BOARD OF EDUCATION
CORRY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR BOARD MEETING
September 14, 2015

A Regular Board Meeting of the Corry Area Board of School Directors was held on Monday, September 14, 2015, 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 Tuesday, September 1, 2015 for personnel discussion and at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, September 14, 2015 for legal consultation.

ROLL CALL

Present: Directors: Michael E. Baker, Steven W. Drake, Lonny T. Eastman, Joseph A. Frisina, Doris P. Gernovich, Linda L. Hajec, Delbert I. Liller, Deborah A. Wood

Excused: Amy L. Allen

Also Present: William A. Nichols - Superintendent; Michael D. Andrus – Business Manager; Sheri L. Yetzer – Assistant Superintendent; Matthew Patterson – Director of Elementary Education; William West – Director of Secondary Education; Daniel Daum – Intermediate School Principal; Teresa Pearce – Primary School Principal; Kelly Cragg – High School Principal; Denise Otteni-Jones – Director of Special Education

Media: Erin Passinger – Corry Journal

Guests: Tim Giblin, Tnia Freeman, Alex Gernovich, Jeremy Bloeser, Nova Dinsmore, Jen Yatsko, Adrianna Scouten, Ann Clark, Peggy Gates, Chris Johnson, Brenda Clabbatz

MOMENT OF SILENCE/ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVED AGENDA

MOTION by Director Eastman and seconded by Director Frisina to approve the agenda for September 14, 2015.

YEAS: Directors: Baker, Drake, Eastman, Frisina, Gernovich, Hajec, Liller, Wood

NAYS: None.

APPROVED MINUTES

MOTION by Director Baker and seconded by Director Drake to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on August 3, 2015 and the Regular Meeting on August 17, 2015.

YEAS: Directors: Baker, Drake, Eastman, Frisina, Gernovich, Hajec, Liller, Wood

NAYS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Nova Dinsmore, recently hired Spanish Teacher for the District, introduced herself and thanked the Board for the opportunity to work in our District.

Peggy Gates commended the District Administrators and Teachers, as well as local law enforcement agencies, for the handling of the recent incident at the Middle High School on September 4, 2015.

STAFF COMMENT

Elementary Administrators were asked to share information on the Peaceful Bus Program. The program is designed to cut down on student behavior problems on our school buses and will also create community and responsibility among students riding the bus. Two to three times a year, students on the same school bus will meet and to get to know each other and learn how to act responsibly on the bus. Students will also be taught about bullying and the students' bus drivers will join them in these meetings. The program reinforces that good bus behavior is expected so that everyone stays safe and enjoys the ride.

PRESENTATION

Jeremy Bloeser, a representative of the Corry Neighborhood Initiative (CNI), presented an overview of the agency's process in working to relieve the Corry Area of blighted properties. CNI is a non-profit organization comprised of volunteers whose mission is to purchase condemned properties, where taxes are not being paid, for demolition and then to sell these cleaned up properties to get them back on the tax rolls. Board members had several questions for Mr. Bloeser and Director Eastman stated he would like to CNI to provide a written policy stating how their process works.

APPROVED BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORTS

MOTION by Director Hajec and seconded by Director Eastman to approve the Business Manager's Reports.

YEAS: Directors: Baker, Drake, Eastman, Frisina, Gernovich, Hajec, Liller, Wood

NAYS: None.

APPROVED CHECKS

MOTION by Director Hajec and seconded by Director Wood to approve the payment of bills from August 13, 2015 through September 9, 2015 as covered by Board Check Nos. 31679 – 31852 in the amount of $936,453.19; Procure Card Purchases and Wire Transfers in the amount of $222,758.43; and Cafeteria Check Nos. 1403 – 1404 in the amount of $33,604.25.

YEAS: Directors: Baker, Drake, Eastman, Frisina, Gernovich, Hajec, Liller, Wood

NAYS: None.

APPROVED BOARD CHECK NO 31803

MOTION by Director Frisina and seconded by Director Baker to approve the payment of Board Check No. 31803, payable to Miss Millie's Proper Petals in the amount of $69.00.

