

# LAUREL SCHOOL DISTRICT

**TO:** All Employees

**FROM:** Leonard Rich, Superintendent

**SUBJECT:** Mini-Minutes, Board Meeting

**DATE:** December 5, 2017

The following action was taken during the Regular Meeting of the Laurel Board of Education held on December 5, 2017:

1. Recognized Dan Pontius as 2017 Pride and Promise Recipient.
2. Approved the band to take the band trailer and school district truck to Disney in March of 2018. There will be no cost to the district.
3. Approved Mr. Matthew Pertile and 11<sup>th</sup> grade students to attend the National College Fair at the David L. Lawrence Convention Center, Pittsburgh, PA on February 8, 2018. Cost to the district will be for transportation.
4. Approved the Administration to advertise for bids to renovate the Baseball dugouts.
5. Accepted and approved the Audit Report for the school year ending June 30, 2017, as presented by Mr. Bruce Lawrence from the firm McGill, Power, Bell & Associates, LLP, district auditors.
6. Approved the additions to the 2017-2018 District Volunteer and District Non-Instructional Substitute listings (per the attached list.)
7. Approved the district to increase the custodian and secretarial substitute rate to \$8.50 per hour and the cafeteria substitute rate to \$7.75 per hour effective immediately.
8. Approved Mrs. Jenn McGarrah to attend the Origins of the American Idea workshop on March 7, 2018 at the Beaver Valley IU. Cost to the district will be \$80 for a substitute and the cost for transportation.
9. Approved Mrs. Elizabeth Ernst to participate in the Introduction to Global Education. This course will be held in Panama from January 11-12, 2018. The course awards 25 professional development hours. Cost to the district will be for a substitute for school business. All other costs and liabilities for the trip are the responsibility of Mrs. Ernst.
10. Approved a Family Medical Leave for Mrs. Buffy McConahy beginning November 21, 2017.
11. Employed Ms. Brenda Shiderly as a personal care/instructional aide in the amount of \$8.25 per hour.
12. Approved for Mr. Dan Svirbly, Mrs. Jean Ann Dean and Mr. David Germanski to attend the Computer Science for Elementary School – Coding workshop on December 19, 2017 at the MIU IV in Grove City, PA. Cost to the district will be \$160 for substitutes and the cost for transportation.
13. Approved Mrs. Paula Lenox and Mrs. Angie Murrman to attend the PSSA Math Open-Ended Item workshops during the remainder of the 2017-2018 school year at the Allegheny IU 3. Cost to the district will be \$1,200 for registration, \$640 for substitutes and \$497 for mileage.

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14. Approved Mrs. Christina Lorelli and Mrs. Michele Mrozek to attend the National Reading Recovery & K-6 Literacy Conference on February 18-20, 2018 in Columbus, Ohio. Cost to the district is \$945 for registration, \$650 for lodging, \$80 for a substitute \$450 for mileage.
15. Approved Mrs. Dawne Skerbetz to attend the High School Education 3.0: Educating Generation Next on January 16, 2018 at the Pittsburgh Technical College in Oakdale, PA. Cost to the district will be \$80 for a substitute and \$42.80 for mileage.
16. Approved Mr. Mark Frengel, Mr. Don Rodgers, Mrs. Dawne Skerbetz, Mrs. Heather Walzer, Mrs. Nicole Scott and Mrs. Nicole Pauline to participate in the 6 week Google Tools for Educators online course through the MIU IV. Cost to the district is \$2,520 for registration.
17. Recognized the following resignations:
  - A. Buffy McConahy – cafeteria head cook position
  - B. Jodi Smith – Life Skills Instructional Aide
  - C. Shaelyn Barrett – Assistant Girls Softball Coach
  - D. Jamie Telez – Head Volleyball Coach
18. Approved the transfer of Mrs. Mary Jo Arblaster from her current cafeteria position to the Head Cook position. She will receive an additional \$.25 per hour for this position according to the negotiated contract.
19. Transferred Amy McCosby from her current cafeteria position to the vacant 27.5 hour per week cafeteria position.
20. Approved the Slippery Rock University student teacher placements for the second semester of the 2017-2018 school year:
  - A. Jason Christy – Holzhauser and Miles
  - B. Melinda Whelan – Morrison and Levish
  - C. Kelsey Musich – Gibson and Walzer
  - D. Levi Yoder – Horodyski and Wade
21. Approved the Second Reading and adopted Policy 918 – Title I Parent/Family Engagement.
22. Approved the 2018 Joint Purchasing Agreement with the MIU IV.
23. Approved Resolution #120517-2 stating that the Laurel School District elects not to increase its taxes above the adjusted index of 3.4 percent for the 2018-2019 school year.
24. Approved a tentative agreement with the Laurel Teachers’ Association for the period of 2017-2018, 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 according to the terms that were negotiated between the Laurel Board of Education and the Laurel Teachers’ Association.
25. Ms. Julie Lewis – Middle School Presentation