BOARD OF EDUCATION
CORRY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR BOARD MEETING
January 13, 2020

A Regular Board Meeting of the Corry Area Board of School Directors was held on Monday, January 13, 2020, in the Large Group Instruction Room of the Administration Office. President Doris Gernovich called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Directors: Joel A. Cook, Amanda J. Cox, Joseph A. Frisina, Doris P. Gernovich, Mandi F. Johnson, L. Jon Maker, William A. Nichols, Deborah A. Wood

Excused: Amy L. Allen

Also Present: Sheri L. Yetzer - Superintendent; Brenda L. Clabbatz – Business Manager; Daniel Daum – Director of Elementary Education; Mike Munsee – Director of Buildings & Grounds; Andy Passinger – Middle School Assistant Principal; Gail Swank – Intermediate School Principal; Teresa Pearce – Primary School Principal

Media: Jordan Schrecengost – Corry Journal; Bill Stafford - WWCB Radio

Guests: Ashley Lovejoy

MOMENT OF SILENCE/ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVED AGENDA

MOTION by Director Cox and seconded by Director Wood to approve the agenda for January 13, 2020.

YEAS: Directors: Cook, Cox, Frisina, Gernovich, Johnson, Maker, Nichols, Wood

NAYS: None.

APPROVED MINUTES 11-18-19 and 12-3-19

MOTION by Director Frisina and seconded by Director Cook to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on November 18, 2019, the Reorganization Meeting on December 3, 2019, and the Regular Meeting on December 3, 2019.

YEAS: Directors: Cook, Cox, Frisina, Gernovich, Johnson, Maker, Nichols, Wood

NAYS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

STAFF COMMENT

Mr. Daum presented data information on PSSA results.

APPROVED BUSINESS MANAGERS REPORTS

MOTION by Director Nichols and seconded by Director Cox to approve the Business Manager's Reports.

YEAS: Directors: Cook, Cox, Frisina, Gernovich, Johnson, Maker, Nichols, Wood

NAYS: None.

APPROVED PAYMENT OF BILLS

MOTION by Director Johnson and seconded by Director Wood to approve the payment of bills from November 14, 2019 through January 9, 2020 as covered by Board Check Nos. 41060 – 41264 in the amount of $3,156,651.80 and Board Check Nos. 40820 and 41276 – 41363in the amount of $2,211,944.88; Wire Transfers in the amount of $662,265.26; Payroll Check Nos. 40808- 40817 in the amount of $10,093.84, Payroll Check Nos. 41158-41168 in the amount of $4,559.49, and Payroll Check Nos. 41265 – 41275 in the amount of $5,618.51; Payroll Direct Deposits in the amount of $371,466.04, $364,631.95, and $374,725.03; and Cafeteria Check Nos. 1552-1554 in the amount of $59,413.85 and Cafeteria Check Nos. 1536, 1555-1556 in the amount of $142,015.81.

YEAS: Directors: Cook, Cox, Frisina, Gernovich, Johnson, Maker, Nichols, Wood

NAYS: None.

APPROVED CHECK Nos. 41139 & 41351

MOTION by Director Cook and seconded by Director Maker to approve Board Check No. 41139 in the amount of $384.80, and Board Check No. 41351 in the amount of $433.10, payable to JH Auto Parts, Inc.

YEAS: Directors: Cook, Cox, Gernovich, Johnson, Maker, Nichols, Wood

ABSTAIN: Frisina

NAYS: None.

APPROVED ECHA RESOLUTION

MOTION by Director Nichols and seconded by Director Wood to approve resolution to deem the following list of properties, owned by Erie County Housing Authority and utilized for a public purpose as tax-exempt, and therefore to waive the outstanding 2018 School District taxes:

1. Random Road, Corry, PA 16407, Erie County Tax ID#: 06-004-011.0-009.00
2. 357 East Pleasant Street, Corry, PA 16407, Erie County Tax ID#: 05-028-182.0-017.00
3. 849 South Center Street, Corry, PA 16407, Erie County Tax ID#: 05-043-161.0-001.00
4. 213 Random Road, Corry, PA 16407, Erie County Tax ID#: 06-004-011.0-008.00
5. 974 North Center, Corry, PA 16407, Erie County Tax ID#: 06-010-020.016.00
6. 251 West Pleasant Street, Corry, PA 16407, Erie County Tax ID#: 08-033-142.0-003.00

YEAS: Directors: Cook, Cox, Frisina, Johnson, Maker, Nichols, Wood

ABSTAIN: Gernovich

NAYS: None.

