

TUSSEY MOUNTAIN SCHOOL BOARD
MEETING FOR GENERAL PURPOSES
BOARD MEETING – NOVEMBER 16, 2015

The Tussey Mountain School Board met for general purposes on November 16, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. Board members present were Suzanne Detterline, Bill Brumbaugh, Aaron Martin, Brenda Folk, Jim Hodge, Tom Arnold, Roy McCabe, Vivian Foster, Rodney Figard, and Student Board Representative Trenton Husick. Administrators present were Mark Bollman, Jerry Shoemake, Melinda Damiano, Zach Treece, and Wayland Heath. Press present was Ron Morgan – Daily News. Also present was Skip Elder and Sue Curfman.

Board President Rodney Figard called the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m. after the Elementary Student of the Month presentations.

Roll call was taken with all members present

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Bill Brumbaugh followed by the prayer delivered by Suzanne Detterline.

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 Rodney Figard seconded by Bill Brumbaugh to approve items 1 through 10 on the consent agenda:

Consent Agenda

1. Approve the minutes from the October 2015 meeting.
2. Approve December 8, 2015 as the Reorganization Meeting to be held in the Board Room at 7:00 p.m. (no work session in December).
3. Approve the following field trip/academic trip requests, conditioned upon the availability of substitute teachers, as recommended by the Administration:

GROUP	SUPERVISOR	DESTINATION	DATE	PURPOSE	COST
Grades 8 – 12 Journalism Students	Nate Thompson, Sonya Browell	Penn State, State College	November 16	Journalism Competition	Sub Only; Other expenses paid by Yearbook Club
Grades 10 – 12 8 Band Students	Adam Runk	Conemaugh Township HS	November 15	District Band Auditions	Transportation; sub; Admission \$5 per student
Chorus	Sarah Johnson	Christmas in the Parkway Caroling	December 3	Caroling	None to district
Chorus	Sarah Johnson	Saxton United Methodist Church	December 18	Christmas Concert; caroling around town	None to district

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

STAFF MEMBER	WORKSHOP/CONFERENCE	PLACE	DATE(S)	COST
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Rodney Brumbaugh	PA State Athletic Directors Association Conference	Hershey PA	March 15-18, 2016	Approx. \$600, paid by Athletic Budget
Jerry Shoemake	Standards Aligned System Institute	Hershey	Dec. 6-8	Mlg/tolls; \$286.38 Lodging; \$115 Regist.

5. Approve the List of Payments as funds are available

District				
Baughman, Heather	Parent Night		\$	45.50
Blanchetti, Tom	Driver's Ed		\$	136.50
Rankin, Lisa	5 board meetings		\$	255.00

21st Century				
Bowser, Kim	Tutor		\$	91.00
Bowser, Kim	Tutor		\$	45.50
Detwiler, Megan	Tutor		\$	45.50
Detwiler, Megan	Tutor		\$	22.75
Ebersole, Doug	Tutor		\$	34.13
Ebersole, Doug	Tutor		\$	91.00
Elder, Sarah	Tutor		\$	182.00
Elder, Sarah	Tutor		\$	295.75
Heath, Londa	Tutor		\$	68.25
Heath, Londa	Tutor		\$	91.00
McDonald, Pam	Tutor		\$	91.00
Morningstar, Valerie	Tutor		\$	102.00
Morningstar, Valerie	Tutor		\$	80.00
Morningstar, Valerie	Tutor		\$	45.50
Morse, Bradley	Tutor		\$	250.25
Morse, Bradley	Tutor		\$	113.75
Wells, Laura	Tutor		\$	22.75
Wells, Laura	Tutor		\$	45.50

6. Approve the September 2015 Athletic Fund Report, reflecting a cumulative balance of \$12,142.88 as reflected on
7. Approve the September 2015 Activity Fund Report, reflecting a cumulative balance of \$89,333.96 as reflected on
8. 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:

- Elementary Wrestling to use BCO Classroom (parent meetings) and wrestling room for practice beginning November 9 through March 14, 2016 on Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays (5:30 pm – 8:00 pm) with John Husick as supervisor.
- Boys Basketball Boosters to use café on November 24 (4:30 pm – 6:00 pm) to sort fundraiser with Stacy Cornelius as supervisor.
- Boys Elementary Basketball to use Jr High gym for games (vs each other) on Dec 12, 19, Jan 2, 9, 16 (8 am – 12 pm) with Randy Meck, Matt Mellott, Matt McCahan as supervisors.
- Girls Elementary Basketball to use Sr High gym for games on Dec 12, Jan 2, 9, 16, 30 (12 pm – 3:30 pm) with Jason Weaver as supervisor.

- Elementary Wrestling to use both gyms, BCO classroom (parent meetings), hallways on January 23, 2016 (6 am – 9 pm) for annual tournament with John Husick as supervisor.
- Sassy Spinnerz to use the high school parking lot on Saturdays beginning April 2016 through September 2016 (10 am – 12 pm) for practice with Ashley Smouse as supervisor.
- Learning Lamp to use the Library for an Emergency Certification Seminar for Substitute Teachers on Nov. 19 (6:00 – 7:00 p.m.), with Jona Duppstadt as supervisor.

9. Award the snow plow bid to Wesley Hann for Robertsdale Elementary at a rate of \$65 per hour.

10. Establish an activity account for the Star Wars Club as requested by Doug Ebersole.

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous

M.C.

