

POTTSVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Directors
Work Session
February 1, 2017
Academic Center
7:30 p.m.

Present: Mr. Boran, Mrs. Blankenhorn, Dr. Davidson,
Dr. Cardamone, Dr. DiCello, Mr. Moran,
Atty. Rismiller, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Wagner,
(via phone) Dr. Zwiebel, Mrs. Lombel,
Atty. Thornburg, Ms. Marchiano,
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President Boran called the Work Session meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. President Boran also asked for a moment of silence for an employee who passed away during the week.

Mr. Boran asked if there were any public comments. Hearing none, Mr. Boran reviewed the agenda.

Mr. Boran noted that approval for the Treasurer's Report, Cafeteria Report and List of Bills will be done at the regular Board Meeting on February 15, 2017.

Mr. Boran asked Dr. Zwiebel for the Superintendent's Report. Dr. Zwiebel stated he had one item to be approved this evening but it was tabled on a motion by Atty. Rismiller, seconded by Mrs. Blankenhorn. Motion carried. Dr. Zwiebel also noted that there are several items on his agenda that will be submitted to the Board for approval at the regular meeting.

Mr. Boran asked for the Board Committee Reports:

- Athletics and Extracurricular Activities - Mrs. Blankenhorn had no report for this evening.
- Buildings, Real Estate and Transportation – On a motion by Mr. Wagner, seconded by Dr. DiCello, the Memorandum of Understanding was approved between the Pottsville Area School District and Schuylkill County Children and Youth Agency. Motion carried by roll call vote: Mrs. Blankenhorn, Dr. Davidson, Dr. DiCello, Mr. Moran, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Wagner and Mr. Boran, Aye. Dr. Cardamone and Atty. Rismiller, Abstain.
- Finance – Mr. Boran had no report for this evening.
- Legislation - Mr. Moran stated he will report some informational items at the regular meeting.
- Negotiations - Mr. Moran stated there was nothing to report.
- Drug and Alcohol Coalition – Mrs. Blankenhorn, as new chairperson, will be scheduling a reorganizational meeting.
- Personnel - Atty. Rismiller had the following items for approval:

- On the recommendation of Atty. Rismiller, seconded by Mr. Thomas, the Board approved Sarita Battish as a part-time paraprofessional at an hourly rate of \$12.60, retroactive to February 1, 2017. Motion carried.
- On the recommendation of Atty. Rismiller, seconded by Mr. Thomas, the Board approved Hunter Craven as a part-time substitute paraprofessional at an hourly rate of \$12.60, retroactive to January 27, 2017. Motion carried.
- On the recommendation of Atty. Rismiller, seconded by Dr. Davidson, the Board approved an unpaid leave of absence for a paraprofessional at the John S. Clarke Elementary. The requested dates are Tuesday, March 21, 2017 through Thursday, March 30, 2017. Motion carried.
- On the recommendation of Atty. Rismiller, seconded by Mr. Moran, the Board accepted the resignation of Mary Rinaldo, paraprofessional at the John S. Clarke Elementary Center, effective March 2, 2017. Motion carried.
- On the recommendation of Atty. Rismiller, seconded by Dr. DiCello, the Board approved an unpaid leave of absence for a custodian at the D.H.H. Lengel Middle School. Requested Dates – Thursday, March 2, 2017 and Friday, March 3, 2017. Motion carried.
- On the recommendation of Atty. Rismiller, seconded by Mr. Thomas, the Board accepted the resignation of Chris Mason, custodian at the D.H.H. Lengel Middle School, effective January 16, 2017. Motion carried.
- The Personnel Committee will meet on February 13, 2017.
- Public Relations - Dr. Davidson stated that he will cover the items at the regular meeting.
- Technology - Dr. DiCello noted that the district received a credit of \$10,000 from Honeywell. Dr. DiCello explained that a portion of the Phase 8 Honeywell Project was omitted for energy management software. The removal of this part of the project was due to the decrease in the desktop computers and the computer labs.
- Textbook and Supplies - Dr. Davidson stated that there was no report.
- IU 29 Representative – Mr. Thomas noted that they are still interviewing for the executive director opening at the IU 29.
- PSBA Representative - Mr. Wagner stated that there was nothing to report.
- Pottsville Recreation Committee – Dr. Cardamone had nothing to report.
- Special Education/Alternative Education/Charter Schools - Mr. Thomas stated that there was no report.
- Grading/Curriculum - Mr. Moran stated that he will have a report for the regular Board meeting.

Mr. Boran asked if there was any new business for the Board.

On recommendation of Mrs. Lombel, and on motion of Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Moran, the Board approved the following Use of Facilities:

D.H.H.L. Middle School

- PAHS Football Boosters, Prom Fashion Show, February 12, 2017, 2:00 – 5:00 p.m., Auditorium and Cafeteria.

- City of Pottsville Recreation, Hot Shot Basketball Shooting Contest, February 26, 2017, 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., Martz Hall.
- City of Pottsville Recreation, Cycle 17 Bike Race, July 29, 2017, 8:00 a.m., Martz Hall Upper Lobby.

P.A.H.S.


- PAHS Football Boosters, Booster Meetings, January 23, April 4, May 2, August 1, September 5, September 19, October 3, October 17 and November 6, 2017 , 6:30 – 8:00 p.m., High School Cafeteria. (Retro)
- PAHS Musical Pit Band, Rehearsals, January 28, February 4, 18, 25, 2017, 12:30 – 4:00 p.m., High School Band Room. (Retro)

Motion carried.

Mrs. Lombel stated that in accordance with Act 84 of 1986, also known as the Sunshine Act, an Executive Session is hereby announced immediately following the adjournment of the Work Session to discuss personnel matters.

The Executive Session was held from 7:52 p.m. through 9:21 p.m.

Mr. Boran asked for a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Dr. DiCello, seconded by Atty. Rismiller and passed by unanimous vote at 7:44 p.m.

 3-15-2017

Patricia A. Lombel (Date)
Acting Board Secretary