BOARD OF EDUCATION
CORRY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR BOARD MEETING
September 19, 2016

A Regular Board Meeting of the Corry Area Board of School Directors was held on Monday, September 19, 2016, 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 5:30 p.m. on Monday, September 19, 2016 for confidential consultation with district solicitors.

ROLL CALL

Present: Directors: Amy L. Allen, Michael E. Baker, Lonny T. Eastman, Joseph A. Frisina, Doris P. Gernovich, Linda L. Hajec, Christine A. Johnson

Excused: Amanda J. Cox, Deborah A. Wood

Also Present: William A. Nichols - Superintendent; Brenda Clabbatz – Acting Business Manager; Sheri L. Yetzer – Assistant Superintendent; William West – Director of Secondary Education; Matthew Patterson – Director of Elementary Education; Dan Daum – Elementary Principal; Lee Swartzfager – MHS Assistant Principal; Susan Barra – Supervisor of Vocational Education; Mike Munsee – Director of Buildings and Grounds

Media: Erin Passinger – Corry Journal

Guests: Chelsey Toplovich, Valerie Toplovich

MOMENT OF SILENCE/ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVED AGENDA

MOTION by Director Frisina and seconded by Director Baker to approve the agenda and addendum for September 19, 2016.

YEAS: Directors: Allen, Baker, Eastman, Frisina, Gernovich, Hajec, Johnson

NAYS: None.

APPROVED MINUTES

MOTION by Director Eastman and seconded by Director Baker to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on August 29, 2016.

YEAS: Directors: Allen, Baker, Eastman, Frisina, Gernovich, Hajec, Johnson

NAYS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

STAFF COMMENT

None

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

Chelsey Toplovich reported on Spirit Week activities including Homecoming and the parade.

APPROVED BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT

MOTION by Director Hajec and seconded by Director Johnson to approve the Business Manager's Report.

YEAS: Directors: Allen, Baker, Eastman, Frisina, Gernovich, Hajec, Johnson

NAYS: None.

APPROVED CHECKS

MOTION by Director Eastman and seconded by Director Johnson to approve the payment of bills from August 11, 2016 through September 15, 2016 as covered by Board Check Nos. 33794 – 34006 in the amount of $919,633.82; Wire Transfers in the amount of $218,925.86; Payroll Check Nos. 33823 – 33825 and 33872-33874 in the amount of $4,347.48; Capital Reserve Check Nos. 1371 – 1372 in the amount of $7,959.86; and Cafeteria Check No. 1449 in the amount of $490.81.

YEAS: Directors: Allen, Baker, Eastman, Frisina, Gernovich, Hajec, Johnson

NAYS: None.

APPROVED PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS

MOTION by Director Eastman and seconded by Director Baker to approve the following Real Property Tax Exemptions:

1. Marlene M. Gilbert, 45089 Smith Eastman Road, Spartansburg, PA, per letter from the Pennsylvania Department of Military and Veterans Affairs.
2. Mark J. Cerula, 17670 Route 89, Corry, PA, per letter from the Pennsylvania Department of Military and Veterans Affairs.

YEAS: Directors: Allen, Baker, Eastman, Frisina, Gernovich, Hajec, Johnson

NAYS: None.

APPROVED PER CAPITA TAX EXONERATIONS

MOTION by Director Johnson and seconded by Director Frisina to approve the list of 2016 Per Capita Tax Exonerations (list attached to Board Packet).

YEAS: Directors: Allen, Baker, Eastman, Frisina, Gernovich, Hajec, Johnson

NAYS: None.

APPROVED NON-RESIDENT STUDENTS

MOTION by Director Hajec and seconded by Director Johnson to approve non-resident students from the Titusville Area School District (2 students) and the Union City School District (1 student) as school district tuition-paid to attend our Life Skills programs for the 2016-2017 school year.

