

- Members Present** The Laurel Board of Education met on Tuesday, January 10, 2017, for their regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. There were eight (8) Board members present: Mr. Alan Carlson, Mr. James Eppinger, Mr. Jeff Hammerschmidt, Mr. Justin Kirkwood, Mr. Lance Nimmo, Mr. Kevin Patterson, Mr. Timothy Redfoot, and Mr. Stephen Sickafuse. Mr. Earl Williams was excused. Also in attendance were Mr. Leonard Rich, Superintendent; Ms. Mary Kosek, Business Manager; Mr. Robert Ord, Director of Administrative Services; Mr. Kevin Mahoney, Principal; Mr. Daniel Svirbly, Principal; Mr. Mark Frengel, Principal; and Mr. Matthew Mangino, Solicitor. There was one guest. A newspaper representative was not in attendance.
- Meeting Called to Order** The meeting was called to order by the Board President, Mr. Kirkwood.
- Pride & Promise Award** The Laurel Board of Education members were the recipients of the January 2017 Pride and Promise Award.
- Recognition of Meetings** December 6, 2016- 6:00 PM-6:59 PM - Executive Session - Personnel
- Approve Minutes** Motion by Redfoot second by Patterson to approve the minutes from the December 6, 2016, Re-Organization Meeting of the Board, December 6, 2016 Regular Meeting of the Board and the December 12, 2016, Special Meeting of the Board. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as affirmative votes.
- Approve Treasurer's Report** Motion by Patterson second by Carlson to approve the Treasurer's Report to the Board. Cash Balance on December 31, 2016 of \$1,856,371.77. Receipts during December 2016 were \$1,147,052.67. Expenditures at the end of December 2016 were \$1,049,398.07. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as affirmative votes.
- Approve Investment Report** Motion by Patterson second by Sickafuse to approve the Investment Report as of December 31, 2016. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as affirmative votes.
- Approve General Fund Bill Listings** Motion by Patterson second by Nimmo to approve the General Fund Bill Listings for the month of January 2017 for payment in the amount of \$175,412.86 and checks written manually during the month of December 2016 in the amount of \$27,337.72 for a total of \$202,750.58. The President requested a roll call vote. All votes were recorded as Roll Call Votes - Yes.

- Approve Laurel Athletic Association Bills Motion by Patterson second by Sickafuse to approve the listing of Laurel Athletic Association Bills for December 2016 for payment in the amount of \$4,290. The President requested a roll call vote. All votes were recorded as Roll Call Votes - Yes.
- FBLA State Leadership Conference Motion by Carlson second by Nimmo to grant approval for Mrs. Dawne Skerbetz, Mrs. Patricia Miles and 14 students to attend the 2017 FBLA State Leadership Conference on April 3-6, 2017. Cost to the district will be for registration, lodging, meals and transportation for a total of \$7,178. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as affirmative votes.
- Tools for Skeptical Thinking: Evaluating Science & Pseudoscience in Speech-Language Pathology Motion by Carlson second by Hammerschmidt to grant approval for Mrs. Anne Harris to attend the workshop "Tools for Skeptical Thinking: Evaluating Science and Pseudoscience in Speech-Language Pathology" on February 13, 2017 at PaTTAN in Pittsburgh, PA. Cost to the district will be for transportation. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as affirmative votes.
- NACAC National Career Fair Motion by Carlson second by Nimmo to grant approval for Mr. Matthew Pertile and students to attend the NACAC National Career Fair at the David L. Lawrence Convention Center in Pittsburgh, PA on February 10, 2017. Cost to the district will be for transportation. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as affirmative votes.
- APEA Review Course - Dado Motion by Carlson second by Nimmo to grant approval for Dr. Lori Dado to attend the APEA Review Course at PowerCenter Duquesne University in Pittsburgh, PA on March 8-10, 2017. Cost will be for registration, substitute, transportation and meals in the amount of \$930 and will be paid by ACCESS. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as affirmative votes.
- Championship Finals for Sports Motion by Hammerschmidt second by Sickafuse to grant approval for any Coaches in Basketball, Wrestling, and Cheerleading and any student Finalists in these sports to participate in the WPIAL/PIAA Championship Finals should they qualify. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as affirmative votes.

