

GREATER NANTICOKE AREA SCHOOL BOARD
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2017

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Greater Nanticoke Area School District was held Thursday, September 7, 2017 in the Board Room of the Greater Nanticoke Area High School. The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:00 pm by President Mr. Len Olzinski.

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

Pledge of Allegiance led by senior Kyle Stratton.

Motion by Ken James, seconded by Wendy Wiaterowski, to appoint Mark Cardone as School Board Director of the Greater Nanticoke Area School Board. Upon voice vote, all present voted yes. Motion passes.

Swearing in of Mark Cardone by Magistrate Dotzel.

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

Motion by Len Olzinski, seconded by Frank Shepanski to accept the minutes from the Regular School Board Meeting/Executive Session from August 10, 2017. Upon voice vote, all present voted yes. Motion passes.

3.0 COMMENTS REGARDING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA-No comments.

4.0 TREASURER REPORT

Motion by Len Olzinski, seconded by Wendy Wiaterowski to accept the Treasurer's Report. Upon voice vote, all present voted yes. Motion passes.

5.0 PAYMENT OF BILLS:

5.1 General Account list of bills for August 2017: \$1,054,145.94

5.2 Family Center list of bills for August 2017: \$15,185.68

Motion by Tony Prushinski, seconded by Wendy Wiaterowski to accept the paying of the August 2017 bills. Upon voice vote, all present voted yes. Motion passes.

6.0 SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS – On file in the district office.

7.0 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS – On file in the district office.

8.0 BOARD SECRETARY'S REPORT

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Motion by Tony Prushinski, seconded by Wendy Wiaterowski to accept the Board Secretary's Report. Upon voice vote, all present voted yes. Motion passes.

9.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

9.1.1 Athletic Report

9.1.2 Motion to accept MaryAnn Lang's resignation from her position as Field Hockey Assistant II effective August 7, 2017.

9.1.3 Recommend approval to appoint the following 2017-2018 coaches: (**Note: Clearances on file**)

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| a. Volleyball Junior High Head Coach | Tracey Beihl |
| b. Football Assistant Volunteer | Jerry Bavitz |
| c. Football Assistant Volunteer | Harry Gulich |
| d. Soccer Assistant Volunteer/Boys | William Kashatus |
| e. Field Hockey Scorekeeper | MaryAnn Lang |

9.1.4 Recommend sponsoring a Junior High Cross Country program.

Motion by Ken James, seconded by Megan Tennesen to accept the Athletic Report. Upon voice vote, all present voted yes. Motion passes.

9.2 **Buildings and Grounds** (Shepanski, James, Landmesser) Frank Shepanski, Chairperson

9.2.1 Buildings and Grounds Report (**Attachment**)

9.2.2 John Barno, Program Coordinator, Scholastic Youth Services, requests the use of the GNA high school auditorium on November 7, 2017 for performances by the highly acclaimed Arts and Dance Company of Florida.

9.2.3 GNA's annual musical production will be "Into the Woods" by Stephen Sondheim. Auditions for the show will be held at the high school in late September. Ellen Rutkowski requests use of the high school auditorium on the following dates for the show: Friday, March 16th and Saturday, March 17th, 2018. Shows start at 7:00 pm. Sunday, March 19, 2018, cast and crew will meet at 1:00 pm to tear down the set and have a cast party in the blue cafeteria.

9.2.4 Recommend approval of an agreement with NRG Controls North, Inc. from October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2019. **Note:** Budgeted as part of the existing Buildings and Grounds budget. (**Attachment**)

9.2.5 Robert Wentz, GNA Wrestling Booster Club Treasurer, requests the use of the GNA high school cafeteria on September 27, 2017 for their monthly meeting from 6:00-9:00 pm.

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

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9.3 **Education** (Prushinski, Wiaterowski, Jacobs) Tony Prushinski, Chairperson
No report.

9.4 **Finance** (Olzinski, Tennesen, Landmesser) Len Olzinski, Chairperson
 9.4.1 Recommend approval of the attached list for credit reimbursements. **(Attachment)**
 9.4.2 Recommend approval of the attached list for increment increases. **(Attachment)**
 9.4.3 Motion to approve the agreement between GNA and the LIU for licensed social work services at a rate of \$126.80 per quarter day for a total of \$63,906.16 for the 2017-2018 school year retroactive to August 28, 2017. **(Attachment)**
 9.4.4 Recommend approval of the following change orders for the Kennedy Early Childhood Center Project:

Contract 01: Mar-Paul Company – General Construction

Change Order No. 01:

1.	Increase the Contract Sum to include metal stud furring and painted gypsum board at selected existing partitions.	\$33,800.00
2.	Decrease the Contract Sum to delete the structural steel frames for skylights that were deleted from the project.	(\$2,749.00)
Contract Sum to be Increased This Change Order		\$31,051.00
Original Contract Sum		\$3,716,000.00
Previous Changes		\$0.00
Revised Contract		\$3,716,000.00

Contract 02: PAMSCO – HVAC Construction

Change Order No. 01:

1.	Decrease the Contract Sum to include additional electrical work related to Submitted HVAC equipment per CBE#2, CBE#3 and CBE#5.	(\$4,889.00)
Contract Sum to be Decreased This Change Order		(\$4,889.00)
Original Contract Sum		\$1,601,663.00
Previous Changes		\$0.00
Revised Contract		\$1,596,774.00

