BOARD OF EDUCATION
CORRY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR BOARD MEETING
August 1, 2016

A Regular Board Meeting of the Corry Area Board of School Directors was held on Monday, August 1, 2016, in the Large Group Instruction Room of the Administration Office. President Doris Gernovich called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

The Board met in Executive Session on June 23, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. for solicitor consultation and August 1, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. for personnel discussion.

ROLL CALL

Present: Directors: Michael E. Baker, Amanda J. Cox, Lonny T. Eastman, Doris P. Gernovich, Linda L. Hajec (via phone), Christine Johnson, Deborah A. Wood

Excused: Amy L. Allen, Joseph A. Frisina

Also Present: William A. Nichols - Superintendent; Brenda L. Clabbatz – Acting Business Manager; Bill West – Director of Secondary Education; S. Kelly Cragg; High School Principal; Daniel Daum – Intermediate School Principal; Denise Otteni-Jones – Director of Special Education

Media: Erin Passinger – Corry Journal

Guests: Rachel Cragg, Chelsey Toplovich, Valerie Toplovich, Meghan Sisson, Melissa Sperry, Brenda Boucher

MOMENT OF SILENCE/ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVED AGENDA

MOTION by Director Eastman and seconded by Director Baker to approve the agenda for August 1, 2016 with corrections to Personnel Items 9 & 10.

YEAS: Directors: Baker, Cox, Eastman, Gernovich, Hajec, Johnson, Wood

NAYS: None.

APPROVED MINUTES

MOTION by Director Baker and seconded by Director Eastman to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on June 6, 2016 and the Regular Meeting on June 20, 2016.

Note – Director Cox pointed out that the word "articulated" in the June 6th minutes should be "matriculated".

YEAS: Directors: Baker, Cox, Eastman, Gernovich, Hajec, Johnson, Wood

NAYS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Lucy Cook questioned two legal ads recently placed in the Corry Journal. One was a notice of the Board Policy for Public Comment during Board Meetings. Ms. Cook questioned why it is necessary to put this notice in the paper. President Gernovich responded to Ms. Cook that we are required to advertise that Board Policy on an annual basis. The other item in the Corry Journal was a request for bids which was submitted by Acting Business Manager Brenda Clabbatz. Ms. Cook questioned whether the position for Business Manager is an open position, to which Mr. Nichols replied no.

STAFF COMMENT

None

APPROVED

MOTION by Director Wood and seconded by Director Baker to approve the following items:

1. Approved the Affiliation Agreement with Safe Harbor Behavioral Health of UPMC Hamot.
2. Approved the Memorandum of Agreement between Corry Area School District and the Bureau of Career and Technical Education.
3. Approved the enrollment of a foreign exchange student from Japan for the 2016-2017 school year. (Host Family – Joyce & Joseph Cirigliano, Corry, PA).
4. Approved the following tentative Field Trip Request:

Spanish Club (12+ students in 10th -12th grade)	June 2017 (dates TBD)
Costa Rica	
Under the supervision of:	Meghan Sisson & Nova Dinsmore

YEAS: Directors: Baker, Cox, Eastman, Gernovich, Hajec, Johnson, Wood

NAYS: None.

APPROVED PERSONNEL ITEMS

MOTION by Director Cox and seconded by Director Johnson to approve the following Personnel Items:

Tenured Service

APPROVED the following employees as having satisfactorily completed three (3) years of service with the Corry Area School District:

	Board Approved	Start Date	Tenure
Sierra L. Allen	9/16/13	9/12/13	8/26/16
Adam R. Brewer	8/19/13	8/26/13	8/26/16
Amanda N. Cook	7/8/13	8/26/13	8/26/16
Kristen P. Covell	7/8/13	8/26/13	8/26/16
Afton N. Hinsdale	7/8/13	8/26/13	8/26/16
Brock S. Jaquith	1/17/12	1/13/12	1/13/16
Andrew M. Kuzma	9/16/13	9/17/13	8/26/13
Michael J. McGinnity	5/6/13	7/1/13	7/1/16
Meghan E. Sisson	3/4/13	4/2/13	4/2/16
Stacie N. Smith	6/17/13	8/26/13	8/26/16
Nicole D. Strychalski	8/5/13	8/26/13	8/26/16
Adam G.Walstrom	6/17/13	8/26/13	8/26/16

John Styborski (nd) APPROVED the appointment of John Styborski as a Continuous Category I Volunteer for the Youth Football Program for the 2016-2017 season.

John Yatsko (nd) APPROVED the appointment of John Yatsko as a Continuous Category I Volunteer for the Youth Football Program for the 2016-2017 season.

Jill Webb ACCEPTED the resignation of Jill Webb - Grade II Secretary - effective immediately.

Amy Greer ACCEPTED the resignation of Amy Greer as a Grade II Paraprofessional effective August 12, 2016 (accepting a position as Grade II Secretary).

Amy Greer APPROVED the appointment of Amy Greer as a Step 6, Grade II Secretary at a pay rate of $18.02 per hour effective August 12, 2016.

Shantel Kuzma APPROVED the appointment of Shantel Kuzma (recall from furlough) as a Grade III Paraprofessional effective August 24, 2016.

Lindsay M. Kalika APPROVED the appointment of Lindsay M. Kalika as Secondary Autistic Support Teacher effective August 24, 2016 at a salary of $46,057 (Step 2 Masters).

Vanessa S. Vona APPROVED the appointment of Vanessa S. Vona as Secondary Learning Support Teacher at a salary of $54,186 (Step 10 Masters) effective August 24, 2016.

