Allegheny Valley School District November 19, 2018

The regular meeting of the Allegheny Valley School Board was held Monday evening, November 19, 2018. President Mr. Antonio Pollino presided. The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.

Roll Call: Mr. Gaschler Mrs. Renaldi

Mrs. McFarland Mr. Rocco Ms. Moretti Mr. Whelan Mr. Pollick Mr. Pollino

Mr. Puskar

Also in attendance were Mr. Graczyk, Ms. Rajgopal, David Mongillo (solicitor), Mr. Sanchez, staff members, and community members.

AUDIENCE CONCERNS: None.

PRESENTATIONS:

- 1. Mr. Todd Baldwin, Massaro Corp., provided an update on the Acmetonia Construction project and provided an updated timeline for the areas of the project. He noted that the District was given temporary occupancy for the computer rooms and gymnasium. The chairlift in the gymnasium stage area, the elevator, and kitchen are still outstanding areas for the project.
- 2. Mr. Graczyk shared a video created by senior Anna Yaksich for the Veterans' Day program.
- 3. Mr. Gaschler and Mr. Pollick reported on the recent PSBA conference they attended, providing an overview of sessions and vendors visited.

Mr. Pollino announced that the District did receive the rights to the show *Mama Mia!* This musical will be performed in March by the high school Drama Club.

MINUTES: Ms. Moretti made a motion seconded by Mrs. Renaldi to approve the minutes of the October 9 and 15, 2018 Meetings. Voice vote carried the motion.

BILLS/PAYMENTS: Mr. Puskar made a motion seconded by Mrs. Renaldi and Mr. Pollick to approve the October 2018 Treasurer's Report, the payment of bills (Disbursement Ledger), and the Accounts Payable List. Voice vote carried the motion.

OPERATIONS/FINANCE: Mr. Rocco made a motion seconded by Mr. Pollick to approve the following motions:

- 1. The purchase of a Gator with Snow Plow and Salt Spreader Attach-ments with CoStars vendor Deere & Company in the amount of \$17,584.30.
- 2. The Soccer Scoreboard Upgrades and New Softball Scoreboard Purchase and Installation with CoStars vendor Institutional Specialties, Inc. in the amount of \$28,650.00.
- 3. Ms. Hamsini Rajgopal to attend the 64th Annual PASBO Conference, March 5-8, 2019 in Hershey, PA. Approximate cost is \$349 per person for registration and \$178/night for lodging per person as well as meal and mileage reimbursement.
- 4. The transfer of \$125,494.66 from the General Fund to the Food Service Fund.

- 5. The purchase BoardDocs PRO at the cost of :one-time startup fee of \$1,000 and the annual subscription fee of \$9,000. (The annual fee will be increasing to \$10,500 after March 17). This price reflects the PSBA discount.
- 6. Change Order #'s 52, 73, 79, 80, 82, 83, 90, 92, 93, and 97 as they relate to the Acmetonia Construction Project. Final cost for these Change Orders is a cost of \$19,877.60.
 - Change Order #52: Wheels Mechanical
 - Courtyard Hose Bibs
 - o Cost: \$1,390.42
 - Change Order #73: Wheels Mechanical
 - o Condensate line repair for existing cafeteria
 - o Cost: \$415.98
 - Change Order #79: LMI
 - Reconnect existing heating unit in the kitchen
 - o Cost: \$4,767.29
 - Change Order #80: Vern's Electric
 - Power to existing north exterior light fixtures
 - o Cost: \$2,407.50
 - Change Order #82: Vern's Electric
 - Revised gymnasium lighting configuration
 - o Cost: \$2,762.66
 - Change Order #83: Vern's Electric/Mike Coates Construction
 - Elevator revisions per pre-inspection installation
 - o Cost: \$3,252.23
 - Change Order #90: Mike Coates Construction
 - Music room footer unsuitable soil removal
 - o Cost: \$677.00
 - Change Order #92: LMI
 - o Furnish Exhaust Fan PRV-8
 - o Cost: \$1,319.45
 - Change Order #93: LMI
 - Cut exterior wall for existing univents
 - o Cost: \$1,195.43
 - Change Order #97: Vern's Electric
 - O Stage egress exit signage and chair lift lighting
 - o Cost: \$1,689.64

Voice vote carried the motion.

EDUCATION/TECHNOLOGY:

Mr. Puskar made a motion seconded by Mr. Rocco to approve Ms. Sue Mellon, Ms. Carla Lagattuta, Mr. Len Herrington and qualified students to participate in the Academic Games National Competition in Orlando, FL from April 25, 2019 through April 30, 2019. Costs for transportation to and from Orlando and staff chaperone costs (including room & board, meals, travel, entrance fees) are not to exceed \$5,000. District will pay cost of substitute teachers. Voice vote carried the motion.