Contract Num. 04: G.R. Noto Electrical Construction – Electrical Construction

Change Order No. 01:

1.	Increase the Contract Sum to include comments by the Electrical Engineer on the Coordination Study Electrical Submittals.	\$5,700.00
Contract Sum to be Increased This Change Order		\$5,700.00
Original Contract Sum		\$1,096,000.00
Previous Changes		\$0.00
Revised Contract		\$1,101,700.00

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Change Order No. 02:

1.	Increase the Contract Sum to include additional electrical work related to Submitted HVAC equipment per CBE#2, CBE#3 and CBE#5.	\$4,889.00
2.	Decrease the Contract Sum to delete two of five primary conductor runs per the Engineer's response to RFI #44 Item #4.	(\$28,487.00)
3.	Decrease the Contract Sum to eliminate concealing raceways in existing wall construction because of approval to install furring partitions at selected existing walls.	(\$3,882.00)
		(\$27,480.00)
Contract Sum to be Decreased This Change Order		
Original Contract Sum		\$1,096,000.00
Previous Changes		\$5,700.00
Revised Contract		\$1,074,220.00

Project Summary

Net Change This Period	\$4,382.00
Original Contract Sum	\$8,833,742.41
Previous Changes	\$0.00
Revised Contract	\$8,838,124.41

Motion by Len Olzinski, seconded by Megan Tennesen to accept the Finance Report. Upon voice vote, all present voted yes. Motion passes.

9.5 **Negotiations** (Wiaterowski, Olzinski, Landmesser) W. Wiaterowski, Chairperson
No report.

9.6. **Personnel** (Prushinski, Shepanski, Tennesen) Tony Prushinski, Chairperson

- 9.6.1 Recommend approval of all applications. **(Attachment)**
- 9.6.2 Recommend approval of the attached list of field trips, conferences and requests. **(Attachment)**
- 9.6.3 Recommend to appoint Dr. Ronald Grevera as management trustee to the Northeast Pennsylvania School District Health Trust representing management for the 2017-2018 school year and Susan Lipsey as the alternate.
- 9.6.4 Recommend approval to appoint Brianna Klug to the position of Special Education teacher at a Bachelor's Step 1 per terms and conditions of the GNA Education Association CBA.
- 9.6.5 Recommend accepting the letter of resignation from Suzanne Bukofski, Cafeteria, effective August 22, 2017.
- 9.6.6 Recommend accepting the letter of resignation from Anna Lamoreux, Para-Educator, effective August 28, 2017.
- 9.6.7 Recommend approval to appoint Stephanie Hauer as Volunteer Cheer Advisor Assistant.

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9.6.8 Recommend approval to appoint the following Cyber teaching positions for the 2017-2018 school year:

- a. General Science – Dawn Marshall
- b. Biology – Dawn Marshall
- c. Environmental Science – Dawn Marshall
- d. Social Studies – Julie Dalmas
- e. Math – Barb Warman
- f. ELA – Rachel Jeffries
- g. Health/P.E. – Jamie Beggs
- h. Family Consumer Science – Brandyn Burns
- i. Elementary Special Education – Connie Larson
- j. Reading (6th- 8th) – Connie Larson/Rachel Jeffries

9.6.9 Carmella Brown, teacher, requests to take an intermittent FMLA leave for the period of August 25, 2017 through August 25, 2018.

9.6.10 Lindsay Connolly, teacher, requests to take a leave of absence for personal reasons beginning on or about November 13, 2017. Her estimated date of return is February 12, 2018. She will use her sick and personal time until it is exhausted at which time she will be on unpaid leave.

9.6.11 Recommend approval to appoint Marcy Tarnowski to the position of Nurse's Aide per the conditions of the Educational Support Professionals Association CBA.

9.6.12 Recommend approval to appoint Brent Briggs to the position of Maintenance per terms and conditions of the Educational Support Professionals Association CBA.

9.6.13 Kimberly Cooney, teacher, requests to take maternity leave beginning on or about November 24, 2017 for a period of four months. She will exhaust her sick leave and then be on unpaid leave until her return in March 2018.

Motion by Tony Prushinski, seconded by Frank Shepanski 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 Recommend approval of the updated list of committee assignments. **(Attachment)**

9.7.2 Recommend approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Greater Nanticoke Area School District and the Luzerne Intermediate Unit to provide remedial instructional services to a non-public student residing in the district.
(Attachment)

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

9.8 **Safety** (Tennesen, Wiaterowski, Jacobs)

Megan Tennesen, Chairperson

No report.

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9.9 **Transportation** (James, Olzinski, Jacobs)

Ken James, Chairperson

No report.

10.0 **Tabled Items** – None.

11.0 **I.U. Update** – No report.

12.0 **Wilkes Barre CTC Update** – No report.

13.0 **Solicitor's Report** – Attorney DeLuca reported that the Board met in Executive Session from 6:00 - 7:00 pm to discuss personnel matters and receive the Superintendent's report. No deliberations took place and no decisions were made.

14.0 **Communication from Citizens** – None.

15.0 **Adjourn** – Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.

The next meeting of the GNA School Board will be on Thursday, October 12, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.