

# Highlands School Board Meeting Highlights

## December 6, 2010 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.

**ROLL CALL** – Seven board members present. **Mrs. Karen Wantland** and **Mr. William Heasley** absent.

**Mrs. Debbie Beale** notified the public that the board did have an Executive Session prior to this meeting to discuss some personnel matters.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** - The board approved the minutes of the November 15, 2010 Regular Meeting.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT** - No report.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT** - No report.

**ASSISTANT TO THE SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**- No report.

**STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT** - No Report.

**CAFETERIA** - No Report.

### **STUDENT ACTIVITIES**

The board approved appointing the following 2010-2011 Student Activities sponsors:

#### **A. Steven Kraynik**

Middle School Spring Musical Set Construction  
Effective December 7, 2010  
Salary as per HEA Agreement

**INSTRUCTION** - No Report.

**TRANSPORTATION** - No Report.

### **BUILDINGS & GROUNDS**

The board approved the use of facilities, as submitted.

### **PERSONNEL**

The board approved ratifying with regret the resignation of **Daniel Guerrini**, Computer Technology Support, District-wide, effective October 29, 2010.

The board approved ratifying the hiring of **Dr. Kultar Shergill** as District Physician for the 2010-2011 school year at a stipend of \$6,556.36.

The board approved the 2010-2011 Substitute Custodian Call List, as submitted. As per Board Policy #505 (Pre-Employment Drug Test) #514, Act 34, Act 151, and FBI Criminal Record Check).

The board approved the 2010-2011 Substitute Teacher Call List, as submitted. As per Board Policy #405 (Pre-Employment Drug Test) #414, Act 34, Act 151, and FBI Criminal Record Check).

The board approved the 2010-2011 Substitute Security Guard Call List, as submitted. As per Board Policy #505 (Pre-Employment Drug Test) #514, Act 34, Act 151, and FBI Criminal Record Check).

The board approved the Teacher of Record Stipends as follows:

**A. Teresa Emeloff**

HVA – Art  
Stipend \$1,500

The board approved the hiring of the following Classified Employee, in accordance with Board Policy #504 (Pre-Employment Drug Test), #515, Act 34, Act 151, and FBI Record Check:

**A. Marjorie Papariella** – replacement

Library Aide  
Grandview Elementary  
Effective December 7, 2010  
Salary as per Secretary/Aide Salary Schedule

**B. Jane Burkett** – replacement

Custodian II  
Effective December 7, 2010  
Salary as per Custodial Salary Schedule

The board accepting the resignation of **Justin Sadowski**, Maintenance Worker, Buildings and Grounds effective December 6, 2010.

**FINANCE/TAX**

The board approved the extension of the Districts Tax Abatement Program, as submitted.

The board approved administration to finalize the purchase of a new Finance/Payroll Software System, as submitted. **Mr. Rupert** stated that we will bring this item back to the board for ratification once a vendor is selected. The cost will be approximately \$100,000.

The board approved the finalization and disposition of the Heights Plaza Tax Appeal as stated by the solicitor that the appeal be dismissed and the original assessment be continued.

### **COMMUNITY OUTREACH**

**Mrs. Beale** reported that she attended annual holiday dinner meeting of the Allegheny Valley North Counsel of Governments on Friday night. **Mr. Hugh Fox** who is a councilman in Tarentum was recognized as Board Member of the year.

There was a spaghetti dinner fundraiser for one of our local police officers, **Officer Michael Duffy**. It was a tremendous success. Several board members were present and donated their time. Over 1,900 dinners were served, raising \$14,000 and counting.

The Tarentum Recreation Board is sponsoring Christmas in the Park on Saturday December 11 from 2:30 to 5:00 p.m. Proceeds benefit the Tarentum Fire Companies.

**Mrs. Thimons** asked that the Board have a moment of silence **for Dr. Nick Staresinic** who passed away last month. Dr. Staresinic served as Superintendent of Highlands School District for 17 years. The Board will be donating a book to the Library in his honor next year.

**FORBES ROAD CTC** - No report.

### **PSBA/NSBA**

**Mrs. Wisner** reminded the board that PSBA is changing our priorities for next year and the deadline to vote is fast approaching. We all must submit the information to our representative and then it gets submitted to PSBA. **Mr. Krzton** said will take care of this right away.

**POLICY** - No report.

### **ATHLETICS**

The board approved the Girls Junior Varsity Volleyball Coach Memorandum of Understanding as submitted.

The board approved the hiring of the following athletic personnel for the 2010-2011 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.):

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>
<b>Ziemianski, Mark</b>	Volunteer Asst. Coach – Girls Varsity Basketball
<b>Szurley, Kristina</b>	Assistant Swim Coach
<b>Kordes, Kerry</b>	Girls Basketball Scorekeeper
<b>Witt, Gene</b>	Wrestling Timekeeper
<b>Etzrodt, John</b>	Boys Basketball Scorekeeper
<b>Meanor, Steve</b>	Boys Basketball Scorekeeper

**TECHNOLOGY** - No Report.

*2010 Highlands School Board Members*

*Debbie Beale - President*

*Carrie Fox - Vice President*

*Laura Thimons      William Heasley*

*Ron Lang              William Krzton*

*Eric Miles             Karen Wantland*

*Judy Wisner*