**Allegheny Valley School District**

**November 8, 2016**

The planning session of the Allegheny Valley School Board was held Tuesday evening, November 8, 2016. President Mr. Larry Pollick presided. The meeting was called to order at 7:14 p.m. and opened with the flag salute.

Roll Call: Mr. Conte Mr. Puskar

Mr. Gaschler Mrs. Renaldi

Ms. Haas Mr. Rocco

Mrs. Jursa Mr. Pollick

Ms. Moretti

Also in attendance were Mr. Graczyk, Mr. Hoffman, Mr. Rau, Mr. Sanchez, Mr. Davis, Mr. Simpson, Dr. Nuzzo, Ms. Holler, Ms. Vecchio, Ms. Kaczor, students, staff members, and community members.

Mr. Pollick announced that the Board had been in Executive Session prior to the meeting for Personnel matters, Supplemental Contracts.

AUDIENCE CONCERNS: None.

PRESENTATIONS:  
1. Ms. Tina Kaczor presented information on the 1:1 program survey results. Discussion was held on the matter.

2. A representative from Senate Engineering provided information on the stone wall at Veterans’ Field. Discussion was held on the matter.  
3. Mr. Graczyk and Mr. Rau provided an update on the tennis courts restroom facilities.

The following motions were discussed with no action taken:

MINUTES: No Report.

BILLS/PAYMENTS: No Report.

OPERATIONS/FINANCE:

1. Recommend the Board approve Senate Engineering Company to complete the Veteran’s Field Wall Repair using Option #1 – Using Redi-Rock Ledgestone in the amount of $218,431. After discussion, the Board asked to have the motion removed from the agenda pending additional information.

2. Recommend the Board appoint \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_to serve as the Temporary Chairperson (President) at the December 6, 2016 Reorganization Meeting until a president is approved.

3. Recommend the Board approve the New Story Tuition Agreement for the 2016‑2017 school year at a cost of $320/day.

4. Recommend the Board approve the two-year Collaborative Referral Letter of Agreement with Family Services of Western PA beginning with the 2016-2017 school year.

5. Recommend the Board approve Resolution #2016-11-2.5 to participate in the Allegheny Intermediate Unit’s Joint Purchasing Program and appoint a regular and an alternate member of the Joint Purchasing Board.

Brad H. Rau, Regular Member

Patrick M. Graczyk, Alternate Member

EDUCATION:

1. Recommend the Board approve a Spring trip to Williamsburg, VA on Friday, May 19, 2017 – Sunday, May 21, 2017 for the Springdale High School Marching Band and Choir. No cost to the district. Ms. Moretti asked about the cost of substitutes. Mr. Rau stated that two substitutes would be needed for one day. Mr. Puskar asksed to have these requests brought to the Board with more advanced notice. Discussion was held on the matter.

Mr. Conte requested that a meeting of the Education and Technology committees be scheduled to discuss a snow day plan.

TECHNOLOGY: No Report.

PERSONNEL:   
1. Recommend the Board approve the employment of the following Athletic Personnel:

A. Victoria DiDomenico, 7th and 8th Grade Cheerleading Coach

Effective: November 15, 2016; Compensation: $1228.50 ($2,457 Prorated)

B. Kristina Stiner, 7th and 8th Grade Cheerleading Co-Coach

Effective: August 24, 2016 through November 14, 2016; Compensation: $614.25

C. Lisa Leasure, 7th and 8th Grade Cheerleading Co-Coach

Effective: August 24, 2016 through November 14, 2016; Compensation: $614.25

2. Recommend the Board approve the employment of the following Classified Personnel:

A. Heather Chase, Cafeteria Substitute

Effective: November 15, 2016; Compensation: $8.75 per hour

B. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **[PENDING RECEIPT OF PAPERWORK]**, Custodian

Effective: November 15, 2016; Compensation: $11.20/hour w/ all benefits per SEIU Agreement

3. Recommend the Board approve the temporary reclassification of the following Paraprofessional:

A. Casey Weber, Colfax Upper Elementary School (Replacing Employee #892 who is on leave)

Compensation: $150/day plus Individual Benefits; Effective: November 14, 2016

4. Recommend the Board approve the unpaid Child Bearing/Child Rearing Leave request for the following employee:

A. Employee #1098 (Ashley Kostick)

Effective: December 10, 2016 - not to exceed 12 weeks

5. Recommend the Board approve the reclassification of the following classified employees:

A. Julianne Burrell, Reclassified from Cafeteria Worker to Cafeteria Monitor

Effective November 15, 2016, Compensation: $10.30 per hour

B. Dana Muller, Reclassified from Cafeteria Substitute to Dish Washer

Effective November 15, 2016; Compensation: $9.25 per hour

6. Recommend the Board accept the resignation of Karen Jarvie, Paraprofessional, effective   
 November 15, 2016.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: No Report.

ATHLETICS & ACTIVITIES: No Report.

POLICY REVIEW:

1. Recommend the Board approve the first reading of a revision of Policy #702, Gifts, Grants, Donations.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:  
1. Mr. Rau explained options for the District’s bussing contract. After discussion, the Board directed Mr. Rau and Mr. Graczyk to enter into discussions with W.L. Roenigk on the matter and bring additional information back to the Board.

2. Mrs. Renaldi commented on Springdale Jr-Sr High School students and their reaction to the death of a Riverview student, explaining that members of the SHS student body took a blanket to the funeral home for the Riverview student’s family. She stated that she was very proud of our students.

3. Mr. Puskar asked about the color of commencement robes that was brought up by the Superintendent (to move to have only one color robe for the graduation ceremony). Tradition is for students to wear two colors, black and white, of robes. After discussion, it was decided to allow the individual classes to make the decision.

4. Mr. Puskar asked about the School-wide Positive Behavior program and its budget. Mr. Simpson stated that there is a small budget for the program. Mr. Rau explained that the District has to adhere to auditing controls. Discussion was held on the matter. Mrs. Jursa asked if the School-wide Positive Behavior program committee could make a presentation to explain the program to the Board.

Congratulations was extended to Mr. Sanchez and the Boys’ Soccer Team and the Girls’ Volleyball Team on their fall seasons.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS: None.

With no further business to come before the Board, Ms. Haas made a motion seconded by Mrs. Renaldi to adjourn the meeting, 8:42 p.m. Voice vote carried the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Zastawniak

Public Relations Director