

## MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

Homer-Center School Board  
Homer City, PA 15748

Central Office Board Room

September 17, 2009

### MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Gerald Bertig	Mrs. Vicki Smith
Mr. Frank Galasso	Mr. Timothy Taddie
Mr. James McLoughlin	Mrs. Kimberly Thomas
Mrs. Joy Sasala	Mrs. Sherri Williams

### MEMBER ABSENT

Mr. Ethan Sorbin

### SCHOOL EMPLOYEES PRESENT

Dr. Vincent Delconte, Superintendent  
Mr. Michael Stofa, Elem. Principal  
Mr. Jody Rainey, HS Principal  
Ms. Beverly Gardner, Bus. Mgr.  
Mrs. Carol Black, Board Secretary  
Ms. Jane Mastro, HCEA President  
Mrs. Deanne Magolis, Communications  
Specialist

### OTHERS PRESENT

Michael Bertig, Renda Radio  
Jared Stout, The Dispatch  
Chauncey Ross, Indiana Gazette  
Arlene Barker, Resident

The board held an executive session for personnel reasons from 6:30 - 7:40 p.m.

President Vicki Smith called the meeting to order at 7:41 p.m. Eight members were present at Roll Call to comprise a quorum.

### MINUTES

On a McLoughlin/Thomas motion the minutes of the following meetings were approved: (1) June 25, 2009 regular meeting; (2) June 29, 2009 special meeting; (3) August 4, 2009 special meeting, and (4) August 13, 2009 special meeting. Voice vote; unanimous.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

Mrs. Sasala, board treasurer, gave the treasurer's reports dated June 30, 2009 and July 31, 2009. On a Taddie/Galasso motion the treasurer's reports were approved. Voice vote; unanimous.

## BILLS

On a Bertig/Taddie motion the general fund, cafeteria and bond fund bills were approved. Poll vote motion carried 8-0.

## BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT

Mrs. Gardner reported that as of August 31, 2009 interest amounted to \$869.66.

## REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT PERSONNEL

On a Taddie/Sasala motion the following substitutes were approved: Kari Hunter, Cassandra Jo Buente, and Katie Strong, music; Robert Buskey, III, technology educ.; Felix Noy, Spanish; Michele Peterman, social studies; Natalee Moody, English; Helen Marks, physics/earth science; Patricia Moorhead, healthy/phy. ed; Christi Goshey, Emily Harford, Carolyn Swartz and Kate Yancy, elementary; Elizabeth Gallo and Janet Novak (eff. 10-1-09), cafeteria. Voice vote; unanimous.

On a Sasala/Thomas motion the resignation of Janet Novak, full-time cafeteria worker, effective September 30, 2009, was accepted. Voice vote; unanimous.

## EDUCATION

On a McLoughlin/Williams motion the following teacher conferences were approved:

- (1) No district cost for:
  - (a) Jody Rainey and Kristin Curci TAP Professional Development on Increasing Student Achievement, September 17 and November 19, Indiana County Technology Center.
  - (b) Angela Long and Carolyn Sacco, Access Pa. Training, Johnstown, October 13.
  - (c) Darla Klingensmith, five Paraeducation After-School Videoconferences, ARIN IU, Oct. 13 and Nov. 13, 2009, Feb. 10, Mar. 10 and Apr. 28, 2009.
  - (d) Elaine Thurston, four Procedural Safeguards meetings, ARIN IU, Oct. 7 and Dec. 2, 2009, Feb. 10 and Apr. 28, 2010.
- (2) Erin Woods, Induction Workshops, ARIN IU., Sept. 24, Oct. 29 and Nov. 12, 2009 and Feb. 18, 2010. Cost is \$200 plus \$80 for a substitute for each Workshop.
- (3) Roxanne Rouse and Jane Mastro, National Council of Teachers of English Conference, Philadelphia, Nov. 20-22. District cost is \$1,296.90 for both plus \$160 for two substitutes for one day.

Voice vote; unanimous.

## STUDENT ACTIVITIES

- On a Thomas/Taddie motion the following student field trips were approved:
- (1) Mark Pagonis and students, Caring Team Kick-off Luncheon, Heinz Field, Pittsburgh, September 29. District cost is \$80 for a substitute for a day.
  - (2) Kristin Curci, Tammy Buffone, Sarah DeVivo, Suzanne Parfitt and students, Career Day, IUP Field House, Oct. 6. District cost is transportation.
  - (3) Sarah DeVivo, Deanne Magolis and students, KDKA Hometown High Q, Pittsburgh, retroactive to Sept. 12. District cost was transportation.
  - (4) Suzanne Mateer and sixth graders, tour Homer City Power Plant, Oct. 20 and 21. District cost is transportation.
  - (5) Deb Pavloski, Cindy Scott, Bev Bence, Sheila Henry, Monica Maggio and Students, Carnegie Science Center, May 11, 2010. District cost is \$80 for a substitute, \$165 for registration and transportation.
  - (6) Lisa Adams, Tony Buffone and students, Pittsburgh Regional Science & Engineering Fair, Heinz Field, March 26, 2010. District cost is \$160 for two Substitutes, \$30 registration and transportation.

Voice vote; Mr. Galasso abstained from voting since his son attended the KDKA Hometown High Q taping. Motion carried 7-0-1.

## BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

On a Sasala/Galasso motion the Lady Wildcats Athletic Association was approved to use the high school gym, June 14-18, 2010 for a Dave Roman Basketball Camp. All fees have been waived. Voice vote; unanimous.

On a Galasso/Sasala motion approval was given to the Senior Class to use the Memorial Field, Saturday, Sept. 19 for Powder Puff Football Games, 6:00-10:00 p.m. All fees have been waived. Voice vote; unanimous.

## CAFETERIA

No report at this time.

## POLICY

No report at this time.

## TRANSPORTATION

No report at this time

## BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

On a Taddie/McLoughlin motion the revised Elementary School Student Handbook for the 2009-10 school year was approved. Poll vote; motion carried 8-0.

On a Bertig/McLoughlin motion the following four additional secondary department coordinators were approved, at the supplemental contract of \$441 each, effective with the 2009-10 school year: Gary Wyant, Fine Arts; Cindy Andrie, Health/PE; Debra Pavloski, Special Education and Beverly Pribicko, Vocation/Tech. Poll vote; motion carried. 8-0.

## OTHER REPORTS

Mr. Stofa, elementary principal, reported that (1) this year's enrollment is 470 students; (2) the elementary school watched President Obama's speech to all school students across the United States on September 8<sup>th</sup> and (3) the sixth grade field trip is Sept. 23-24 to Gettysburg-Harrisburg-Hershey.

Mr. Rainey, high school principal, told the board the following events are scheduled:

- Sept. 29, first school-wide 4 Sight Testing;
- Oct. 1, Financial Aid/Post Secondary Night
- Oct. 2, Homecoming
- Oct. 8, Parent-Teacher conferences
- Dec. 9, Science Fair.

Also, a lot of positive feedback has been received on the new format for Back-to-School Night which was held September 15.

Jane Mastro, HCEA president, said she will be bringing student projects starting with the October meeting.

On a McLoughlin/Galasso motion the meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m. Voice vote; unanimous.

Submitted for board approval,

Carol N. Black, Board Secretary

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Vicki L. Smith, President