

PENNS MANOR AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION

MINUTES OF MEETING OF FEBRUARY 10, 2011

The regular meeting of the Penns Manor Area School Board of Education of February 10, 2011 was called to order by President Robert Packer at 7:00 p.m. On roll call the following members were present: Mr. Beilchick, Mrs. Eckenrode, Mr. Hardesty, Mr. Oakes, Mr. Packer, Mr. Sutila and Mr. Thornton. Mr. Dick and Mrs. Dudeck were excused. The following administrators were present: Mrs. Davis, Mr. Kakabar, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Grimaldi, and Mr. Kudlawiec. Also present was Mr. Saffron, Esq.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The agenda was approved as printed.

**CITIZENS' REMARKS TO BOARD**

None

**MINUTES OF ALL MEETINGS**

Minutes of all meetings were approved as printed.

**BUSINESS REPORT**

Motion by Mr. Sutila, seconded by Mrs. Eckenrode, to approve the financial report as printed. On roll call the following members voted:

Mr. Oakes	Yes	Mr. Dick	Excused
Mr. Packer	Yes	Mrs. Dudeck	Excused
Mr. Sutila	Yes	Mrs. Eckenrode	Yes
Mr. Thornton	Yes	Mr. Hardesty	Yes
Mr. Beilchick	Yes	Motion Carried	

**PRESENTATION OF BILLS - enclosure 3**

A. General Account - \$148,629.92

B. Athletic Account - \$580.12

C. Cafeteria Account - \$30,572.69

Motion by Mrs. Eckenrode, seconded by Mr. Sutila, to authorize payment of bills.

On roll call the following members voted:

Mr. Oakes	Yes	Mr. Dick	Excused
Mr. Packer	Yes	Mrs. Dudeck	Excused
Mr. Sutila	Yes	Mrs. Eckenrode	Yes
Mr. Thornton	Yes	Mr. Hardesty	Yes
Mr. Beilchick	Yes		
Motion Carried			

**PROGRAMS UPDATE**

None

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Negotiations Committee**

Nothing at this time.

**Athletic Committee**

**Volunteers**

Motion by Mrs. Eckenrode, seconded by Mr. Sutila, to approve the following volunteers: Baseball – John Bonatesta (clearances on file); Jr. Hi. volleyball – Chelsie Brown (clearances on file) and Danielle Malicky (pending clearances). On roll call the following members voted:

Mr. Oakes	Yes	Mr. Dick	Excused
Mr. Packer	Yes	Mrs. Dudeck	Excused
Mr. Sutila	Yes	Mrs. Eckenrode	Yes
Mr. Thornton	Yes	Mr. Hardesty	Yes
Mr. Beilchick	Yes	Motion Carried	

**Budget & Finance Committee - Mr. Beilchick, Spokesperson**

**Preliminary Budget**

Motion by Mr. Beilchick, seconded by Mr. Hardesty, to adopt the proposed preliminary general fund budget for the 2011-2012 fiscal year with a 5.0 mill tax increase on real estate as follows: revenues - \$14,699,437.00; expenditures - \$16,027,230.00; and borrow from the fund balance - \$1,327,793.00. A copy of the complete proposed preliminary budget is incorporated into this motion. On roll call the following members voted:

Mr. Oakes	Yes	Mr. Dick	Excused
Mr. Packer	Yes	Mrs. Dudeck	Excused
Mr. Sutila	Yes	Mrs. Eckenrode	Yes
Mr. Thornton	Yes	Mr. Hardesty	Yes
Mr. Beilchick	Yes	Motion Carried	

**Special Session of Act 1 of 2006**

Motion by Mr. Beilchick, seconded by Mrs. Eckenrode, based upon the preliminary budget proposal for fiscal year 2011-2012 as adopted by the School District, which provides for a proposed real estate tax increase that exceeds the index, the Board of School Directors hereby authorizes the School District to seek approval from the Pennsylvania Department of Education to increase the millage rate of real estate taxes by more than the index for fiscal year 2011-2012. Further, the Board of School Directors hereby authorizes the appropriate officers of the Board and the Administration to execute all documents pertaining to such requested approval from the Department. Further, the Administration is hereby authorized to perform all acts necessary to comply with the requirements of

the Taxpayer Relief Act pertaining to such requested approval from the Department. On roll call the following members voted:

Mr. Oakes	Yes	Mr. Dick	Excused
Mr. Packer	Yes	Mrs. Dudeck	Excused
Mr. Sutila	Yes	Mrs. Eckenrode	Yes
Mr. Thornton	Yes	Mr. Hardesty	Yes
Mr. Beilchick	Yes	Motion Carried	

