

Conrad Weiser Area School District Board Briefs

Actions of the board taken on May 21, 2014

THE BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS...

Ratified and/or approved

- general account bills in the amount of \$2,143,085.50, cafeteria account bills in the amount of \$145,080.94, and construction account bills in the amount of \$44,698.37.

the following from the Budget and Finance Committee

- the Berks County Joint Purchasing Agreement between the District and the Berks County Joint Purchasing Board for the purchase of materials, supplies, and equipment pursuant to Section 521 and Section 1859.1 of the Public School Code.
- Jon Malsnee as solicitor for the District beginning 7/1/14 for a one year term ending 6/30/15.
- the award of bids for art and general supplies for 2014-15.
- Plan A-“All Interscholastic Sports Programs” to Bollinger Insurance (Short Hills, NJ) and the availability to all students (K-12) of this student accident insurance for the 2014-15 school year.
- a Sports Medicine Services Agreement with Commonwealth Orthopaedic Associates, a division of Keystone Orthopaedic Specialists, LLC (Reading) to provide sports medicine services to the District for the 2014-15 school year.

the following from the Curriculum Committee

- the request of Ag/FFA, under the direction of Adam Serfass and John Siefert, to participate in an Environmental Science Field Trip to Mallard Lodge in Smyrna, DE, on 5/27/14-5/28/14.
- the following student teachers for the first semester of the 2014-2015 school year: Carrie Page to teach art with Wendy Kushner in the middle school and Kristin Brumbach to work with Ann Schmidt in the high school library media center.
- new textbooks for select high school business, family and consumer science, and mathematics classes for the 2014-15 school year.
- the posting for and hiring of a part-time hybrid learning coach for the 2014-2015 school year pending receipt of grant dollars.
- pending receipt of Ready-to-Learn dollars: the implementation of a pre-kindergarten program and posting and hiring of a teacher and full-time certificated aide for this program at CW West during the 2014-2015 school year.
- Matthew Esser as N.E.E.D. Camp staff for the 2013-2014 camp program.

the following from the Extra-Curricular Committee

- the request of the American Computer Science League, under the direction of Arlan Dietrich, to attend the ACSL All-Star Contest in Greenwood Village, CO, from 5/21/14-5/25/14.
- the request of the Future Business Leaders of America, under the direction of Elizabeth Wissinger, to attend the FBLA National Leadership Conference in Nashville, TN from 6/27/14-7/3/14.
- a one-time/year fee of \$10.00 for school-sponsored athletic physicals for the 2014-2015 school year.

the following from the Facilities/Property Committee

- replacement of the high school stage floor by Mastercraft Sports Flooring (Lima, PA).
- the revised proposal for Phase 2 of the modular team room design from Muhlenberg Greene Architects, Ltd.

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 employment of Janelle Ferrara (Wernersville) as a long-term substitute for Catherine Hassler, certificated instructional aide at CW West, effective 4/28/14.
- the employment of Rachael Pearson (Reading) as a part-time long-term substitute for Deborah Endler, art teacher at CW East, effective 3/24/14.
- the employment of Sandra Schaeffer (Wernersville) as a part-time special education transportation aide, effective 4/2/14.
- the transfer of Shannon Shearer from a part-time academic year special education instructional aide at the high school to a full-time academic year special education instructional/personal care aide at the high school.
- the transfer of Kristin Minch, middle school assistant principal, to acting middle school principal from 5/19/14-6/30/14.
- lead teachers and tutors for the 2014 Summer Remediation program; teachers, instructional aides, transportation aides, and substitute transportation aides for the 2014 Extended School Year Program for eligible Conrad Weiser special education students.
- the transfer of Donna Balthaser from a part-time to a full-time academic year special education instructional aide at CW East, effective 8/25/14.
- the employment of Jamie Rahn (West Lawn) as a full-time academic year special education instructional aide at the middle school, effective 8/25/14.
- the position guides for Elementary Intervention Specialist and Elementary Reading Specialist.
- the use of mobile dentists in each elementary school for the 2014-2015 school year at no cost to the District.
- Heather Perrine (Robesonia) to provide homebound instruction for an elementary student beginning 4/28/14 and continuing through the end of the 2013-14 school year.
- Peter J. Aiken, Robert G. Galtere, and Alissa B. Sweigart as Lead Administrators of the Scout Virtual Academy for the 2013-2014 school year.
- the employment of Mary Lou Heck (Mohrsville) as a part-time long-term substitute for Shannon Shearer, special education instructional aide at the high school, effective 4/22/14.
- the employment of Kathi Kauffman (Sinking Spring) as a part-time special education instructional aide at CW West, effective 5/9/14.
- the non-renewal of the Temporary Professional Employee contract of Tamara Torres, ESL teacher at CW East and CW West, at the end of the 2013-2014 school year due to decreased enrollment and programmatic changes.
- summer custodial personnel.
- the election of David A. Christensen as treasurer of the School Board for a one-year term from 7/1/14-6/30/15.
- the position guide for Bethany Coordinator.

Accepted

the following from the Human Relations Committee

- with regret, the intention to retire of Victor Witman, middle school custodian, effective 8/15/14.

Rescinded

the following from the Human Relations Committee

- the 7/17/13 approval of Peter J. Aiken as the Lead Administrator of the Scout Virtual Academy.

Adopted

- Policy No. 808.2-Food Service Meal Changes -2nd reading.

Received

- Policy 810.2-Video/Audio Monitors on Buses-1st reading.

Was informed of

the following from the Curriculum Committee

- the number of people who participated in the Robotics trip approved by the board on 3/5/14 included four students and two chaperones.

the following from the Facilities/Property Committee

- as part of his graduation project, senior Ben Randler enhanced the landscaping at the Veterans' Circle in front of the high school.

the following from the Human Relations Committee

- the last work day for Peter Aiken, middle school principal, was 5/16/14.
- Barbara Troutman, kindergarten teacher at CW West, returned from a leave of absence on 4/24/14.
- the first day of the parental leave for Jenny Miller, special education learning support teacher at the middle school, was 4/22/14.
- the following transfers will be made beginning in the 2014-2015 school year: Scott Shultz from special education emotional support teacher at the middle school to special education learning support teacher at the high school to replace Cynthia Clouser (retired); Paula Christensen from certificated special education emotional support aide to learning support instructional aide at the middle school to replace Alice Hauck (retired); Christine Weik from Reading Specialist at CW East to grade 1 at CW West to replace Louise Houtz (retired); and Michelle Diamond from Intervention Specialist at CW East to grade 4 at CW West to replace Jeff Lillis (retired).
- due to shifting enrollments, beginning in the 2014-2015 school year, the number of classrooms at CW West will increase from 23 to 24, and the number of classrooms at CW East will decrease from 25 to 23. As a result, the elementary program will lose one classroom position and the following grade level transfers will be made: Geneva Aulenbach from kindergarten to grade 2 at CW West; Lisa Whitmoyer from kindergarten at CW East to grade 1 at CW West; Samantha Zerbe from grade 4 to grade 3 at CW East; and Tammy Kase from grade 3 to kindergarten at CW East.

Calendar of Events

Monday	6/9/14	Grade 8 Recognition Night	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	6/11/14	Snow make-up day	
Thursday	6/12/14	Snow make-up day; early dismissal (K-12)	
Friday	6/13/14	Snow make-up day; early dismissal (K-12); Last day of school for students	
Monday	6/16/14	No School (K-12) In-service	
Wednesday	6/18/14	Regular School Board Meeting	7:30 p.m.

