

Conrad Weiser Area School District Board Briefs

Actions of the board taken on March 19, 2014

THE BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS...

Ratified and/or approved

- general account bills in the amount of \$2,138,551.72, cafeteria account bills in the amount of \$106,932.46, and construction account bills in the amount of \$58,739.28.

the following from the Budget and Finance Committee

- the letter of agreement with Hawk Mountain Council Boy Scouts of America to use the Hawk Mountain Scout Reservation for the 2013-2014 National Environmental Education Development Program (N.E.E.D. Camp).
- authorization for the advertising of bids for general art and custodial and maintenance supplies for 2014-2015.
- the district's participation in a consortium with the BCIU for membership in an educational technology pool for legal services provided by Sweet, Stevens, Katz & Williams, LLP, for the remainder of the 2013-2014 school year.
- the placement of a high school special education student at Tulpehocken Junior/Senior High School for the remainder of the 2013-2014 school year.

the following from the Curriculum Committee

- Cynthia Murdough as Director of N.E.E.D. Camp for sixth grade students for the 2013-2014 school year.
- the list of District personnel as N.E.E.D. Camp staff, presenters, \$45.00 as parent payment for each student, and high school student volunteers for the 2013-2014 camp program.
- the request of Ag/FFA, under the direction of Adam Serfass and John Siefert, to participate in the State FFA CDE and Activities Week at Penn State University on 6/10-6/12/ 2014.
- a modification to the student calendar for the 2013-2014 school year to eliminate 2/13/14 and 2/14/14 as student instructional days.
- the administration to enter into an agreement with Dellicker Strategies, LLC, (Kutztown) to develop a strategy for implementing hybrid learning within the school district and to support the program initiation and operations during the pilot year.
- the academic school calendar for the 2014-2015 school year.

the following from the Extra-Curricular Committee

- extended season pay for winter sports coaches and approval for volunteer coaches for the 2013-2014 school year.

the following from the Facilities/Property Committee

- disposal of overhead projectors, a broken CD player, and a TV/VCR.

the following from the Human Relations Committee

- the employment of substitute support staff personnel for the 2013-2014 school year.
- the employment of substitute teachers for the 2013-2014 school year.
- the following parental leave of absence requests: of Jenny Miller, Special Education Learning Support teacher at the middle school, beginning approximately 4/21/14, and Amanda Weidner, school psychologist, beginning 5/19/14, and continuing through the end of the 2013-2014 school year.
- Ashley Snyder to provide extended homebound instruction for a high school student for an additional six to eight weeks beginning 2/18/14.

- Diane Hubler to provide homebound instruction for a middle school student beginning 2/19/14.
- a reduction in hours for Pamela Schoonover, special education instructional aide, from 8 ¼ to 6 ¼ hours per day.
- the employment of Janelle Ferrara (Wernersville) as a long-term substitute for Barbara Troutman, kindergarten teacher at CW West, effective 2/10/14.
- the employment of Erica Keenan (Boyertown) as a long-term substitute for Allison Swoyer, middle school librarian, effective 3/19/14.
- the employment of Amanda Pacheco (Robesonia) as a long-term substitute for Mary Fisher, special education instructional aide at CW East, effective 3/31/14.

Accepted

the following from the Human Relations Committee

- with regret, the resignation of Brenda Moyer, high school English teacher, effective 3/6/14; and of Tiffiney Hinkle, noon-time aide at CW West, effective 3/7/14.
- with regret, the intention to retire of Alice Hauck, special education aide at the middle school, effective at the end of the 2013-2014 school year.
- with regret, the following intentions to retire at the end of the 2013-2014 school year: of Jeffrey Lillis, grade 4 teacher at CW West; of John Karahuta, Bethany Coordinator; of Louise Houtz, grade 1 teacher at CW West; of Greg Kirschman, technology education teacher at the high school; of Cynthia Clouser, learning support teacher at the high school; of Cynthia Rex, kindergarten teacher at CW East; and of Sheila Gallagher, Special Education Transition Coordinator at the high school.
- the request of Scott Shultz, special education emotional support teacher at the middle school, to revoke his intention to retire with buyout eligibility at the end of the 2013-2014 school year.
- the granting of buyout eligibility to Michael Scarborough, middle school social studies teacher.
- Jennifer Hassler, CW West Principal, as the coordinator of the K-6 Summer Remediation Program for the summer of 2014.
- Elizabeth Phillips as Coordinator for the 2014 Extended School Year program.

Adopted

- Policy No. 213-Assessment of Student Progress -2nd reading, and Policy No. 718-Service Animals in Schools-2nd reading.

Heard

- a concern from a student on the impact of the stalled teachers contract negotiations on student clubs.
- a presentation on hybrid learning from Christine Smith, a representative of Delliker Strategies.

Was informed of

the following from the Budget & Finance Committee

- this year, census information will be sent to residents of South Heidelberg Twp., Marion Twp., Robesonia Borough, and Womelsdorf Borough.
- John Kuhn has been approved by North Heidelberg Twp. to replace John Ruth as tax collector.

the following from the Human Relations Committee

- confirmation of the following actual leave/start dates: Amber Miller, certificated aide at CW West, first day of uncompensated parental leave is 2/27/14; Corrin Saxinger, kindergarten teacher at CW West, first day of uncompensated parental leave is 2/27/14; Margaret Brennan, special education transportation aide returned from an uncompensated leave on 2/24/14.

