

Standing Rule on Roll Call Votes, Passed September 12, 2017,
Policy 006.2

Members Present

The Laurel Board of Education met on Tuesday September 10, 2019, for their regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. There were nine (9) Board members present: Mr. Alan Carlson, Mr. James Eppinger, Mr. Jeff Hammerschmidt, Mr. Justin Kirkwood, Mr. Lance Nimmo, Mr. Kevin Patterson (phone), Mr. Timothy Redfoot, Mr. Stephen Sickafuse and Mr. Earl Williams (phone). Also, in attendance were Mr. Leonard Rich, Superintendent; Ms. Mary Kosek, Business Manager; Mr. Mark Frengel, Principal; Mr. Kevin Mahoney, Principal; Mr. Dan Svirbly, Principal; Mrs. Nicole Bell, Director of Pupil Services; and Mr. Matthew Mangino, Solicitor. There were 60 guests. A newspaper representative was in attendance.

Meeting Called to Order

The meeting was called to order by the Board President, Mr. Eppinger.

Recognition of Meetings

July 9, 2019 - 6:00-7:13 PM - Executive Session - Personnel
August 7, 2019 - 8:10-9:05 PM - Executive Session - Personnel

Presentations

September 2019 Pride and Promise Recipient was Kylie Ruperto. Ms. Rebecca Cheeseman and Ms. Katie Gewitz addressed the Board regarding soccer.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Redfoot second by Carlson to approve the minutes from the August 13, 2019 Regular Meeting of the Board. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as roll call votes - Yes.

Treasurer's Report

Motion by Sickafuse second by Kirkwood to approve the Treasurer's Report to the Board. Cash Balance for August 31, 2019 was \$1,222,155.85. Receipts during August 2019 were \$1,451,603.66. Expenditures at the end of August 2019 were \$2,234,637.34. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as roll call votes - Yes.

Approve Investment Report

Motion by Sickafuse second by Hammerschmidt to approve the Investment Report as of August 31, 2019. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as roll call votes - Yes.

Motion by Sickafuse second by Redfoot to approve the following:

General Fund Bill Listing

General Fund Bill Listing for September 2019 for payment of \$736,044.41 and checks written manually in the month of August 2019 for \$79,898.57 for a total of \$815,942.98. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as roll call votes – Yes.

Athletic Association Bill Listing

Laurel Athletic Association Bill Listing for the month of August 2019 in the amount of \$2,513.84. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as roll call votes – Yes.

Activities/Field Trip

Motion by Carlson second by Kirkwood to:

-recognize Mr. Holzhauser and 19 students who participated in the United Way Day of Caring on September 5, 2019. Cost to the district was for transportation.

-approve Mr. Mark Fregel, Mr. Randy Harrold, Mr. Greg Walzer and 18 students to visit Trac Fabrication Inc. on September 26, 2019, in Slippery Rock, PA. Cost to the district is \$170 for substitutes and the cost for transportation.

The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as roll call votes – Yes.

Co-Cheerleading Coach, Hunt

Motion by Hammerschmidt second by Carlson to employ Ms. Allyssa Hunt as Co-assistant Cheerleading Coach on step 1 in the amount of \$1,175 per the negotiated agreement for the 2019-2020 school year. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as roll call votes – Yes.

Co-Cheerleading Coach, Lorensen

Motion by Hammerschmidt second by Carlson to employ Ms. Sarah Lorensen as Co-assistant Cheerleading Coach on step 1 in the amount of \$1,175 per the negotiated agreement for the 2019-2020 school year. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as roll call votes – Yes.

Assistant Softball Coach, Ruperto

Motion by Hammerschmidt second by Sickafuse employ Mr. Michael Ruperto as the Assistant Softball Coach on step 1 in the amount of \$2,350 per the negotiated agreement for the 2019-2020 school year. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as roll call votes – Yes.

Head Boys' Track Coach, Cooper

Motion by Hammerschmidt second by Nimmo to employ Mr. Brian Cooper as the Head Boys' Track Coach on step 10 in the amount of \$5,350 per the negotiated agreement for the 2019-2020

school year. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There was one negative vote - Patterson. All other votes were recorded as roll call votes - Yes.