YEAS: Directors: Allen, Baker, Eastman, Frisina, Gernovich, Hajec, Johnson

NAYS: None.

APPROVED STUDENT EXPULSION

MOTION by Director Johnson and seconded by Director Frisina to approve the expulsion of a Middle School student as recommended by the Board's Hearing Committee due to violations of District policies. A Hearing was held at 9:00 AM on Tuesday, September 13, 2016.

YEAS: Directors: Allen, Baker, Eastman, Frisina, Gernovich, Hajec, Johnson

NAYS: None.

APPROVED:

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

2016 LIST OF GRADUATES

Amended list of graduates of the Corry Area High School Class of 2016.

FIELD TRIP REQUESTS

Field Trip Requests:

Varsity Volleyball (16 students) University of Buffalo Under the supervision of:	October 1, 2016 Buffalo, NY Kelly & Pat Goodsel
Cosmetology (30 students) Cleveland Hair Show Under the supervision of:	October 3, 2016 Cleveland, OH Melissa Carpenter + 1

OAC ADVISORY COMMITTEE

List of Occupational Advisory Committee members for Career and Technical Education for the 2016-2017 school year as presented.

YEAS: Directors: Allen, Baker, Eastman, Frisina, Gernovich, Hajec, Johnson

NAYS: None.

APPROVED PERSONNEL ITEMS

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

1. Brenda Clabbatz as Business Manager effective October 1, 2016.
2. Julie Krone as Assistant Business Manager effective October 1, 2016.
3. Tiffany Jaggi as Middle-High School Foreign Language (Spanish) Teacher at a salary of $43,006 (Bachelor Step 1) effective October 17, 2016.
4. Valerie Woods (recall from furlough) as a Grade III Paraprofessional effective August 24, 2016.
5. Rob Elchynski (non-district) as Elementary Boys Basketball Director for the 2016-2017 season at a supplemental pay rate of $600.
6. Brittany Keener (non-district) as Assistant Band Director for the 2016-2017 school year at a Step 1 supplemental pay rate of $1,620.00.
7. Kimberly Daniels as a Service Personnel Substitute (café/clerical/aide) for the 2016-2017 school year.

8. Resignation of Jeffrey Styborski (non-district) as Assistant Band Director effective July 31, 2016.

9. Resignation of Nova Dinsmore – Middle-High School Foreign Language (Spanish) Teacher effective September 30, 2016.

YEAS: Directors: Allen, Baker, Eastman, Frisina, Gernovich, Hajec, Johnson

NAYS: None.

APPROVED ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

MOTION by Director Johnson and seconded by Director Hajec to approve the appointment of Patti Brown as Athletic Director for the 2016-2017 school year at a salary of $15,000.

(Note – Director Eastman asked if Mrs. Brown would be pulled out of the classroom during the day to tend to AD duties. Mr. Nichols responded that she will have one period during the day for AD duties. During that period Mrs. Brown does not have an academic assignment.)

YEAS: Directors: Allen, Baker, Frisina, Gernovich, Hajec, Johnson

NAYS: Eastman

OTHER MATTERS BY SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. Nichols discussed the pick-up and drop off activities at each building. Mr. Patterson is introducing some changes to the Primary building on Thursday of this week and it is believed that these changes will help the process which includes close to 200 car riders at that building. Overall, at each building, there has been marked improvement since the first week of school.

OTHER MATTERS BY BUSINESS MANAGER

None

OTHER MATTERS BY BOARD MEMBERS

President Gernovich and Director Johnson each congratulated Mrs. Clabbatz on her promotion to Business Manager. Director Johnson shared that Peggy Gates (school bus driver) is very pleased with the way things are going.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Director Baker and seconded by Director Eastman to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting at 7:21 p.m.

YEAS: Directors: Allen, Baker, Eastman, Frisina, Gernovich, Hajec, Johnson

NAYS: None.

Victoria L. Anderson

Victoria L. Anderson, Board Secretary