

The Workshop/Regular Meeting of the Yough Board of Education was called to order at 7:30 P.M., on Wednesday, January 15, 2014, in the Yough Senior High Large Group Instruction Room by President, Chris Boucher, with the Pledge of Allegiance and Salute to the Flag.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken with the following members present: Allen, Bach, Bisko, Harvey, Knor, Leghart, Nogy, Spudy, and Boucher. Also present were Superintendent, Dr. Janet Sardon; High School Principal, Earl Thompson; Assistant High School Principal, Daniel Wilkins; Intermediate/Middle School Principal, Anthony DeMaro; Assistant Intermediate/Middle School Principal, Kevin Smetak; Elementary Principal, Jenifer Pappasergi; Elementary Principal, Amy Larcinese; Director of Special Education, Dawn Hildenbrand; Business Manager, Michael Wroblewski; Director of Technology, Andrew Sanders; Athletic Director, Thomas Evans; the Press and visitors.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (Agenda Items Only):

None

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES:

Lynne Gillott
Megan Cox
Kelsey Belko
Eric Westerman – Gave an update on High School activities.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

I. Congratulations!

- A. Congratulations to Robert Molnar, Chandler Daniels, Megan Karloski, and Haven Trautman who were selected as Rotary students for the month of December.
- B. Congratulations to the following students for being selected December Cougars of the month:
 - Grade 5 – Noah Burkett and Kylie Roebuck

- Grade 6 – Dylan Sleasman and Hadley Sleith
- Grade 7 – Starr Conlin and Logan Getchey
- Grade 8 – Kaelin Hoak and Kyle Nelson

- C. Congratulations to Alex Manns, Rebekah Franolich, Lynne Gillott, and Megan Kite who were selected to PMEA District Band to be held at Penn Hills in January. The most that has ever been chosen from Yough before this year was two.
- D. Congratulations to H.W. Good Elementary for being selected by the Greensburg Walmart to receive \$1,000 as a part of their teacher reward program. Twenty staff members will be randomly selected to receive a \$50.00 gift card to spend on classroom supplies. If they win, they can choose to buy individual items or go in together to get something big for the school. (camera, TV, DVD players, furniture, etc.) The store manager visited the school on Thursday, December 19th at 8:30AM.
- E. Letter from the Blackburn Center congratulating Lisa Mumau and her Big Help Club for their donations to help women and children who stay in their shelters.

II. INFORMATION:

None

III. PRESENTATIONS:

A. School Board Recognition Month – “ Everyday Heroes”

Presentations:

Yough Senior High School

Thank you to Mr. Thompson, Mrs. Hildenbrand, Mr. Janiro, and the High School Staff, and a special thanks to the high school concert band and Jason Drescher, for their contributions this evening.

Yough Intermediate/Middle School

Thank you to Mr. Demaro, Middle School Staff, and a special thanks to Ms. Mooney, and the Middle School art classes for their contributions this evening.

Henry W. Good Elementary

Thank you Mrs. Larcinese, H.W. Good Staff, and a special thanks to Mr. Kasic for their contributions this evening.

Mendon Elementary

Thank you to Mrs. Pappasergi, Mendon Staff, and a special thanks to Miss Pasquale for their contributions this evening.

West Newton Elementary

Thank you to Mr. Reidmiller, West Newton Staff, and a special thanks to Mrs. Macey and Mrs. Holliday for their contributions this evening.

B. Resolution from PSBA –

WHEREAS, the role of locally elected school officials has served the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and local communities in meeting the needs of public education since the passage of the Free School Act in 1834; and

WHEREAS, these local boards have discharged their responsibilities to public education in manner which has placed public education in the forefront of our educational systems; and

WHEREAS, locally elected officials have distinguished themselves and their communities in this nonpaid, volunteer public service commitment; and

WHEREAS, the contributions of these men and women should be recognized and appreciated by those who benefit from the workings of our public school system;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania School Boards Association hereby proclaims the month of January as School Director Recognition Month in this commonwealth; and

FURTHER RESOLVE that this proclamation be communicated to all school districts, school officials and local communities in a planned program which brings visibility and awareness of the role of locally elected school officials to the citizenry of this commonwealth.

Unanimously approved July 18, 1985
Reaffirmed November 15, 2013
Pennsylvania School Boards Association
Board of Directors
Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania

BUDGET & FINANCE

Motion by Nogy, seconded by Knor to approve all the items listed below. Allen, yes; Bach, yes; Bisko, yes; Harvey, yes; Knor, yes; Leghart, yes; Nogy, yes; Spudy, yes; Boucher, yes. Motion carried.

