

*SHALER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Committee of the Whole Meeting  
April 11, 2018 – Administration Building  
Minutes*

The Board of School Directors of the Shaler Area School District held a Committee of the Whole Meeting on Wednesday, April 11, 2018, at the Shaler Area Administration Building, Glenshaw, PA, with Dr. April Kwiatkowski, School Board President, presiding. This meeting began at 7:25 p.m.

Board Members Present:           Mr. James Fisher  
  Mr. Tim Gapsky  
  Dr. April Kwiatkowski  
  Mr. Jason Machajewski  
  Mrs. Jeanne Petrovich  
  Mrs. Eileen Phillips  
  Mr. Steve Romac  
  Mr. James Tunstall

Not Present:                       Mrs. Suzanna Donahue

Others Present:                 Mr. Sean Aiken, Superintendent  
  Dr. Bryan O’Black, Assistant Superintendent  
  Mr. Gary Mignogna, Director of Human Resources  
  Ms. Sherri Ludwig, Director of Business Affairs  
  Mr. John Vogel, Solicitor  
  Sophia Kachur, Student Representative

Notice of this meeting was posted as required.

➤ Dr. April Kwiatkowski called the meeting to order at 7:25 p.m.

Dr. O’Black then announced the following Educational Items:

<u>ITEM</u>		<u>SUP</u>	<u>ACTION</u>
<u>#</u>	<u>EDUCATION ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL</u>	<u>#</u>	<u>TAKEN</u>
A.1	Approve the Educational Services Agreement with the Allegheny Intermediate Unit for the 2018-19 school year.	A.1	<hr/>
A.2	Approve the adoption of the Allegheny Intermediate Unit’s policies and procedures under the federal requirements of 34 CFR Part 300.	A.2	<hr/>
A.3	Approve the IDEA-Part B Use of Funds Agreement for the 2018-19 school year.	A.3	<hr/>
A.4	Approve the purchase of <i>Conceptual Physics</i> 12 <sup>th</sup> edition ©2015 by Paul Hewitt for high school Physics classes. 200 student texts @\$141.47, shipping and handling of \$2,122.05, for a total cost of \$30,416.05.	A.4	<hr/>
A.5	Approve the first reading of the following revised policies: a. Policy No. 105 – Curriculum b. Policy No. 138 - English as a Second Language/Bilingual Education Program c. Policy No. 239 – Foreign Exchange Students	A.5	<hr/>

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Dr. O'Black explained that the changes to the policies were to comply with updated PSBA policies and have been reviewed by our solicitor.

Dr. Kwiatkowski asked about the copyright date in Item A.4. Mr. Mason, high school department chair, was in attendance. Mr. Mason stated that the text has been reviewed and will meet their needs.

Dr. O'Black then announced the following Discussion Items:

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1. Student Representatives – Sophia Kachur reported that high school students participated in a National School Walkout event on March 14. Student government created a plan to focus on school violence awareness and students were encouraged to participate in a survey on school violence the results of which will be shared with administration. Twenty students registered to vote. A second school walkout is being planned for April 20. Students in band, majorettes, silk line, and dance team left today to participate in Festival Disney in Orlando, FL.
2. Shaler Area Education Foundation – Dr. Kwiatkowski reported that this year's Taste of Shaler Area held on March 24<sup>th</sup> raised over \$10,000. All monies raised goes back into classrooms K to 12. A listing of grant recipients can be found on the Foundation's website. Mr. Aiken mentioned that he is excited about future possibilities and he hopes to see more requests.

