

PALMERTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Tuesday, May 21, 2024

Parkside Boardroom, 680 Fourth Street, Palmerton, PA

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1. CALL TO ORDER 5:30 P.M.: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. ROLL CALL:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Ms. Connell	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ms. Haas	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ms. King	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ms. Krawchuk	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mr. Mazepa	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mrs. Paules
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mr. Paules	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mrs. Schaible	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ms. Snyder	<input type="checkbox"/>	Dr. Frankelli	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mr. Kish	<input type="checkbox"/>	Atty. Lochinger

3. STUDENT REPORT:

4. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:

5. BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT:

6. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

7. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Palmer Elementary renovation
- B. Weight room renovation
- C. 2024-2025 solicitor fee proposals

8. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (POLICY #903):

There shall be time available for public participation at the beginning and end of each board meeting. The beginning session is open for agenda items only and the ending session is open for any agenda times or issues relating to school district policies and operations. Informal requests shall be afforded five (5) minutes for presentation. Should the speaker find the five (5) minute time allotment to be insufficient for his/her presentation, a more detailed written presentation shall be an option. Please note that public interruption of the meeting will detract from the meeting.

9. MEETING MINUTES:

- A. Motion for the Board of School Directors to approve the board meeting minutes from April 16, 2024 (enclosure).

Motion by: _____ Seconded by: _____
Vote: Yes _____ No _____ Absent _____ Abstentions _____

10. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Motion for the Board of School Directors to approve the attached consent agenda.

Motion by: _____ Seconded by: _____
Vote: Yes _____ No _____ Absent _____ Abstentions _____

11. FISCAL:

- A. Motion for the Board of School Directors to approve the proposed final budget for 2024-2025 with a 1 mill index increase and expenditure totals of \$39,921,692. The 2024-2025 Real Estate Tax mills will be set at 65.9150. The final budget is set to be approved at the June 18, 2024 board meeting (enclosure).

Motion by: _____ Seconded by: _____
Vote: Yes _____ No _____ Absent _____ Abstentions _____

- B. Motion for the Board of School Directors to approve the Public School Facility Improvement Grant Resolution in the amount of \$1,200,000 to be used for replacing all external windows at S. S. Palmer Elementary School and Parkside Education Center with the remainder of the cost provided by the District (enclosure).

Motion by: _____ Seconded by: _____
Vote: Yes _____ No _____ Absent _____ Abstentions _____

12. PERSONNEL:

- A. Motion for the Board of School Directors to accept the resignation of Jodi Frankelli, Superintendent, effective May 10, 2024.

Motion by: _____ Seconded by: _____
Vote: Yes _____ No _____ Absent _____ Abstentions _____

13. OTHER:

- A. Motion for the Board of School Directors to approve _____ as Treasurer of the Palmerton Area School Board effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 at the rate of \$400.00 per year.

Motion by: _____ Seconded by: _____
Vote: Yes _____ No _____ Absent _____ Abstentions _____

- B. Motion for the Board of School Directors to approve the Letter of Understanding between the Carbon Lehigh Intermediate Unit and the Palmerton Area School District outlining the terms, conditions, and fees for executive search services (enclosure).

Motion by: _____ Seconded by: _____
Vote: Yes _____ No _____ Absent _____ Abstentions _____

14. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

15. FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:

16. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by: _____ Seconded by: _____
Vote: Yes _____ No _____ Absent _____ Abstentions _____

PALMERTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

CONSENT AGENDA

Tuesday, May 21, 2024

1. FISCAL:

- A. Approve Accounts Payable Reports (enclosures)
- B. Approve Treasurer's Reports (enclosures)
- C. Approve Budget Transfers (enclosures)
- D. Approve the Shop Machinery Maintenance Agreement with Shop Specialties, Inc. for the wood lab at the high school for the 2024-2025 school year in the amount of \$1,450.00 plus any repair parts required (enclosure)
- E. Approve retroactively the contract with Dan's Camera City for the photo booth for the prom held May 3, 2024 (enclosure)
- F. Approve retroactively the party lease agreement with LaRose's Roller Skating Rink for the Junior High School Student Council skating party held May 16, 2024 (enclosure)
- G. Approve the Kalahari Resort banquet event order agreement for the Junior National Honor Society field trip on May 30, 2024 (enclosure)
- H. Approve the Cost-Savings Program with Behavioral Health Associates for the 2024-2025 school year (enclosure)
- I. Accept the following donation:

The Giant Company, Feeding School Kids Initiative	toward outstanding student lunch debt	\$3,400.31
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2. PERSONNEL:

- A. Acknowledge the following horizontal movement effective the first semester of the 2024-2025 school year:

Brian Stevko	From Master's +45 to Master's +60
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- B. Approve the following uncompensated leave request:

