The Regular Meeting of the Yough Board of Education was called to order at 8:04 P.M., on Wednesday, January 21, 2015, 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, Bisko, Boucher, Harvey, Leghart, Spudy, Bach. Excused were Knor and Nogy. Also present were Superintendent, Dr. Janet Sardon; Business Manager, Michael Wrobleski; Athletic Director, Thomas Evans; Solicitor, Gary Matta; the Press and visitors.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (Agenda Items Only):

None

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES:

Kelsey Belko
Brandon Shawl
Eric Westerman

The annual talent show raised $600 for charity. National Honors Society raised $1,460 for Children’s Hospital. FBLA – Haley Ucman received first placed and qualified for states. The high school received a grant for TV monitors to help with communication as well as helping increase technology.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

I. Congratulations!

A. Congratulations to the following students for being selected December Cougars of the Month:

   Grade 5 – Mary DuCoeur and Emma Geis
   Grade 6 – Logan Cosharek and Ashley Kline
   Grade 7 – Renee Patricio and Shadow Cockrell
   Grade 8 – Catie Sickler and Logan Getchey

B. Congratulations to the following students who were selected as December Rotary Students of the Month:
C. Congratulations to Jessica Cochran, Junior Class President for coordinating thank you letters to our troops. (Section 2, Attachment #1). Jessica initiated and organized this project on her own.

D. Safe Schools Initiative Targeted Grants – Equipment in the amount of $12,350.00. (Section 2, Attachment #2). To be used to purchase cameras for outside and inside, remainder can be used to implement a hall pass system at the middle and high school.

E. Congratulations to the 2014 SkillsUSA winners. (Section 2, Attachment #3). Two students are continuing on to states.

II. INFORMATION:

A. Thank you note from WPIAL for helping with the football championships at Heinz Field. (Section 2, Attachment #4). Students helped with the activities and one of the students sang the National Anthem for the Triple A game.

III. PRESENTATIONS:

A. School Board Recognition Month – “Stronger School Boards, Stronger Schools, Stronger Pennsylvania”

Presentations:

Thank you to Mr. Brian Sutherland and the staff at the West Newton Elementary, along with the following students for presenting: Kaia Abramski, Madison Hodge, Madison Keselyak, Alexa Marshall, Marissa Mursch, Brett Suehr, Skylar Foster, Bobbi Keith, Christian Williams Mark Williams, Matthew Williams, Priscilla Bauer, Liam Buzas, Lucy DuCoeur, Tyler Dulkis, Gavin Flowers, Mikayla Hasbrouck, Brynne Keener, Lila Nelson, Lauren Kenderes, Mikey Nogy, and Jonathan Sakalik. Thank you to Mr. Kevin Smetak and the staff at the Intermediate/Middle School for providing the centerpieces, Mrs. Amy Larcinese and the staff at H.W. Good Elementary for providing placemats, Mrs. Jen Pappasergi and the staff at Mendon Elementary for providing the bookmarks, and Mr. Earl Thompson for providing the music tonight performed by the high school students.

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.

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C. Herbein and Company, Joel Kunkle presentation on 2013-2014 Audit at the workshop meeting.

D. Mike Wrobeski presentation on preliminary 2015-2016 budget.

The Preliminary Budget will be available January 22, 2015, with the vote taking place on February 11, 2015. This allows us to seek exception referendums to go above the tax index if needed. The current tax index would allow us to increase taxes by 2 mils if approved by the state. The exception referendum would allow us to go higher if necessary; this preliminary budget is a very high level look at the 2015-16 budget. The normal budget process will still be followed. The proposed budget will be presented in May. Even if we are granted the referendum exceptions, we do not have to use them. The referendum web page on PDE will be available at the end of the month. For pension exceptions we may be entitled to another 2 mil increase. Gregg Nogy asked if there is a max on the exceptions. The formula figures it out. There are also exceptions available for special education. The pension increased
from 21.4% to 25.84%. The debt service is decreased by $256,000.00. The end of the 2015-2016 fund balance will be around $785,000.00.

**BUDGET & FINANCE:**

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

1. (15-1-BP-1) Approve the Board Minutes. (Section 3, Attachment #1)

2. (15-1-F-1) Approve the Treasurer’s Report for November, 2014. (Section 3, Attachment #2)

3. (15-1-F-2) Approve the Treasurer’s Report for December, 2014. (Section 3, Attachment #3)

4. (15-1-F-3) Approve the general fund bills for payment in the amount of $1,906,731.56, cafeteria bills in the amount of $190,466.43, and payroll in the amount of $1,010,618.97, for a total disbursement of $3,107,816. (Section 3, Attachment #4 - Disbursements)

4. (15-1-F-4) Approve the Budgetary Transfers. (Section 3, Attachment #5).

