

GREATER NANTICOKE AREA SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, JANUARY 12, 2017

1. ROLL CALL
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S) NOTATION OF EXECUTIVE SESSIONS:
 - 2.1. Reorganization Meeting & Regular School Board Meeting/Executive Session – December 6, 2016
3. COMMENTS REGARDING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA:
4. TREASURER REPORT
5. PAYMENT OF BILLS
 - 5.1. General Account list of bills for December 2016: \$711,147.94
 - 5.2. Family center list of bills for December 2016: \$11,160.76
6. SUPERINTENDENT’S COMMENT
7. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS
 - 7.1. Ms. Scibek (**Attachment**)
 - 7.2. Mrs. Baddick (**Attachment**)
 - 7.3. Mr. Gorham (**Attachment**)
 - 7.4. Mrs. Lipsey (**Attachment**)
8. BOARD SECRETARY’S REPORT
9. COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - 9.1. **Athletics** (James, Landmesser, Shepanski) Ken James, Chairperson
 - 9.1.1. Athletic Report (**Attachment**)
 - 9.1.2. Recommend approval to appoint the following coaches for the **2016-2017** season:
(Note: Clearances on file.)

a. Wrestling Videographer	John Vasello
b. Baseball Volunteer Coach	James McDermott
c. Basketball Alternate Scorer/Timer – Boys	Ed Lukowski III
d. Basketball Alternate Scorer/Timer – Girls	Ed Lukowski III
e. Volleyball Volunteer Assistant – Boys	Dave Marcossi
f. Volleyball Alternate Scorer/Timer – Boys	Carmella Brown
g. Softball Head Coach	Ryan Stetz
h. Softball Assistant I	Leanne Harvey
i. Softball Assistant II	Nina Matzoni
j. Softball Scorekeeper	William Hischak
k. Softball Videographer	Brian Stashak
l. Track Assistant I	Matthew Meade
m. Track Assistant II	Neal McMahan

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

(Note: Clearances on file.)

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| a. Soccer Head Coach – Boys | Mark Matusek |
| b. Soccer Assistant I – Boys | Joshua Olzinski |
| c. Soccer Head Coach – Junior High | Edward Lukowski |

9.1.3 Recommend creation of a Junior High Boys and Girls Track and Field Program

9.1.4 Recommend posting a Junior High Track coach position.

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

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

9.2.2. The Newport Twp. Bidy Basketball program is requesting use of the Elementary and Ed Center gymnasiums on March 3 – 5, 2017 for their annual Girls Basketball Tournament. Specifics will be coordinated with GNA Buildings and Grounds staff.

9.2.3. The Newport Twp. Bidy Basketball program is requesting use of the Elementary and Ed Center gymnasiums on February 17 - 19, 2017 for their annual Boys Basketball Tournament. Specifics will be coordinated with GNA Buildings and Grounds staff.

9.2.4. Janet Nevel, owner of Live Love Dance Studio, requests the use of the GNA high school auditorium for their annual 2017 Dress Rehearsal and Recital on Saturday, May 20, 2017 from 9:00 am – 2:00 pm and on Sunday, May 21, 2017 from 12:00 pm – 5:00 pm.

9.2.5. The Wrestling Booster Club requests permission to use the GNA high school cafeteria for their monthly meeting on January 11, 2017 from 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm.

9.2.6. Motion to approve Lane’s Cranes to remove and dispose of four light poles at the football stadium at a cost of \$13,025.00 retroactive to January 6, 2017.

9.2.7. Motion to bid stadium lights by adding them to the existing Kennedy Renovation and Addition Project.

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

9.4. **Finance** (Smith, Olzinski, Landmesser) Gary Smith, 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. Recommend to approve the resolution of the Local Share Account Grant for the football field renovation. (**Attachment**)

9.4.4. It is recommended that the Greater Nanticoke Area School District enter into an agreement with DeHey McAndrew as §403(b) administrators for the calendar year 2017 providing certain IRC §403(b) Salary Reduction Agreement (SRA) plan administration services. The cost of the plan is \$4,175 plus \$1.59 per contributor per payroll period. (**Attachment**)

9.4.5. It is recommended that the Greater Nanticoke Area School District enter into a Consultative Retainer Agreement with DeHey McAndrew for the calendar year 2017 providing professional consultation, administration, informational services and the preparation and filing of IRS and Department of Labor informational reports and tax returns towards GNASD’S employee benefit plans and/or related human resources or personnel issues. The cost of the agreement is \$2,275. (**Attachment**)

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- 9.4.6. Authorize the Superintendent and Director of Special Education to study bringing back emotional support students to the district.
- 9.4.7. It is recommended that the board approve the tax exemption of real estate property taxes for Gaynor Burleigh at 188 West Green St., Nanticoke, PA 18634. (Certified by the PA Department of Military and Veterans Affairs.)
- 9.4.8. Motion to refund Lynn Bolinski of 17 Vista Dr., Ridgeview, Nanticoke 2016-2017 school real estate taxes in the amount of \$156.80. Reason for refund: Taxpayer has been granted homestead exclusion.
- 9.4.9. Motion to refund Ronald LaMarca of 144 Welles St., Nanticoke 2016-2017 school real estate taxes in the amount of \$156.80. Reason for refund: Taxpayer has been granted homestead exclusion.
- 9.4.10. Motion to refund Robert Kalinowski of 50 N. Chestnut St., Nanticoke 2016-2017 school real estate taxes in the amount of \$156.80. Reason for refund: Taxpayer has been granted homestead exclusion.

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. **(Attachment)**
- 9.6.2. Recommend approval of the attached list of requests, field trips and conferences. **(Attachment)**
- 9.6.3. Recommend adding the following teacher(s) to the substitute teacher list:
 - a. Lisa A. Owens – Nurse
 - b. K’lah Komoroski – Nurse
 - c. Roy Dennis – Certified in History
 - d. Abigail Merchadante – Certified in Social Studies/7-12
 - e. Brian Bevans
- 9.6.4. Recommend accepting the resignation letter of Judith Letukas, School Nurse, effective January 27, 2017.
- 9.6.5. Recommend posting and advertising for the position of school nurse.
- 9.6.6. Jessica Fletcher requests three days unpaid leave (March 22 – 24, 2017) for vacation purposes.
- 9.6.7. Megan Iagnemma requests to take time off for maternity leave. Her approximate leave date will begin April 26, 2017 and will continue through the remainder of the school year. Megan will be taking her accumulated sick days and anticipates returning in August for the start of the 2017-2018 school year.
- 9.6.8. Julie Dalmas requests to take an unpaid maternity leave of absence beginning approximately February 27, 2017 for a period of 6 weeks.
- 9.6.9. Recommend approval to hire Sharon John, certified school psychologist, one day per week at a rate of \$60/hour for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year.
- 9.6.10. Recommend adding Linda Kapsick to the substitute list as a para-professional.
- 9.6.11. Recommend approval to accept Lynn Ravin’s, Learning Support Aide, letter of resignation effective.
- 9.6.12. Rose Maholski requests permission to take two unpaid days (February 6 and 7, 2017).

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9.7. **Policy** (Wiaterowski, Prushinski, Tennesen) Wendy Wiaterowski, Chairperson

9.7.1. It is recommended that the board approve the 98 day expulsion inclusive of the ten day suspension for student 0102517 for violation of PADDC Act 35 P.S. §780-113 and District Policy.

9.7.2. Recommend approval of Board Committee Chairs. **(Attachment)**

9.8. **Safety** (Tennese, Wiaterowski, Olzinski) Megan Tennesen, Chairperson

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

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, February 9, 2017.