquesne University, 10/5
- FT...M.Dzurenda, Observe Open Heart Surgery, Allegheny GH, 11/30  
(Miscellaneous Item #0612-01 REVISED)

And declare two deck ovens in the high school cafeteria as surplus and sell as appropriate. (Miscellaneous Item #0612-02) **By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.**

### **II. Finance**

Director Wilson moved, seconded by Director Schriver, to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of May 2012 as presented;

May 2012 bills in the amount of \$1,611,377.96 as presented;

And the Rosslyn Farms Borough Earned Income Tax Refund as submitted; (Finance Item #0612-01) **By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.**

Director Tassaro moved, seconded by Director Walkowiak, the approve Resolution No. 449-12 establishing the millage for real estate taxation for the 2012-2013 fiscal year as follows: Resolved that the Carlynton School District does hereby levy and assess the real estate tax for the fiscal year for all taxable property in the Carlynton School District for the Boroughs of Carnegie, Crafton and Rosslyn Farms, at 23.15 mills or \$2.315 on each one hundred dollars (\$100) of the assessed valuation on all property for school purposes; (Finance Item #0612-02)

*Director Hughan asked how this rate will effect the new Allegheny County assessment of her home. Mr. Christy said nothing will occur until January 2013; once assessments are certified by the county, the district must have the 2013-2014 budget reflect a millage rate to remain revenue neutral.*

Resolution No. 450-12 as follows: Resolved that the levy of one percent (1%) on all earned income and net profit levied by Resolution No. 44 of 1966

Conference and Field Trip Requests

Sell Surplus Ovens in HS Cafeteria

Treasurer's Report – May 2012

May 2012 Bills

Rosslyn Farms EIT Refunds

Resolution No. 449-12 Real Estate Millage - 2012-2013

Resolution No. 450-12  
Earned Income Tax Levy

and enacted under the authority of the Local and Tax Enabling Act #511 of 1965 and its amendments thereto, is hereby renewed for the 2012-2013 fiscal year and for an indefinite term thereafter, and all taxes levied under Act 511 of 1965 including the earned income and net profits tax and the real estate transfer tax be reenacted without substantial change; (Finance Item #0612-03)

*Director Schriver asked for clarification of the one percent levy. President Roussos said it represents the wage tax, which is split between the borough and the district.*

The Carlynton School District 2012-2013 General Fund Budget in the amount of \$23,793,583;

Resolution No. 451-12 as submitted by the solicitor, to accept the funds made available through Act 1, the Homestead/Farmstead Tax Relief Act. Each qualified homeowner will realize a savings of approximately \$164. (Finance Item #0612-04)

*And* Resolution No. 452-12 as submitted by the solicitor, to provide an option for installment payments of school real property taxes for small business owners pursuant to the Taxpayer Relief Act as amended by Act 25 of 2011; (Finance Item #0612-05) **By a ROLL CALL VOTE, all motions carried 8-0, except the 2012-2013 general fund budget, which was approved 6-0-2 with Directors Hughan and Schirripa voting NO.**

Director Schriver moved, seconded by Director Appel, to appoint Sandra Hughan as Treasurer of the Carlynton School District for a term beginning July 1, 2012 and ending June 30, 2013;

Designate PNC Bank, Crafton Branch, as the official school district depository for funds received for fiscal year 2012-2013 in accordance with Section 621 of the PA School Code;

Participation in the UPMC Worker's Compensation Program at a cost of \$54,087, effective July 1, 2012, as presented;

The insurance package for the 2012-2013 school year as recommended by the Gleason Agency at a cost of \$65,782. This includes cyber liability;

*And* that Patricia Keeley, Crafton Real Estate Tax Collector; Edward Adams, Rosslyn Farms Real Estate Tax Collector; and Peg Bowman, Carnegie Real Estate Tax Collector, be excused from further collection of school district real estate taxes for the 2011-2012 school year, effective June 30, 2012, and that the list of names of those owners submitted by each of the above tax collectors be given to the delinquent tax collector for the purpose of liening; **By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.**

Director Wilson moved, seconded by Director Schriver, to renew public official bonds for Board Secretary Kirby Christy and Treasurer Sandra Hughan;

