

**JUNIATA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS**

Thursday, September 17, 2015

8:00 PM BOARD MEETING

Fermanagh-Mifflintown Elementary School

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Juniata County School District was held Thursday, September 17, 2015 in the Fermanagh-Mifflintown Elementary School multipurpose room, all members having been duly notified. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by Mrs. Glenda Leister, President.

II. BOARD MEMBERS

The following board members were present at roll call:

Mrs. Glenda I. Leister

Mrs. Christine D. Shadel

Mr. Joseph R. Shearer

Mr. Danny R. Snyder

Mrs. Amy L. Wagner

Mr. Dennis R. Irvin, Mr. John G. Noss, Mr. Ray D. Page and Mr. Larry J. Rothrock were absent at roll call.

III. COMMUNICATIONS

A. School Board Secretary

There were no comments from the board secretary.

B. School Board Members

There were no comments from board members.

C. School District Administration

Mr. Yarger reported that there had been a "fairly decent" start of the school year and commended the Juniata High School administration, teachers and students on the good job in handling what they had been faced with.

D. Public Comment Period

There were no requests for public comment.

As the President of the Board of School Directors conducts this meeting, it will not be necessary to announce each Director's name for each roll call vote. If, however, a Director or Directors wish to comment or have his/her comment or vote specifically recorded, the Director(s) shall have the opportunity to so state. The President of the Board of Directors will announce before each roll call vote that if he hears no objections from any members of the committee present, the vote will be considered a unanimous roll call vote and so recorded.

IV. It was moved by Mrs. Wagner and seconded by Mr. Snyder to approve minutes of school board committee meetings, special and regular school board meetings held, and listing of executive sessions conducted.

B. Executive Sessions Conducted
September 17, 2015, Executive Session for Contractual and Personnel Issues

Roll Call:

Ayes: Shadel, Shearer, Snyder, Wagner, Leister

Nays: None

Motion carried.

V. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

On a Snyder/Wagner motion, approval was given of items 1-2, as follows:

1. Approval of revised Juniata County School District Policy 138, English as a Second Language/Bilingual Education Program. EXHIBIT CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION A-1
2. Approval of first reading of revised Juniata County School District Policies 113, Special Education; 113.2, Independent Educational Evaluations; 127, Assessment System; and 137, Home Education Programs. EXHIBIT CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION A-2

Roll Call:

Ayes: Shadel, Shearer, Snyder, Wagner, Leister

Nays: None

Motion carried.

B. CUSTODIAL-MAINTENANCE-PROPERTY

On a Wagner/Snyder motion, approval was given of items 1-3, as follows:

1. Approval to contract with Higher Information Group for the purchase and installation of additional video surveillance cameras at East Juniata High School at a total cost of \$7,741.82. EXHIBIT CUSTODIAL-MAINTENANCE-PROPERTY B-1
2. Approval of the following facility use requests, in accordance with the rental fee schedule outlined in Policy 707:

Malachi Scott, Hustle Elite, TJHS Gym, Practice, Mondays, 2015-2016 school year;
Neil Glick, Juniata Mennonite School, Fayette Elem. Grounds, Parking, Oct. 2-3, 2015;
Daniel R. Smith, Back To Jerusalem, JHS Auditorium, Public Meeting, October 13, 2015;
Laura Chubb, EJHS Cheerleaders, Fayette Elem. Caf., Painting Party, Oct. 24, 2015;
Michelle Beaver, Juniata County Probation, JHS Auditorium, Town Hall Meeting,
November 5, 2015;
Travis Quici, EJHS Girls' Basketball, EJHS Caf., Dinner/Silent Auction, Nov. 7, 2015;
Jessica Morgan, Juniata FFA, JHS Gym, Volleyball Tournament, November 10, 2105;

3. Approval to pay one-third the total cost to repair and resurface tennis courts located at Moist Run Park, contingent upon the agreement of Mifflintown Borough and Fermanagh Township to divide the remaining cost.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Shadel, Shearer, Snyder, Wagner, Leister

Nays: None

Motion carried.

INFORMATION: Tuscarora Junior High School has been selected as a United Way Day of Caring site. Volunteers will complete landscaping projects at the school on September 16, 2015.

