

GREATER NANTICOKE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES
THURSDAY, JULY 14, 2016

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The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Greater Nanticoke Area School District was held Thursday, July 14, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Greater Nanticoke Area Senior High School.

ROLL CALL

Mr. Prushinski called the Roll: PRESENT: Tennesen, Shepanski, Landmesser, Smith, Olzinski, Verazin, Prushinski and James. Also present were Atty. DeLuca and Chuck Yasinskas, Dr. Ronald Grevera and Wendy Wiaterowski were absent.

1.1 Pledge of Allegiance:

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

2.1 Regular School Board Meeting/Executive Session—June 20, 2016

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

3.0 COMMENTS REGARDING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA:

4.0 TREASURER REPORT

Mr. Smith made a motion, seconded by, Mr. James, to accept the Treasurer Report. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion passes.

5.0 PAYMENT OF BILLS:

5.1 General Account list of bills for June 2016 \$881,761.67

5.2 Family Center list of bills for June 2016: \$10,743.59

Mr. Prushinski made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shepanski, to approve the paying of bills. Upon roll call, all present voted yes, Motion passes.

6.0 SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS – N/A

7.0 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS – N/A

8.0 BOARD SECRETARY'S REPORT

Mr. Prushinski made a motion, seconded by, Mr. Shepanski, to approve the Secretary's Report. Upon voice vote, all present voted aye. Motion passes.

9.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

Ken James, Chairperson

9.1.1 Athletic Report

9.1.2 Recommend approval to hire the following 2016-2017 coaches:

Clearances on file.

- a. Head Baseball Coach.....Joseph Yudichak
- b. Baseball Asst. II Coach.....Pat Heffron
- c. Head Softball Coach.....Ryan T. Stetz
- d. Head Coach Boys Volley Ball.....Deborah A. Gavin
- e. Boys Volley Ball Asst. I.....James Gavin
- f. Boys Volley Ball Scorekeeper.....Barbara Lach
- g. Boys Volley Ball Timer.....Joyce Pietrzyk
- h. Boys Head Track & Field Coach.....Zachary Pientka
- i. Baseball Scorekeeper.....John W. Ivan
- j. Field Hockey Head Coach.....Sarah Grega
- k. Girls Basketball Asst. II.....Jennifer Harnischfeger
- l. Wrestling Asst. I.....Scott Shotwell

Mr. James made a motion, seconded by, Mr. Smith, to approve the Athletic report. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion passes.

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

9.2.1 Building and Grounds Report

9.2.2 The High School and Middle School Life Skills classes would like permission to use the pool on the following dates: July 20th, August 3rd and August 10th, 2016 from 9:15 to 11:30 am.

9.2.3 Ellen Rutkowski would like to reserve the high school auditorium on March 17th and 18th, 2017 for this year's musical production, "Godspell".

9.2.4 Scholastic Youth Services is requesting the use of the high school auditorium on October 6th, 2016 and November 16th, 2016.

Mr. Shepanski made a motion, seconded by, Mr. Landmesser, to approve the Buildings and Grounds Report. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion passes.

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

9.4 Finance (Smith, Olzinski, Tennesen) 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 approval of the Letter of Agreement with The Meadows/UCBH for the 2016-2017 school year at a cost of \$60 per day.

9.4.4 Recommend approval of the letter of agreement between the District and the Children's Service Center for Partial Hospitalization (PHP) and Therapeutic Program (TEP) for 2016-2017. Daily rate for PHP is \$125.00 and TEP is \$165.00.

9.4.5 Motion to refund Irene and Aneurin Jones of 58 W. Main St., Glen Lyon, PA 2015-2016 school real estate taxes in the amount of \$299.24 due to assessment lowered.

Mr. Smith made a motion, seconded by, Mr. James, to approve the Finance Report. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion passes.

9.5 **Negotiations** (Smith, Wiaterowski, Landmesser) Gary Smith, Chairperson

9.5.1 Approve MOU with the GNA Educational Support Association regarding carry-over of vacation leave days.

Mr. Smith made a motion, seconded by, Mr. Shepanski, to approve the Negotiations Report. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion passes.

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

9.6.1 Recommend approval of all applications.

9.6.2 Recommend approval of field trips and conferences. (N/A.)

9.6.3 Recommend Bill Hischak as mentor to newly hired Guidance Counselor Lindsay Iacovazzi.

9.6.4 Ratify the request for Lindsay Iacovazzi to begin summer work on June 29, 2016.

9.6.5 Recommend approval to accept the Professional Teacher's 2015-2016 Seniority List.

9.6.6 Recommend approval to appoint Jennifer Harnischfeger as an Elementary teacher at Bachelors Step 1.

9.6.7 Recommend approval to appoint LeeAnn Duda as an Elementary teacher at Bachelors Step 1.

- 9.6.8 Recommend approval to appoint Andrew Kaminsky as an Elementary teacher at Masters Step 1.
- 9.6.9 Recommend approval to pay Frank Grevera for unused vacation days in the amount of \$4,003.20. (Note: This is being done due to increased workload regarding the building project.)
- 9.6.10 Recommend approval to appoint Stephanie Safko as the Marching Band Director for the 2016-2017 school year.
- 9.6.11 Recommend the posting and advertising for a long-term speech/language therapist substitute for the 2016-2017 school year.
- 9.6.12 Ratify the acceptance of the resignation from Teresa Rogers, Aide, effective June 22nd, 2016
- 9.6.13 Recommend the posting of part-time hall monitor/greeter.
- 9.6.14 Recommend the posting of three special education aide positions.
**These are replacement positions to recent resignations.*
- 9.6.15 Recommend approval to accept the resignation of Tami Pease, Crossing Guard.
- 9.6.16 Recommend the posting of a Crossing Guard position.
- 9.6.17 Recommend approving an additional 50 hours for three secondary guidance counselors.
- 9.6.18 Recommend adding the following substitute teacher(s) to the sub-list:
 - a. Stephanie Safko – Music

Mr. Prushinski made a motion, seconded by, Mr. Landmesser, to approve the Personnel Report. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion passes.

9.7 Policy (Wiaterowski, Prushinski, Tennesen)

Wendy Wiaterowski , Chairperson

- 9.7.1 Recommend approval to revise Policy No. 335 “Family and Medical Leaves”.

Mrs. Tennesen made a motion, seconded by, Mr. James, to approve the Policy Report. Upon roll call, all present voted yes. Motion passes.

9.8 Safety (Tennesen, Wiaterowski, Olzinski)

Megan Tennesen , Chairperson

9.9 Transportation (James, Smith, Olzinski)

Ken James, Chairperson

10.0 TABLED ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

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- 11.0 I.U. UPDATE Len Olzinski/ Wendy Wiaterowski
- 12.0 WILKES BARRE CTC UPDATE Megan Tennesen/Wendy Wiaterowski
- 13.0 SOLICITOR'S REPORT
- 14.0 COMMUNICATION FROM CITIZENS
- 15.0 ADJOURN

*Next meeting of the GNA School Board will be on August 11th, 2016 at 7:00 pm.