



S P T L I G H T

February, 2017

SHALER
AREA
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DISTRICT

District Recognitions - Student/Staff Accomplishments

Shaler Area High School presents "Les Miserables"

Shaler Area High School students will present the musical "Les Miserables" for two weekends in March 2017. "Les Miserables" is based on the novel of the same name by Victor Hugo and follows a cast of characters in 19th-century France as they are each caught up in a revolutionary movement. The performances will be 7 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, March 3-4 and March 10-11, and 2 p.m. on Sunday, March 5, at the high school auditorium, located at 381 Wible Run Road. There also will be a free performance for senior citizens at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, March 1. Tickets are \$10 for reserve seating or \$7 for general admission. Residents with a Silver Titan Pass receive general admission tickets for free. Tickets will be sold in advance and at the door. For more information, contact the high school activities office at 412-492-1200 Press 8 and ext. 1530.

Shaler Area Middle School presents "The Little Mermaid JR."

Shaler Area Middle School students will raise the curtain on Disney's "The Little Mermaid JR." when taking the stage for this year's musical performance. "The Little Mermaid JR." tells the story of the mermaid Ariel who longs to live on the land. In order to make her dreams come true she must defy her father King Triton, make a deal with the sea witch Ursula and convince the handsome Prince Eric to fall in love with her. "The Little Mermaid JR." will be 7 p.m. on Thursday and Friday, March 16-17, and 2 p.m. on Saturday, March 18, at the middle school auditorium, located at 1810 Mt. Royal Blvd. Tickets will be sold at the door and are \$5 for adults and \$3 for students and senior citizens.

Shaler Area Varsity Competitive Cheerleading success

Shaler Area is proud to announce the recent success of the Shaler Area Varsity Competitive Cheerleading squad on the national and world stage. The team competed in Orlando, Fla., February 11-12, and proudly returned home with two titles. The girls won a gold medal in the International Cheer Union 2017 World School Cheerleading Championships and silver medal in the Universal Cheerleaders Association 2017 National High School Cheerleading Championship, medium varsity Division I. The Shaler Area Varsity Competitive Cheerleading squad's second place performance at Nationals will be aired on ESPN in the spring.

PMEA District Western Region Orchestra

Congratulations to the two Shaler Area High School students accepted into the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association Western Region Orchestra. The festival will be held at Dubois Area Middle School on March 9-11. The guest conductor will be Emily Freeman Brown from Bowling Green State University. This orchestra is comprised on students from the western half of Pennsylvania. The students include:

Marissa Fukas (grade 10) – Viola
Sage Wilson (grade 12) – Cello

PMEA District 1 Junior High Orchestra

Congratulations to the two Shaler Area High School students accepted into the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association District 1 Orchestra. The PMEA District 1 Junior High Orchestra Festival will be held at Norwin High School on March 31-April 1. The guest conductor will be Melinda Crawford Perttu from Westminster College. The following students were selected for the ensemble:

Mia Fantozzi (grade 9) – Cello
Hope Wiggins (grade 9) – Violin
Michael Labella (grade 9) – Oboe

Strings North Area Honors Orchestra

Congratulations to the five Shaler Area High School students accepted into the Strings North Area Honors Orchestra. The ensemble will perform at the festival on February 15 at Quaker Valley Middle School. The following students are included in the ensemble:

Veronica Burke (grade 9) – Violin
Marissa Fukas (grade 10) – Viola
Camryn Turner (grade 10) – Viola
Morgan Visconti (grade 10) – Violin
Hope Wiggins (grade 9) – Violin

PMEA District 1 Junior High Band

Congratulations to the two Shaler Area High School students accepted into the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association Junior High District Band. These students will perform in the PMEA Junior High District 1 Band Festival at Trinity High School on March 3-5. The guest conductor will be Richard Saucedo, world-renowned director, conductor, clinician and composer. The students include:

Lindsay Gill (grade 9) – Oboe
Allison McAninch (grade 9) – Flute

SHALER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Voting Meeting
February 15, 2017 – Administration Building

ITEM

EDUCATION ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL

- A.1 Approve the Shaler Area School District Calendar for the 2017-18 school year.
- A.2 Approve the PA School Code, Section 1502 Resolution – Official Local School District Holidays for the 2017-18 school year as follows:
November 24, 2017
December 26, 2017
December 29, 2017
March 30, 2018
- A.3 Approve the dates of Extended School Year (ESY) for 2017:
July 6 – 7, 2017
July 10 – 14, 2017
July 17 – 21, 2017
July 24 – 27, 2017
- A.4 Approve the dates of the Shaler Area STEAM Camp for June 12 – 15, 2017.
- A.5 Approve the contract with Grade Point Resources to provide special education behavior specialist supports from March 6, 2017 to June 1, 2018 at a cost of \$84,500 pending review by our Solicitor. (This will replace the previous contract voided by Glade Run Lutheran Services.)
- A.6 Approve the following out-of-district class trip:
a. Varsity Boys Volleyball travel to State College, PA – April 28-29, 2017 to participate in the State College Boys Volleyball Invitational. Booster Cost: Approximately \$3,000 to be offset by district-approved fundraisers. Cost to the district approximately \$500.

