

TUSSEY MOUNTAIN SCHOOL BOARD
MEETING FOR GENERAL PURPOSES
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 19, 2018

The Tussey Mountain School Board met for general purposes on March 19, 2018 in the Administrative Conference Room, 199 Front Street, Saxton following the recognition of Elementary Student of the Month, Junior High Wrestling, and Junior High Girls Basketball groups beginning at 7:00 p.m. Board members present were Jim Hodge, Adam Baker, Roy McCabe, Harry Watkins, Jimmy Hodge, Suzanne Detterline, Brenda Folk, Melanie Gresko, and Student Board Representative Emily Buseck. Administrators present were Dr. Gary Dawson, Jerry Shoemake, Janelle Henderson, Matt McCahan, and Wayland Heath. Press present were Ron Morgan – Daily News and Katie Smolen – Bedford Gazette. Also present were Bonnie Jenkins, Renee VanAelstyn, Eva Sichko, Nikki Gephart, Brittany Buterbaugh, Keith Foor, David Buseck, Brian Brode, Emma Watkins, Andrea Watkins, Alex Watkins, Matthew Watkins, Christine Leonard, and Kailie Leonard

Meetings held since February meeting:

- Feb. 22 – Policy & Curriculum Committee
- Mar. 5 – Support Staff Negotiations
- Mar. 12 – Head Football Coach interviews

Board President Melanie Gresko called the meeting to order at approximately 7:13 p.m.

ROLL CALL: John Baughman was absent

Roy McCabe led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was no public comment.

The Tussey Mountain School Board of Education has reviewed and discussed, at length, the items listed on the consent agenda at their monthly work session. All Directors were in agreement that these items are approvable by a consent agenda and require no further discussion.

Motion by Melanie Gresko seconded by Roy McCabe to approve items 1 through _____ listed on the consent agenda:

Consent Agenda

1. Approve the minutes from the February meeting.
2. Approve the following field trip request(s), conditioned on availability of substitutes (if applicable), as recommended by the Administration:

GROUP	SUPERVISOR	DESTINATION	DATE	PURPOSE	COST
After 3	Nikki Gephart, aide, tutor	Bedford Co. Tech Center	March 13, 2018	Learn of future opportunities	21 st Century Expense
Scholastic Quiz Team	C. Carrier	Everett High School	March 16, 2018	Competition	Transportation

Journalism Students	S. Browell	Penn State, State College	March 27, 2018	PA School Press Assoc. Finals Comp.	Transportation
Reading Competition Team (Gr 5-8)	S. Browell, M. Hinish, E. Sichko, L. Arcq, D. Lynn	Chestnut Ridge Middle School	April 5, 2018	Reading Competition	\$3 meal/person; transportation
All State Band and All State Chorus (1 student for Band and 1 student for Chorus)	Adam Runk, Sarah Johnson	Lancaster Host Resort, Lancaster PA	April 18-21, 2018	State Band and Chorus	Transportation; Admission - \$375/student, \$165 ea./Runk & Johnson
SADD Students	K. Wood M. Schneider	Forbes Rd Conference Ctr, Breezewood	April 16, 2018	SADD Conference	Transportation reimbursed by PSI
Kindergarten	J. Villa A. Husick C. Horton	Blair Co. Airport & Ritchey's Dairy	April 25, 2018	Tour airport; milk & ice cream production process	Transportation
Grade 1	C. Watkins M. Lynn, C. Mykut	Altoona Curve	May 9, 2018	Baseball Game	None to District
Grade 5	Gr 5 Teachers	Shawnee State Park	May 10, 2018 Rain date – May 11	Career Fair	Transportation

3. Approve the following conference requests, conditioned on availability of substitutes (if applicable), as recommended by the Administration:

STAFF MEMBER	WKSHP/CONF	PLACE	DATE(S)	COST
Sue Curfman, Carrie Kichman	Asperger Syndrome – A Survival Guide	IU8 Ebensburg	March 5, 2018	Mileage; Sub
Nikki Gephart	Cohort 9 In Service – 21 st Century Learning Consortium	Bedford Co Tech Center	March 12, 2018	Cost of sub paid for by 21 st Century Grant
Dorian Morse Valerie Morningstar	Pre K Counts - Danielson Training	Harrisburg PA	March 13, 2018	Grant will pay for one sub; transportation if funds available
J. Henderson, C. Flaherty, B. Hummel, K. Stoudnour	PA Positive Behavior Support Implementers Forum	Hershey PA	May 22-23, 2018	Mileage; Lodging \$96.50/night; Regist. \$75/person; Subs

4. Approve the list of payments as funds are available

DISTRICT

Blanchetti, Tom	Driver's Ed	1/22-25,1/29	\$ 156.00
Bussick, Lois	Homebound	12/4,5,10-12,14,17,21, 1/2-5, 1/9-11, 15-17, 23,24, 29-31	\$ 828.00
Detwiler, Megan	Detention	12/7,12,1/9,23,30	\$ 258.00
Donovan, Shauna	Detention	1/12/2018	\$ 24.00
Elder, Sarah	Detention	2/17/2018	\$ 48.00
Hoey, Jessica	Homebound	1/23-25,29-31	\$ 120.00
Hoey, Jessica	Homebound	2/5,6,8,12,13,14	\$ 240.00
Lazor, Kelly	Homebound	11/20-1/18	\$ 972.00

Little, Jessica	Detention	Detention	\$ 24.00
Mykut, Cheri	Homebound	1/31,2/1,5,6,8	\$ 360.00
Rankin, Lisa	4 Board Mtgs	12/6,1/3,8,15	\$ 212.00
Snyder, Amy	Detention	1/18,25,2/1	\$ 132.00
Stoudnour, Katie	ESL Cert.	11/28,1/2	\$ 264.00

INCREDIBLE YEARS

Arcq, Lori	Childcare	1/10,17,24,31	\$ 160.00
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21ST CENTURY

Bussick, Lois	Tutor	1/25,2/1	\$ 84.00
Bussick, Lois	Tutor	2/8,15	\$ 96.00
Curfman, Sue	Tutor	1/29/2018	\$ 60.00
Curfman, Sue	Tutor	2/5,12	\$ 144.00
Drenning, Rena	Tutor	1/30/2018	\$ 60.00
Drenning, Rena	Tutor	2/6,13	\$ 108.00
Ebersole, Doug	Tutor	2/1/2018	\$ 24.00
Ebersole, Doug	Tutor	1/25/2018	\$ 36.00
Ebersole, Doug	Tutor	2/8,15	\$ 48.00
Elder, Sarah	Tutor	15-Feb	\$ 48.00
Gutshall, Julie	Tutor	1/24,31	\$ 120.00
Gutshall, Julie	Tutor	2/14/2018	\$ 72.00
Morningstar, Valerie	Tutor	2/1/2018	\$ 60.00
Morningstar, Valerie	Tutor	1/22-25,1,30-31	\$ 300.00
Morningstar, Valerie	Tutor	2/5-8,2/12-15	\$ 348.00
Morse, Bradley	Tutor	1/22,23,30	\$ 180.00
Morse, Bradley	Tutor	1/24,29,31	\$ 108.00
Morse, Bradley	Tutor	2/5,14	\$ 72.00
Morse, Bradley	Tutor	2/6,13	\$ 144.00
White, Hattie	Tutor	1/22,1/29	\$ 48.00
White, Hattie	Tutor	2/5,12	\$ 48.00

5. Approve homebound instruction for two students as requested by the attending physician.

6. Approve the following building use requests, conditioned on compliance with the district's Use of Facilities Policy No. 707. Building use is being recommended with the understanding that school district events take precedence over outside organization usage:

HIGH SCHOOL:

- Broad Top Ministerium to use auditorium on March 22 (tentative date) (7 pm – 8:30 pm) for practice for the annual Community Good Friday Services with Pastor Kathy Speck as supervisor.
- Broad Top Ministerium to use auditorium on March 30 (7 pm – 9 pm) for the annual Community Good Friday Services with Pastor Kathy Speck as supervisor.
- US Army Corps of Engineers, Raystown Lake & Saxton Boro to use four classrooms and the gym for "Master Plan Revision Public Meeting" on April 24 (4 pm – 9 pm) with Alicia Palmer as supervisor.
- Kenton Sitch Band to use the Auditorium on May 19, 2018 (5:00 – 11:00 p.m.) for a PRIDE fundraiser, with Janell Henderson and Matt McCahan as supervisors.

