

WEST BRANCH AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

SPECIAL SESSION

January 5, 2015

Members Present: Joseph M. Kovalcin, Larry Allen, Robert Seprish, Melvin Smeal, Don Yontosh, Christina Brown, Gerald Coble, Chad Diviney, Paul Carr

Members Absent:

Student Representatives:

Media Present: Tyler Kolesar, The Progress News

Administration Present: Jason McMillen, Michelle Dutrow, Mark Mitchell, Joseph Holenchik

Others Present: Kasi Woodring, Board Secretary; David Consiglio, Solicitor; Ron Mollura, Holly Petriskey, Nicole Petriskey, Allison Koleno, Lynn Brewer, Susan Lawrence

OPENING EXERCISES

President Joseph Kovalcin called the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m. All present were asked to stand and pledge allegiance to the American Flag.

STUDENT REPORTS

There were no reports.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Ronald Mollura asked the Board if there was inappropriate behavior going on at the school with some employees. He also stated there was tobacco being used at the football field by a Board Member and asked if the situation was handled. He further stated that he received a call that there was inappropriate coach behavior in the locker room during one of the football games.

MINUTES

Mr. Paul Carr, in the form of a motion, recommended to approve the minutes from December 4, 2014. Mr. Melvin Smeal seconded the motion and it was carried by a vote of 9-0-0.

PERSONNEL

Volunteer Mr. Gerald Coble, in the form of a motion, recommended to approve Brian McGonigal, to the volunteer list, all paperwork has been completed. Mr. Don Yontosh seconded the motion and it was carried by a vote of 9-0-0.

W. Fernburg Resignation Mr. Don Yontosh, in the form of a motion, recommended to approve the resignation of Wendy Fernburg, Special Education Supervisor, effective immediately. Mr. Paul Carr seconded the motion and it was carried by a vote of 9-0-0.

H. Wilson Resignation Mr. Don Yontosh, in the form of a motion, recommended to approve resignation of Hank Wilson, 2nd Grade Teacher, effective immediately. Mr. Chad Diviney seconded the motion and it was carried by a vote of 9-0-0.

A. Koleno
Asst.
Principal

Mr. Don Yontosh, in the form of a motion, recommended to approve Allison Koleno as Assistant Principal (K—12), effective Monday, January 12, 2015, for the remainder of the 2014-2015 school year at a stipend of \$3,500. (Mrs. Koleno will be replacing Wendy Fernburg, Supervisor of Special Education, due to resignation, January 5, 2015 board agenda, Personnel #2). Mr. Robert Seprish seconded the motion and it was carried by a vote of 9-0-0.

A. Tiracorda
Sub H.
Wilson

Mr. Don Yontosh, in the form of a motion, recommended to approve Amy Tiracorda, substitute teacher, to fill the vacancy for Hank Wilson, West Branch Elementary 2nd Grade Teacher, for the remainder of the 2014-2015 school year. Mr. Chad Diviney seconded the motion and it was carried by a vote of 9-0-0.

H. Brannon
Sub A.
Koleno

Mr. Don Yontosh, in the form of a motion, recommended to approve Heather Brannon, substitute teacher, to fill the vacancy for Allison Koleno, West Branch Kindergarten Teacher, beginning Monday, February 2, 2015, for the remainder of the 2014-2015 school year. Mr. Paul Carr seconded the motion and it was carried by a vote of 9-0-0.

M. Turner
Long Term
Sub

Mr. Gerald Coble, in the form of a motion, recommended to approve Michelle Turner as a Personal Care Aide Long-Term Substitute for a Kindergarten student until January 26, 2015, due to the resignation of Carla Heitsenrether (December 4, 2014 Board Agenda, Personnel item #6). Mr. Don Yontosh seconded the motion and it was carried by a vote of 9-0-0.

EDUCATION

Field Trips

Mr. Don Yontosh, in the form of a motion, recommended to approve the following motions:

Ski Club to go to Holiday Valley, NY on February 4, 2015. Cost to the District is \$85 for a substitute and cost to the student is \$35 for a lift ticket. (Information Only: Approximately 30 students will be attending the trip. Chaperones are Mark Mitchell, Dan Beahan, Phil Wood and Preston Raymond).

High School Guidance to go to CCCTC on February 10, 2015 (Snow date February 12, 2015). Cost to the district is \$362.40 for transportation and substitutes. (Information Only Approximately 90 students will be attending the trip. Chaperones are Jen Porter, Kim Hubler, Carrie Peterson and Jessica Levonick).

Mrs. Christina Brown seconded the motion and it was carried by a vote of 9-0-0.

TRANSPORTATION & ATHLETICS

K. Fernburg
Resignation

Mr. Don Yontosh, in the form of a motion, recommended to approve the resignation of Ken Fernburg, Head Varsity Baseball Coach, effective immediately. Mr. Paul Carr seconded the motion and it was carried by a vote of 9-0-0.

BUILDING & GROUNDS

No voting items.

POLICY

No voting items.

FINANCE & PURCHASE

Treasurer's Report / Activity Account	Mr. Paul Carr, in the form of a motion, recommended to approve the Treasurer's Report for December and the Activity Account for November. Mr. Don Yontosh seconded the motion and it was carried by a vote of 9-0-0.
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EnerNOC Demand Response Agreement	Mr. Don Yontosh, in the form of a motion, recommended to approve the EnerNOC Demand Response Agreement as presented. Mr. Paul Carr seconded the motion and it was carried by a vote of 9-0-0.
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CORRESPONDENCE

No Correspondence.

OTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Mrs. Dutrow discussed the Budget calendar that was given to the Board and noted the Committee appointments made by Mr. Kovalcin for Board Finance and Negotiations. Board Members that showed interest were placed on the committees.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Don Yontosh, in the form of a motion, recommended to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 p.m. Mr. Larry Allen seconded the motion and it carried with a vote of 9-0-0.

Respectively Submitted,

Kasi Woodring
Secretary to the Board of Education