

June 26, 2017

A special meeting of the South Williamsport Area School Board was called to order this evening in the library of the Jr. Sr. High School at 7:00 p.m. by the Vice-President, Chris Branton.

The meeting opened with a moment of silence and Pledge to the Flag.

Board Members Present: Anthony, Bachman, Branton, Davenport, Persun,

Board Members Absent: Broskey, Fiorini, and Engel

Others Present: Dr. Mark Stamm- Superintendent, Dwight Woodley-Rommelt Principal, Bill Reifsnnyder-Maintenance Director, Jeff Rowe-Solicitor, and Dennis Artley-Business Manager.

Visitors: Cara Morningstar-Sun Gazette, Pam Reifsnnyder, Susan Bowman, Chris Molino, Erica Molino, Craig Inners, and Dan Zeigler.

APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of May 2017, was moved by Anthony, Seconded by Persun. Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Davenport-yes, Persun-yes, and Branton-yes, motion carried.

APPROVE GENERAL FUND BILLS

A motion to approve payment of General Fund bills in the amount of \$1,241,357.36 was moved by Bachman, seconded by Davenport. Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Davenport-yes, Persun-yes, and Branton-yes, motion carried.

APPROVE CAFETERIA FUND BILLS

A motion to approve payment of Cafeteria Fund bills in the amount of \$13,585.81 was moved by Persun, seconded by Bachman. Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Davenport-yes, Persun-yes, and Branton-yes, motion carried.

APPROVE MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes of June 5, 2017, as written, was moved by Anthony, seconded by Bachman. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT RECOMMENDATIONS

AGREEMENT WITH A.F.S.C.M.E. UNION

A motion to approve a three (3) year negotiated agreement between the South Williamsport Council 86, American Federation of state, county and municipal employee AFL-CIO Association and the negotiating committee of the School Board was moved by Davenport, seconded by Persun.

Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Davenport-yes, Persun-yes, and Branton-yes, motion carried.

RESIGNATION

A motion to accept the letter of resignation from Ellen Benfer as Percussion Instructor effective immediately was moved by Anthony, seconded by Bachman. Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Davenport-yes, Persun-yes, and Branton-yes, motion carried.

EMPLOYMENT

EMPLOYMENT HIGH SCHOOL GUIDANCE COUNSELOR

A motion to appoint Kelsey Shannon as a high school guidance counselor for grades 10-12 for the 2017-2018 school-term, at a salary of \$52,662 which is based on a 200 day contract and M-1 on the salary schedule according to the 2017-2018 schedule was moved by Davenport, seconded by Persun.

Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Davenport-yes, Persun-yes, and Branton-yes, motion carried.

APPOINT ENGLISH TEACHER

A motion to approve the employment of Melissa Mix as an English Teacher for grade 9, effective August 29, 2016, at a salary of \$52,662 which is based on step B-6 of the 2017/18 salary schedule of the Collective Bargaining Agreement was moved by Bachman, seconded by Davenport.

Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Davenport-yes, Persun-yes, and Branton-yes, motion carried.

APPOINT ELEMENTARY/ITINERANT SUPPORT TEACHER

A motion to approve the employment of Jonelle Beaver as a Special Education- Elementary/Itinerant Support teacher at Central Elementary, at a salary of \$44,622 which is based on step B-1 of the 2017/18 salary schedule of the Collective Bargaining Agreement was moved by Bachman, seconded by Anthony.

Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Davenport-yes, Persun-yes, and Branton-yes, motion carried.

APPOINT HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION TEACHER

A motion to approve the employment of James Girardi as a Health & Physical Education teacher for grades K-6 at a salary of \$44,622 which is based on step B-1 of the 2017-18 salary schedule of the Collective Bargaining Agreement was moved by Anthony, seconded by Bachman.

Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Davenport-yes, Persun-yes, and Branton-yes, motion carried.

FULL-TIME CUSTODIAN

A motion to approve John Stiner as a full-time custodian effective June 27, 2017 was moved by Anthony, seconded by Bachman. The rate of pay will be \$9.00 per hour with benefits for 8 hour per day in accordance with the A.F.S.C.M.E. Collective Bargaining Agreement. Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Davenport-yes, Persun-yes, and Branton-yes, motion carried.

