

Port Allegany School District
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
Committee of the Whole Meeting

June 10, 2024
High School Library
7:00 p.m.

AGENDA

OLD BUSINESS

- I. Call to Order
 - A. Moment of Silence
 - B. Flag Salute
 - C. Roll Call
 - D. The board met in executive session on Thursday, May 23 from 6:00pm to 8:31pm for interviews.

- II. Public Comment
 - A. Agenda Items
 - B. Title I and Title II – Port Allegany’s program includes three professional staff and four paraprofessionals for remediation in reading and mathematics and funding for supplies in both Title I buildings. Title II funds provide partial salary and benefits for one kindergarten teacher for class size reduction.
 - C. District Health and Safety Plan approved by the board on July 26, 2021 and most recently reauthorized on January 17, 2024.
 - D. Other

- III. Committee Reports
 - A. Intermediate Unit Nine Board of Directors - Christopher Ernst
 - B. Seneca Highlands CTC General Advisory Board - Nate Burgett
 - C. PSBA Legislative Representative - Nicholas Valentine

- IV. Superintendent’s Report
 - A. Grant authorization - Authorization for Mrs. Paula Newell to submit various federal and state grant applications will be requested at next week’s meeting.
 - B. 2023-2024 School Safety and Security Coordinator Report (Act 44). This report will be shared with the board in executive session at the end of this evening’s meeting. Appointment of Paula Newell as the district safety and security coordinator.
 - C. *E-Rate purchases (switches)
 - D. ESY and K Readiness Staffing recommendations

NEW BUSINESS

V. Personnel

- A. **Recommend:** hiring Kathleen Bostjancic as the assistant principal / special services coordinator at a salary of \$77,500 and fringe benefits set in accordance with the Act 93 agreement and district policy.
- B. **Recommend:** staffing the Kindergarten Readiness program as follows: Ms. Bethany Mealy and Mrs. Amanda Priest, instructors at \$31.65 per hour; and Mrs. Heather Oldenburg and Mrs. Kristi Freeman as paraprofessionals at \$19.00 per hour.
- C. **Recommend:** staffing the extended school year program as follows: Mrs. Carri Madison, Mrs. Olivia Wolf, and Mrs. Elizabeth Valentine, instructors at \$31.65 per hour; and Mrs. Patricia Dowell, Ms. Lacy Riale, Mrs. Christina Fessenden and Mr. Keith Pierce as paraprofessionals at \$19.00 per hour.
- D. **Recommend:** approving the following volunteer coaches for the 2024-2025 school year; Mr. Dan Funk (soccer), Mr. Ty Guilds (soccer), Mr. River Cramer (soccer), Mr. Jett Ruding (soccer), and Mr. Chad Moses (weight room) pending completion of paperwork.
- E. **Recommend:** filling the following supplemental position for the 2024-2025 school year with salary set in accordance with Schedule B1 of the professional agreement: Head Boys' Basketball Coach - Kyle Babcock (\$5,962)
- F. **Recommend:** filling the following supplemental position for the 2024-2025 school year with salary set in accordance with Schedule B1 of the professional agreement: High School Yearbook Advisor - Alexis Reed (\$2,556)
- G. **Recommend:** accepting the resignation of Mrs. Hannah Buchsenschutz as a food service worker effective May 15, 2024.
- H. ***Recommend:** accepting the resignation of Ms. Rachael Karwowski as a high school choral teacher effective June 10, 2024.

VI. Finance

- A. The District's Insurance Package will be recommended by USI Insurance for the 2024-2025 school year effective July 1, 2024 for Workman's Compensation, General Property and Liability Package, Umbrella Policy, Educators Legal Liability Policy and Student Accident.
- B. The administration will ask for approval of Buffamante, Whipple & Buttafaro, PC to serve as auditors for the 2024-2025 fiscal year at a cost of \$26,500.

- C. *Adoption of the 2024-2025 Schedule of Paydays. The board will need to adopt the pay schedule at next week's meeting.
- D. ***Recommend:** authorizing purchase of Aruba Networking switches at a cost of \$127,880. (E-rate funding)
- E. ***Recommend:** approving the pupil transportation agreement beginning July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2029 with Joseph Muccio Transportation, LLC.

VII. Curriculum

- A. **Recommend:** approving a behind the wheel driver's education summer program at a cost not to exceed \$2,500.

VIII. Board

- A. *UPMC Proposal for School Physician Services. UPMC has provided the district with a proposal that would allow Dr. Jason Tronetti to continue as the school physician.
- B. **Recommend:** approving Mrs. Paula Newell to serve as the district voting member for the Seneca Highlands Regional Insurance Trust effective July 1, 2024.
- C. **Recommend:** appointing Mrs. Paula Newell as the district safety and security coordinator effective July 1, 2024.

IX. Executive Session

- A. The board will meet in executive session for safety and security matters and personnel.

X. Adjournment

Next Scheduled Meeting

Monday, June 17, 2024 - Regular Meeting