

Highlands School Board Meeting Highlights

September 17, 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 – Mrs. Debbie Beale and Mr. William Krzton were absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - The Board approved the minutes of the September 17, 2012 Regular Meeting.

SECRETARY'S REPORT – Mr. Jon Rupert reported that Highlands SD received a congratulations from Ron Tomalis, Secretary of Education, for an audit with no findings. He also reported that there is a January 31, 2013 deadline for a preliminary budget.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT

Cole Emanulson reported the following information:

- The Girls Soccer team will be in the playoffs
- A toy drive will be held on October 26 at the Varsity Football game. Organized by student **Amber Reigard**, the drive benefits Children's Hospital patients.
- Homecoming Week included "theme days", an annual parade and a Homecoming dance with 300 students attending. King and Queen were **Kayla Lentz** and **Calvin Hines**.
- The Junior Class voted to hold the Prom at the Hard Rock Café.
- **Blake Leri** received the Joe Falsetti Sports Award, winning a donation for HHS.

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

- The first PAC meeting was held and was well attended.
- Title I Night will be held on November 8, 2012 at 6:30 PM at Highlands Middle School.
- Thank you to the principals and supervisors for organizing great Professional Development days earlier this month.

AGENDA ITEMS

The Board unanimously approved, unless otherwise noted, the following items:

CAFETERIA – Mr. Hanford, Mr. Krzton

- The payment of Cafeteria Fund Bills, as submitted.

July/August to be ratified	\$ 37,130.08
October to be paid	<u>\$ 61,907.85</u>
TOTAL	\$ 99,037.93

STUDENT ACTIVITIES – Mrs. Thimons, Mr. Love

- Ratifying **Trina Colberg** as International Club Sponsor for the 2012-2013 school year.

- Using General Fund monies to balance 6th grade band activity fund (approximately \$5.48) and the Ski Club (approximately \$1,850). The Ski Club Sponsors stipend will be saved to offset these funds.
- The High School Variations and Show Choir field trip to New York City on April 26 and 27, 2013, at no cost to the district, as submitted.

INSTRUCTION – Mr. Love, Mrs. Thimons

- Awarding the Portable Planetarium Bid to Digitalis Education Solutions Inc. in the amount of \$24,350, payable through SIG Funds.

TRANSPORTATION – Mr. Masarik, Mr. Hanford

Mr. Masarik notified Mr. Paul Hoffman from the Transportation Department about issues revolving around Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament bussing schedules.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS – Mr. Lang, Mrs. Fox

- The use of facilities, as submitted.
- Authorizing district to notify the Natrona Heights Baseball/Softball Association, Inc. that their lease may not be renewed until direction of a Baseball program is finalized with the district.
- The Solicitor and Business Manager to negotiate Agreement of Sale for Heights Elementary School with RBG Development Group. Agreement of Sale to be approved by the Board.
- Proposal from Czechalski Real Estate to list and sell Administrative Center if bringing commission down one-half percent and posting for 210 days.

PERSONNEL – Mrs. Fox, Mr. Miles

- 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 following requests for Leave of Absence, in accordance with Board/HEA Collective Bargaining Agreement:

A. Mary Beth Jones

School Nurse

Leave of Absence

8 weeks beginning November 2, 2012

B. Heather Loughlin – ratify

Custodian I

Leave of Absence

Effective September 21, 2012

- Ratifying the hiring 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. Robert Beck – ratify

ISS Monitor

High School

Effective August 29, 2012

Salary: \$15,600

B. Shannon Ekas – ratify

Personal Aide – Replacement

Fawn Primary Center

Effective October 9, 2012

Salary as per Aide/Secretary Salary Schedule

C. Rick Wirth – ratify

AV Assistant

\$20.00 per hour

Effective October 15, 2012

- Ratifying the retirement of **Deborah Davidowski**, Classroom Aide effective October 2, 2012.
- Extending the Leave of Absence of **Shirley Perroz** for 3 months through December 27, 2012.

FINANCE/TAX – Mr. Miles, Mrs. Thimons

- Approving Tax Refunds in the amount of \$205.31 for October 2012, as submitted.
- Approving payment of General Fund bills for October 2012, as submitted.

October 2012 to be ratified	\$ 723,729.34
October 2012 to be paid	\$ <u>2,561,666.48</u>
TOTAL	\$3,285,395.82

- Payment of 2012 Bond Issue bills for October 2012, in the amount of \$1,188,000.00 as submitted.
- All necessary budget transfers from the total independent audit reclassification, in accordance with Section 687 of the School Code.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH –Mrs. Fox, Mr. Krzton

- A contribution of \$5,000 to the Community Library of Allegheny Valley, as budgeted.

ANNUAL PINK OUT

Highlands Pink-Out will be Friday, October 26 at the Golden Rams Stadium when the Highlands Rams face the Knoch Knights. Students are selling pink T-shirts for \$7 to raise funds for the Susan G. Komen Foundation at a cost. 2X and 3X sizes are \$9. All sales must be pre-paid and orders will be placed by October 16. HHS Student Council also will be holding the 2nd annual Pink-Out balloon release at half time. If you would like to remember and/or honor a loved one or friend, please submit their name or names by October 22. To order a t-shirt or honor someone with a balloon, please contact Jennifer Galcik at jgalcik@goldenrams.com or by calling the High School at 724-226-1000.

TEACHERS RECOGNIZED BY LOCAL SAM'S CLUB

The Sam's Club located at Pittsburgh Mills Mall recognized Highlands teachers at Fairmount and Fawn Primary Centers, Grandview Upper Elementary School and Highlands Middle School during In-Service activities on October 8. Management from the store awarded 5 gift certificates worth \$50 each to teachers who are making a difference in student's lives! Check out the headline at www.goldenrams.com for photos and more information.

FORBES ROAD CTC – Mrs. Fox, Mrs. Thimons

Report.

PSBA/NSBA – Mr. Love

Mr. Love reported that a PSBA Review showed 44 of 77 charter schools feel short of AYP requirements. The Charter School legislation is expected to be voted on soon. Also, PSBA will continue to take public comments regarding Chapter 4 until November 5 regarding Chapter 4 Graduation Requirements. Get emails regarding legislation and how to let your representatives know your stance on public education issues by contacting Misty Chybrzynski at mchybrzynski@goldenrams.com.

POLICY – Mr. Krzton, Mr. Masarik, Mr. Miles

Mr. Masarik reported that he is moving forward with the Advertising Policy for the Stadium and other athletic events and arenas.

ATHLETICS – Mr. Lang, Mr. Masarik, Mr. Hanford

- The Athletic Fund Financial Report for August and September 2012, as submitted.
- The hiring of the following athletic personnel for the 2012-2013 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
Helgert, Dan – ratify	Football Usher
Weissert, Jeff – ratify	Football Usher
Duffy III, John – ratify	Volunteer Varsity Football Coach
Tomer, Kyle – ratify	Middle School Girls Soccer Coach
Shane, Stephanie	Varsity Girls Basketball Assistant Coach

Bargerstock, Brandi	JV Girls Basketball Coach
Jurich, Julie	JV Girls Basketball Assistant Coach (<i>pending file completion</i>)

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