1. (14-1-BP-1) Approve the Board Minutes.
(Section 3, Attachment #1)
2. (14-1-F-1) Approve the Treasurer's Report/Investment Summary.
(Section 3, Attachment #2)
3. (14-1-F-2) Approve the bills for payment in the amount of \$1,911,151.53, cafeteria bills in the amount of \$30,065.00, and payroll in the amount of \$988,186.59, for a total disbursement of \$2,929,403.12.
(Section 3, Attachment #3 - Disbursements)
4. (14-1-F-3) Authorize the administration to advertise for the following bids:

Custodial & Electrical Supplies
5. (14-1-F-4) Ratify the resolution by the Yough School District that any proposed tax rate for the 2014-15 fiscal year will not exceed the index set by the PA Department of Education, which is 2.9% for Yough School District.
(Section 3, Attachment #4)

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Executive Sessions were held on the following dates:

Wednesday, December 4, 2013, after the meeting – Personnel & Litigation

Wednesday, January 15, 2014, before the meeting – Personnel & Litigation

Motion by Allen, seconded by Leghart to approve the Secretary's Report. Allen, yes; Bach, yes; Bisko, yes; Harvey, yes; Knor, yes; Leghart, yes; Nagy, yes; Spudy, yes; Boucher, yes. Motion carried.

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYEES

Motion by Leghart, seconded by Knor to approve all the items listed below. Allen, yes; Bach, yes; Bisko, yes; Harvey, yes; Knor, yes; Leghart, yes; Nagy, yes; Spudy, yes; Boucher, yes. Motion carried.

1. (14-1-PE-1) Approve the sabbatical leave request of Heather Jenkins, Family Consumer Science teacher, for the second semester of the 2013-14 school year, provided that all conditions of the application for sabbatical leave are met pursuant to Section 1166 of the school code.
2. (14-1-PE-2) Approve Suzanne Turack as a substitute for Heather Jenkins, Family and Consumer Science teacher, Yough Senior High School for the second semester of the 2013-14 school year.
3. (14-1-PE-3) Approve the following name be added to the substitute teacher list:

William Zollner - Technology Education

CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES:

Motion by Spudy, seconded by Bach to approve all the items listed below. Allen, yes; Bach, yes; Bisko, yes; Harvey, yes; Knor, yes; Leghart, yes; Nagy, yes; Spudy, yes; Boucher, yes. Motion carried.

1. (14-1-CE-1) Employ Priscilla Trail as a four hour sweeper at H.W. Good Elementary School at the current rate in the AFSCME contract, pending pre-employment drug screening.
(Section 6, Attachment #1)
2. (14-1-CE-2) Add Annamarie Sudaric to the substitute secretary/aide list.

ATHLETIC/ACTIVITY

Motion by Nogy, seconded by Harvey to approve all the items listed below. Allen, yes; Bach, yes; Bisko, yes; Harvey, yes; Knor, yes; Leghart, yes; Nogy, yes; Spudy, yes; Boucher, yes. Motion carried.

1. (14-1-ACT-1) Approve the following list of coaches:

Part time Varsity Assistant Track Coach	-	Jonathan Shaffer
Volunteer Track Coach	-	Richard Martz
		Henry Dyson
		Mark Crovak
Middle School Head Track Coach	-	Mark Cornelius
Middle School Assistant Track Coach	-	Brian Blasko
Middle School Head Softball Coach	-	Angela Sleith
Middle School Assistant Softball Coach	-	Tonya Truxal
Volunteer Varsity Wrestling Coach	-	Doug Waldron

DISTRICT OPERATIONS:

Motion by Knor, seconded by Nogy to approve all the items listed below. Allen, yes; Bach, yes; Bisko, yes; Harvey, yes; Knor, yes; Leghart, yes; Nogy, yes; Spudy, yes; Boucher, yes. Motion carried.

1. (14-1-O-1) Add "Introduction to Business" to the high school academic course offerings for the 2014-15 school year as presented. (Section 8, Attachment #1)
2. (14-1-O-2) Approve the resolution for the nomination of the Yough Board of Directors to be the recipient of the D. Richard Wynn Distinguished Board Award sponsored by the Tri-State Study Council and the University of Pittsburgh. (Section 8, Attachment #2)
3. (14-1-O-3) Approve the Yough High School Girls Soccer Boosters to host a youth indoor soccer tournament at Yough Intermediate/Middle School on Saturday, March 22nd at an approximate cost of \$495.73 (custodial fees), pending one day insurance coverage.

BOARD REPORTS:

WIU#7 and WIU#7 Legislative Council – Linda Leghart

No report, next meeting January 28, 2014.

CWCTC Joint Operating Committee – Karl Spudy (Alternate-Chris Boucher)

Meeting is tonight, Barb Viola, Chairperson, Karl is Vice-President. Act 39 project is still going on. No issues with work. Roofs still being worked on. Request for study on new class, a survey was held and sports medicine class proposed.

PSBA Representative – Ruth Bisko

None

YEA REPORT: - Union Representation

Doug Kasic on behalf of the teachers thanked the board members. The Board has created an environment where students can grow.

OLD BUSINESS:

Pictures that were presented to the Board members will be hung in the LGI room with the names of the children who drew them.

NEW BUSINESS:

In an email to the District a sports official in basketball and football said our school is the most efficient he has ever worked with. Athletic Director is fabulous.

Academic – Yough ranked 26 out of the top 50 schools in region in SAT scores.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

No report.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:

Thanks for letting us come to your meeting and for supporting boy scouts in our area. (Veychek)

Remembering Adam – Thanks for participation. (Boucher)

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Leghart, seconded by Nogy to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 P.M. Allen, yes; Bach, yes; Bisko, yes; Harvey, yes; Knor, yes; Leghart, yes; Nogy, yes; Spudy, yes; Boucher, yes. Motion carried.

President _____

Secretary _____