



BLUE MOUNTAIN SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of School Directors
Public Meeting Agenda
Thursday, August 24, 2017
7:15 PM

Blue Mountain Middle School
Orwigsburg, PA

Mrs. Anne Usuka
Board President

Dr. David Helsel
Superintendent

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. ROLL CALL
4. PRESENTATIONS

BMHS Band

Chris Evans – Band Director

5. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT
6. REVIEW OF AGENDA
7. INVITATION TO PUBLIC TO SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEMS
8. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA
9. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It is recommended that the Board approve the minutes of the meetings as listed (Attachment #1):

June 22, 2017 Regular Board Meeting
August 17, 2017 Committee of the Whole Meeting

10. FINANCE (Mark Hoover – Chairperson, Mary Jo Moss, Timothy Grube)

A motion is requested to approve all recommended items as listed under Finance:

Financial Reports

It is recommended that the Board approve the financial reports as listed (Attachment #2):

Monthly Bank Account Summary – June 2017 (unaudited)/July 2017
Revenue Report – Total Receipts – June 2017 (unaudited)/July 2017
Expenditure Report – June 2017 (unaudited)/July 2017
General Fund Check Register – August 2017
General Fund List of Payments – June 2017 (unaudited)/July 2017
Cafeteria Report – June 2017 (unaudited)/July 2017
Cafeteria Fund Check Register – August 2017
Cafeteria Fund List of Payments – June 2017 (unaudited)/July 2017
High School Activity Fund Report – June 2017 (unaudited)/July 2017
Middle School Activity Fund Report – June 2017 (unaudited)/July 2017
Special Revenue Fund Report – June 2017 (unaudited)/July 2017

Athletic Fund Report – June 2017 (unaudited)/July 2017
Athletic Fund List of Payments – June 2017 (unaudited)/July 2017
Budget Transfers

Confidentiality Resolution

It was recommended that the Board approve the attached Confidentiality Resolution for the purpose of Berkheimer sharing confidential tax information with the District (Attachment #3).

PlanCon Part K

It is recommended that the Board approve PlanCon Part K: Project Refinancing of the General Obligation Board Series of 2017. A copy of the PlanCon Part K is available in the Business Office upon request.

PDE - Bureau of Special Education School-Based ACCESS Program

It is recommended that the Board authorize Administration to sign the LEA Agreement to Participate in the School-Based ACCESS Program (SBAP) for the 2017-2018 school year and to pay Public Consulting Group's processing fee of \$.33 for each Direct Service claim and \$.19 for each Transportation claim.

11. PHYSICAL FACILITIES (Timothy Grube – Chairperson, David Lafko, Dean Gherghel)

A motion is requested to approve all recommended items as listed under Physical Facilities:

Facility Requests

It is recommended that the Board approve the attached list of facility requests dated August 24, 2017 (Attachment #4).

12. PERSONNEL (Michelle Vesay – Chairperson, Herman Fligge, Scott Reichert)

A motion is requested to approve all recommended items as listed under Personnel:

Transportation Schedules

It is recommended that the Board approve the transportation schedules for the 2017-2018 school year subject to change to accommodate student's needs.

Termination of Contract

It is recommended that the Board approve the termination of an Occupational Therapy contract with Progressive Pediatric for the 2017-2018 school year. This contract was approved during the June 2017 board meeting.

Independent Contract

It is recommended that the Board approve the following Independent Contract:

Kristen Cesari to provide Occupational Therapy services by a registered occupational therapist for students who receive special education and Section 504 services beginning September 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 for approximately 492 hours at an hourly rate of \$62.00. The total estimated contract cost shall not exceed \$30,504.00.

Transfer

It is recommended that the Board approve the transfer of Kelli Weston, School Psychologist, from BMMS/BMHS to BMEE.

