

Conrad Weiser Area School District Board Briefs

Actions of the board taken on August 19, 2015

THE BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS...

Ratified and/or approved

- general account bills in the amount of \$721,891.84 ('14-'15); \$2,687,242.17 ('15-'16); and cafeteria account bills in the amount of \$1,205.21 ('14-'15); \$15,413.51 ('15-'16).

the following from the Budget and Finance Committee

- authorization for Scott R. Michael and Robert G. Galtere, representing the secondary administration, and Randall A. Grove and Robin L. Robertson, representing central office, to sign for the payment of any expenditures from the athletic account for the 2015-2016 school year.
- authorization of the purchase of bread, rolls, dairy and non-dairy drinks for the 2015-2016 school year.
- an agreement with Inroads at Family Guidance (Wyomissing) for Employee Assistance Program services from 7/1/15-6/30/16.
- an agreement with Ephrata Mennonite School (Ephrata) to provide transportation for four CW students attending that school; an agreement with the Janus School (Mount Joy) for tuition for a middle school special education student for the 2015-2016 school year, with the District also paying the daily transportation costs.
- the cafeteria budget for the 2015-2016 school year in the amount of \$1,319,820.00.

the following from the Curriculum Committee

- renewal of an Agreement with the BCIU for school students taking on-the-road driver's education instruction, effective 9/1/15.
- a License Agreement for in-school services with The Progressions Company, Inc. (Reading) to provide mental health services for eligible District students, families or groups, from 8/31/15-8/31/16 at no cost to the District.
- the disposal of old textbooks at CW West.

the following from the Extra-Curricular Committee

- Jon Holota as a junior high assistant volleyball coach and Chad Sterner as a junior high head boys' soccer coach for the 2015-2016 school year.
- volunteer coaches for the 2015-2016 school year.
- Jeff Charnoff for contracted services for athletic events for the 2015-2016 school year.
- paid and unpaid high school and middle school extra-curricular positions for the 2015-2016 school year.
- marching band volunteers for the 2015-2016 school year.

the following from the Facilities/Property Committee

- a reduction in the student fee for a reserved space in the high school parking lot from \$25.00 to \$15.00, and a fee of \$5.00 for a general parking tag for a space in the middle school parking lot.
- an agreement with Bethany Children's Home for rental of two classrooms in the Adams-Brumbaugh center from 8/26/15- 6/30/16.
- the administration to sell used cell phones through Gazelle.com.
- a change order to Purcell Construction for the General Trades Contract for the Weiser Decisions Facility Alterations, Renovations, and Upgrades Project (Church Street Property).

the following from the Human Relations Committee

- payment to John Siefert, high school Ag/Science teacher, for teaching a Keystone Biology Remediation course to high school students over a four-day period during the summer of 2015; payment to Denise Rathman, high school counselor and SVA Lead Counselor, for administering the Keystone Biology exam to high school students over a two-day period during the summer of 2015.
- Colleen Irwin as the ESL Coordinator for the 2015-16 school year.
- the appointment of Lindsay Estrada as head teacher at Weiser Decisions for the 2015-2016 school year.
- the appointment of the Elementary Science Lab Coordinators for the 2015-2016 school year.
- secondary department chairpersons for the 2015-2016 school year.
- the request of Amber Rowdon, certificated instructional aide at CW East, for a parental leave of absence beginning approximately 9/12/15 through 1/4/16.
- an agreement for contracted language arts coaching services for grades 5 & 6 with Kathryn Polcrack (Myerstown).
- the transfer of Tabitha Britton from noon-time aide to part-time special education instructional aide at CW East, beginning 8/24/15 and continuing through the end of the 2015-16 school year.
- Romaine Zimmerman and Melany Keys as substitute transportation aides for the 2015 Extended School Year program for eligible CW special education students.
- the list of mentors for the 2015-16 school year.
- changes in the salary status of Professional Employees, effective 8/24/15.
- Julie Mason as Senior Project Coordinator for the 2015-16 school year.
- an uncompensated leave of absence for Tiffany Smith, learning support teacher at the middle school, effective 8/24/15.
- the transfer of Shannon Shearer, part-time special education instructional aide at the high school, to a long-term substitute for Paula Christensen, special education instructional aide at the middle school, effective 8/24/15.
- an increase in hours for Carol Wenrich, part-time food service worker at the middle school, from 3 hours/day to 4 ½ hours/day, effective 8/24/15.
- the employment of substitute support staff personnel and substitute teachers for the 2015-16 school year.
- the employment of Robin Henning (Robesonia) as a part-time noon-time aide at CW West, effective 8/24/15.

Accepted

the following from the Human Relations Committee

- with regret, the resignations of Valerie Macaronis, part-time social studies teacher at the high school, effective 7/10/15; of Alaina Pavelko, special education learning support teacher at CW West, effective 7/29/15; of Jamie Leshner, special education autistic support teacher at CW West, effective 8/21/15; of Jason Kraft, special education emotional support teacher at Weiser Decisions, effective 8/21/15; and of Jamie Rahn, special education instructional aide at the middle school, effective 8/21/15.
- with regret, the intent to retire of Melvin Edinger, Jr., custodian at CW East, effective 8/21/15.

Recognized

- Cheryl Benfer, CW West teacher, as Employee of the Month for organizing and implementing the CW West Summer School breakfast and lunch program.

Rescinded

- the 7/8/15 approvals of Mike McGee, Tammy Schucker, and Jamie Rahn as coaches for the '15-'16 school year.

Received

the following from the Budget & Finance Committee

- reports from the seven tax collectors in the District, presentation to Herbein & Company, Inc., for audit, and exoneration from the collection of all 2014 unpaid per capita taxes.

Heard

- a presentation from Jennifer Hassler, CW West Principal, on 4th grade class sizes.

Was informed

of the following from the Human Relations Committee

- changes in assignments and/or building/grade level changes for the 2015-16 school year: Morgan Chelius from grade 2 at CW West to grade 4 at CW East; Catherine Leonhard from a certificated instructional aide at CW West to CW East; Geneva Aulenbach from certificated instructional aide at CW East to CW West; Kelly Snyder from grade 6 to elementary gifted support (new position); Tim Feeg from grade 1 at CW East to grade 5 at the middle school to replace Melani Sanders (transferred); Jennifer Pothoff from grade 4 at CW East to grade 6 at the middle school to replace Kelly Snyder (transferred); Susanne Kostaras from learning support to life skills/learning support at the middle school (new position); Tiffany Smith from learning support at the high school to the middle school to replace Susanne Kostaras (transferred); and Amanda Pacheco, part-time (4 ½ hour/day) special education instructional aide, from CW East to the middle school to replace Sherri Long (transferred).
- Noreen Heller, special education personal care/transportation aide and support staff substitute, returned to work from a leave of absence on 8/24/15; Wendy Bright transferred from secretary in the high school office/library to secretary to the Athletic Director and Director of Facilities.