

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

Tuesday, November 19, 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:

Dr. Connell	Ms. Haas	Ms. King	Ms. Krawchuk	Mr. Mazepa	Mrs. Paules
Mr. Paules	Mrs. Schaible	Ms. Snyder	Mr. Kish	Atty. Lochinger	

3. STUDENT REPORTS:

4. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:

A. Foreign exchange students

5. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

6. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Feasibility study update

7. 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.

8. MEETING MINUTES:

A. Motion for the Board of School Directors to approve the board meeting minutes from October 15, 2024 (enclosure).

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

9. 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 _____

10. PERSONNEL:

A. Motion for the Board of School Directors to approve David Sodl as Substitute Junior High School Principal at the annual salary of \$100,000.00 prorated effective November 20, 2024 through January 2, 2025.

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

11. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

12. FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:

13. ADJOURNMENT:

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

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CONSENT AGENDA

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1. FISCAL:

- A. Approve accounts payable reports (enclosures)
- B. Approve treasurer's reports (enclosures)
- C. Approve budget transfers (enclosure)
- D. Approve the contract/performance license with MTI Production in the amount of \$4,125.75 for the Drama Club's performance of *Sweeney Todd School Edition* on April 24, 2025 through April 26, 2025 (enclosure)

2. PERSONNEL:

- A. Approve the following Instructional Assistants at a rate of \$18.28 per hour effective November 20, 2024:

Samantha Haas
Janelle Taylor

- B. Approve retroactively the severance and release agreement with employee #716 effective November 1, 2024 (enclosure)

- C. Approve the following for Family & Medical Leave:

Employee #313	Effective from approximately April 25, 2025 through June 11, 2025
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- D. Approve retroactively the following uncompensated leave request:

Employee #609	Effective from November 12, 2024 through December 6, 2024
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- E. Approve the following Club Advisors for the remainder of the 2024-2025 school year:

Joshua Nenscel, Advisor	Student Council-HS	\$2,051.00 prorated	Effective retroactively November 2, 2024
Nellianne Parr, Advisor	National Honor Society-JHS	\$1,030.00 prorated	Effective November 20, 2024
Jaclyn Ivancich, Co-Advisor	Sixth Sense	\$413.00 prorated	Effective November 20, 2024
William Zeky, Co-Advisor	Sixth Sense	\$413.00 prorated	Effective November 20, 2024
Matthew Blanchard, Advisor	Fishing	--	Effective November 20, 2024
Julia Dougherty, Co-Advisor	STEM	--	Effective November 20, 2024
Travis Fink, Co-Advisor	STEM	--	Effective November 20, 2024

F. Accept the following resignations:

Kaitlin Ribble	Instructional Assistant	Effective October 30, 2024
Joshua Nenscel	Student Council-HS Co-Advisor	Effective November 1, 2024

G. Approve the following Substitute at a rate of \$10.00 per hour effective November 20, 2024:

Kaitlin Ribble	Substitute Instructional Assistant and Substitute Secretary
Nicole Smith	Substitute Instructional Assistant

H. Approve Melissa Fronheiser as a Palmerton Area Music Parents' Association (PAMPA) Volunteer Chaperone for the remainder of the 2024-2025 school year effective November 20, 2024

I. Approve tuition reimbursement (enclosure)

3. OTHER:

A. Approve the following revised field trip request (enclosures):

HS International Travelers Club	Costa Rica	Approx. June 20 through June 27, 2025	Expenses fully covered by student participants and their families
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B. Approve the independent contractor translator/interpreter agreement with Alfred Bravo beginning on November 20, 2024 through June 30, 2025 (enclosure)

C. Approve the second reading and adoption of the following policy (enclosure):

- 1) Policy #816 District Social Media