BMEA Collective Bargaining Agreement

The following items are in accordance with the BMSD/BMEA Collective Bargaining Agreement and district policies and procedures:

Transfer

It is recommended that the Board approve the transfer of Jared Buchman from BMHS Librarian to BMHS Librarian (.80 FTE) and BMHS Gifted Coordinator (.20 FTE) beginning the 2017-2018 school year.

Leave of Absence

It is recommended that the Board approve a request received from Raymond Murhon, BMEE teacher, to take a family medical leave of absence beginning November 7, 2017, using paid leave days in conjunction with his FMLA, returning to work on January 2, 2018.

Lead Teachers

It is recommended that the Board approve Lead Teachers and their stipends for the 2017-2018 school year (Attachment #5).

Elementary Curriculum Leaders

It is recommended that the Board approve Elementary Curriculum Leaders for the 2017-2018 school year at a stipend of \$900 (Attachment #6).

BMESPA Collective Bargaining Agreement

The following items are in accordance with the BMSD/BMESPA Collective Bargaining Agreement and district policies and procedures:

Substitute Service Employee Rates

It is recommended that the Board approve the following substitute service employee rates beginning the 2017-2018 school year:

Substitute Aide	\$9.75
Substitute Cafeteria	\$9.00
Substitute Custodian	\$9.75

Resignations

It is recommended that the Board accept the following resignations:

Dawn Yeager, BMMS aide, effective August 21, 2017.

Tasha Byerly, BMEE aide, effective August 25, 2017.

Employment Requests

It is recommended that the Board approve the following employment requests:

Alana Jones as a probationary part-time personal care aide assigned to BMMS for 4.5 hours per day at the hourly rate of \$10.00 beginning the 2017-2018 school year, start date contingent upon completion of all appropriate paperwork.

Alissa Pritchett as a probationary part-time personal care aide assigned to BMHS for 4.5 hours per day at the hourly rate of \$10.00 beginning the 2017-2018 school year, start date contingent upon completion of all appropriate paperwork.

13. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS (Herman Fligge – Chairperson, Scott Reichert, Michelle Vesay)

A motion is requested to approve all recommended items as listed under Curriculum and Instructional Programs:

Letters of Agreement

It is recommended that the Board approve the following Letters of Agreement:

A Letter of Agreement between Schuylkill Intermediate Unit 29 and the District for remedial services for Title I students at the non-public schools for the 2017-2018 school year in the amount of \$2,198.00 and an eleven percent (11%) administration fee.

A Letter of Agreement between Schuylkill Intermediate Unit 29 and the District for Title II non-public services for the 2017-2018 school year in the amount of \$2,076.00 and an eight percent (8%) administration fee.

A Letter of Agreement between Child and Family Support Services, Inc., and the District for the Provision of Student Assistance Program Service effective September 1, 2017 for the 2017-2018 school year.

A Letter of Agreement between Child and Family Support Services, Inc., and the District for the Provision of Elementary Student Assistance Assessments for the 2017-2018 school year at a cost of \$171 per student assessment/screening.

Textbook Approval

It is recommended that the Board approve the purchase and implementation of the following textbook beginning the 2017-2018 school year:

Principles of Business (South-Western/Cengage Learning 2017) to be used for Introduction to Business.

14. FOOD SERVICES, HEALTH AND SAFETY (Scott Reichert – Chairperson, Dean Gherghel, Mark Hoover)

A motion is requested to approve all recommended items as listed under Food Services, Health and Safety:

Agreements for Participation in the Child Nutrition Program

It is recommended that the Board approve the following Agreements for Participation in the Child Nutrition Program:

Agreement Number 129-00-000-0 with Schuylkill Intermediate Unit #29 to provide meal benefits for Blue Mountain students attending the Schuylkill Intermediate Unit 29 for the 2017-2018 school year.

Agreement Number 129-54-690-7 with Schuylkill County AVTS to provide meal benefits for Blue Mountain students attending the AVTS for the 2017-2018 school year.