**SECRETARY’S REPORT:**

Executive Sessions were held on the following dates:

Wednesday, January 14, 2015, before and after the meeting – Personnel & Litigation

Wednesday, January 21, 2015, before the meeting – Personnel & Litigation

**PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYEES:**

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

1. (15-1-PE-1) Approve the following names be added to the substitute teacher list:

   Hayley Robertson
   Tessa Foschia
   Zachary Szczerba

2. (15-1-PE-2) Approve Sallie Lawson for medical sabbatical leave beginning January 2015 for a half-year with the possibility of extension to a full year.
CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES:

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

1. (15-1-CE-1) Approve the following name be added to the substitute secretary/aide roster:

   Pamela Penick (pending clearances)

2. (15-1-CE-2) Accept the resignation of Melonnie Martin effective December 23, 2014. (Section 6, Attachment #1).

3. (15-1-CE-3) Approve the hiring of Melinda Woods effective January 22, 2015 or upon release of employment as a nurse’s assistant at Mendon Elementary.

4. (15-1-CE-4) Approve the hiring of Donna Ruzewski effective January 22, 2015 or upon release of employment as a nurse’s assistant at H.W. Good Elementary.

5. (15-1-CE-5) Accept the resignation of Gina Moore effective January 30, 2015 and post position. (Section 6, Attachment #2).

ATHLETIC/ACTIVITY:

Motion by Harvey, seconded by Leghart to approve items listed below. Allen, yes; Each, yes; Bisko, yes; Harvey, yes; Leghart, yes; Nogy, yes; Boucher, yes. Motion carried.

1. (15-1-ACT-1) Approve the following coaches:

   Michael Williams  Part-time Varsity Assistant Track Coach (pending clearances)
   Jonathan Shaffer  Change from part-time to Assistant Track Coach
   Edward Cox       Middle School Head Softball Coach
   Andrew Chopp     Middle School Assistant Softball Coach
   Benjamin Ball    Volunteer Wrestling Coach (pending clearances)
   Keith Waywood    Junior Varsity Softball Coach


3. (15-1-ACT-3) Accept the resignation of Brian Blasko as Assistant Middle School Track Coach effective immediately and post position. (Section 7, Attachment #1).
The new Act 168 forms will be given to all new hires to be sent to current employers and any school districts they may have worked at in the past.

**DISTRICT OPERATIONS:**

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

1. (15-1-O-1) Approve the Yough High School Girls Soccer Boosters to host a youth indoor soccer tournament at Yough High School on Saturday, March 7, 2015 at an approximate cost of $588.28 (custodial fees), pending one day insurance coverage.


3. (15-1-O-3) 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 6, Attachment #1). (The nomination packet will be in the orange folder for your viewing by Friday, January 14th).

4. (15-1-O-4) Approve the proposed transitioning guidelines for activities and mentoring of students in different grade levels and buildings. (Section 6, Attachment #2)

5. (15-1-O-5) Approve the resolution urging the General Assembly to establish a new funding formula for basic education. (Section 6, Attachment #3)

**BOARD REPORTS:**

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

Workshop meeting to discuss Clearview School and their lease end date in June.

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

Karl Spudy is attending the CWCTC meeting tonight.

**PSBA Representative** – Ruth Bisko

None

**YEA REPORT:** - Union Representation

None
OLD BUSINESS:
None

NEW BUSINESS:
None

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:
None

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:

Ed Smart asked why there is no wrestling room at the high school. His son is a sophomore wrestler. Has there been discussion to get a wrestling room? There is a bus provided to the middle school but there is not one that returns to the high school. They are at a total competitive disadvantage because they can't access weight room here at high school because they are at the middle school. They only had 7 matches, how do they get more? They were told they didn't have enough points. What is the process for hiring coaches?

In regards to hiring, all coaching positions are opened up every season. The coach can reapply along with outside people. There is no preferential treatment for teachers referred to in the contract. The best candidate gets the job. Wrestling practice a few years ago was in the cafeteria, where the mats had to be rolled out and then rolled back up at the end of practice. There is a maximum of 22 points we can get. If we schedule too many matches we will be illegal with WPIAL. The color guard also goes to the Middle School. We will take a hard look to see if we can use somewhere in the high school for wrestling. The ventilation in the downstairs room is an issue.

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The Tenaska public comment meeting will be held Wednesday, February 11, 2015. Our meeting will probably start a little late.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Leghart, seconded by Harvey to adjourn the meeting at 8:46. Allen, yes; Bach, yes; Bisko, yes; Harvey, yes; Leghart, yes; Nogy, yes; Boucher, yes. Motion carried.

President_______________________  Secretary_______________________
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PUBLIC COMMENTS (Agenda Items Only):

None

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES: (Regular Meeting)

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D. Presentation on preliminary 2015-2016 budget. (Regular Meeting)
BUDGET & FINANCE: (Regular Meeting)

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Thirteen students competed from our district with seven moving to states.

**PSBA Representative** – Ruth Bisko

None

**YEA REPORT:** – Union Representation

None

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Thanks to the students and administrators for recognition of the school board.

**SOLICITOR’S REPORT:**

None

**CITIZEN’S COMMENTS:**

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ADJOURNMENT

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President __________________________ Secretary __________________________