

Highlands School Board Meeting Highlights

November 19, 2012 School Board Meeting

NOTE: This Board Highlights document includes the actions of the School Board Meeting. It is not meant to be an exact reflection of the meeting's minutes.

AGENDA

ROLL CALL – Eight board members present. **Mr. Ron Lang** is absent.

Mrs. Beale noted that an Executive Session was held on November 19, 2012 from 6-7 p.m. for a Personnel Matter.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board approved the minutes of the October 15, 2012 Regular Meeting.

SECRETARY'S REPORT – No report.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT

No report.

ACTING SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - **Mr. Patrick Graczyk** reported the following:

- Last week we hosted the Title 1 Night. Title 1 also services OLMBS student we send a teacher over to assist their learners. The evening was well attended and we appreciate all the support from the community.
- We made the news last week Mrs. Hauser read books the entire day long and students had the opportunity come in and join her or have her read to them.

Unless otherwise noted, the Board unanimously approved the following agenda items:

CAFETERIA

- The payment of Cafeteria Fund bills, as submitted.

November to be paid \$88,720.02

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

- The Student Activities Fund Financial Report for September and October 2012, as submitted.

- The resignation of Jay Morgan for the following Student Activities Positions:

- HS Musical Technical Director
- HS Musical Set Construction
- HS Musical Stage Manager
- MS Musical Technical Director & Stage Manager

STUDENT DISCIPLINE

- The Student Discipline Agreement, as submitted.

INSTRUCTION

No Report.

TRANSPORTATION

No Report.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

- The use of facilities, as submitted.
- The 2013 Lease Agreement with Natrona Heights Baseball/Softball Association, Inc., for use of School District Fields, as submitted.
- The 2013 Lease Agreement with the Diamond Club for use of School District Fields, as submitted.

PERSONNEL

- The 2012-2013 Substitute Teacher Call List, as submitted. As per Board Policy #405 (Pre-Employment Drug Test, #514, Act 34, Act 151, and FBI Criminal Record Check).
- The ratifying of the following Classified Employees in accordance with Board Policy #504 (Pre-Employment Drug Test), #515, Act 34, Act 151, and FBI Record Check:

- A. Lobaugh, Kerri – Ratify
Personal Aide – Replacement
Fawn Primary Center
Effective November 1, 2012
- B. Scolaro, Jennifer – Ratify
Personal Aide – Replacement
Fawn Primary Center
Effective October 16, 2012
- C. Gontis, Kristina – Ratify
Personal Aide – Replacement
Grandview Upper Elementary
Effective November 13, 2012

FINANCE/TAX

- Ratified Tax Refunds in the amount of \$2,573.33 for November 2012, as submitted.
- Payment of General Fund bills, as submitted.

November 2012 to be ratified \$ 344,200.81

November 2012 to be paid \$ 508,798.02

TOTAL \$ 852,998.83

- Payment of 2007 Bond Issue bills for November 2012, in the amount of \$13,341.95 as submitted.
- The AIU Joint Purchasing Resolution, as submitted.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

- ◆ Grandview Upper Elementary School principal Mrs. Heather Hauser was featured on KDKA News on Tuesday, Nov. 13 for participating in the Book It! Program Principal Challenge, "Read Your Heart Out." The goal - to show students that adults, teachers and even principals enjoy reading. It is something we want to do, not "have" to do. Students completed their 4Sight testing and were given the option to play outside for recess or join Mrs. Hauser in the Auditorium to read a book. Mrs. Hauser read from the first bell to the last bell, and students joined her on a rotating basis throughout the day.
- ◆ Highlands Choirs hosted a choral version of "Highlands Gives Back" on Friday, Nov. 16. The concert accepted donations to local non-profit charities as admission. This is the second concert of its kind, featuring the Highlands Alumni & Community Choir.
- ◆ The Gold Card Luncheon will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 21 at Highlands High School and will feature the Musical Department in concert before the annual Thanksgiving feast. Gold Card members should have received invitations in the mail. Residents who are 62 years or older can call Grandview Upper Elementary School to sign up to be a Gold Card member.
- ◆ Mrs. Fox thanked the community on behalf of the Borough of Tarentum for their support and attendance at the Christmas Parade.

FORBES ROAD CTC

Mrs. Fox reported that Forbes Road CTC participated in the Annual Skills USA Banquet. Forbes had the Student of the Year from Woodland Hills and they also had a Gateway student win the 2nd Place in the Gold Star Competition.

PSBA/NSBA

No Report.

POLICY

- The first reading of the following policy:
 - #123.1 – Athletic and Cheerleading Responsibilities

ATHLETICS

- The Athletic Fund Financial Report for October 2012, as submitted.
- The hiring of the following athletic personnel for the 2011-2012 school year, in accordance with Board Policy #404 (Pre-Employment Drug Test, #414, Act 34, Act 151, and FBI Record Check (Salary as per Board/HEA Collective Bargaining Agreement,) and/or Board Policy #916.1:

Name	Position
Brancato, Beth	Varsity Swim Team Coach
Mechling, Tom	Varsity Swim Team Assistant Coach – Pending Results
Dotchin, Corey	JV Boys Basketball Coach – Pending Results
Foster, Michael	MS Boys Basketball Coach
Lauer, Jacob	MS Boys Basketball Coach

- The suspension of the Varsity and Junior High/Middle School Wrestling Program as a Team Sport for the 2012-2013 School Year, effective November 16, 2012.

MISCELLANEOUS

- The December 3, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. as the Re-Organization, Planning and Regular Voting Meeting.

2012 Highlands School Board Members

Debbie Beale – President

Carrie Fox – Vice President

Laura Thimons

Jonathon Love

Ron Lang

William Krzton

Eric Miles

Michael Masarik

Ryan Hanford