BOARD OF EDUCATION
CORRY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR BOARD MEETING
September 11, 2017

A Regular Board Meeting of the Corry Area Board of School Directors was held on Monday, September 11, 2017, in the Large Group Instruction Room of the Administration Office. President Doris Gernovich called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

The Board met in Executive Session at 6:40 p.m. on Monday, September 11, 2017 for personnel discussion.

ROLL CALL

Present: Directors: Amy L. Allen, Michael E. Baker, Amanda J. Cox, Lonny T. Eastman, Joseph A. Frisina, Doris P. Gernovich, Christine A. Johnson, Deborah A. Wood

Excused: Linda L. Hajec

Also Present: William A. Nichols - Superintendent; Sheri L. Yetzer – Assistant Superintendent; Brenda L. Clabbatz – Business Manager; William P. West – Director of Secondary Education; Gail Swank – Intermediate School Principal; Daniel Daum – Director of Elementary Education; Kelly Cragg – High School Principal; Mike Munsee – Director of Buildings & Grounds

Media: Erin Passinger – Corry Journal

Guests: Valerie Toplovich, Peggy Gates, Chelsey Toplovich, Robyn LaSalvia

MOMENT OF SILENCE/ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVED AGENDA

MOTION by Director Frisina and seconded by Director Baker to approve the agenda with one correction for September 11, 2017.

YEAS: Directors: Allen, Baker, Cox, Eastman, Gernovich, Frisina, Johnson, Wood

NAYS: None.

APPROVED MINUTES

MOTION by Director Johnson and seconded by Director Cox to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on August 14, 2017 and the Regular Meeting on August 28, 2017.

YEAS: Directors: Allen, Baker, Cox, Eastman, Gernovich, Frisina, Johnson, Wood

NAYS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Peggy Gates expressed a concern that Mountain Dew Kick Start is currently available for students to purchase in the Middle-High School cafeteria. Administration is not aware of this but will contact Nutrition, Inc for clarification.

PUBLIC COMMENT (cont'd)

PTO President, Robyn LaSalvia reported on the great success of Erie Gives Day with Corry PTO receiving $2,692.51. This amount does not include the money they will be receiving from the Corry Community Foundation. PTO advertized on the Corry radio station as well as on FaceBook and had an information table at Art In The Park to help get the word out.

STAFF COMMENT

Bill West updated the Board on the September 19th Lord Corporation STEM Outreach Day to be held at the Middle-High School for students in grades 5-8. The day will include career exploration opportunities and 12 hands-on STEM stations. Lord is also landing one or two helicopters on the property as part of the event. Senators Wagner and Laughlin will be present along with 75 members, mainly engineers, of Lord Corporation. Mr. Daum reported that representatives from Edinboro University, IU5 and Camp Fitch visited our district regarding the STEM programs in both the elementary and secondary. They indicated they are extremely impressed with the programs and initiatives we are offering. The representative for IU5 has a connection with Secretary of Education Pedro Rivera's STEM associate and he offered to make contact with him in the hopes of getting the Secretary to visit our district during their Fall tour.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

Chelsey Toplovich reported on Homecoming and Spirit Week activities.

APPROVED 2017 PER CAPITA EXONERATIONS

MOTION by Director Baker and seconded by Director Eastman to approve the 2017 Per Capita Tax Exonerations (list attached).

YEAS: Directors: Allen, Baker, Cox, Eastman, Gernovich, Frisina, Johnson, Wood

NAYS: None.

APPROVED SALE OF PROPERTY

MOTION by Director Eastman and seconded by Director Johnson to approve the sale of property at 20256 State Hwy. 89, Spartansburg, PA – Control # 49-0-040116 – 3 acres and building. Property is currently held in repository and offer is made by Kelly Warner in the amount of $6,000.

YEAS: Directors: Allen, Baker, Cox, Eastman, Gernovich, Frisina, Johnson, Wood

NAYS: None.

APPROVED FIELD TRIPS

MOTION by Director Eastman and seconded by Director Wood to approve the following Field Trip Requests:

1. Marching Band (41 students) — October 7, 2017
   Woodland Hills High School — Pittsburgh, PA
   Under the supervision of: — Brian McCowin +4
2. Marching Band (41 students) — October 21, 2017
   Penn-Trafford High School — Harrison City, PA
   Under the supervision of: — Brian McCowin +4

YEAS: Directors: Allen, Baker, Cox, Eastman, Gernovich, Frisina, Johnson, Wood

NAYS: None.

APPROVED PERSONNEL ITEMS

MOTION by Director Frisina and seconded by Director Johnson to approve the following Personnel items:

1. Appointment of Daniel J. Scutella as 6th Grade Middle School Teacher, effective September 5, 2017 at a salary of $43,283.00 - Bachelors Step 1.
2. Appointment of Sarah M. Bull as 6th Grade Middle School Teacher, effective September 1, 2017 at a salary of $47,535.00 - Masters Step 4.
3. Timothy J. Campbell as having satisfactorily completed three (3) years of service with the Corry Area School District (Board Approved 8/4/14, Start Date 8/25/14, Tenure Date 8/28/17).
4. Appointment of Patrick Trotter (non-district) as a Category I Volunteer for the Youth Football Program for the 2017 - 2018 season.

(Director Eastman inquired as to why the District is granting tenure to Mr. Campbell after his resignation. Mr. Nichols explained that tenure is earned after the completion of 6 consecutive semesters with "Satisfactory" evaluations, which Mr. Campbell did complete successfully while employed in our District.)

YEAS: Directors: Allen, Cox, Gernovich, Frisina, Johnson, Wood

NAYS: Baker, Eastman.

OTHER MATTERS BY SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. Nichols gave a brief update on the State Budget talks. Although the budget was signed into law, full funding is still not complete.

OTHER MATTERS BY BUSINESS MANAGER

Mrs. Clabbatz would like to schedule a Property Committee Meeting. She will work out a date with Mike Munsee and let the Board Members know when that will be.

OTHER MATTERS BY BOARD MEMBERS

Director Allen asked if the Marching Band could attend a Board Meeting to report on the two field trips that were approved earlier in the evening.

Director Frisina asked if the cost of ticket prices to sporting events has changed. It was confirmed that they have not changed for 2017-18. He also asked about the cost increase in building rental and Mrs. Clabbatz responded that the only increase involves increases in pay for the custodians and other hourly personnel covering each particular event; there is no across-the-board increase to use the buildings.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Director Eastman and seconded by Director Baker to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting at 7:29 p.m.

YEAS: Directors: Allen, Baker, Cox, Eastman, Gernovich, Frisina, Johnson, Wood

NAYS: None.

Victoria L. Anderson

Victoria L. Anderson, Board Secretary