- Advertise for bids -
Modular Classrooms
- Motion by Redfoot second by Hammerschmidt to grant approval for the district to advertise the sale of the modular classrooms. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as affirmative votes.
- Preliminary Budget 17-18
- Motion by Patterson second by Sickafuse to approve the Preliminary Budget for the 17-18 school year. The President requested a roll call vote. All votes were recorded as Roll Call Votes - Yes.
- Slippery Rock Student -
Hartman
- Motion by Sickafuse second by Carlson to grant approval for a Slippery Rock Student, Ms. Emily Hartman, to complete her field experience with Mrs. Scott from February 6 - April 28, 2017. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as affirmative votes.
- Slippery Rock - Student
Teachers
- Motion by Sickafuse second by Hammerschmidt to grant approval for the following Slippery Rock Students to complete their Student Teaching Assignments:
Ms. Rebecca Sapp - 2nd Semester of the 16-17 school year with Mrs. Patricia Miles
Mr. Jerrod Galloway - 2nd Semester of the 16-17 school year with Mr. Jake Holzhauser
The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as affirmative votes.
- McElfresh - Increase in per
day rate
- Motion by Sickafuse second by Redfoot to approve an increase in the contracted amount for Mr. Gary McElfresh from \$350 per day to \$40 per day retroactive to December 7, 2016. Mr. McElfresh will continue his services to provide a smooth transition for the new Supervisor of Pupil Services. Once the Supervisor of Pupil Services begins employment, he will provide two days per week. This service will not extend past March 31, 2017, unless the Board grants prior approval. The President requested a roll call vote. All votes were recorded as Roll Call Votes - Yes.
- Supervisor of Pupil Services
- Bell
- Motion by Sickafuse second by Nimmo to hire Ms. Nicole Bell as the Supervisor of Pupil Services to direct the Laurel School District Special Education Program. Ms. Bell is to be paid \$78,000 annually (pro-rated) for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year. This is a 240 day position under the Act 93 agreement and comes with all rights and privileges thereof. The President requested a roll call vote. All votes were recorded as Roll Call Votes - Yes.

- Resignation - Asst. Cheerleading Coach - Busin Motion by Sickafuse second by Carlson to recognize and accept the resignation of Ms. Jaclyn Busin as the Assistant Cheerleading Coach effective December 7, 2016. The President requested a roll call vote. All votes were recorded as Roll Call Votes - Yes.
- Asst. Cheerleading Coach - Brush Motion by Sickafuse second by Patterson to employ Ms. Sydney Brush for Assistant Cheerleading Coach for the remainder of the 16-17 school year on step 1 in the amount of \$2,350 prorated for the year in the amount of \$1,175 per the negotiated agreement. The President requested a roll call vote. All votes were recorded as Roll Call Votes - Yes.
- Non Instructional and Volunteer Listings Motion by Sickafuse second by Redfoot to approve the additions to the District Non-Instructional Substitute and Volunteer Listings for the 2016-2017 school year. The President requested a roll call vote. All votes were recorded as Roll Call Votes - Yes.
- Advertise Bids - Bus Motion by Eppinger second by Sickafuse grant approval for the district to advertise for bids for one (1) 72 passenger bus for the 17-18 school year. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as affirmative votes.
- LCCTC Articles of Agreement Motion by Carlson second by Patterson to approve Resolution 2017-1 accepting the Amendments to the Articles of Agreement for the Lawrence County Career and Technical Center. The President requested a roll call vote. All votes were recorded as Roll Call Votes - Yes.
- MOU Lawrence County Children and Youth Services - Transportation Motion by Redfoot second by Eppinger to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Laurel School District and the Lawrence County Children and Youth Services for Transportation Procedures Agreement. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as affirmative votes.
- Agreement Lawrence County Children and Youth Services - Educational Best Interest Determination Motion by Carlson second by Sickafuse to approve the Agreement between the Laurel School District and the Lawrence County Children and Youth Services for Lawrence County Educational Best Interest Determination. The President requested negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as affirmative votes.
- Vocational Education Advisory Board Minutes Motion by Nimmo second by Eppinger to recognize the Laurel School District's Vocational Education Advisory Board Minutes for the meeting held on December 20, 2016. The President requested

negative votes and abstentions by show of hands. There were none. All votes were recorded as affirmative votes.

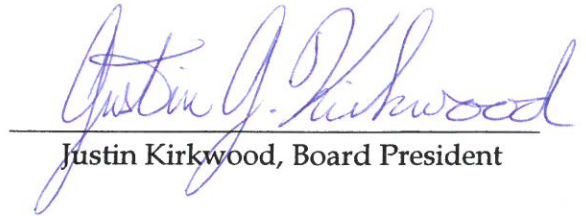
Adjournment

Motion by Sickafuse second by Nimmo to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting of the Laurel Board of Education at 7:29 PM.

Respectfully Submitted



Mary A. Kosek, Board Secretary



Justin Kirkwood, Board President