POLICY & CURRICULUM

Motion by Vivian Foster second by Rodney Figard to approve the following field trip/academic trip requests, conditioned upon the availability of substitute teachers, as recommended by the Administration:

GROUP	SUPERVISOR	DESTINATION	DATE	PURPOSE	COST
Star Wars Club	Doug Ebersole, Laura Wells	Huntingdon Theater	Dec. 21	See historic theater/discussed story elements during club	No district cost
Gr. 6 (all bldgs.)	6 th Grade teachers	Pittsburgh	May 4	Educational Day with the Pirates	No district cost
Gr. 2 (all bldgs.)	2 nd Grade teachers	Old Bedford Village	May 20	History	No district cost
Hand Bell Choir	Bonnie Jenkins	Saxton Parkway	Dec. 3	Performance for Lighting of the Tree	Transp.
Hand Bell Choir	Bonnie Jenkins	New Granada Church of God	Dec. 5	Performance	Transp.
Hand Bell Choir	Bonnie Jenkins	TMHS	Dec. 10	Concert	No district cost

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous

M.C.

Motion by Vivian Foster second by Bill Brumbaugh to approve revisions to Policy 808 (Food Services) as recommended by the Policy & Curriculum Committee.

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous

M.C.

Motion by Vivian Foster second by Brenda Folk to approve the 2016 – 2019 Comprehensive Plan, as recommended by the Policy & Curriculum Committee.

Brenda Folk noted that the Plan reported not using a School Resource Officer but the Board just recently approved the local police department to pursue a grant to provide one. After a short discussion, it was agreed that the motion would be amended to incorporate the possible use of a resource officer if the grant was received.

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous (as amended)

M.C.

BUILDING USE

Motion by Jim Hodge second by Bill Brumbaugh 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:

- TM Elementary Hoops Program to use the Gymnasium for practice and games from Nov. 18, 2015 through Feb. 25, 2016 (6:00 – 8:00 p.m.), with Mat Stoudnour, Randy Meck, and Glen Carbaugh as supervisors.
- Kim Donaldson to use the Aerobic Room (F102) for the Penn State Pro Wellness Grant Community Program during the 2015-16 school year on Mondays (5:00 – 6:00 p.m.) and Saturdays (9:00 – 10:00 a.m.)

SAXTON LIBERTY ELEMENTARY:

- TM Elementary Hoops Program to use the Gymnasium for practice and games from Nov. 18, 2015 through Feb. 25, 2016 (6:00 – 8:00 p.m.), with Mat Stoudnour, Randy Meck, and Glen Carbaugh as supervisors.
- PTA to use the PTA Room for Santa’s Workshop on Dec. 7-9 (8:45 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.), with Kristal Miller as supervisor.

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous

M.C.

INFORMATION: Amanda Adams and Casey Flaherty want you to be aware of an educational trip to Europe is being planned (not school affiliated)

PERSONNEL

Motion by Bill Brumbaugh second by Aaron Martin to approve the following bona fide volunteers listed at a stipend for 2015-16 to be determined upon successfully negotiating a renewal of agreement between the TMEA and the TMSB:

NAME	POSITION	STIPEND
Mike Villa	Volunteer Wrestling	None
Tim Fockler	Volunteer Wrestling	None
Keith Stevenson	Volunteer Wrestling - Elementary	None
Rodney Brumbaugh	Fall Game Manager	TBD
John Horton	Volunteer Wrestling	None
Michael Runk	Volunteer Boys Basketball – Elementary	None
Chris Black	Volunteer Girls Basketball – Elementary	None
Deb Brownsberger	Volunteer Drama (Costumes)	None
Melanie Gresko	Volunteer Drama (Costumes)	None
Sue Johnson	Volunteer Drama (Costumes)	None

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous

M.C.

Motion by Bill Brumbaugh second by Roy McCabe to approve the following requests for leave without pay for 2015-16 for reasons acceptable to the Administration:

- Colleen Kline – one day
- Tracey Mitchem – one or two days (pending snow)
- Wanda Miller – one day

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous

M.C.

Motion by Bill Brumbaugh second by Roy McCabe to approve an extended medical leave for an employee (unpaid) for two – four weeks, as prescribed by the attending physician.

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous M.C.

Motion by Bill Brumbaugh second by Roy McCabe to approve Family Medical Leave for an employee for six – eight weeks, as prescribed by the attending physician.

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous M.C.

Motion by Bill Brumbaugh second by Brenda Folk to approve the following TSS/BHS aides for 2015-16, conditioned on submission and approval of required documentation:

Children’s Behavioral Health

Marika Good
Ian Paul Darby
Alda Messner

Family Behavioral Resources

Kathleen Ann Petruzzo
Kathryn Guyer
Francis Scott

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous M.C.

Motion by Bill Brumbaugh secon by Vivian Foster to accept, with regret, a resignation letter from Wanda Miller, Office Aide at Defiance Elementary, effective January 9, 2016 (last working day January 8).

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous M.C.

Mr. Bollman’s monthly Superintendent Report was provided.

Trenton provided an update on the Powder Puff football game, Winter sports season, Competition Cheerleading achievements, French Week report, and Spirit Week report.

The Principals provided their monthly reports.

Rodney and Bill both gave a short farewell speech, with Rodney challenging the Board to reinstate Art and to begin a Foreign Language Program at the elementary level.

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made to adjourn at 7:50 p.m. by Bill Brumbaugh, seconded by Roy McCabe with no objections.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa M. Rankin
Secretary