PERSONNEL: Mrs. Renaldi made a motion seconded by Ms. Moretti to approve the following motions:

- 1. The employment of the following Classified Employees:
 - A. Ms. Dorothy Pfeiffer, Cafeteria Substitute \$9.00 per hour and Cafeteria Monitor \$10.30 per hour, Effective: November 20, 2018
 - B. Ms. Lisa Leasure, Cafeteria Substitute Effective: November 20, 2018, Compensation: \$9.00 per hour

- C. Ms. Jadyn McCleery, Paraprofessional
 - Effective: November 20, 2018, Compensation: \$93.00 per day, plus individual benefits
- D. Mr. Michael Dudjak (Ratify), Paraprofessional
 - Effective: November 13, 2018, Compensation: \$93.00 per day, plus individual benefits
- 2. Accept, with regret, the resignation of the following Classified Employees:
 - A. Ms. Jamie Medure, Cafeteria Substitute
 - Effective: October 31, 2018.
 - B. Ms. Cindy Domski, Bus Aide/Lunch Monitor Effective: October 26, 2018
- 3. Accept, with regret, the resignation of Ms. Amy Zastawniak, May Day Sponsor, effective October 16, 2018.
- 4. Accept, with regret, the resignation of Ms. Aileen McDermott, 7th Grade Girls Volleyball Coach, effective November 8, 2018.
- 5. Recommend the Board approve the request of Employee #233 for a Sabbatical Leave for Restoration of Health for the second semester of the 2018-19 school year.
- 6. Recommend the Board approve the Leave Request of Employee #762, FMLA Effective: January 7, 2018, not to exceed 60 work days.
- 7. Recommend the Board approve the employment of Ms. Angie Rudulf as an Extended Day-to-Day Substitute. Ms. Rudulf will replace Employee #762 who is out on an approved leave, effective January 7, 2018 at the compensation rate of \$150 per day.

Voice vote carried the motion.

Mrs. Renaldi made a motion seconded by Ms. Moretti to table the motion to "Recommend the Board ratify the employment of Ms. Heather Harapko and Ms. Keely Grover as the 7th & 8th Grade Co-Sponsors, at the compensation rate of \$714.50 each, effective September 25, 2018" for clarification of the job title.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:

Ms. Moretti made a motion seconded by Mr. Puskar to approve the creation of a position for a second School Police Officer, to be employed by the District pursuant to the procedure of Section 1302-C of the Pennsylvania Public School Code, and to conduct interviews for such position. On roll call vote, all members voted yes, with Mr. Gaschler, Mrs. McFarland, and Mr. Rocco voting no and stating they oppose the process to come to this vote. Motion carried, 6-3.

ATHLETICS & ACTIVITIES: No Report.

Mr. Pollick reported:

- AIU A meeting will be held next week, with the architectural study of the Waterfront facility. The Board has decisions to make regarding the state of the building.
- Forbes Road A lot of questions still surround the negotiations at Forbes. There is a new arbitrator and the Board and Association will meet again in early December.

POLICY REVIEW: Ms. Moretti made a motion seconded by Mrs. Renaldi to approve the following motions:

- 1. The First Reading to a Revision of Policy #201, Admission of Students.
- 2. The First Reading to a Revision of Policy #806, Child Abuse.
- 3. The First Reading to a Revision of Policy #808, Food Services.

Voice vote carried the motion.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- A. Mr. Whelan asked if any staff members were interested in the May Day Sponsor position. Mr. Graczyk stated that could be a challenge.
- B. Mr. Pollino asked if the administration had started exploring a social worker position. Mr. Graczyk stated they have, and if agreed upon by the Board, the Board would need to create and position and approve a job description. Mr. Pollino asked to have the item put to the Personnel Committee. Mr. Graczyk stated that he believes the District should move in this direction whether or not any additional grant money is received or not. He will have something for the December agenda.
- C. Mr. Rocco asked if the gymnasium is now open for students, is it now also open for outside groups. Mr. Gracyzk stated he would check on the matter.
- D. Mr. Rocco asked about an update on the Colfax Re-Purposing Committee. Mr. Graczyk stated letters were sent to municipalities for representatives. The meeting is open to the public and will be advertised.
- E. Mrs. McFarland asked if students from the same family will be transported on different buses to Acme after the merger. Ms. Zastawniak stated that should not happen; parents should contact the Acme office with questions.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS:

Mr. Salvatore Conte was recognized and asked if the plow and spreader were replacements or new equipment. Mr. Pollino replied they are new. Mr. Conte stated that the amount for Food Service seems rather large, is that for one year. Mr. Pollino replied no, and that the District is looking into ways to save money.

With no further business to come before the Board, Ms. Moretti made a motion seconded by Mrs. Renaldi to adjourn the meeting, 8:09 p.m. Voice vote carried the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Zastawniak Public Relations Director