15. EXTRACURRICULAR PROGRAMS (Dean Gherghel – Chairperson, Timothy Grube, Mary Jo Moss)

A motion is requested to approve all recommended items as listed under Extracurricular Programs:

Employment Requests

It is recommended that the Board approve the following employment requests in accordance with the BMSD/BMEA Collective Bargaining Agreement for the 2017-2018 school year:

Dillon Stein as Head Softball Coach at the stipend of \$3,782 (Class CC, Step 1). Dillon replaces Gerald Kresge who resigned.

16. POLICY/LEGISLATIVE (David Lafko – Chairperson, Mark Hoover, Herman Fligge)

A motion is requested to approve all recommended items as listed under Policy/Legislative:

Policies – Second Reading and Adoption

It is recommended that the Board approve the second reading and adoption of the following policies of the Blue Mountain School District Board Policy Manual (Attachment #7):

Policy 305 Employees – Employment of Substitutes
Policy 336 Employees – Personal Necessity Leave

17. COMMUNITY RELATIONS/EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT/TECHNOLOGY (Mary Jo Moss – Chairperson, Michelle Vesay, David Lafko)

18. OLD BUSINESS (Reserved for prior agenda items)

19. NEW BUSINESS (Reserved for items for placement on next meeting agenda)

20. RECREATION COMMISSION (Dean Gherghel, Scott Reichert)

A motion is requested to approve all recommended items as listed under Recreation Commission:

Recreation Commission Report

It is recommended that the Board accept the Recreation Commission July 26, 2017 report which includes minutes of the June 29, 2017 meeting (Attachment #8).

21. OTHER REPORTS

A. Schuylkill Intermediate Unit 29 (Anne Usuka, Mary Jo Moss)

2017-2018 IDEA-B Sub-Grant

It is recommended that the Board approve the 2017-2018 IDEA-B Sub-Grant Agreement with the Schuylkill Intermediate Unit for the period July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 excluding the portion where legal rights of the District are waived to recoup any damages caused by IU personnel. The estimated IDEA allocation for the Blue Mountain School District is \$441,986.

Information Items

Schuylkill Intermediate Unit 29 agenda for the Chief School Administrators' meeting of July 24, 2017 including the minutes from the May 22, 2017 meeting and the June 26, 2017 meeting (Attachment #9).

Schuylkill Intermediate Unit 29 agenda for the Board of Directors' meeting of August 7, 2017 including the minutes from the July 10, 2017 meeting and the Schuylkill Technology Center agenda for the Board of Directors' meeting of August 7 2017 including the minutes of the July 10, 2017 meeting (Attachment #10).

B. PSBA Legislative Council (Dean Gherghel)

22. OTHER ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

Invitation to Public to Speak

23. DATES FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

Thursday, September 21, 2017 Committee of the Whole Meeting – 7:15 p.m.
Blue Mountain District Office Conference Room

Thursday, September 28, 2017 Board of School Directors' Regular Meeting – 7:15 p.m.
Blue Mountain Middle School

24. EXECUTIVE SESSION

25. ADJOURNMENT

Addendum to August 24, 2017 Board Agenda

Personnel

BMESPA Collective Bargaining Agreement

The following items are in accordance with the BMSD/BMESPA Collective Bargaining Agreement and district policies and procedures:

Transfer

It is recommended that the Board approve the transfer of Tina Blankenhorn from a 3 hour personal care aide position at BMMS to a 4.5 hour personal care aide position at BMMS.

Resignation

It is recommended that the Board accept the resignation of Amy Minchoff, BMEE aide, effective August 30, 2017. Amy would like to remain a substitute.

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After Executive Session

Personnel

Separation Agreement

It is recommended that the Board approve a Separation Agreement with Employee #2340.

Creation of Cafeteria Monitor

It is recommended that the Board approve the creation of the position of cafeteria monitors at Blue Mountain High School for 2.5 hours daily at an hourly rate equivalent to a classroom aide.