

GREATER NANTICOKE AREA SCHOOL BOARD
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2017

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Greater Nanticoke Area School District was held Saturday, February 11, 2017 in the Board Room of the Greater Nanticoke Area High School. The meeting was called to order at approximately 1:00 pm by Board President Ryan Verazin.

1. ROLL CALL

Mr. Prushinski called the roll: Present: Gary Smith, Matt Landmesser, Tony Prushinski, Len Olzinski, Wendy Wiaterowski, Megan Tennesen and Ryan Verazin. Also present were Atty. Vito DeLuca, Albert Melone and Dr. Ron Grevera. Absent: Frank Shepanski and Ken James.

Pledge of Allegiance

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S) NOTATION OF EXECUTIVE SESSIONS:

Motion by Mrs. Wiaterowski, seconded by Mr. Smith to accept the minutes from the Regular School Board Meeting/Executive Session – January 12, 2017.

Upon voice vote, all present voted yes. Motion passes.

3. COMMENTS REGARDING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA: There were no comments.

4. TREASURER REPORT:

Motion by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Olzinski to accept the Treasurer Report.

Upon voice vote, all present voted yes. Motion passes.

5. PAYMENT OF BILLS:

5.1 General Account list of bills for January 2017: \$341,059.30

5.2 Family center list of bills for January 2017: \$11,189.74

Motion by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Prushinski to approve the paying of the January 2016 bills.

Upon voice vote, all present voted yes. Motion passes.

6. SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENT

7. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS – on file in district office.

7.1 Ms. Scibek

7.2 Mrs. Baddick

7.3 Mr. Gorham

7.4 Mrs. Lipsey

8. BOARD SECRETARY'S REPORT

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

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9.1 Athletics (James, Landmesser, Shepanski) Ken James, Chairperson

9.1.1 Athletic Report – on file in district office

9.2.1 Recommend approval to appoint the following coaches for the **2016-2017** season:

(Note: Clearances on file.)

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| a. Volleyball Volunteer Asst. Coach – boys | Ed Lukowski III |
| b. Softball Asst. III | Leah (Lavelle) Considine |
| c. Softball Asst. IV | Jacob Biehl |
| d. Baseball Asst. III | Eric Hauer |
| e. Baseball Volunteer Coach | Nicholas Matson III |
| f. Track Scorekeeper | Anthony Fleury |

Motion by Mr. Landmesser, seconded by Mrs. Tennesen to accept the Athletic Report.
Upon voice vote, all present voted yes. Motion passes.

9.2 Buildings and Grounds (Shepanski, James, Smith) Frank Shepanski, Chairperson

9.2.1 Buildings and Grounds Report – on file in district office

9.2.2 Recommend approval to permit Representative Mullery to host a shredding event at GNA High School on Saturday, May 6, 2017 from 10:00 am – 12 noon.

9.2.3 Recommend approval to permit Ellen Rutkowski, Choral Director, to utilize the high school auditorium for the spring band concert. Dress rehearsals will be held on April 24, 25 and 26, 2017 from 3-5 pm. The concert will be on Thursday, April 27, 2017 at 6:30.

9.2.4 Recommend approval to permit Ellen Rutkowski, Choral Director, to utilize the high school auditorium for the spring choral concerts. Dress rehearsal will be held May 1, 2017, 3-5 pm; May 2, 2017, 2-5 pm; May 3, 2017 from 2-3 pm. The Choral Concert will be on Wednesday, May 3, 2017 at 6:30 pm.

9.2.5 Recommend approval to permit the GNA Wrestling Booster Club to utilize the high school cafeteria for their monthly meeting on Wednesday, February 15, 2017 from 6:00 – 9:00 pm.

9.2.6 Motion to rescind bidding stadium lights by adding them to the existing Kennedy Renovation and Addition Project (Item 9.2.7. of January 12, 2017 agenda).

9.2.7 Motion to advertise to bid stadium lights at the football stadium separate from the Kennedy Early Childhood Renovation and Addition Project.

Motion by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Landmesser to accept the Buildings and Grounds Report.
Upon voice vote, all present voted yes. Motion passes.

9.3 Education (Prushinski, Wiaterowski, Landmesser) Tony Prushinski, Chairperson

9.3.1 Recommend approval to enter into an agreement with Franklin and Marshall College to participate in the College Advising Corps at a cost to the district of \$24,000 for the 2017-2018 school year.

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Motion by Mr. Prushinski, seconded by Mrs. Wiaterowski to accept the Education Report.
Upon voice vote, all present voted yes. Motion passes.