Grant authorization for the appropriate officials to provide tax duplicates to each of the District's tax collectors on or before July 1, 2012, in accordance with Section 682 of the PA School Code;

2012-2013

General Fund Budget

Resolution No. 451-12 – Homestead/Farmstead Tax Relief Act Funds

Resolution No. 452-12 – Installment Payments for Small Business Owners

Treasurer – Sandra Hughan

PNC Bank – District Depository

UPMC Worker's Compensation

Insurance Package for 2012-2013

Tax Collectors Excused from Collection

Public Official Bonds

Tax Duplicates

<p>Authorize the District to acquire the tax collector's bonds as required by Section 684 of the PA School Code for the Carnegie, Crafton and Rosslyn Farms Tax Collectors;</p>	<p>Acquisition of Tax Collector's Bonds</p>
<p>Award bids for Physical Education, Medical, Custodial/Maintenance and Athletic Supplies for the 2012-2013 school year in the total amount of \$107,567.22; (Finance Item #0612-06)</p>	<p>Awarding of Bids</p>
<p>The agreement for auditing services by Hosack, Specht, Muetzel and Wood, LLC, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2012, June 30, 2013 and June 30, 2014 at a cost of \$14,600 for the year 2012, \$14,600 for the year 2013, and \$15,000 for the year 2014 and to provide an audit of the Rosslyn Farms Earned Income Tax Collector for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012 at a cost of \$585.</p>	<p>Auditing Services Agreement</p>
<p>The cafeteria operating report for the month of May 2012 as submitted by Aramark Educational Service with an ending year-to-date balance of \$48,586.79; (Finance Item #0612-07)</p>	<p>May 2012 Cafeteria Operating Report</p>
<p><i>And</i> the May 2012 Athletic Fund Report as presented with an ending balance of \$6,267.29; (Finance Item #0612-08) <b>By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.</b></p>	<p>May 2012 Athletic Fund Report</p>
<p>Director Wilson moved, seconded by Director Schriver, to approve the May 2012 Activities Fund Report as presented with an ending balance of \$30,909.49; (Finance Item #0612-09)</p>	<p>May 2012 Activities Fund Report</p>
<p>Accept the bid for the junior-senior high school domestic hot water tank by Mongiovi and Son, the lowest responsible bidder, at a cost of \$96,800; (Finance Item # 0612-10)</p>	<p>Replacement Bid of Domestic Hot Water Heater</p>
<p>Accept the bid for replacement of the Crafton Elementary roof by J.M. Young and Sons, the lowest responsible bidder, at the bid of \$133,560 plus the unit pricing as needed per approval of the superintendent; (Finance Item #0612-11)</p>	<p>Crafton Elementary Roof Replacement Bid</p>
<p>Accept the bid for the Carnegie Elementary sanitary tank and pump by Wayne Crouse, Inc., the lowest responsible bidder, at a bid of \$129,500 plus the unit pricing as needed per approval of the superintendent, less \$10,000 as negotiated under Wayne Crouse Item #12-086-P as submitted; (Finance Item #0612-12)</p>	<p>Carnegie Elementary Sanitary Tank and Pump Bid</p>
<p>The change order for the Carnegie Elementary Front Area Way Wall in the amount of \$7,500 as submitted. (Finance Item #0612-13)</p>	<p>Change Order – Carnegie Way Wall</p>
<p><i>And</i> the Request for Proposal for the high school cooling tower as presented. (Finance Item #0612-14) <b>Director Appel moved, seconded by Director Wilson, to amend the RFP, in the first section of the document, with the cooling tower rather than Way Wall. By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.</b></p>	<p>RFP – High School Cooling Tower</p>
<p><i>The board then voted on all six items under the original motion: By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.</i></p>	

### III. Personnel

Director Schriver moved, seconded by Director Wilson, to approve the following addition to the 2011-2012 Athletic Supplemental List as recommended and presented. This individual is returning from the prior school year:

- Scott Wolf, Assistant Boys' Baseball Coach  
(Personnel Item #0612-01)

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

Director Wilson moved, seconded by Director Tassarò, to approve the following addition to the 2012-2013 Athletic Supplemental List as recommended and presented:

