

Regular Board Meeting
April 18, 2016
MINUTES

NOTE(S): 1. An **executive session** was held at **6:00 p.m.** to discuss personnel issues.

Notice from the Board President: All votes will be roll call votes. All roll call votes will be by acclamation unless requested otherwise by one or more Board members including the Board President. In the absence of such a request and in the absence of a “nay”, “I object”, or “I abstain” by one or more Board members, all Board members present will be recorded as voting in the affirmative.

The Board of Directors of the Sayre Area School District began their meeting at 7:05 p.m. with the following in attendance: Debra Agnew, Kenneth Bentley, Ron Cole, Andrew Hickey, Kay Husick, Rick Jennings, Jim Osborn, Peter Quattrini and Don Skerpon. Administrators present were: Dr. S. Griggs, D. Handrick, M. Murrelle and S. Moore.

- i. Redskin Spotlight Awards - None to report
- ii. Chair to recognize any resident or taxpayer of the school district wishing to address the meeting
 - a. Title I or Title II programming?
 - b. Any other matter of concern or interest properly raised in public session? Rodney Hatch asked if his concern regarding a coach and possible bullying could be reviewed by the School Board. Mr. Osborn commented that Mr. Handrick is reviewing the matter.

I. Instruction

A. Curriculum/Instructional Programs – no report

- 1. Comprehensive Plan
- 2. Other

B. Personnel – no report

C. Students

- 1. Principals' Reports – Mr. Handrick stated that PSSA testing will resume for grades 3-8 once school is in session. The senior prom was held last Saturday, and he thanked the students and parents involved for making that event a success.
 - a. Government Programs Update - Mrs. Murrell reported that final expenditure reports have been received for Title I and Title II programs.
 - b. Approval of the Sayre High School Class of 1966 Scholarship

On a motion made by K. Husick, seconded by D. Agnew:

RESOLVE THAT THE SAYRE HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1966 SCHOLARSHIP BE APPROVED AS PRESENTED IN EXHIBIT A.

On the motion, all voted yea. Motion #1 carried.

- c. Other

II. Operations

A. Buildings and Grounds

1. Asbestos Abatement Bid

On a motion made by A. Hickey, seconded by K. Husick:

RESOLVE THAT PRISM RESPONSE, INC., DRUMS, PA, BE AWARDED THE ASBESTOS ABATEMENT BID IN THE AMOUNT OF \$33,374.00 AND FURTHER RESOLVE THAT THE BUSINESS MANAGER BE AUTHORIZED TO SIGN AND EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS.

On the motion, all voted yea. Motion #2 carried.

2. Boiler Replacement Bid

On a motion made by K. Husick, seconded by R. Cole:

RESOLVE THAT SCHOONOVER PLUMBING AND HEATING, INC., CANTON, PA, BE AWARDED THE BOILER REPLACEMENT BID WITH ALTERNATES 3, 4, 5 AND 6 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,890,000.00 AND FURTHER RESOLVE THAT THE BUSINESS MANAGER BE AUTHORIZED TO SIGN AND EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS.

On the motion, all voted yea. Motion #3 carried.

B. Finance

1. Financial Reports

a. Transfers

On a motion made by K. Husick, seconded by K. Bentley:

RESOLVE THAT THE TRANSFERS LISTED IN EXHIBIT B BE APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

On the motion, all voted yea. Motion #4 carried.

b. Bills

On a motion made by K. Husick, seconded by K. Bentley:

RESOLVE THAT THE BILLS PAID/BILLS FOR PAYMENT LISTED IN EXHIBIT C BE RATIFIED/APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

On the motion, all voted yea. Motion #5 carried.

c. Treasurer's Reports

NO ACTION NECESSARY. SEE EXHIBIT D.

2. Tax Reports

On a motion made by K. Husick, seconded by K. Bentley:

RESOLVE THAT THE TAX REPORTS PRESENTED IN EXHIBIT E BE APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD SECRETARY/BOARD TREASURER.

On the motion all voted yea. Motion #6 carried.

3. Other

C. Community Relations

Mr. Cole reminded everyone that the 8th Annual Sayre Area School District Foundation Golf Tournament at Tomasso's Golf Course in Waverly, NY will be held on Saturday, May 21, 2016.

The Senior Class will also be conducting a Can and Bottle Drive Fundraiser on April 23, 2016.

- D. Policy Review - no report
- E. Technology - Mr. Osborn stated that there is no meeting scheduled at this time but stated that the Committee did meet recently.
- F. Athletics and Recreation – Mr. Skerpon stated that the spring athletic season is underway.
- G. Personnel – no report

III. Miscellaneous

A. Reports

1. NTCC Report - Mr. Hickey stated that the NTCC reviewed the first draft of a budget and approved the preliminary teachers' contract.
2. BLaST IU 17 Report – no report
3. PSBA Report - Mr. Cole reported that Senate Bill 807 is pending.
4. Board President's Report - Mr. Osborn thanked members of the community for recent letters of support for the School District.
5. Superintendent's Report - Dr. Griggs thanked all involved in preparing for the senior prom last Saturday.

B. Other – At this point in the meeting, Don Skerpon presented information regarding the salary structure within the 2008-2013 contract as well as an overview of step placement and the methods whereby salary levels may increase for teachers. He displayed an example of how a teacher may progress through the step placement with yearly increases. He also stated that by reviewing this information, he became better educated on how much the District is allotting for salaries as well as health care costs for teachers. He reviewed the projected retirement funding and costs for the District which increased substantially since the early 2000s. Rick Jennings then discussed the present health insurance premiums, salaries as compared against other districts and reminded all in attendance that the School Board's primary function is one of fiscal responsibility and to develop a budget that is fair and reasonable.

C. Several community members, teachers and students then addressed the School Board members including: Charlie Kline, Brad Homer, Amy Johnston, Tammy Ciavardini, Glenn Aikens, Marsha Romberger, Ken Haggerty, Haley Simonetti, Tara Kelly, Annette VanderMark, John Welliver, Bill Paris and Kristin Johnston. Although this was not a question and answer session, Dr. Griggs did answer specific questions regarding the projected last day of classes for underclassmen which may be June 15th and that busing would be provided for senior students this week for classes.

IV. Adjournment

On a motion made by R. Cole, seconded by K. Bentley, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra J. Luchaco
Board Secretary

MOTION	1		2		3		4		5		6		7	
Roll call	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N
Agnew	X		X		X		X*		X		X		X	
Cole	X		X		X		X		X		X		X	
Hickey	X		X		X		X		X		X		X	
Husick	X		X		X		X		X		X		X	
Jennings	X		X		X		X		X		X		X	
Osborn	X		X		X		X		X		X		X	
Quattrini	X		X		X		X		X		X		X	

*Abstain line item #4