### **Sting Communications**

Motion by Mr. Beilchick, seconded by Mr. Sutila, to approve the resolution to grant a two-year contract extension to Sting Communications and to continue participation in the Northwest Regional Wide-Area Network through June 30, 2014. A copy of the entire resolution will be included in the minutes of this meeting. On roll call the following members voted:

Mr. Oakes	Yes	Mr. Dick	Excused
Mr. Packer	Yes	Mrs. Dudeck	Excused
Mr. Sutila	Yes	Mrs. Eckenrode	Yes
Mr. Thornton	Yes	Mr. Hardesty	Yes
Mr. Beilchick	Yes	Motion Carried	

### **Building & Grounds Committee**

#### **Permission to Post and Advertise**

Motion by Mrs. Eckenrode, seconded by Mr. Hardesty, to grant the administration permission to post and advertise, if necessary, for a full-time cleaner position. On roll call the following members voted:

Mr. Oakes	Yes	Mr. Dick	Excused
Mr. Packer	Yes	Mrs. Dudeck	Excused
Mr. Sutila	Yes	Mrs. Eckenrode	Yes
Mr. Thornton	Yes	Mr. Hardesty	Yes
Mr. Beilchick	Yes	Motion Carried	

### **Curriculum Committee**

#### **Permission to advertise**

Motion by Mr. Sutila, seconded by Mr. Beilchick, to grant the administration permission to advertise for bids for industrial arts supplies for 2011-12 school year. On roll call the following members voted:

Mr. Oakes	Yes	Mr. Dick	Excused
Mr. Packer	Yes	Mrs. Dudeck	Excused
Mr. Sutila	Yes	Mrs. Eckenrode	Yes
Mr. Thornton	Yes	Mr. Hardesty	Yes
Mr. Beilchick	Yes	Motion Carried	

**Substitutes**

Motion by Mr. Sutila, seconded by Mrs. Eckenrode, to approve the following as day-to-day substitutes for 2010-11: professional – Megan Brown, elementary and special education, and David Verno, music education; guest teacher – Gary Cirelli. On roll call the following members voted:

Mr. Oakes	Yes	Mr. Dick	Excused
Mr. Packer	Yes	Mrs. Dudeck	Excused
Mr. Sutila	Yes	Mrs. Eckenrode	Yes
Mr. Thornton	Yes	Mr. Hardesty	Yes
Mr. Beilchick	Yes	Motion Carried	

**Transportation Committee**

**Additional Vehicle**

Motion by Mr. Oakes, seconded by Mr. Beilchick, to approve the following van for Tri County Transportation for the 2010-11 school year: 2005 Dodge Caravan, license no. HRB-4683, vin no. 1D4GP24R65B158825. On roll call the following members voted:

Mr. Oakes	Yes	Mr. Dick	Excused
Mr. Packer	Yes	Mrs. Dudeck	Excused
Mr. Sutila	Yes	Mrs. Eckenrode	Yes
Mr. Thornton	Yes	Mr. Hardesty	Yes
Mr. Beilchick	Yes	Motion Carried	

**CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Information only.** Penns Manor Area will host the 41<sup>st</sup> Annual ARIN Convention of School Directors on April 19, 2011.

**Student Recognition:**

- 1) PMEA Senior of the Month for February: RJ Hayes

**REQUESTS FOR FIELD TRIPS OR CONFERENCES**

A. Field trips/conferences that have been approved by the administration:

**FIELD TRIPS:**

- 1) Lisa Donatelli & Joe Packer; 30 - 9<sup>th</sup> grade students; ICTC 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Shadowing; Indiana; January 20; District \$0; Will ride ICTC Bus.
- 2) Amanda Roach; 7 Lifeskills students; CBI Community Learning Lab; Homer City; February 1, 10, 17, and 24; District \$440.00
- 3) Amanda Roach; 7 Lifeskills students; CBI Walmart; Indiana; February 3; District \$91.50.
- 4) Scott Lowry; 59 - 8<sup>th</sup> grade students; tour Indiana County Jail; Indiana; February 4;

District \$176.50.