APPROVED PRINCIPLES for GOVERNANCE & LEADERSHIP

MOTION by Director Wood and seconded by Director Cox to approve the adoption of Principles for Governance & Leadership.

YEAS: Directors: Cook, Cox, Frisina, Gernovich, Johnson, Maker, Nichols, Wood

NAYS: None.

APPROVED FIELD TRIPS

MOTION by Director Cook and seconded by Director Frisina to approve the following Field Trip Requests:

1. 5th Grade Darien Lake Under the supervision of:	May 29, 2020 Darien Center, NY 10+ Teachers & Staff
2. Varsity Boys Basketball (Mon/Weds) Jamestown Middle School Under the Supervision of:	June 1 – July 13, 2020 Jamestown, NY Tyler Bailey + 3 Coaches
3. Skills USA (2 students) Steamfitters Technology Center Under the Supervision of:	January 15, 2020 Harmony, PA Wesley Miller

YEAS: Directors: Cook, Cox, Frisina, Gernovich, Johnson, Maker, Nichols, Wood

NAYS: None.

APPROVED PERSONNEL ITEMS

MOTION by Director Wood and seconded by Director Frisina to approve the following Personnel Items:

1. The appointment of Ashley J. Lovejoy as a Special Education Teacher effective January 13, 2020, at a Bachelors Step 1 pro-rated salary of $43,708.00.
2. The appointment of Valerie Tomcho as Long-Term Substitute Grade II Special Education Paraprofessional, effective immediately. Pay retroactive to October 11, 2019, at Step 1 - $13.77 per hour.
3. The appointment of Amy L. Allen as a Category I Volunteer for Middle School Volleyball for the 2019-2020 season.
4. The addition of Crystal Walberg as a van driver (employed by D & R Transportation) for the 2019-2020 school year.

YEAS: Directors: Cook, Cox, Frisina, Gernovich, Johnson, Maker, Nichols, Wood

NAYS: None.

OTHER MATTERS BY BOARD MEMBERS

Dr. Gernovich thanked board members for attending the board retreat; she was happy with the training and the participation. The IU continues to offer trainings for board members and is working with the State to offer more of those in the future. Dr. Gernovich and Director Cox are co-chairing the Education & Student Services Committee of the Whole and will hold a meeting prior to the next board meeting.

Director Cox handed out flyers from the Erie Coalition for a Trauma Informed Community; Mrs. Yetzer will check into having that agency present to the board.

Dr. Gernovich asked Mr. Munsee for an update on the ash trees to which Mr. Munsee reported that DCNR has completed the survey of all the trees. He will have DCNR report to the board at an upcoming meeting.

OTHER MATTERS BY BUSINESS MANAGER

Mrs. Clabbatz distributed the Audited Financial Statement for the 2018-19 school year and gave a brief budget update. Revenue information from the Governor will not be available until late February.

OTHER MATTERS BY SUPERINTENDENT

Mrs. Yetzer distributed copies of the District Comprehensive Plan and asked board members to contact her if they have any questions. She is proud of the district's accomplishments with regard to the Plan and the next update will be around April 1st.

Mrs. Yetzer recommends that the board consider where we are with continued acceptance of foreign exchange students into the District as last year the District had some unexpected expenses associated with the foreign exchange student program.

ADJOURNMENT MOTION by Director Frisina and seconded by Director Nichols to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting 7:58 p.m.

YEAS: Directors: Cook, Cox, Frisina, Gernovich, Johnson, Maker, Nichols, Wood

NAYS: None.

Victoria L. Anderson

Victoria L. Anderson, Board Secretary