Dr. O'Black then announced the following Information Items:

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1. Opioid Town Hall Meeting – Thursday, April 19 – 6:00-9:00 PM – Shaler Area High School Auditorium.
- Mr. Aiken mentioned that a vendor fair will be held from 6:00 to 7:00 and the keynote speaker at 7:00 will be Dr. Tom Brophy, a local emergency medicine and addiction doctor. A panel discussion will be led by a physical education teacher, social worker and local law enforcement.
2. Education Committee Meeting – Class Rank Discussion – Wednesday, April 25 – 6:00 PM
3. AIU Board Convention – Monday, April 30 – Sheraton Station Square
4. Jeffery Primary Farewell Celebration – Wednesday, May 2 – 6:30-7:30 PM
3. Mindset Symposium – Thursday, May 24 – Shaler Area Middle School Library – 7:00 PM
- Mr. Aiken reported that the information to be shared is based on research by Carol Dweck, Ph.D. Educators from across the district will speak on how they apply Dr. Dweck's principles in the classroom. Discussions will continue into the next school year.

Ms. Ludwig then announced the following Finance Items:

<u>ITEM</u>		<u>SUP.</u>	<u>ACTION</u>
<u>#</u>	<u>FINANCE &amp; OPERATION ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL</u>	<u>#</u>	<u>TAKEN</u>
C.1	<b>APPROVE FUND PROFILES:</b>		
A.	General Fund – Schedule of Bills and Addendum	C.1A	_____
B.	Cafeteria Fund – Schedule of Bills	C.1B	_____
C.	Bond Proceeds – Schedule of Bills	C.1C	_____

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D.	Construction, Repair & Renovation – Schedule of Bills	C.1D	_____
E.	Fund Profiles and Investments	C.1E	_____
F.	Budget Transfers	C.1F	_____
G.	Year-to-Date Financial Reports	C.1G	_____
C.2	Cafeteria Operating Statement	C.2	_____
C.3	Recommend the award of the following bids that were opened on March 5, 2018:	C.3	
	Athletic Supplies	Recommend as listed	
	Athletic Medical Supplies	Recommend as listed	
	Medical Supplies	Recommend as listed	
	Janitorial Supplies	Recommend as listed	
	Custodial/Maintenance Uniforms	Recommend as listed	
	Total bids awarded are contingent upon the availability of funds within the 2018-19 General Fund Budget.		
C.4	Approve a motion to vote for Patrick Stewart, Avonworth School District, as Northern Regions School Board Trustee for the Allegheny County Schools Health Consortium, for a two-year period effective April 30, 2018.	C.4	_____
C.5	Approval to dispose of 37 unrepairable iPads.	C.5	_____

Information Item:

1. Finance Committee Meeting – Wednesday, May 2, 2018 – 7:30 PM

- Dr. Kwiatkowski asked if any parts of the iPads could be salvageable. Dr. O’Black explained that we use a company that repairs our iPads and will assess each iPad for usable parts. They will credit us between \$10-\$25 per iPad and will use this credit toward future repairs.
- Mr. Gapsky asked if we are charging outside groups to use our facilities. Mr. Aiken said that Arsenal Soccer, Steeltown Magic, and Cave Man basketball are examples of groups that use our facilities multiple times over multiple weekends. If we charged them according to Policy 707 it would be cost prohibitive for these groups to use our facilities and would drive them away. This policy will be looked at this summer for possible revision.
- Mr. Romac asked if there were any plans to replace the turf on Biles Field. Mr. Aiken said that it was on the capital improvement plan for 2019-20 to be replaced. Mr. Kaib said the field is approximately 10 years old but is being properly maintained.
- Dr. Kwiatkowski then invited the public to speak on any item.
  - Dorothy Petrancosta, of Skylark Drive, said she is an advocate for seeing Jeffery Primary School turned into a community center.
  - Hank Hanasik, of Luann Street, offered information about a program called SAFE (Self Awareness and Fighting Exercises). He believes that this program will lessen their chances of becoming victims.
  - Megan Brown, of Alfred Street, asked the board to consider selling Jeffery Primary School to Mt. Alvernia Daycare. Mrs. Brown feels that when Mt. Alvernia closes there will be no viable childcare options for working parents.
  - Megan Pulley, of Burchfield Road, would like to see Jeffery Primary turned into a community center. She would like to see options available for teenagers as alternatives to playing video games.

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After no further items were presented, final adjournment occurred at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherri Ludwig  
Board Secretary