

GREATER NANTICOKE AREA SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2017

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Greater Nanticoke Area School District was held Thursday, November 2, 2017 in the Board Room of the Greater Nanticoke Area High School. The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:09 pm by President Mr. Len Olzinski.

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

- 1.1. Pledge of Allegiance led by 5th grader Serafino Raggi.

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

Motion made by Wendy Wiaterowski, seconded by Matt Landmesser, to accept the minutes from the Regular School Board Meeting/Executive Session from October 12, 2017. Upon voice vote, all present voted yes. Motion passes.

3. COMMENTS REGARDING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA – No comments.

4. TREASURER REPORT

Motion made by Frank Shepanski, seconded by Megan Tennesen to accept the September 2017 Treasurer's Report. Upon voice vote, all present voted yes. Motion passes.

5. PAYMENT OF BILLS

- 5.1. General Account list of bills for October 2017: \$1,783,365.41
 - 5.2. Family Center list of bills for October 2017: \$12,103.82

Motion made by Ken James, seconded by Wendy Wiaterowski to accept the payment of bills for October 2017. Upon voice vote, all present voted yes. Motion passes

6. SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENT

7. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS – On file in the district office.

8. BOARD SECRETARY'S REPORT

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

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 9.1. **Athletics** (James, Landmesser, Cardone) Ken James, Chairperson

- 9.1.1. Athletic Report – On file in the district office

- 9.1.2. Recommend approval to appoint the following coaches for the **2017-2018** season:

- (Note: Clearances on file.)

- a. Wrestling Head Coach

Harold Shotwell

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| b. Wrestling Assistant I | Scott Shotwell |
| c. Wrestling Assistant II | Luke Capie |
| d. Wrestling Volunteer | Anthony Lovecchio |

Motion made 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, Jacobs) Frank Shepanski, Chairperson
- 9.2.1. Buildings and Grounds Report - On file in the district office
 - 9.2.1. Janet Nevel, owner of Live Love Dance Studio, requests the use of the GNA high school auditorium for their annual Dance Recital and dress rehearsal on Saturday, May 19, 2018 and Sunday, May 20, 2018. Details to follow pending approval.
 - 9.2.2. Bob Wentz, GNA Wrestling Booster Club Treasurer, requests the use of the GNA high school gym and cafeteria for three elementary wrestling home meets from 8:00 am – 6:00 pm. The dates are to be determined pending availability.
 - 9.2.3. Laura Davis, LIU 18, requests the use of GNA Elementary Center gymnasium on December 11, 2017 from 1:15 – 8:00 pm and the GNA Educational Center cafeteria on December 14, 2017 from 3:00 – 8:00 pm to host a holiday event for CSBBH families.
 - 9.2.4. Angela Higdon, Encore School of Dance, requests the use of the GNA auditorium for their annual holiday show in mid-December. Once availability is determined, a date will be confirmed.
 - 9.2.5. The GNA Basketball Booster Club requests the use of the high school cafeteria on November 9, 2017 from 6:30 – 8:30 for a booster club meeting.
 - 9.2.6. The GNA Basketball Booster Club requests the use of the high school auditorium on November 24, 2107 for the Annual Meet the Players Night from 4:00 – 9:00 pm.
 - 9.2.7. Bob Wentz, GNA Wrestling Booster Club, requests use of the high school wrestling room for practices for the elementary wrestling program. Activities will be coordinated with the high school and junior high coaches. The program begins in October and runs through early March.

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

- 9.3. **Education** (Prushinski, Wiaterowski, Jacobs) Tony Prushinski, Chairperson
- 9.3.1. Recommend approval of the Comprehensive Plan and authorize the superintendent to release the plan to the Pennsylvania Department of Education for review.
 - 9.3.2. Motion to approve supplemental curriculum to the Kennedy Early Childhood Center designed to meet the Green Initiative and Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Certification. – On file in the district office.

Motion made by Tony Prushinski, seconded by Matt Landmesser, to accept the Education Report. Upon voice vote, all present voted yes. Motion passes

- 9.4. **Finance** (Shepanski, Tennesen, Landmesser) Frank Shepanski, Chairperson

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- 9.4.1. Recommend approval of the list for credit reimbursements per provisions set forth in the GNA Education Association Collective Bargaining Agreement. – On file in the district office.
- 9.4.2. Recommend approval of the list of incremental increases per provisions set forth in the GNA Education Association Collective Bargaining Agreement. - On file in the district office.
- 9.4.3. Recommend approval to solicit requests for proposals from food management companies for the 2018-2019 school year with an option for renewal up to four years.
- 9.4.4. Motion to refund Ronald Krzywicki of 1008 Maple St., Nanticoke, PA in the amount of \$143.65. Reason for refund: Assessment lowered.
- 9.4.5. Motion to refund Charles Tullai of 54 W. Green Street, Nanticoke, PA in the amount of \$179.78. Reason for refund: Client made full payment and 1st installment.
- 9.4.6. Motion to approve Anthony Delgiudice’s application for the exemption of all real estate taxes on the property at 351 E. Noble St., Nanticoke, PA 18634 in accordance with Pennsylvania Disabled Veterans Real Property Tax Exemption Certification.

Motion made by Frank Shepanski, seconded by Wendy Wiaterowski, to accept the Finance Report. Upon voice vote, all present voted yes. Motion passes.

9.5. **Negotiations** (Wiaterowski, James, Landmesser) W. Wiaterowski, 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. Recommend approval to appoint Brad Bunnell to the position of Concert and Jazz Band Director for the 2017-2018 school year. The responsibilities and stipend of the band program will be shared with Ryan Kozich.
- 9.6.4. Kimberly Cooney requests to take FMLA leave for the approximate period of November 24, 2017 through February 16, 2018.
- 9.6.5. Motion to accept Erica Jaskulski’s letter of resignation from her position as Cafeteria worker effective October 27, 2017.

Motion made 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, Jacobs, Tennesen) W. Wiaterowski, Chairperson

9.8. **Safety** (Tennesen, Wiaterowski, Cardone) Megan Tennesen, Chairperson

9.9. **Transportation** (James, Cardone, Jacobs) Ken James, Chairperson

- 9.9.1 Recommend approval of the following for 2017-2018: - On file in the district office.
 - White Transit Drivers
 - Private Transporters/Drivers and Aides
 - Bus Stops and Special Transportation Stops

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

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 5:45 - 7:05 pm to discuss personnel matters and receive the Superintendent's report. No deliberations took place and no decisions were made.

13.0 **Communication from Citizens** – None.

14.0 **Adjourn** – Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

The re-organization and regular meeting of the Greater Nanticoke Area School Board will be on Tuesday, December 5, 2017 at 6:00 pm.