

SEPTEMBER 10, 2015

**HANOVER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING**

MINUTES

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**Hanover Area Junior/Senior High School
Hanover Township, Pennsylvania
September 10, 2015**

A Regular Meeting of the Board of School Directors of the Hanover Area School District was held in the Hanover Area Junior/Senior High School on Thursday, September 10, 2015, at 7:05 P.M. The meeting was called to order by the Board President, Mr. Joseph Steininger.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO OUR FLAG

ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS:

PRESENT: Joseph Steininger, President; Paul Holmgren, Vice-President; Kevin Quaglia, Treasurer; Lorraine Heydt, Secretary; Frank Ciavarella, Jr., Evelyn R. Evans, John J. Mahle, Jr., and Stacy McGovern

ABSENT: John Pericci

Lorraine Heydt, Secretary, stated a Quorum was established for the meeting.

OTHER PEOPLE PRESENT:

Mr. Andrew Kuhl, Superintendent; Mr. Thomas R. Cipriano, Jr., Business Administrator; Attorney George Shovlin, Solicitor; and a number of citizens.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

It was moved by Frank Ciavarella, seconded by John Mahle: To approve the following minutes:

August 6, 2015	Board of Education Regular Meeting
August 18, 2015	Board of Education Special Meeting
August 26, 2015	Board of Education Special Meeting

BOARD VOTE: YES: Ciavarella, Evans, Heydt, Holmgren, Mahle, McGovern, Quaglia, Steininger. NO: None ABSENT: Pericci ABSTAIN: None
Chair declared the motion carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES:

It was moved by Evelyn Evans, seconded by Stacy McGovern: To approve the following reports:

- Luzerne Intermediate Unit Board of Directors Regular Meeting minutes of June 24, 2015.
- Wilkes-Barre Area Career & Technical Center Board of Education-Joint Operating Committee minutes of Special Meeting of August 4, 2015.

BOARD VOTE: YES: Ciavarella, Evans, Heydt, Holmgren, Mahle, McGovern, Quaglia, Steininger. NO: None ABSENT: Pericci ABSTAIN: None
Chair declared the motion carried.

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SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Mr. Andrew Kuhl, Superintendent, stated I wish I had a crowd of 300 people here tonight to talk to because I am so proud to honor six individuals: three recent retirees and three recipients of our Excellence in Teaching awards. Our retirees have a combined 70 years of service with the School District. Although we are all saddened by the departure of these three dedicated individuals, we wish them a long and healthy retirement. Our retiring teachers are:

<i>Clement Benson</i>	<i>Teacher</i>	<i>26 Years of Service</i>
<i>Fred Pacolitch</i>	<i>Teacher</i>	<i>31 Years of Service</i>

And our retiring Hall Monitor:

<i>John Glushefski</i>	<i>Hall Monitor</i>	<i>13 Years of Service</i>
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At this time I would like to recognize Mr. Clem Benson, a long-time Teacher, Coach, and dedicated individual to the Hanover Area School District. Mr. Benson has served us in many capacities and his dedication to our students is beyond reproach. Mr. Fred Pacolitch is probably vacating in the Caribbean right now and was unable to be here this evening. Not to be understated, but our Hall Monitors, like all our other employees in the district, whether they are in the maintenance staff or secretaries, have a great understanding of the health, safety and well being of our students. They are always our main concern. Already, in the short time I have known Mr. Glushefski, I will personally miss our daily conversations and checking on the weather outside. I believe you are checking the weather in a much better seat now. Congratulations.

It has been said, a mediocre teacher tells, a good teacher explains, a superior teacher demonstrates, and a great teacher inspires. It is clear to me today that we are in the presence of greatness. To all of the educators we honor here this evening, both retirees and award recipients, congratulations. Thank you for inspiring our children. Great teachers are the soul of an enlightened society. We entrust in you the most precious things we know in our life: our children. You must realize our children will spend over 12,000 hours with their teachers. You can do the math, but that is five hundred days for a full 24 hours a days. In many cases, the most influential person in someone's life next to their parent, is the teacher. And so it is for every one of our educators; they change lives everyday, to make the world a better place; one student at a time, one day at a time. All of our teachers are asked to do so much, and we don't give them the proper recognition. We at Hanover Area are committed to higher standards and high academic achievement of our students; and it all begins with quality teachers.