- Nathan Milsom, Assistant Athletic Director
- Michael Kozy, Varsity Head Basketball Coach
- James Bassano, Varsity Head Golf Coach
- Charles Dagnal, Varsity Head Soccer Coach
- Brenda Vu-Potkrajac, Assistant Volleyball Coach  
(Personnel Item #0612-02 REVISED)

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

Director Schirripa moved, seconded by Director Hughan, to add David Oddi as Athletic Director to the 2012-2013 Athletic Supplemental List. Director Appel seconded by Director Wilson, moved to table the motion. *Discussion ensued among board members. Director Schriver said that while he appreciated the comments made by audience members in favor of Dave Oddi, he would like to extend the discussion before making a decision. He added that the board may be privy to some issues of which residents may not be aware and he would like time to discuss it in a closed session because of its personal nature. Director Schirripa asked the board to break into an executive session then to discuss, but no one other than Director Hughan agreed to do so. Director Walkowiak said it would be better to discuss the matter in private with the new superintendent.*

*The board voted to table the original motion:* **By a voice vote, the motion carried 5-3, with Directors Hughan, Schirripa and Walkowiak voting NO.**

Director Tassarò moved, seconded by Director Walkowiak, to approve the following individuals be employed as additional substitute Summer Custodial Helpers for the period of June 11 through August 17, 2012:

- Justin Dean
- William McNamara  
(Personnel Item #0612-03)

Reassign Robert Prevost to the position of Temporary Maintenance Man for an approximate four (4) week period, effective July 2, 2012; (Personnel Item #0612-04)

The intermittent Leave of Absence of Employee #CFT12-05 and the Leave of Employee #CFT12-06 as submitted; (Personnel Item #0612-05 REVISED)

2011-12 Athletic  
Supplemental Contracts

2012-13 Athletic  
Supplemental Contracts

Substitute Summer 2012  
Custodial Helpers

Robert Prevost – Temporary  
Maintenance Man

Intermittent Leave –  
Employee #CFT12-05

<p>The retirement of Eileen Turek, high school cafeteria worker, effective June 7, 2012. (Personnel Item #0612-06)</p>	Retirement – Eileen Turek, HS Cafeteria Worker
<p>The Affiliation Agreement between the District and Duquesne University to ensure the partnership of field placements, student teaching experiences and internships within the school district; (Personnel Item #0612-07)</p>	Affiliation Agreement with Duquesne University
<p>The Affiliation Agreement between the District and California University of Pennsylvania to ensure the partnership of field placements, student teacher experiences and internships within the school district; (Personnel Item #0612-08)</p>	Affiliation Agreement with California University of PA
<p>George Mowl as a volunteer football coach for the 2012-2013 football season. (Personnel Item #0612-09)</p>	Volunteer Football Coach – George Mowl
<p>The additions to the Activities Supplemental List for the 2012-2013 school year as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Rena Taylor – Auditorium Manager, <i>returning</i></li><li>▪ Rebecca Chenette – Senior Class Sponsor</li></ul> <p>(Personnel Item #0612-10)</p>	Additions to the 2012-2013 Activities Supplemental List
<p>Award Temporary Professional Employee Contracts to the following for the 2012-2013 school year, under the terms of the Carlynton Federation of Teachers Collective Bargaining Unit Agreement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Christopher Colonna, Geography/Social Studies</li><li>▪ Zachary Rice, Elementary/Special Education</li></ul> <p>(Personnel Item #0612-11)</p> <p><b>By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.</b></p> <p><i>Director Wilson said she looked forward to getting to know Mr. Rice, adding she is impressed with Mr. Colonna.</i></p>	TPEs- Christopher Colonna and Zachary Rice
<p><b>IV. Policy</b></p> <p>Director Schriver moved, seconded by Director Appel, to approve the changes and inclusions to the Acceptable Use Policy for Students, Policy No. 815, as submitted, regarding educational awareness of cyberbullying. (Policy Item #0612-01) <b>By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.</b></p> <p><i>Director Appel called attention to a typo on page two of the policy.</i></p>	Policy No. 815 – Acceptable Use Policy for Students
<p><b>UNFINISHED BUSINESS:</b> <i>Director Schirripa, citing surplus in the budget, moved to refund the \$8,500 gift from Carnegie Elementary PTA for the iPads, and proceed with the district paying the full cost. The motion was seconded by Director Hugan.</i></p> <p><i>Technology Director Bob Mickolay said the iPads were engraved with an inscription to signify a gift from the PTA. President Roussos said the district does not have the luxury to turn away gifts. Director Appel said the donation was an unsolicited gift and he is not comfortable refusing the gift. He added that he did not understand where there was surplus in the budget. There was some questions about equity between the two elementary schools as well. Dr. Dimperio said it is not uncommon for groups to provide gifts to school and it forges relationships. Director Walkowiak offered a compromise, suggesting the district could purchase the additional five and give \$2000 back to the PTA. A vote was taken on the original motion: To refund the \$8,500 for</i></p>	

