

OFFICIAL MINUTES
WEST BRANCH AREA SCHOOL
DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING
MORRISDALE, PA

DATE: December 3, 2010

The annual reorganizational meeting of the West Branch Area School District Board of Directors was held December 2, 2010 at 7:03 p.m.

**MBRS
PRESENT**

Joe Kovalcin, Gerald Coble, Don Yontosh, Gary Miller, Robert Seprish, Melvin Smeal, Tim Kephart, Larry Allen, Jennifer Kerlin

**MBRS
ABSENT**

**OTHERS
PRESENT**

Michael Panek, Superintendent; Kasi Jackson, Board Secretary; J.R. Holenchik, High School Principal; David Williamson, Athletic Director, Jason McMillen, Business Manager; Wendy Fernburg, Supervisor of Special Education; Michael Eirich, Sean Wechtenhiser; Elementary Principal , Holly Petriskey, MaryAnn Moriarity, Lester Smeal, Holly Walker, Georgette Eirich, Taylor Eirich, John Ellis, Derek Ellis, P.J. Monella

**TEMPORARY
PRESIDENT**

Larry Allen motioned, Tim Kephart and Don Yontosh seconded for Joe Kovalcin to be the temporary president until one is chosen. Motion carried.

**PRESIDENT / VICE
PRESIDENT**

Larry Allen motioned, Melvin Smeal seconded, to nominate Joe Kovalcin as president and Larry Allen as vice president. Voice Roll Call: Joe Kovalcin—yes, Gerald Coble—yes, Don Yontosh—yes, Gary Miller—yes, Robert Seprish—yes, Melvin Smeal—yes, Tim Kephart—yes, Larry Allen—yes, Jennifer Kerlin—yes. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

**COMMITTEE
CHAIRPERSONS**

Tim Kephart motioned, Don Yontosh seconded to keep all committee chairpersons the same. CIU representative will remain Gerald Coble and alternative will be Tim Kephart. CCCTC representative will remain Larry Allen and alternative will be Gary Miller. Legislative chairperson will remain Joe Kovalcin. Motion carried.

SOLICITOR

Don Yontosh motioned, Larry Allen seconded, to hire David Consiglio as the new solicitor to the district. Voice Roll Call Joe Kovalcin—yes, Gerald Coble—no, Don Yontosh—yes, Gary Miller—yes, Robert Seprish—yes, Melvin Smeal—yes, Tim Kephart—yes, Larry Allen—yes, Jennifer Kerlin—yes. 8—yes; 1—no. Motion carried.

**MINS
APPRVD**

Don Yontosh motioned, Larry Allen seconded, to approve the meeting minutes from November 22, 2010. Motion carried.

**STUDENT
REPORTS**

VISITORS

**ADM
REPORTS**

Mr. Holenchik:
Asked for permission for the life skills class to take a field trip. Don Yontosh

motioned, Gary Miller seconded, for the life skills classes to take a field trip to learn about employment and to help with employment skills. Motion carried

Mrs. Fernburg:

Handed out a cookie order form to board members. The life skills classes and Mrs. White's classes are having a cookie fundraiser sale to raise funds for Mr. Burfield's room.

Mr. McMillen—AFR report is finished. Walter Hopkins will be present next month to give the report. The next budget can now be started.

Mr. Nelson—PP&L was here for a walk thru and are going to find ways to make the field house more energy efficient.

Mr. Williamson—Thanked everyone for helping him thru his surgery and him being off. Only one applicant for the baseball coach position was received and the football coaching position will be posted in-house until December 13, 2010.

Mr. Panek:

Thanked the board on their continuous excellence the past year.

CIU

No report.

CCCTC

No report.

PERSONNEL

Melvin Smeal motioned, Robert Seprish seconded, to approve Lori Bollinger to attend Powerful Strategies for Differentiating Instruction in your Foreign Language Classroom at State College on January 10, 2011. Registration fee is \$199 and sub cost is \$85. Motion carried.

EDUCATION

Don Yontosh motioned, Jennifer Kerlin seconded, to approve Derek Ellis, Steven Smeal and Allen Albright to host a dance marathon to raise money for Heifer International. The dance will be held in the elementary gym and cafeteria. Motion carried.

**TRANSPORTATION
AND ATHLETICS**

Tim Kephart motioned, Robert Seprish seconded, to accept the recommended evaluation of all fall coaches being satisfactory. According to policy they will be retained for the following year. Motion carried.

POLICY

Gerald Coble motioned, Melvin Smeal seconded, to approve the third and final readings of the following policies:

- Booster Organizations
- Attachment to the FMLA policy.

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Larry Allen motioned, Melvin Smeal seconded, to approve Robert Eckley as a substitute teacher to the district. All paperwork has been received. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Gary Miller asked if we would be purchasing addition supplies for the promethean boards and if the board could come in and look at them. Mr. Panek told Mr. Miller that can be arranged.

**EXECUTIVE
SESSION**

An executive session was held after the meeting for collective bargaining and litigation. The board did not reconvene.

ADJOURN

Larry Allen motioned, Melvin Smeal seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:29 p.m.

Kasi Jackson

Board Secretary