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PERSONNEL ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL

- B.1 Approve the following Retirement:
a. Jacqueline Mozzetti, Class IA Administrative Secretary, Information Systems, Central Office, effective at the end of the work day on March 31, 2017.
- B.2 Approve the following FT 1.0 Clerical employee:
a. Rebecca Kusar, as a FT 1.0 Class IA Transportation/Business Office Support Administrative Secretary, Central Office, effective February 16, 2017.
- B.3 Approve a Summer Employment Program for up to 30 students to assist in the District’s custodial and maintenance work beginning May 1, 2017.
- B.4 Approve the following supplemental contracts for Coaches for the 2016-17 school year (Spring Sports Season). Compensation will be according to the terms and conditions of the Collective Bargaining Agreement.
- Lacrosse (Spring)**
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| a. | Boys JV | Isaiah Wilson |
| b. | Boys Volunteer Assistant | John Albright |
| c. | Boys Volunteer Assistant | Daniel Ireland |

- d. **Girls Interim Head Varsity Lacrosse (1-year contract – 2016-17)** Bethany Snider
 - e. Girls JV Abby Spriggs
 - f. **Softball (Spring)**
Assistant JV Megan Daley (50%)
 - g. **Track (Spring)**
Boys Assistant Varsity Timothy Storino
 - h. Girls Assistant Varsity Scott Hughes
- B.5 Approve the following Supplemental Contracts for **Spring Head Coaches** for the **2017-18** school year (they were previously approved through the 2016-17 school year; this adds a year, to provide them with a 2-year contract):
- a. **Baseball (Spring)**
Head Varsity Coach Brian Junker
 - b. **Softball (Spring)**
Head Varsity Coach Andy Palmer
 - c. **Tennis (Spring)**
Boys Head Varsity Coach Brian Duermeyer
 - d. **Track (Spring)**
Boys Head Varsity Coach James Ryan
 - e. **Volleyball (Spring)**
Boys Head Varsity Coach Paul Stadelman
- B.6 Rescind the following Supplemental Contracts for **Sponsors** for the 2016-17 school year:
- a. **Elementary School**
Book Club Melissa Lamb (50%)
 - b. Kim Carhart (50%)
 - c. **Middle School**
8th Grade/Team Blue Jerry Koller (50%)
 - d. Dennis Reagle (50%)
- B.7 Approve the following Supplemental Contract for **Sponsors** for the 2016-17 school year
- a. **Elementary School**
Book Club Kim Carhart (100%)
 - b. **Middle School**
8th Grade/Team Blue Dennis Reagle (100%) (retro to 1/18/17)
- B.8 Approve the following day-to-day **Substitute Teachers** for the 2016-17 school year:
- a. Ashley Chiarmonte, English 7-12
 - b. Danielle McDonald, Grades 4-8 (All Subjects 4-6 and English, Lang. Arts & Reading 7-8)
 - c. Bethany Snider (pending Emergency Certificate in Japanese)
 - d. Thea Holzworth, Art K-12 & Principal K-12
 - e. Elizabeth Webb, Social Studies 7-12

B.9 Approve the following day-to-day **Substitute Clerical** employee for the 2016-17 school year:

a. Kati Dongilli

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FINANCE AND OPERATION ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL

C.1 **APPROVE FUND PROFILES:**

- A. General Fund – Schedule of Bills and Addendum
- B. Cafeteria Fund – Schedule of Bills
- C. Budget Transfers
- D. Year-to-Date Financial Reports
- E. Fund Profiles and Investments
- F. CR&R – Schedule of Bills
- G. Bond Proceeds – Schedule of Bills

C.2 Cafeteria Fund Operating Statement

C.3 Approval of the Shaler Area School District's Audit Report and Financial Statements for year ending June 30, 2016 as prepared by Hosack, Specht, Muetzel and Wood, LLP.

C.4 Motion to consent to Borough of Millvale's Amended Petition of Exonerate and Strike Tax Liens of the School District (GD 16-24691), except for Lots 79-C-120, 79-C-201-01 and 79-C-120-02. Consent shall be given also to these lots if the Solicitor advises upon further review.

C.5 To approve a change order as follows with Nello Construction for the Rogers Primary Project:

- a. Install a rock toe at the fill area below the new rear retaining wall as recommended by Geotechnical Engineer at a final cost not to exceed \$161,332.

NOTE: This construction change directive was approved at the October 19, 2016 voting meeting in the amount to not exceed \$161,400.00. The funds for this change order will come from the field quantity allowances in the contract and the contingency line item in the project budget.

C.6 Approval of the Memorandum of Understanding with the Allegheny County Department of Human Services, Office of Children, Youth and Families (CYE) agreement. The purpose of this agreement is to establish procedures and agreed upon processes between Shaler Area School District and CYF to ensure the provision of services to optimize academic success for children and youth in foster care who are enrolled in the LEA.

C.7 Approval of the transportation procedures established with the Allegheny County Department of Human Services, Office of Children, Youth and Families (CYF). Based on this school placement decision, the LEA will work collaboratively with CYF and placement agencies to identify and establish the most cost-effective method of transport.

C.8 Approve the property damage release with R&B Contracting and Excavation sustained during the Primary School Construction. The total payment recovery will be \$11,179.05 which is the cost of the repairs.

C.9 To approve a contract with BSN Sports for the BSN Sports Rewards Program for the purchase and supply of Nike apparel and footwear along with any and all other equipment and apparel offered for sale by BSN, for use by the District and athletic programs.

C.10 Recommend the Board approve the partial exoneration of current and delinquent taxes due, tax liens, penalties, interest and costs upon property located at 1326 Walters Avenue, Shaler Township, Pittsburgh Pennsylvania, 15209, Block & Lot No. 165-K-133, in furtherance of the proposed conveyance of the property from the Estate of Rose Marie Wiskowski to Sharon Zaborowski for the purchase price of at least \$20,000 provided that: (1) similar approval is provided by Allegheny County and Township of Shaler and; (2) the exoneration is approved by the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County pursuant to a petition to compromise taxes.

Information Item:

- Pre Act 32 delinquent earned income tax collection for the Borough of Millvale will be collected with a no fee structure by the Borough of Millvale until all taxes are collected.