Tina M. Flook APPROVED the appointment of Tina M. Flook as Elementary Art/Literacy Teacher at a salary of $45,537 (Step 1 Masters) effective August 24, 2016.

Dana L. Meredith APPROVED the appointment of Dana L. Meredith as an Elementary Teacher at a salary of $43,006 (Step 1 Bachelors) effective August 24, 2016.

Erin Hartman APPROVED the appointment of Erin Hartman as Grade I Cafeteria worker at Corry Area Intermediate School (due to the bidding process from a retirement) at a pay rate of $11.93/hour, 2.5 hours/day effective August 17, 2016.

APPROVED the appointment of the following individuals for contracted supplemental positions for the 2016-2017 school year.

Senior Class Co-Advisor – Step 2	Roxann Dougherty	$824.50
Senior Class Co-Advisor – Step 2	Jeanne Norton	$824.50
Junior Class Co-Advisor – Step 2	Andrew Passinger	$824.50
Sophomore Class Advisor – Step 2	Andrew Passinger	$848.00
Freshman Class Advisor – Step 2	Jeffrey Brasington	$848.00
Yearbook Advisor – Step 2	Mary Beth Brown	$2,387.00
Play Director – Step 2	Kimberly Smrcka	$1,070.00
Beaver Editor – Step 2	Andrew Passinger	$1,367.00
Radio-TV Coordinator – Step 2	Michael Woods	$1,367.00
SHS Student Council Advisor - Step 2	Jeffrey Brasington	$1,649.00
MS Student Council Advisor – Step 2	Shannon West	$826.00
Band Director – Step 2	Brian McCowin	$5,656.00
National Honor Society Co-Advisor – Step 2	Roxann Dougherty	$637.00
National Honor Society Co-Advisor – Step 2	Jeanne Norton	$637.00
Future Business Leaders – Step 2	Skip Laird	$1,274.00
Academic Team Coach – Step 2	Nick Krasa	$1,592.00
Assistant Academic Team Coach – Step 2	Eric McCray	$795.00
Robotics/LEGO/Robobots Advisor	Nick Krasa	$1,800.00

APPROVAL YEAS: Directors: Baker, Cox, Eastman, Gernovich, Hajec, Johnson, Wood

NAYS: None.

Rob Elchynski (nd) MOTION by Director Wood and seconded by Director Johnson to approve the appointment of Rob Elchynski (nd) as Assistant Boys' Basketball Coach for the 2016-17 school year at a supplemental salary of $3,510.00

YEAS: Directors: Baker, Cox, Gernovich, Hajec, Johnson, Wood

ABSTAIN: Director: Eastman

NAYS: None

Supplemental Positions MOTION by Director Eastman and seconded by Director Wood to approve the appointment of the following individuals for contracted supplemental positions for the 2016-2017 school year.

Head Boys' Basketball Coach – Step 2	Tyler Bailey	$5,656.00
Assistant Boys' Basketball Coach – Step 2	Kurtis Fox	$3,510.00
Assistant Boys' Basketball Coach – Step 2	Michael Soprano	$3,510.00
Assistant Boys' Basketball Coach – Step 1	Mike Rimzdius (nd)	$2,979.00
Head Girls Basketball Coach – Step 2	Meghan Sisson	$5,656.00
Assistant Girls Basketball Coach – Step 1	John Tate (nd)	$2,979.00
Head Wrestling Coach – Step 2	Greg Barnett (nd)	$5,656.00
Assistant Wrestling Coach – Step 2	Curtis Harrington	$3,510.00
Assistant Wrestling Coach – Step 2	Andrew Gourley (nd)	$3,510.00
Assistant Wrestling Co-Coach – Step 2	Mike Munsee	$1,755.00
Assistant Wrestling Co-Coach – Step 2	Jessie Blount (nd)	$1,755.00
Head Swimming Coach – Step 2	Doug Gerould (nd)	$4,357.00
Assistant Swimming/Diving Coach – Step 2	Rich Zarger	$2,700.00
Varsity Basketball Cheerleader Sponsor – Step 2	Sherri Suchar (nd)	$2,160.00
Varsity Wrestling Cheerleader Sponsor – Step 2	Janet Kurtz (nd)	$2,160.00
Elementary Girls Basketball Director	Amanda Cook	$600.00
Elementary Volleyball Director	Pat Goodsel (nd)	$600.00

YEAS: Directors: Baker, Cox, Eastman, Gernovich, Hajec, Johnson, Wood

NAYS: None.

OTHER MATTERS BY THE SUPERINTENDENT Mr. Nichols referred to a Policy Brief in the Board Packet written by David Davare regarding School Fund Balances. Mr. Nichols welcomed the new hires, noting that several of them are local and have great credentials and experience.

OTHER MATTERS BY THE BUSINESS MANAGER Mrs. Clabbatz reported that money from the State is coming in, which is a relief compared to last year at this time. The custodial and maintenance staff has done a wonderful job getting the buildings and the MHS parking lot ready for the start of the new school year.

OTHER MATTERS BY BOARD MEMBERS

Dr. Gernovich advised there is a "meet and discuss" meeting with members from the Teachers' Union on August 16th at 1:00 pm. She would like there to be at least 2 Board Members present. This will become a regularly scheduled meeting throughout the school year and different Board Members are welcome to attend these meetings at their convenience. Similar meetings will also be held with the Act 93 group.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Director Baker and seconded by Director Eastman to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting at 7:20 p.m.

YEAS: Directors: Baker, Cox, Eastman, Gernovich, Hajec, Johnson, Wood

NAYS: None

Victoria L. Anderson

Victoria L. Anderson, Board Secretary