9.4 Finance (Smith, Olzinski, Landmesser)

Gary Smith, Chairperson

- 9.4.1 Recommend approval of the list for credit reimbursements.
- 9.4.2 Recommend approval of the list for increment increases.
- 9.4.3 Approve Memorandum of Agreement regarding ELECT/Project MOM and Young Fatherhood Initiative at a cost of \$307.27.
- 9.4.4 Motion to refund John Markewicz of 427 S. Walnut Street, Nanticoke, PA in the amount of \$160.00. Reason for refund: 2016 Homestead Exclusion Refund.
- 9.4.5 Motion to refund Chester and Jamie Beggs of 610 E. Washington Street, Nanticoke, PA in the amount of \$160.00. Reason for refund: 2016 Homestead Exclusion Refund.
- 9.4.6 Adopt a preliminary budget for the 2017-2018 fiscal year with expenditures of \$30,241,300 and revenues of \$29,472,291 with millage of 11.0765 mills on assessed valuation.
- 9.4.7 Recommend approval to accept the audit of the Greater Nanticoke Area School District for fiscal year ending June 30, 2016 as presented by Rainey and Rainey.

Motion by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Landmesser to accept the Finance Report.
Upon voice vote, all present voted yes. Motion passes.

9.5 Negotiations (Smith, Wiaterowski, Landmesser)

Gary Smith, Chairperson

9.6 Personnel (Prushinski, Shepanski, Tennesen)

Tony Prushinski, Chairperson

- 9.6.1 Recommend approval of all applications.
- 9.6.2 Recommend approval of the list of requests, field trips and conferences.
- 9.6.3 Motion to accept the letter of resignation from Lynn Ravin, Learning Support Aide.
- 9.6.4 Recommend approval to hire Elizabeth Savage as Learning Support Aide in Autistic Support per terms and conditions of the CBA.
- 9.6.5 Motion to accept the letter of resignation from Stacy Buckley, Health Room Nurse Assistant, effective January 30, 2017.
- 9.6.6 Recommend approval to appoint Amanda Bruza to the position of Certified School Nurse per terms and conditions of the CBA.
- 9.6.7 Brenda Sowa, teacher, requests permission to take an intermittent FMLA leave for the period of January 18, 2017 through January 18, 2018.
- 9.6.8 Megan Iagnemma, teacher, requests permission to take an intermittent FMLA leave beginning immediately through the end of 2016-2017 school year.
- 9.6.9 Donna Redenski, Support Staff, requests permission to take an unpaid day of leave on February 10, 2017.
- 9.6.10 Recommend approval to appoint Neal McMahon to the position of maintenance per terms and conditions of the CBA.

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Motion by Mr. Prushinski, seconded by Mrs. Tennesen to accept the Personnel Report.
Upon voice vote, all present voted yes. Motion passes.

9.7 Policy (Wiaterowski, Prushinski, Tennesen) W. Wiaterowski, Chairperson

9.7.1 Motion to approve the GNA School District 2017-2018 School Calendar.

Motion by Mr. Landmesser, seconded by Mrs. Wiaterowski to accept the Policy Report.
Upon voice vote, all present voted yes. Motion passes.

9.8 Safety (Tennesen, Wiaterowski, Olzinski) Megan Tennesen, Chairperson

9.9 Transportation (James, Smith, Olzinski) Ken James, Chairperson

9.9.1 Request to approve Thomas Williams as a driver for Cragle Bus Service.

9.9.2 Request to remove Bobbi Blair as a driver for Cragle Bus Service.

9.9.3 Request to approve the following additional special transportation stops:

- 154 W. Green Street, Nanticoke
- 304 E. Church Street, Nanticoke
- 313 E. Noble Street, Nanticoke
- 172 Prospect Street, Plymouth Twp.
- 220 W. Ridge Street, Nanticoke
- 311 W. Main Street, Nanticoke
- 355 Mizdail Road, Hunlock Creek
- 1224 Center Street, Wanamie
- 205 E. Grand Street, Nanticoke
- 31 Railroad Street, Mocanaqua
- 240 W. Main Street, Nanticoke
- 121 W. Main Street, Glen Lyon
- 148 E. Main Street, Glen Lyon
- 22 S. Walnut Street, Nanticoke
- 61 W. Main Street, Nanticoke
- 145 W. Broad Street, Nanticoke
- 334 S. Hanover Street, Nanticoke

Motion by Mr. Wiaterowski, seconded by Mr. Olzinski to accept the Transportation Report.
Upon voice vote, all present voted yes. Motion passes.

10.0 **Tabled Items**

11.0 **I.U. Update**

Olzinski/Wiaterowski

12.0 **Wilkes Barre CTC Update**

Tennesen/Wiaterowski

13.0 **Solicitor's Report**

Attorney DeLuca

14.0 **Communication from citizens**

15.0 **Adjourn**

The next meeting of the GNA School Board will be on Thursday, March 9, 2017.