

OFFICIAL MINUTES
WEST BRANCH AREA SCHOOL
DISTRICT
MORRISDALE, PA

DATE: June 12, 2012

A special meeting of the West Branch Area School District Board of Directors was held June 11, 2012 at 7:08 p.m.

MBRS PRESENT Joe Kovalcin, Don Yontosh, Melvin Smeal, Tim Kephart, Robert Seprish, Gerald Coble, Gary Miller, Chad Diviney, Larry Allen

MBRS ABSENT

OTHERS PRESENT Michael Panek, Superintendent; Kasi Woodring, Board Secretary; Jason McMillen, Business Manager; J.R. Holenchik, Senior High Principal; Wendy Fernburg, Supervisor of Special Education; Joanna Santilli, Federal Programs Coordinator; David Williamson, Athletic Director; Holly Petriskey, Tyler Kolesar, Lester Smeal, Terri Reed, Michelle Turner, Nicole Petriskey, Stephanie MacTavish, Phyllis Gable, Allison Koleno, Lynn Brewer

MEETING MINUTES Don Yontosh motioned, Melvin Smeal seconded, to approve the meeting minutes from May 21, 2012. Motion carried.

VISITORS Bethany Briskar, school nurse, expressed her concerns to the board about eliminating a part-time nursing position.

EXECUTIVE SESSION An executive session was held from 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. for personnel and contractual reasons.

PERSONNEL Don Yontosh motioned, Chad Diviney seconded, to approve Mike Bell, Thomas Ray and Shelly Milliron to be volunteers to the District. All paperwork has been received. Motion carried.

Larry Allen motioned, Gary Miller seconded, to approve Gerald Coble as the CIU #10 Representative for a one year term. Motion carried.

Don Yontosh motioned, Larry Allen seconded, to approve the following motions:

Approve Laura Backes to complete coursework "Music Leadership and Administration" and "Proseminar in Music History" thru Hartt School of Music.

Approve Andrew Chimenti to complete coursework "School and Community Relations". "Curriculum Leadership", "Collaborative Leadership and Evaluation" and "Legal Aspects of Educational Leadership" thru Edinboro University.

Approve Dan Stilson to complete coursework "The Music and Life of Mozart", "Land Where the Blues Began", and "Beethoven: his Life and Music" thru University of Laverne.

Approve Michael Hughes to complete coursework "Cultural Competency" thru University of Phoenix.

Approve Danielle Gregory to attend the PODD Workshop in Yonkers, NY on November 29 and 30, 2012. There is no cost to the district.

Approve Rose Shaner to attend the Environmental Tools for Managing Behavior on October 17, 2012 at the CIU #10. Registration cost is \$40 and sub cost is \$43.50. Total cost is \$83.50 paid for by ACCESS funds.

Approve Jeanie Scott to attend the Para Educator High Qualified Training on September 10, 11 and 12, 2012 at Matternville Pre-School. Registration cost is \$120 paid for by ACCESS funds.

Motions carried.

Don Yontosh motioned, Gary Miller seconded, to approve the Varsity Football team to go to Edinboro Football Camp from July 15-18, 2012. Cost to the district is a van or bus for transportation and cost to the student is \$170. Chaperones are Lester Smeal, Jerry White, Kevin Hubler and Terry Smeal. Motion carried.

Robert Seprish motioned, Gerald Coble seconded, to accept the resignation, with regret, of Sean Wechtenhiser, Elementary Principal. Effective date will be June 30, 2012. Motion carried.

Gary Miller motioned, Don Yontosh seconded, to approve the Memorandum of Agreement that is entered into by and between the West Branch School District ("District") and the West Branch Education Association ("WBEA"), This Memorandum of Agreement shall amend the current Collective Bargaining Agreement ("CBA"), dated December 3, 2010, as to school years 2012-13, 2013-14 and 2014-15 only. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Chad Diviney asked Jason McMillen about the Driver's Education savings. The board is coming up with a different figure than Mr. McMillen did. Mr. Diviney requested a more in-depth breakdown of the program to be presented at the June 25, 2012 school board meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Don Yontosh motioned, Gary Miller seconded, to approve two letters of resignation due to retirement for Lisa Kim Shaffer and Kathleen Howe. Motion carried.

Tim Kephart motioned, Don Yontosh seconded, to approve Joanna Santilli as elementary principal, with a salary of \$70,000, effective July 1, 2012. Motion carried.

ADJOURN

Don Yontosh motioned, Larry Allen seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:21 p.m.

Kasi Woodring

Board Secretary