- 5) Paul Rode; 65 band & cheerleaders; Steelers Rally; Johnstown; February 4; District \$0; Costs paid by AmeriServ Bank.
- 6) Jan Yeager; 8-12 - 12<sup>th</sup> grade students; PAS Program, WCCC; Indiana; February 9, 16, 23; March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 and April 6; District \$934.47.
- 7) Amanda Roach; 5 Lifeskills students; CBI Cambria County Association for the Blind & Handicapped; Ebensburg; February 9; District \$195.00
- 8) Ron Fulton; 5 Driver's Ed students; Penn DoT Tour; Indiana; February 9; District \$0; All costs to be reimbursed by ABEL.
- 9) Beth Cessna; 15 Cheerleaders; Celebration Lunch at Luigi's; Clymer; February 10; District \$91.50

WORKSHOPS/CONFERENCES:

None

B. Motion by Mr. Sutila, seconded by Mrs. Eckenrode, to approve the following field trips/conferences:

FIELD TRIPS:

- 1) Amanda Roach; 7 Lifeskills students; CBI Martins; Indiana; February 16; District \$91.50
- 2) Amanda Roach & Gretchen Prebish; 21 Lifeskills students; CBI Groundhog Zoo & Pizza Hut; Punxsutawney; February 22; District \$94.58
- 3) Amanda Roach; Lifeskills students; CBI Tates & Dollar Store; Clymer; February 23; District \$91.50
- 4) Debbie Hoover, Kathy Hawk, Lorraine Ludwig; 64 - 2<sup>nd</sup> grade students; Jaffa Shrine Circus; Altoona; April 15; District \$384.85; PTG \$256.00
- 5) Alyce Zuchelli & Paul Rode; 80 - 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade students; Buddy Day at Kennywood; Pittsburgh; May 20; District \$764.63
- 6) Jean Bence; Marty Condino, Beth Palilla, Holly Benevidez; 69 - 5<sup>th</sup> grade students; Old Bedford Village; Bedford; May 20; District \$722.85.

WORKSHOPS/CONFERENCES:

- 7) Bill Packer; Motivating "That" Student; Altoona; March 2; Title I \$217.25
- 8) Debbie Hoover; Supporting Students with Autism; Allegheny IU #3; Homestead; March 4; District \$142.12.
- 9) Kristin Kessler & Amanda Roach; Assistive Technology Process; ARIN IU; Indiana; March 7; District \$230.00.
- 10) Julie Thomas; Meeting the Literacy Challenge; ARIN IU 28; Indiana; March 21; District \$27.34
- 11) David Cowles & Carol Marcenzo; 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Children's Literature Conference; Pitt-Greensburg Campus; Greensburg; May 6; District \$221.00

On roll call the following members voted:

Mr. Oakes	Yes	Mr. Dick	Excused
Mr. Packer	Yes	Mrs. Dudeck	Excused
Mr. Sutila	Yes	Mrs. Eckenrode	Yes
Mr. Thornton	Yes	Mr. Hardesty	Yes
Mr. Beilchick	Yes	Motion Carried	

## **REPORTS**

### **Superintendent**

Mr. Kakabar reported on the following:

- Meetings and activities attended since the January meeting.
- Budget Committee will meet Thursday, February 24, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. to continue discussions on the proposed preliminary 2011-2012 budget.
- Budget meetings will be held this month at ICTC and ARIN, Report at March Committee meeting.
- Governor's budget presentation scheduled for March 24, 2011 at Appalachia IU #8.
- EduJobs Funding.

### **Director of Student Services**

Mrs. Davis reported on the following:

- Continue with after-school seminars with Pare-Professionals
- Planning for Parent Involvement – May date
- Access Funds – Working with Math teachers in High School

### **High School Principal**

Mr. Johnston reported on the following:

- Distributed High School Calendar
- Attended Dr. Doran Strategic Planning Meeting
- Attended Indiana Principal's meeting regarding Keystone Exam

### **Elementary Principal**

Mr. Grimaldi reported on the following:

- Accelerated Reader – Progress 210 out of 405 students awarded
- Honor Roll 2<sup>nd</sup> Marking Period 187 of 269 students recognized
- Bully Survey
- Report card
- PSSA Crunch Time

Cafeteria financial - **enclosure 5**

Athletic financial - **enclosure 6**

High School Activity account - **enclosure 7**

NEXT REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING - Thursday, March 10, 2011

WORKSHOPS/COMMITTEE MEETINGS, OR OTHER SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Thursday, February 24, 2011 – Budget meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, March 3, 2011 - Committee meeting at 7:00 p.m.

MEETING RECESSED AT 7:30 p.m.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The board met in executive session at 7:35 pm for Act 93.

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David S. Kudlawiec, Board Secretary