

- Members Present** The Laurel Board of Education met on Tuesday, March 14, 2017, for their regular meeting at 7:10 p.m. There were eight (8) Board members present: Mr. Alan Carlson, Mr. James Eppinger, Mr. Jeff Hammerschmidt, Mr. Justin Kirkwood, Mr. Lance Nimmo, Mr. Kevin Patterson, Mr. Timothy Redfoot, and Mr. Stephen Sickafuse. Mr. Earl Williams was excused. Also in attendance were Mr. Leonard Rich, Superintendent; Ms. Mary Kosek, Business Manager; Mr. Robert Ord, Director of Administrative Services; Mr. Kevin Mahoney, Principal; Mr. Daniel Svirbly, Principal; and Mr. Matthew Mangino, Solicitor. There were two guests. A newspaper representative was not in attendance.
- Meeting Called to Order** The meeting was called to order by the Board President, Mr. Kirkwood.
- Pride & Promise Award** Mr. Todd Cole was the recipient of the March 2017 Pride and Promise Award.
- Recognition of Meetings** February 14, 2017- 6:00 PM-7:00 PM - Executive Session - Personnel
March 8, 2017- 7:35 PM-8:35 PM - Executive Session - Personnel
- Approve Minutes** Motion by Redfoot second by Sickafuse to approve the minutes from the February 14, 2017 Regular Meeting of the Board. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as affirmative votes.
- Approve Treasurer's Report** Motion by Patterson second by Nimmo to approve the Treasurer's Report to the Board. Cash Balance on February 28, 2017 was \$1,733,916.33. Receipts during February 2017 were \$1,155,933.51. Expenditures at the end of February 2017 were \$919,771.90. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as affirmative votes.
- Approve Investment Report** Motion by Patterson second by Sickafuse to approve the Investment Report as of February 28, 2017. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as affirmative votes.
- Approve General Fund Bill Listings** Motion by Patterson second by Eppinger to approve the General Fund Bill Listings for the month of March 2017 for payment in the amount of \$149,793.10 and checks written manually during the month of February 2017 in the amount of \$179,424.53 for a total of \$329,217.63. The President requested a roll call vote. All votes were recorded as Roll Call Votes - Yes.

- Approve Laurel Athletic Association Bills Motion by Patterson second by Sickafuse to approve the listing of Laurel Athletic Association Bills for February 2017 for payment in the amount of \$6,477. The President requested a roll call vote. All votes were recorded as Roll Call Votes - Yes.
- Music Major for a Day at SRU - Croach & Students Motion by Carlson second by Hammerschmidt to recognize the trip Mr. Brian Croach and students took for Music Major for a Day at Slippery Rock University on March 7, 2017. Cost to the district was for a substitute and transportation in the amount of \$99.20. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as affirmative votes.
- Public Speaking Career Development Events - Harrold & students Motion by Carlson second by Nimmo to grant approval for Mr. Randy Harrold, Mrs. Cheryl Magill and students to attend the Public Speaking Career Development Events on March 22, 2017 in New Wilmington, PA. Cost to the district will be for a substitute and transportation in the amount of \$87.68. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as affirmative votes.
- Assistant Softball Coach - 16-17 Barrett Motion by Hammerschmidt second by Carlson to employ Ms. Shaelyn Barrett as the Assistant Softball Coach for the 16-17 school year on Step 1 in the amount of \$2,350 per the negotiated agreement. The President requested a roll call vote. All votes were recorded as Roll Call Votes - Yes.
- Disposal/Sale of Obsolete and Excess Materials Motion by Redfoot second by Nimmo to grant approval for the disposal and/or sale of obsolete and excess materials as per the attached list. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as affirmative votes.
- Cafeteria Position - McConahy Motion by Eppinger second by Patterson to employ Buffy McConahy for the 5.5 hour per day cafeteria position at her current rate of \$8.35 per hour per the negotiated agreement. The President requested a roll call vote. All votes were recorded as Roll Call Votes - Yes.