C. FINANCE

BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT

On a Wagner/Shadel motion, approval was given of items 1-3 and Taxes 1 as follows:

1. Approval of financial reports for August 2015. EXHIBIT FINANCE C-1
2. Approval of listing of bills for payment. EXHIBIT FINANCE C-2
3. Approval of the Juniata County School District Auditor General's Performance Audit Report for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 board certification/adopting the response and corrective action plan. EXHIBIT FINANCE C-3

TAXES

1. Approval of the request of American Legion Post 298 for exemption from a realty transfer tax.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Shadel, Shearer, Snyder, Wagner, Leister

Nays: None

Motion carried.

INFORMATION: List of taxpayers exonerated from paying 2015 per capita taxes under current board policy. EXHIBIT BUSINESS – TAXES

D. CAFETERIA

E. TRANSPORTATION

F. STUDENT-RELATED

On a Wagner/Snyder motion, approval was given of items 1-7, as follows:

1. Approval of revised Juniata County School District Policies 116, Tutoring; 212, Reporting Student Progress; and 222, Tobacco. EXHIBIT STUDENT-RELATED F-1
2. Approval of Juniata County School District Policy 918, Title I Parent Involvement. EXHIBIT STUDENT-RELATED F-2
3. Approval of first reading of revised Juniata County School District Policy 216, Student Records. EXHIBIT STUDENT-RELATED F-3
4. Approval of agreements with school dentists to provide examinations in schools as indicated for the 2015-2016 school year:

Dr. William Crim	East Juniata High School Fayette Elementary School Tuscarora Valley Elementary School Tuscarora Junior High School
Dr. Wade Guisbert	Monroe Elementary School Thompsontown-Delaware Elementary School Walker Elementary School Juniata Mennonite School
Dr. Max Manbeck	Fermanagh-Mifflintown Elementary School Lack-Tuscarora Elementary School Mountain View Elementary School
5. Approval to excuse a student from school attendance, subject to final approval by the Pennsylvania Department of Education. The excusal is for a temporary period of time and will be periodically reevaluated to determine if the student's condition has sufficiently changed to warrant a return to school.
6. Approval of the following student field trip requests:
 - EJHS/JHS Ag Class/FFA, Fall CDE, Huntingdon, Thursday, September 24, 2015;
 - *Thomp.-Del. Elem. Grade 1, Cherry Crest Adventure Farm, Ronks, Thurs., Oct. 1, 2015;
 - EJHS/JHS Ag Class/FFA, Fall Leadership Conference, Altoona, Mon., October 5, 2015;
 - EJHS Chorus Students (9), Crimson Hawks Invitational Choral Conference, Indiana, PA, Tuesday, October 6, 2015;
 - *Tuscarora Valley Elementary Grade 2, Family Fun Farm, Newport, Fri., Oct. 9, 2015;
 - *Fayette Elementary Students, Book Fair Preview, McAlisterville, Mon., Oct. 12, 2015;
 - *EJHS AP English Students, Renaissance Faire, Manheim, Thursday, October 15, 2015;
 - JHS Ag Ed Students, Career Fair, Penn State University, Tuesday, October 20, 2015;
 - EJHS/JHS Ag Classes/FFA, National Convention, Louisville, KY, Tues.-Sat., Oct. 27-31, 2015;
 - *POD Students, Mock Senate, Harrisburg, Thursday, October 29, 2015;
 - *JHS Ag Class/FFA, Leadership Conference, Philadelphia, Fri.-Sat., Nov. 13-14, 2015;
 - *Fayette Elementary Students, Santa's Workshop, McAlisterville, Wed.-Thurs., Dec. 9-10, 2015;
 - EJHS/JHS Ag Class/FFA, PA Farm Show, Harrisburg, Monday, January 11, 2016;

JHS Ag Class/FFA, Judging Class at Farm Show, Harrisburg, Sat., January 16, 2016;
EJHS/JHS FFA, ACES Conference, Hershey/Harrisburg, Sat.-Sun., February 20-21, 2016;
JHS Plant Sciences Class, Winter Outlook Meeting, Mifflintown, Thurs., March 3, 2016;
EJHS/JHS Ag Classes/FFA, Conference, Hershey/Harrisburg, Sun.-Tues., March 6-8,
2016;

JHS Ag Classes/FFA, Public Speaking Event, Lewistown, Tuesday, March 22, 2016;

*TJHS Eighth Graders, Hersheypark, Hershey, Friday, May 13, 2016.