Assistant Wrestling Coach,
Garner

Motion by Hammerschmidt second by Carlson to employ Mr. Jesse Garner as the Assistant Wrestling Coach on step 1 in the amount of \$3,075 per the negotiated agreement for the 2019-2020 school year. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as roll call votes - Yes.

Head Baseball Coach,
DiGennaro

Motion by Hammerschmidt second by Kirkwood to employ Mr. Gene DiGennaro as the Head Baseball Coach on step 10 in the amount of \$5,350 per the negotiated agreement for the 2019-2020 school year. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as roll call votes - Yes.

Johnson Controls 2019-2020

Motion by Redfoot second by Carlson to approve the renewal of the service contract with Johnson Controls for the 2019-2020 school year in the amount of \$5,808 (last year \$5,428.) The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as roll call votes - Yes.

Sell/Dispose Obsolete
Materials

Motion by Redfoot second by Kirkwood to grant approval for the district to sell/dispose of obsolete 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 roll call votes - Yes.

Director of Administrative
Services, Lee

Motion by Sickafuse second by Kirkwood to employ Robert Lee for the Director of Administrative Services position in the amount of \$75,000 pro-rated for the remainder of days worked in the 2019-2020 school year. This position will be covered by the ACT 93 agreement. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There was one negative vote - Redfoot. All other votes were recorded as roll call votes - Yes.

Volunteer and Non-
Instructional Substitute
Listing

Motion by Sickafuse second by Carlson to approve the additions to the Volunteer and Non-Instructional Substitute Listings for the 2019-2020 school year. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as roll call votes - Yes.

Instructional/Personal Care Aide, Kobialka Motion by Sickafuse second by Redfoot to employ Jaclyn Kobialka as an instructional/personal care aide at \$10 per hour for 6 hours per day beginning the 2019-2020 school year. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as roll call votes - Yes.

Approve the following Motion by Sickafuse second by Carlson to approve the following:

Instructional/Personal Care Aide, Hill employ Ms. Jenna Hill as an instructional/personal care aide at \$10 per hour for 6 hours per day beginning the 2019-2020 school year.

Instructional/Personal Care Aide, Pauletich employ Ms. Alyssa Pauletich as an instructional/personal care aide at \$10 per hour for 6 hours per day beginning the 2019-2020 school year.

The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as roll call votes - Yes.

FMLA, Hill Motion by Sickafuse second by Kirkwood to approve the intermittent Family Medical Leave for Mrs. Kimberly Hill beginning September 10, 2019. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as roll call votes - Yes.

Retirements/Resignations Motion by Sickafuse second by Hammerschmidt to recognize the following retirement/resignation:
- Mrs. Michelle Benton - effective November 26, 2019 - Clerical Aide and Cafeteria

Seminars/Conferences Motion by Sickafuse second by Kirkwood to approve the following seminars/conferences:

- Mr. Kevin Mahoney to attend the PA Principal Conference on October 12-14, 2019 at Penn State University. Cost to the district will be \$300 for registration, \$250 for lodging, \$203 for transportation, \$120 for meals for a total of \$873.
- Mr. Leonard Rich to attend the PSBA presentation Start Strong: Developing a District On-Boarding Plan for New Directors on September 11, 2019 in Mechanicsburg, PA. The district will share the cost with the LCCTC - \$125 for registration and mileage.
- Mrs. Emily Garner to attend the AP English Lit and Composition Workshop on November 8, 2019 at Rocky River High School in River Rock, Ohio. Cost to the district is \$235 for registration, \$85 for a substitute, \$98.60 for

transportation for a total of \$418.60.