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- Retirements/Resignations Motion by Sickafuse second by Redfoot to recognize and accept the following resignations:
- a. Betty Bartolomeo - Elementary Teacher
 - b. Todd Cole - Elementary Teacher
 - c. Debra Garrett - Elementary Nurse
 - d. Denise Moccia - Speech and Language Teacher
 - e. Janice Orelli - Accounts Payable/Budget Facilitator
 - f. Toni Schooley - Elementary Teacher
- The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as affirmative votes.
- A/CAPA Spring Conference Motion by Sickafuse second by Nimmo to grant approval for Mrs. Dianne Callahan to attend the A/CAPA Spring Conference 2017 at the Marriott in Cranberry, PA. Cost to the district will be for transportation in the amount of \$21.12. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as affirmative votes.
- Sick Days - Frengel Motion by Sickafuse second by Redfoot to grant approval for 67.5 sick days for Mark Frengel to be transferred from Ellwood City School District to the Laurel School District. Laurel will transfer 25 sick days per school code that will be eligible for medical reasons/severance pay and the remaining 42.5 days will be available for medical reasons only. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as affirmative votes.
- District Volunteer and Non-Instructional Substitute Listing Motion by Sickafuse second by Nimmo to approve the additions to the District Volunteer and Non-Instructional Substitute Listings for the 2016-2017 school year. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as affirmative votes.
- Eureka Math Conference - Frengel Motion by Sickafuse second by Eppinger to grant approval for Mr. Mark Frengel to attend the Eureka Math Conference on March 31, 2017 in Pittsburgh, PA. Cost to the district will be for registration and transportation in the amount of \$238.28. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as affirmative votes.
- Item Writing and Hand Scoring Training - Frengel Motion by Sickafuse second by Carlson to grant approval for Mr. Mark Frengel to attend the Item Writing and Hand Scoring Training on March 22 & 23, 2017 in Pittsburgh, PA. Cost to the district will be for transportation in the amount of \$78.08. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as affirmative votes.

- Accounts Payable/Budget Facilitator Position - Altman Motion by Sickafuse second by Nimmo to employ Cindy Altman for the Accounts Payable/Budget Facilitator position in the amount of \$42,000 per year effective July 1, 2017 for the 2017-2018 school year according to the Confidential Secretary negotiated agreement. The President requested a roll call vote. All votes were recorded as Roll Call Votes - Yes.
- Confidential Central Office Secretary Position- Hudson Motion by Sickafuse second by Eppinger to transfer Brittany Hudson to the Confidential Central Office Secretary position in the amount of \$20,160 per year effective July 1, 2017 for the 2017-2018 school year according to the negotiated agreement. The President requested a roll call vote. All votes were recorded as Roll Call Votes - Yes.
- 2017 Blue Bird Pit Stops - Sager Motion by Eppinger second by Nimmo to grant approval for Mr. Joe Sager to attend the 2017 Blue Bird Pit Stops training course on March 15, 2017 in Pittsburgh, PA. Cost to the district will be for transportation in the amount of \$32. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as affirmative votes.
- Thomas Built Buses - McCormick Motion by Eppinger second by Sickafuse to grant approval for Mr. Dan McCormick to attend the Thomas Built Buses training course on March 21, 2017 in Canfield, Ohio. Cost to the district will be for transportation in the amount of \$38.40. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as affirmative votes.
- 2017-2018 School Calendar Motion by Carlson second by Patterson to approve the proposed 17-18 school calendar. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as affirmative votes.
- Board Policies Motion by Carlson second by Nimmo to approve the Second Reading and Adopt the following Policies:
 a. Policy 251 - Homeless Students
 b. Policy 255 - Educational Stability for Children in Foster Care
 The President requested a roll call vote. All votes were recorded as Roll Call Votes - Yes.
- Meeting Recess 7:41 PM - 8:40 PM - Executive Session - Personnel
- Reconvene Meeting 8:40 PM

Adjournment

Motion by Nimmo second by Hammerschmidt to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting of the Laurel Board of Education at 8:41 PM.

Respectfully Submitted



Mary A. Kosek, Board Secretary



Justin Kirkwood, Board President