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Tonight we are honoring three true educators, nominated and elected by their peers, as the 2014-2015 Hanover Area Excellence in Teaching Award recipients. Tonight's award recipients are:

<i>Anthony Shipula</i>	<i>Elementary</i>
<i>Kimberly Sweeney</i>	<i>Elementary</i>
<i>John Sipper</i>	<i>Secondary</i>

Henry Adams once observed that a teacher affects eternity, because you can never tell where a teachers' influence stops, and the list goes on and on of the people that you taught. I thank the teachers who we honored here tonight and the many more great teachers out there who quietly devote their lives to inspiring our children. Congratulations and thank you to all the recipients honored here this evening.

Board President Joseph Steininger stated I too, on behalf of the School Board, would like to thank these six individuals for their dedication and service to the Hanover Area School District and we appreciate the many years and time and effort that you put into the district for our students. Thank you again.

Mr. Andrew Kuhl stated that concludes the Superintendent's Report.

It was moved by Paul Holmgren, seconded by Kevin Quaglia: To accept the Report of the Superintendent.

BOARD VOTE: YES: Ciavarella, Evans, Heydt, Holmgren, Mahle, McGovern, Quaglia, Steininger. NO: None ABSENT: Pericci ABSTAIN: None
Chair declared the motion carried.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

GENERAL:

It was moved by Evelyn Evans, seconded by Frank Ciavarella: To approve the following motion:

1. Approve the Letter of Intent to Participate in the Northeastern Pennsylvania Wide Area Network E-Rate Consortium as per Exhibit G-1.

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BOARD VOTE: (ON MOTION #1 ABOVE) YES: Ciavarella, Evans, Heydt, Holmgren, Mahle, McGovern, Quaglia, Steininger. **NO:** None
ABSENT: Pericci **ABSTAIN:** None Chair declared the motion carried.

FINANCIAL:

It was moved by Frank Ciavarella, seconded by Stacy McGovern: To approve the following motions:

1. Approve payment of the following legal fees:

Professional Service Rendered

Shovlin Law Offices \$4,737.50
Attorney George Shovlin
Invoice #816

Sweet, Stevens, Katz & Williams \$78.00
John Audi
Invoice #95908

Sweet, Stevens, Katz & Williams \$2,192.80
Angela Evans
Invoice #96039

Sweet, Stevens, Katz & Williams \$478.50
Angela Evans
Invoice #96040

Sweet, Stevens, Katz & Williams \$97.50
Angela Evans
Invoice #96014

2. Approve the Investment Treasurer Report of August, 2015.
(Exhibit F-2)

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3. Approve the following check register: (Exhibit F-3)
August, 2015

4. Accept the certification from the PA Department of Military and Veterans Affairs of Disabled Veterans Real Property Tax Exemption for:

Gerald L. Budurka Effective 2015

NOTE: The Board thanks Mr. Budurka for his service and sacrifice to our Country.

5. The Board of Education thanks and accepts the donation of used equipment from the Social Security Administration –through the efforts of Mr. Thomas Ropietski, a Hanover Area School District resident and from Ms. Patricia Gostynski, a Hanover Area School District resident.

6. The Board of Education extends our thanks to the four (4) local Tax Collectors for their proactive efforts to remit the tax proceeds to the Hanover Area School District in response to the State Budget impasse. The four Hanover Area Tax Collectors are: Mildred Luba, Robert Shoemaker, Mary Marsha Panetta, and Maryann Brodginiski.

Board President Joseph Steininger stated I would like to thank them for their efforts.

BOARD VOTE: (ON MOTIONS #1 TO AND INCLUDING #6 ABOVE) YES: Ciavarella, Evans, Heydt, Holmgren, Mahle, McGovern, Quaglia, Steininger.
NO: None **ABSENT:** Pericci **ABSTAIN:** None Chair declared the motions carried.