- Mr. Jesse Garner to attend the Open-ended Math Response workshop on September 26, November 13, December 18, 2019 and January 14, 2020 at the Allegheny Intermediate Unit 3. Cost to the district is \$600 for registration, \$340 for substitutes, and \$259.84 for transportation for a total of \$1,199.84.
- Mrs. Paula Lenox to attend the Open-ended Math Response workshop on September 26, November 13, December 18, 2019 and January 14, 2020 at the Allegheny Intermediate Unit 3. Cost to the district is \$600 for registration, \$340 for substitutes, and \$259.84 for transportation for a total of \$1,199.84.
- Mr. Mark Frengel, Mr. Randy Harrold, Mrs. Dawne Skerbetz, Mr. Greg Walzer, and Mr. Ryan Wypych to attend the PAsmart Pathway Training through CMU starting October 3&4, 2019 and continuing throughout the year at the AIU 3. Cost to the district is \$680 for substitutes and \$696 for transportation for a total of \$1,376. All expenses will be paid by the PaSmart Grant Funds.
- Mr. Mark Frengel to attend the PVAAS Update workshop on November 4, 2019 at the Intermediate Unit 27 in Monaca, PA. Cost to the district is \$46.40 for transportation.
- Mr. Mark Frengel to attend the Instructional Coaching for Mathematics on October 15, October 16, December 11, 2019 and March 31, 2020 at PaTTAN in Pittsburgh. Cost to the district is \$498.40 for transportation.
- Mr. Mark Frengel, Mrs. Stephanie Rambo and Ms. Deana Buckner to attend the Writing Skills in Mathematics on October 11, 2019 at PaTTAN in Pittsburgh. Cost to the district is \$125.28 for transportation.
- Mr. Mark Frengel and Mr. Matthew Pertile to attend the AP Update on September 18, 2019 at Robert Morris University. Cost to the district is \$58 for transportation.
- Recognize the attendance of Mr. Don Rodgers at the College Board AP Training on September 6, 2019 at Lancaster-Lebanon Intermediate Unit 13. Cost to the district was \$285 for registration, \$85 for a substitute, \$375.08 for transportation, \$148.85 for lodging and \$50 for meals for a total of \$943.93

The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as roll call votes - Yes.

- Tax Collector Convention, Chrobak Motion by Sickafuse second by Redfoot to approve Mr. Daniel Chrobak to attend the 2019 Tax Collector Convention on October 11 & 12, 2019 at the Wyndham Garden in York, PA. The district will pay half of the costs that are estimated to be \$160 for registration, \$397.35 for lodging, \$350.88 for mileage and \$75 for meals for a total of \$983.23. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by a show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as roll call votes - Yes.
- Copiers, Direct Image Motion by Kirkwood second by Nimmo to grant approval for the district to enter into a contract with Direct Image Copy Systems Inc. for the lease of 5 copiers based on a 60-month lease in the amount of \$2,595 per month (last lease was in the amount of \$3,200.59.) This proposal is provided under an approved Co-Stars contract.
- Table Copier Motion There was discussion and a motion by Hammerschmidt second by Sickafuse to table the above motion. The President called for a roll call vote. There were 5 negative votes: Kirkwood, Nimmo, Patterson, Williams, and Eppinger. There was one abstention, Redfoot and 3 Yes votes: Hammerschmidt, Sickafuse and Carlson. Motion fails.
- Vote on Copier Motion Vote on the copier lease above - There were 2 negative votes: Hammerschmidt and Sickafuse and 1 abstention, Redfoot. There were 6 Yes votes: Kirkwood, Nimmo, Patterson, Williams, Carlson and Eppinger. Motion passes.
- Title I Services for Non-Public Students Motion by Kirkwood second by Carlson to grant approval for the Midwestern Intermediate Unit IV to service the Title I students attending non-public schools during the 19-20 school year. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as roll call votes - Yes.
- ACA Reporting, Reschini Motion by Redfoot second by Kirkwood to grant approval for the district to enter into an agreement with the Reschini Agency, Inc. to complete the ACA employer reporting requirements for the 2019 school year (approximately \$790.). The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as roll call votes - Yes.

Supplemental Listing 2019-2020

Motion by Kirkwood second by Redfoot to approve the proposed supplemental listing for the 2019-2020 school year per the attached list. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as roll call votes - Yes.

Refinance General
Obligation Bonds 2012

Motion by Sickafuse second by Hammerschmidt to recognize that the District Administration, Bond Counsel and School Solicitor are working with PNC bank in order to refinance the outstanding General Bond Obligation Bonds Series 2012. This refinancing had previously been approved by the Laurel Board of Education at the Regular Board Meeting on November 14, 2017 - Resolution 11142017. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as roll call votes - Yes.

Adjournment

Motion by Nimmo second by Redfoot to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting of the Laurel Board of Education at 8:22 PM.

Respectfully Submitted



Mary A. Kosek, Board Secretary

James Eppinger, Board President