INFORMATION: The following school district groups will be utilizing the facilities as listed below:

- Boys Basketball (Grades 4 – 12) will be using gym on Wednesdays & Saturdays beginning April 18 – June 27, 2018 for open gym with Jeff Swope as supervisor. Wednesdays (6 pm – 8 pm) Saturdays (9 am – 12 pm)
- Boys Varsity Basketball will be using Cafeteria for annual (catered) banquet on April 29, 2018 (2 pm – 5 pm) with Jeff Swope as supervisor.
- Student Council will be using Auditorium for a talent show on April 26, 2018 (5:30 – 9:30 p.m.).

7. Approve a Resolution authorizing the County of Bedford to collect real estate and/or per capita taxes on behalf of Coaldale Borough for the current year.

INFORMATION: Smithmyer’s Electronics has moved the existing fire alarm pull station and alarm key pad from the entry vestibule at the elementary school to inside of interior front exit door on March 7 at a cost of \$1,170.

8. Approve the Activity Fund Report as follows:

- January 2018 reflecting a cumulative balance of \$97,244.50

9. Approve the Athletic Fund Reports as follows:

- July 2017 reflecting a cumulative balance of \$13,983.41
- August 2017 reflecting a cumulative balance of \$7,602.90
- September 2017 reflecting a cumulative balance of \$15,461.18
- October 2017 reflecting a cumulative balance of \$14,368.14
- November 2017 reflecting a cumulative balance of \$2,349.62
- December 2017 reflecting a cumulative balance of \$7,065.46
- January 2018 reflecting a cumulative balance of \$5,113.33

10. Approve the 2018-19 school year calendar.

11. Approve revisions/additions to Policy #304.1 (Employment of Relatives) as recommended by the Policy & Curriculum Committee.

12. Approve the transfer of \$15,000 to the Athletic Fund to cover the following expenses:

- \$3,500 – winter game workers
- \$5,000 – Baseball, Softball & Track Officials
- \$3,500 – replace helmets which are out of date
- \$3,000 – helmet reconditioning

13. Approve a quote from heartsmart.com to purchase two new automated external defibrillator (AED) units.

- heartsmart.com - \$1,976.00
- Zoll Medical Corporation - \$2,473.40

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous

M.C.

POLICY & CURRICULUM

Motion by Roy McCabe second by Melanie Gresko to approve the district's Emergency Management Plan, as recommended by the Administration and the Safety Committee.

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous M.C.

Motion by Roy McCabe second by Suzanne Detterline to authorize Dr. Gary Dawson to research the possibility of expanding vocational educational opportunities for Tussey Mountain students.

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous M.C.

BUILDING USE

Motion by Harry Watkins second by Roy McCabe to approve the following building use requests, conditioned on compliance with the district's Use of Facilities Policy No. 707. Building use is being recommended with the understanding that school district events take precedence over outside organization usage:

HIGH SCHOOL:

- Saxton Youth Baseball to use the Cafeteria for a Pit Stop Hoagie Delivery on May 8, 2018 (4:00 – 5:00 p.m.), with Erin Lashinsky as supervisor.

ELEMENTARY:

- AYSO Region #1499 to use the Cafeteria for a fundraiser pick up on May 3, 2018 (5:00 – 7:00 p.m.), with Joshua Wakefield as supervisor.
- PTO to use the stage for a fundraiser delivery on Mar. 27 and Apr. 11, 2018 (12:00 – 6:00 p.m.), with Jayla Weyandt as supervisor.

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous M.C.