And, further approve community-based instruction for Juniata High School life skills support classroom students, who travel to a variety of local businesses on a weekly or bi-weekly basis. Trips are part of the transition component of the students' IEP's.

**Transportation will be paid by groups making request.*

7. Approval of six or more weeks of homebound instruction for a Tuscarora Junior High School student, beginning September 14, 2015.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Shadel, Shearer, Snyder, Wagner, Leister

Nays: None

Motion carried.

G. PERSONNEL

On a Snyder/Wagner motion, approval was give of items 1-13, as follows:

1. Approval of revised Juniata County School District Policies 323,423 and 523, Employees, Tobacco Use. EXHIBIT PERSONNEL G-1
2. Approval of the following resignations:
 - Robin L. Scannella, Walker Elementary School Level 1 paraprofessional, effective August 23, 2015;
 - Nicole J. Whitesel, Mountain View Elementary School Level 1 paraprofessional, effective September 8, 2015;
 - Bonita G. Strawser, Monroe Elementary School Level 1 paraprofessional, effective September 30, 2015.
3. Motion removed from agenda.
4. Approval of the employment of Dalton J. Buckley as a 5.5-hour-per-day, day shift custodian, to be shared among the district's three secondary schools, at an hourly rate of \$10.96, effective upon the receipt of required clearances. Mr. Buckley assumes a position established at the board's June 18, 2015 meeting.

INFORMATION:

- a) Stacey M. Pannebaker transferred from a Fayette Elementary School Level 1 paraprofessional position to a Fermanagh-Mifflintown Elementary School Level 1 paraprofessional position, effective August 27, 2015.

- b) Danielle Messimer transferred from a temporary Tuscarora Valley Elementary School Level 1 paraprofessional position to a temporary Walker Elementary School Level 1 paraprofessional position, effective September 8, 2015.
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5. Approval of the employment of Danielle Messimer as a Walker Elementary School Level 1 paraprofessional, at an hourly rate of \$10.09, effective September 18, 2015. Ms. Messimer replaces Robin Scannella, who has resigned.
 6. Approval of the employment of Christina Snook as a Mountain View Elementary School Level 1 paraprofessional, at an hourly rate of \$10.09, effective September 18, 2015. Ms. Snook replaces Nicole Whitesel, who has resigned.
 7. Approval of the employment of Amber L. Foose-Miller as a temporary Walker Elementary School Level 1 paraprofessional, at an hourly rate of \$10.09, effective September 18, 2015. Ms. Miller replaces Danielle Messimer.
 8. Approval of the elimination of a Fayette Elementary School Level 2 paraprofessional position, the creation of an East Juniata High School Level 2 paraprofessional position, and the transfer of Cheri L. Peck to the East Juniata High School position, effective August 27, 2015.
 9. Approval of the elimination of an East Juniata High School Level 1 paraprofessional position, the creation of a Monroe Elementary School Level 1 paraprofessional position, and the transfer of Judith T. Brown to the Monroe Elementary School position, effective August 27, 2015.
 10. Approval of Carrie L. Baumgardner as a substitute LPN and Kristi Ehrisman and Lezlee J. Mummah as substitute school nurses.
 11. Approval of maternity leave for Employee 2242, approximately November 2, 2015 through approximately February 3, 2016.
 12. Approval of Lori L. Boyd as Social Studies Department chair, in accordance with the Juniata County School District-Juniata County Education Association Collective Bargaining Agreement. Mrs. Boyd replaces Angela Sieber, who has resigned from the position.
 13. Approval of the following conference request in accordance with the Juniata County School District Conference Policy:

Misty Hoover, PA Art Education Association Conference, Harrisburg, October 16, 2015.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Shadel, Shearer, Snyder, Wagner, Leister

Nays: None

Motion carried.