BAND STAFF

A motion to approve the employment of the following band staff for the 2017-2018 school-year was moved by Persun, seconded by Bachman.

Tina Pulver, Band Front Instructor - \$2100

Robyn Rummings, Assistant -\$2100

Marc Garside, Percussion Instructor - \$1,500

Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Davenport-yes, Persun-yes, and Branton-yes, motion carried.

TENURE

A motion to approve tenure for Melanie Shepherd who has completed three years of satisfactory teaching at South Williamsport Area School District at the end of the 2016-2017 school year. Was moved by Anthony seconded by Davenport. Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Davenport-yes, Persun-yes, and Branton-yes, motion carried.

LETTER OF AGREEMENT WITH THE MEADOWS PSYCHIATRIC CENTER

A motion to approve the letter of agreement between South Williamsport Area School District and the Meadows Psychiatric Center to provide educational services for 2017-2018 and also 2018-2019 was moved by Bachman, seconded by Persun. Roll Call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Davenport-yes, Persun-yes, and Branton –yes, motion carried.

DIAKON FAMILY LIFE SERVICES CONTRACT

A motion to approve the Service Agreement between Diakon Family Life Services and the South Williamsport Area School District, for the period of July 1, 2017, thru June 30, 2018, for our outreach coordinator, was moved by Davenport, seconded by Bachman. Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Davenport-yes, Persun-yes, and Branton-yes, motion carried.

2017-2018 IDEA AGREEMENT

A motion to approve the 2017-2018 IDEA Agreement with Blast Intermediate Unit 17 was moved by Anthony, seconded by Bachman. The IDEA Agreement is federal funding for Special Education programs that qualify under IDEA Component III.

Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Davenport-yes, Persun-yes, and Branton-yes, motion carried.

FINAL ADOPTION OF THE 2017-2018 BUDGET

A motion to adopt the 2017-2018 Budget Resolution for the South Williamsport Area School District, with an estimated income of \$18,955,366, and estimated expenditures of \$19,525,409, was moved by Anthony, seconded by Bachman. The budget will necessitate a real estate tax of 15.25 mills for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017, and ending June 30, 2018; Real Estate Transfer Tax at ½ of 1%, except Armstrong Township, which is 1% with Earned Income at 1.1%. Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Davenport-yes, Persun-yes, and Branton-yes, motion carried.

ADOPTION OF THE 2017-2018 TAX LEVY RESOLUTION

A motion to adopt the 2017-2018 Tax Levy Resolution for the South Williamsport Area School District to support the 2017-2018 Budget, was moved by Bachman, seconded by Persun. Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Davenport-yes, Persun-yes, and Engel-yes, motion carried.

ADOPTION OF THE 2017-18 HOMESTEAD/FARMSTEAD EXCLUSION RESOLUTION

A motion to adopt the attached 2017-2018 Homestead/Farmstead Exclusion Resolution for the South Williamsport Area School District was moved by Davenport, seconded Bachman. The exclusion amount is \$228.78, which comes from an assessed value of \$15,002. Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Davenport-yes, Persun-yes, and Branton-yes, motion carried.

PROPOSED SCHOOL BOARD MEETING CHANGE

A motion to change the school board meeting scheduled for July 10, 2017 to July 17, 2017 in the high school library was moved by Bachman, seconded by Davenport. Roll call: Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Davenport-yes, Persun-yes, and Branton-yes, motion carried.

BOARD VACANCY

At the last meeting on June 5, Mr. Pulizzi resigned from the Board because he is moving out of the district. The Board advertised seeking candidates from Region 1. Nathan Miller submitted a letter of interest and was present at the meeting to be interviewed. The Board ask Mr. Miller a couple of questions and he informed the Board why he was interested in serving. Mr. Anthony then nominated Mr. Miller. Mr. Anthony then moved that the nominations be closed second by Bachman The roll call to seat Mr. Nathan Miller on the Board was as follows. Anthony-yes, Bachman-yes, Davenport-yes, Persun-yes, and Branton-yes. Mr. Miller was approved to serve on the Board, pending being sworn in before a Judge before the next meeting.

Moved by Anthony, seconded by Bachman, that the meeting be adjourned, all members present voting yes, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Attest

Dennis A. Artley
Secretary