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PERSONNEL:

It was moved by Lorraine Heydt, seconded by Evelyn Evans: To approve the following motions:

1. Approve the following recipients of the 2014-2015 Excellence in Teaching Elementary and Secondary \$500 Mini-Grant Awards:

Anthony Shipula	Elementary
Kimberly Sweeney	Elementary
John Sipper	Secondary

2. Appoint/re-appoint the attached list of Co-Curricular Personnel and Department Chairpersons, for the 2015-2016 School Year. (Exhibit P-2)
3. Approve the 2015-2016 Substitute Teacher List. (Exhibit P-3)
4. Appoint Matthew Redick as Utility Worker-Grounds, Maintenance at a rate of \$7.50/hour, with benefits, as per the HAESPA contact, effective September 11, 2015.
5. Appoint the following as an Associate Teacher at a rate of \$80/day for the 2015-2016 School Year:

Alayna Soucy

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6. Approve the following Mentor Teachers for the 2015-2016 School Year at a stipend of \$250:

Carl Daubert
Dawnette Dreyfus
Melody Konetski
Ellen McCormick

7. Approve the request of Shannon Bennett to take October 7th, October 8th, and October 9, 2015 off as UNPAID days. (Exhibit P-7)
8. Appoint James L. Bush as Substitute Hall Monitor for the 2015-2016 School Year.
9. Approve the 2014-2015 Evaluation for Mr. Andrew Kuhl, Superintendent of Schools.
10. Accept the resignation of Victor Kopko, Varsity Girls' Basketball Coach, effective September 8, 2015. (Exhibit P-10)
11. Appoint/re-appoint the following Extra Curricular Personnel, as recommended by the Athletic Director, for the 2015-2016 School Year:

Gina Baiamonte	Asst. Varsity Cheerleading	UNPAID
Danielle DiPietro	Asst. Varsity Cross Country	\$1,350.00
Susan Smith	Asst. Varsity Field Hockey	\$1,530.00
Emily Mikluscak	Head Jr. High Field Hockey	\$1,530.00
Kyra Maldonado	Jr. Asst. Field Hockey	\$1,530.00
Stacy Malia	Asst. Varsity Field Hockey	UNPAID
James Lukachinsky	Asst. Boys Soccer	\$2,011.00
Maria Balakier	Asst. Varsity Tennis	\$1,530.00
Jessica Murphy	Asst. Girls Varsity Soccer	\$2,011.00

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Lori Thomas	Asst. Fusion	UNPAID
Laurie O'Boyle	Asst. Fusion	UNPAID
Courtney Langdon	Asst. Fusion	UNPAID

BOARD VOTE: (ON MOTIONS #1 TO AND INCLUDING #11 ABOVE) YES: Ciavarella, Evans, Heydt, Holmgren, Mahle, McGovern, Quaglia (yes on all motions except I abstain on Motion #2), Steininger. **NO:** None **ABSENT:** Pericci **ABSTAIN:** Quaglia (on Motion #2 only) Chair declared the motions carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

None

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS:

No one wished to be recognized at this Regular School Board Meeting.

FUTURE MEETINGS:

October Board Work Session Monday, October 5, 2015 at 6:00 P.M.

October Regular Monthly Meeting Wednesday, October 7, 2015 at 7:00 P.M.

Board President Joseph Steininger stated the Regular Board Meeting has been changed to Wednesday, October 7th, due to Homecoming activities to be held on Thursday.

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ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved by John Mahle, seconded by Paul Holmgren: To adjourn the Regular School Board Meeting at 7:20 P.M.

BOARD VOTE: YES: Ciavarella, Evans, Heydt, Holmgren, Mahle, McGovern, Quaglia, Steininger. NO: None ABSENT: Pericci ABSTAIN: None
Chair declared the motion carried.

ATTEST: _____, Secretary
Lorraine Heydt
Hanover Area School Board