iPads to the Carnegie Elementary PTA. **By a ROLL CALL VOTE, the motion failed 5-1-2, with Director Wilson abstaining and Directors Hughan and Schirripa voting in favor of the refund.**

*There was some follow-up discussion following the vote, to place a motion on the agenda to refund the \$2000 by way of a compromise. Director Schriver said this would give time to consult with the group who made the donation.*

*Director Hughan asked if Carnegie Elementary received a grant from The Grable Foundation. Mrs. Hudson said she was not certain, but if so, it would be for the Tower Power Hour.*

*Director Hughan asked about special education students at Carnegie Elementary School, questioning if they should be in their home school. Mrs. Myford said they are planning to do so in the upcoming school year.*

*Director Walkowiak presented a cooling option for the elementary building in light of the presentation made by Tower Engineering at the last meeting. He said he spoke with a gentleman who suggested a temporary fix or solution by renting, leasing or selling air conditioning units with an average cost of \$900 per month per room. Director Walkowiak said the units would be turned on at night to cool the rooms for the following school day. Director Schriver briefly explained the heat situation in the elementary schools to Mr. Peiffer.*

**NEW BUSINESS:** *Director Schriver asked if plans for grounds keeping for the schools, in terms of addressing landscaping needs and some painting inside and out of schools would be addressed. Dr. Dimperio said he believed it was in John Recchio's plans. Director Walkowiak asked if the Crafton roof would be completed before school begins. Dr. Dimperio said that is the plan.*

**OPEN FORUM:** *Audience member Mr. Diulus asked the status of Mr. Oddi, given his contract ends Sunday, July 1.*

*Director Hughan moved, seconded by Director Schirripa, to retain Dave Oddi as Athletic Director through July 19 and a pro-rated stipend. Director Schriver asked if the assistant would step in during the absence. President Roussos said yes.*

*President Roussos asked for further discussion and Director Hughan directed him the "call the question." President Roussos, explaining the phase meant to end all debate, said he was not permitting a call of the question as chair. He asked for any other discussion and then the vote took place: On the motion to retain David Oddi from July 1 through July 19 at a pro-rated stipend – **By a voice vote, the motion failed 5-1-2, with Director Walkowiak abstaining and Directors Hughan and Schriver voting to retain Mr. Oddi.***

*Resident Matt Greiner said he believed the board was wrong as there are many athletic demands in the summer such as scheduling transportation and ordering equipment. President Roussos said Mr. Oddi would remain as the gatekeeper or security person. Other audience members expressed their distain toward the vote.*



*Kathleen Cantley introduced herself and said she was representing the band. She asked permission to use a sky diver at the band festival in the fall. She explained it would be incorporated as a fundraiser; paper plates would be purchased and placed randomly on the field; wherever the skydiver landed would be a winner. Mrs. Cantley was directed to get in touch with Mr. Pieffer.*

*Crafton resident Kathy Lopez, as coach for the aqua club, asked to review the facility usage policy. She and Mark Latimere explained the fee structure for the club; this in addition to facility usage fee for non-residents made the cost higher. Mr. Lopez said the aqua club provides a feeder for the high school program and also allows stiffer competition for swimmers to become stronger while training. During the discussion, she mentioned she was also coach for the Montour swim team and the Crafton youth summer swim club. President Roussos said the board does intend to review the policy and may consider some modifications.*

**ADJOURNMENT:** With no further business to discuss, Director Hugan moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 pm, seconded by Director Appel. **By a voice vote, the motion carried 8-0.**

Respectfully submitted,

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Kirby Christy, Board Secretary

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Michale Herrmann, Recording Secretary