

Allegheny Valley School District

October 10, 2017

The planning session of the Allegheny Valley School Board was held Tuesday evening, October 10, 2017. President Mr. Larry Pollick presided. The meeting was called to order at 7:14 p.m.

Roll Call:	Mr. Conte - absent	Mr. Puskar - absent
	Mr. Gaschler	Mrs. Renaldi
	Ms. Haas	Mr. Rocco
	Mrs. Jursa - absent	Mr. Pollick
	Ms. Moretti	

Also in attendance were Mr. Graczyk, Ms. Rajgopal, Mr. Hoffman, Mr. Heavner, Mr. Simpson, Ms. Holler, Dr. Welter, Ms. Vecchio, Mr. Slezak, students, staff members, and community members.

Mr. Pollick noted the passing of retired football coach Chuck Wagner and asked for a moment of silence in Mr. Wagner's memory.

AUDIENCE CONCERNS: None.

PRESENTATIONS:

1. Mr. Dave Parker, Messaro, provided information on the schedule for the Acme Construction Project.

The following motions were discussed with no action taken:

MINUTES: Recommend the Board approve the September 12, 2017, the September 18, 2017, and the September 22, 2017 Minutes.

BILLS/PAYMENTS: No Report.

OPERATIONS/FINANCE:

1. Recommend the Board approve the following overnight conferences:
 - Mr. Raymond Davis to attend the PSADA 2018 Conference in Hershey on March 20-23, 2018
District Cost Estimate: \$1,470 for registration, lodging, meals, and mileage
 - Mr. John McDermott to attend the 2017 TEEAP STEM Conference in Lancaster on October 26-27, 2017
District Cost Estimate: \$397.50 for registration and mileage
2. Recommend the Board approve the Parent Transportation Contract for Jennifer Oleson to transport her child to St. Joseph School, which is within ten miles of the District.

EDUCATION:

1. Recommend the Board approve complimentary school privileges, under Section 1302 of the PA School Code, for a student who is under the guardianship of a resident of the District. The proper notarized papers have been submitted to the Business Office.
2. Recommend the Board approve a student trip to the Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C. on Friday, December 1, 2017 for interested students in Grades 11 and 12. The only cost to the District is

for substitute coverage for a maximum of 4 teachers. Ms. Sue Mellon and Ms. Nancy Kelley presented information on the trip.

TECHNOLOGY: No Report

PERSONNEL:

1. Recommend the Board approve the employment of _____ [PENDING UPDATED PAPERWORK] as Head Swim Coach, effective October 17, 2017 with compensation of \$3,517.00.
2. Recommend the Board approve the employment of Ms. Jeannine McCutcheon as a part-time paraprofessional, effective October 17, 2017 at a rate of \$12.40 per hour.
3. Recommend the Board approve Mr. James Gaschler, Jr. as a volunteer for Springdale Jr-Sr High School's fall play and spring musical, effective October 17, 2017.
4. Recommend the Board approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to reclassify the Administrative Assistant to Business Operations position from a Level II 12-month to a Level III 12-month position.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: No Report.

ATHLETICS & ACTIVITIES:

A discussion was held to clarify information on fees for the swim team. Mr. Graczyk explained that the fees are for the use of the Valley High School pool, where the Springdale athletes practice. The fees are approximately \$80 per student. Mr. Hoffman stated that the item should have Board action. Mr. Rocco asked if this item would be on an agenda each year and Mr. Graczyk stated that it would. Further discussion was held on the matter.

Mrs. Renaldi thanked the Jeanette School District for decals in memory of Chuck Wagner that they donated to the football team to wear on their helmets. She also noted that the Boys' and Girls' Soccer Teams would be continuing their seasons in the WPIAL playoffs.

POLICY REVIEW:

Discussion was held on updates to Administrative Regulations, Section 000 (Local Board Procedures) and AR 903 (Public Participation in Board Meetings). Mr. Hoffman explained AR 903, noting that within the Sunshine Law the Board has the right to establish reasonable rules and regulations for public participation. Discussion was held on the matter. Mr. Pollick asked about recording of Board Meetings. Mr. Graczyk updated the Board on the information gathering on the matter. Mr. Gaschler asked if the ARs were public information. Mr. Graczyk explained that Administrative Regulations support the policies. The ARs provide guidance to the administration on how to carry out the policy. Further discussion was held on the matter.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Ms. Moretti asked if the Board could receive an agenda for the October 27 Professional Development Day. Mr. Graczyk stated that one would be distributed.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS:

Mr. David Bachman asked about Administrative Regulations and asked about deleting information on a time period for citizens to register to speak at a School Board meeting, noting that sometimes the agenda was not released within that time frame. Discussion was held on the matter.

With no further business to come before the Board, Mrs. Renaldi made a motion seconded by Ms. Haas to adjourn the meeting, 7:53 p.m. Voice vote carried the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Zastawniak
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