INFORMATION: Katelyn M. Alderfer will transfer from an East Juniata High School learning support teaching position to an itinerant elementary learning support position that was established at the board's August 20, 2015 agenda, effective September 18, 2015.

H. ATHLETICS AND ACTIVITIES

On a Wagner/Snyder motion, approval was given of items 1-3, as follows:

1. Approval of revised Juniata County School District Policy 904, Public Attendance at School Events. EXHIBIT ATHLETICS AND ACTIVITIES H-1
2. Approval of the following extracurricular positions for the 2015-2016 school year, at the 2015-2016 contract rate:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>School</u>
Caren Mann	Student Assistance Program	TJHS
Lori Boyd	Student Assistance Program	TJHS
Jessie Reed	Student Assistance Program	TJHS
Phillip Lupolt	Student Assistance Program	TJHS
Zachary Smith	Student Assistance Program	TJHS
Angela Clark	Freshman class advisor	JHS
Angela Walters	Sophomore class advisor	JHS
Erin Cook	Junior class advisor	JHS
Angela Sieber	Senior class advisor	JHS
Kelli Strawser	National Honor Society advisor	JHS
Sharon Storey	Student Assistance Program	JHS
Angela Sieber	Student Assistance Program	JHS
Lisa Kile	Student Assistance Program	JHS
Kurt Condo	Student Assistance Program	JHS
Robert St. Clair	Student Assistance Program	JHS
Christopher Heidenreich	Senior play director	JHS
Bradley Eargle	Senior play music director	JHS
Kelli Strawser	Student Council co-advisor	JHS
Angela Clark	Student Council co-advisor	JHS
Chelsea Boyer	HOSA advisor	JHS
Bradley Eargle	Marching/concert band director	JHS
Ashley Cameron	Silks advisor	JHS
Rachel Hayes	Majorette advisor	JHS
Steve Whistler	Junior play art director	JHS
Steve Whistler	Senior play art co-director	JHS
Sara Sutton	Senior play art co-director	JHS
Sharon Storey	Yearbook advisor	JHS
Suzanne Hummel	Junior class play director	JHS
Laura Toth	Freshman class advisor	EJHS
Jennifer Hund	Sophomore class advisor	EJHS
Reesa Watto	Junior class advisor	EJHS
Mark Ritzman	Senior class co-advisor	EJHS
Cory Benner	Senior class co-advisor	EJHS
Penny Ritzman	Junior class play director	EJHS
Kevin Milliken	Sr. high marching band director	EJHS
Laura Sheets	Student Assistance Program	EJHS
Johnathan Sliski	Student Assistance Program	EJHS
Simon Cameron	Student Assistance Program	EJHS

Penny Ritzman	Student Assistance Program	EJHS
Penny Ritzman	Senior play director	EJHS
Kevin Milliken	Senior play music director	EJHS
Julie Hannon	Student Council advisor	EJHS
Drew Ciecierski	Yearbook co-advisor	EJHS
Dawn Frye	Yearbook co-advisor	EJHS
Jeremy Roush	Junior class play art director	EJHS
Jeremy Roush	Senior class play art director	EJHS

EJHS game day personnel: Thomas Devine, Arlen Saner, James Tusing

3. Approval of the following volunteer extracurricular position for the 2015-2016 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>School</u>
Rodney Feltman	Field hockey coach	EJHS

Roll Call:

Ayes: Shadel, Shearer, Snyder, Wagner, Leister

Nays: None

Motion carried.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

1. It was moved by Mr. Snyder and seconded by Mrs. Wagner to approve an agreement with Bloomsburg University for a field study, internship, practicum or student teaching program.

EXHIBIT OTHER BUSINESS VI-1

Roll Call:

Ayes: Shadel, Shearer, Snyder, Wagner, Leister

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Mr. Yarger reported that he had spoken with director of maintenance, Jonathan Stouffer, who had raised some concerns about the boiler/heating system, foundation, doors and roof at Thompsonstown-Delaware Elementary School. Mr. Stouffer will seek the recommendations of engineers and contractors and report back to the board.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, it was moved by Mrs. Wagner and seconded by Mr. Snyder to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Polly S. Digon
Board Secretary