Employee #574	June 4, 2024
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- C. Rescind Karissa Nenscel as Teacher in the Elementary Summer School program from July 9, 2024 through August 1, 2024
- D. Approve Kimberly Nenscel as Teacher in the Elementary Summer School program from July 9, 2024 through August 1, 2024 at the Professional Services rate per the PAEA Collective Bargaining Agreement

E. Accept the resignations of the following:

Margaret Morgan	Instructional Assistant	Effective at conclusion of the 2023-2024 school year
Michael Noyola	Cross Country Assistant Coach	Effective May 21, 2024
Shawn Leadbetter	Football Assistant Coach (1/4)	Effective May 21, 2024

F. Approve the following Coaches for the 2024-2025 school year effective May 22, 2024:

Michael Noyola	Cross Country MS Coach (1/2)	\$1,400.00
David Frederickson, Jr.	Cross Country Assistant Coach	\$2,798.00
Shawn Leadbetter	Football Assistant Coach (1/2)	\$2,121.00
Austin Cseh	Football Assistant Coach (1/4)	\$1,061.00

G. Approve the following Winter Coaches for the 2024-2025 school year:

BASKETBALL-BOYS:		
Joseph Krempasky	Assistant Coach	\$4,242.00
Brian Stevko	Assistant Coach	\$4,242.00
Chase Reph	Assistant Coach (1/2)	\$2,121.00
Michael Egan	Assistant Coach (1/2)	\$2,121.00
Nathaniel Dougherty	Volunteer Assistant Coach	--
Kyle Kern	Volunteer Assistant Coach	--
Dylan Knouse	Volunteer Assistant Coach	--
BASKETBALL-GIRLS:		
Jeremy Coleman	Head Coach	\$6,480.00
James Hay	Assistant Coach	\$4,242.00
Travis Fink	Assistant Coach	\$4,242.00
Jason DeWalt	Assistant Coach (1/2)	\$2,121.00
Jarrad Hedes	Assistant Coach (1/2)	\$2,121.00
WRESTLING:		
Justin Petersen	Head Coach	\$6,480.00
Joshua Rake	Assistant Coach	\$4,242.00
John Hard	Assistant Coach	\$4,242.00
Alfredo Ortiz, Jr.	Assistant Coach	\$4,242.00
Thomas Pasquariello	Assistant Coach	\$4,242.00
Jacob Christman	Volunteer Assistant Coach	--
Zachary Christman	Volunteer Assistant Coach	--
Shawn Gardner	Volunteer Assistant Coach	--
Matthew Lalik	Volunteer Assistant Coach	--
Aaron Suranofsky	Volunteer Assistant Coach	--
Dennis Lombardi	Volunteer Assistant Coach	--
Jamie Tomsic	Volunteer Assistant Coach	--

H. Approve the following Cheerleading Advisors for the 2024-2025 school year:

Joy Devino	Advisor	\$2,609.00
Christine Ruzicka	Advisor	\$2,609.00

Colby Ruzicka	Advisor MS (1/2)	\$1,305.00
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- I. Approve retroactively the following Spring Event Workers at a rate of \$23.00 per event for the 2023-2024 school year effective April 9, 2024:

Sage Nalesnik
John Schaible

- J. Approve tuition reimbursements (enclosure)

3. OTHER:

- A. Approve the revised 2024-2025 school district calendar (enclosure)
- B. Approve the Flexible Instructional Days application for the 2024-2025, 2025-2026, and 2026-2027 school years (enclosure)
- C. Approve the field trip request for the grades 7-12 music trip to Norfolk, Virginia, tentatively from May 15, 2025 through May 18, 2025 (enclosure)
- D. Approve retroactively Robert Schaninger as George’s Transportation bus driver for the remainder of the 2023-2024 school year effective May 8, 2024
- E. Approve the CLIU #21 Agreement for TransPerfect Remote Interpreters Products & Services beginning July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 (enclosure)
- F. Approve the agreement for CLIU#21 OverDrive Consortium for the high school library for the 2024-2025 school year in the amount of \$2,275.00 (enclosure)
- G. Approve the affiliation agreement with Commonwealth University of Pennsylvania for the five (5) year period beginning May 22, 2024 through May 21, 2029 (enclosure)
- H. Approve the following conferences (enclosures):

Jamie Schuler	PASCD’s (PA Assoc. for Supervision & Curriculum Development) AI Ready: Leading Through Change in the Age of AI – via Zoom	June 17, 2024	Estimated cost of \$125.00
Jamie Schuler	PASCD’s Curriculum Leadership Academy sponsored by PASCD at NEIU 19, Archbald, PA	June 24, 2024 and June 25, 2024	Estimated cost of \$500.00

- I. Approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the Palmerton Area Education Association regarding the cheerleading advisors (enclosure)
- J. Approve the first reading of the following policies (enclosures):
- 1) Policy #214 Class Rank
 - 2) Policy #217 Graduation
 - 3) Policy #247 Hazing