BUDGET

Motion by Jimmy Hodge second by Roy McCabe to approve purchasing 400 cases of 8 ½" x 11" white copy paper through the Appalachia IU8 Cooperative Paper Bid at a cost of \$23.49 per case (total purchase price is \$9,396.00). Cost per case in 2017-18 was \$22.73 and for 2016-17 was \$23.94.

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous M.C.

Motion by Jimmy Hodge second by Roy McCabe to approve a 60 Month Lease Agreement with Queen City Business Systems for six (6) Canon copier as outlined on the proposal at a monthly lease payment of \$2,429, which is \$285 less than the current lease payment.

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous M.C.

Motion by Jimmy Hodge second by Brenda Folk to approve the IU8 General Fund Operating Budget for 2018-19 with the district's share being \$3,303.98.

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous M.C.

Motion by Jimmy Hodge second by Roy McCabe to pay the Bollman Charter bus invoice to transport the Girls Basketball team to Pittsburgh on March 6 for a playoff game. Bollman Charter cost was \$997; school bus rate would have been \$514.80.

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous M.C.

PERSONNEL

Motion by Suzanne Detterline second by Roy McCabe to accept, with regret, a resignation letter from Tom Blanchetti, (Instructor for Math, Driver’s Ed, and PRIDE duties) effective April 20, 2018.

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous M.C.

Motion by Suzanne Detterline second by Roy McCabe to approve the following bona-fide volunteers being hired for the position listed at the nominal stipend stated for 2017-18, conditioned on submission and approval of required documentation (if applicable):

Lindsey Myers	Assistant Tennis Coach	\$2,465.00
Krista Swope	Volunteer Jr. High Softball	
Amber Lemin-Yutzy	Volunteer Track Coach	
Cody Swope	Volunteer Baseball Coach	
Rodney Brumbaugh, Melody Toth	Spring Game Manager	\$1,733.67 Split

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous M.C.

Motion by Suzanne Detterline second by Brenda Folk to approve Adriane Angelo to observe Mrs. Breeann McCahan and Mrs. Kimberly Donaldson in the classroom, and Mrs. Rickabaugh in the classroom and with the softball team for a total of 60 professional development activity hours for Lock Haven University after May 11, 2018, conditioned on submission and approval of required documentation. Specific dates and times will be coordinated through Ms. Henderson.

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous M.C.

Motion by Suzanne Detterline second by Roy McCabe to approve a contract with ProCare for an Athletic Trainer for 2018-19 at a cost of \$19,500, as recommended by the Administration.

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous M.C.

Motion by Suzanne Detterline second by Brenda Folk to approve a request for time without pay from the following individuals:

Janet Altobelli - six (6) weeks Debra Zdrosky – 5 days

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous M.C.

Motion by Suzanne Detterline second by Jimmy Hodge to approve hiring Anthony Sottasante, III for the position of Head Football Coach for 2018-19 at a stipend of \$5,006, conditioned on submission and approval of required documentation, as recommended by the Athletic Committee.

Roll Call Vote M.C.
Ayes: Jim, Baker, McCabe, Jimmy, Detterline, Folk, Gresko
Nays: Watkins

Motion by Suzanne Detterline second by Roy McCabe to authorize the issuance of a Statement of Charges against a professional employee 45728 extending an opportunity for hearing under Section 1127 of the Public School Code of 1949, as amended, and further authorize the Board President and Board Secretary to sign same and serve notice upon the Employee of such an entitlement to a hearing. In so doing, the Board believes there is sufficient evidence to support its belief a Statement of Charges should be issued to afford notice to the employee and an opportunity for a hearing.

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous M.C.

Motion by Suzanne Detterline second by Jimmy Hodge to authorize the Administration to undertake any necessary steps to continue the educational program for vocational students.

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous M.C.

INFORMATION: A qualifying application for Family Medical Leave (FMLA) from an employee (WO82883) has been received.

The Principals and Emily Buseck provided their monthly reports of events.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m. NRC

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa M. Rankin
Secretary