YEAS: Directors: Baker, Drake, Frisina, Gernovich, Hajec, Liller, Wood

ABSTAIN: Eastman

NAYS: None.

PER CAPITA TAX EXONERATIONS

MOTION by Director Hajec and seconded by Director Wood to approve the 2015 Per Capita Tax Exonerations (list attached).

YEAS: Directors: Baker, Drake, Eastman, Frisina, Gernovich, Hajec, Liller, Wood

NAYS: None.

CORRY NEIGHBORHOOD INITIATIVE

MOTION by Director Hajec and seconded by Director Frisina to approve a request from Corry Neighborhood Initiative to forgive property taxes on Tax Parcel # 05032177000300, 218 East Church Street, for tax years 2012 to February 2015, in the amount of $1,098.01.

YEAS: Directors: Drake, Frisina, Gernovich, Hajec, Liller, Wood

NAYS: Baker, Eastman

CORRY NEIGHBORHOOD INITIATIVE

MOTION by Director Frisina and seconded by Director Wood to approve a request from Corry Neighborhood Initiative to forgive property taxes on Tax Parcel # 05028189001900, 419 East Pleasant Street, for tax years 2013 to March 2015, in the amount of $503.25.

YEAS: Directors: Drake, Frisina, Gernovich, Hajec, Liller, Wood

NAYS: Baker, Eastman

PERSONNEL

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

Robert Cierniakoski

1. APPROVED the appointment of Robert Cierniakoski as a Long Term Substitute Teacher – Grade 6 - beginning August 24, 2015 at a pro-rated salary of $45,798 – Step 2 Masters. (Anticipated 94 days - Kimberly Rowland Medical Sabbatical)

Deborah J. Greiner

2. ACCEPTED the resignation of Deborah J. Greiner – Grade 4 Teacher – effective September 4, 2015.

Caylee A. Drayer

3. APPROVED the appointment of Caylee A. Drayer as Grade 4 Elementary Teacher (Corry Area Intermediate School) at a salary of $42,831 (Bachelor Step 1) effective September 1, 2015.

Nova E. Dinsmore

4. APPROVED the appointment of Nova E. Dinsmore as Foreign Language Teacher (Spanish – MHS) – at a salary of $43,352 (Bachelor Step 2) effective September 2, 2015.

Carrie A. Fenno

5. APPROVED a request for Extended Leave of Absence from Carrie A. Fenno – Grade I Cafeteria at Corry Area Primary School – beginning August 27, 2015 through January 1, 2016 (anticipated 80 days).

Teacher Mentors

6. APPROVED the appointment of the following teachers as New Teacher Mentors for the 2015-2016 school year at a supplemental pay rate of $260.00:

Valerie Smith	for Heather Capela	Danielle Audet	for Stacey Endicott
Shellie Zaczkiewicz	for Melissa Curtis	Jody Powell	for Caylee Drayer
Colleen Zaczkiewicz	for Kurtis Fox	Linda L. Brown	for Nova Dinsmore

PERSONNEL (cont'd)

7. APPROVED the appointment of the following Class/Non-Class Assignments for the 2015-2016 school year:

Class/ Non-Class Assignments

Contracted Position	Advisor	Salary
Assistant Band Director (4) (Silks & Rifles)	Lucas Jones (nd)	$ 1,820.00
Senior Ambassadors Program Advisor	Vickey Britten	$ 600.00
Academic Sports League/USAD Team Coach	Jennifer Dow	$ 600.00
District Wellness Coordinator	Patti Brown	$ 1,500.00
District Chemical Management Officer	Roxann Dougherty	$ 600.00

YEAS: Directors: Baker, Drake, Eastman, Frisina, Gernovich, Hajec, Liller, Wood

NAYS: None.

PERSONNEL

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

Athletic Program Coaches

1. APPROVED the appointment of the following Athletic Program Coaches for the 2015-2016 school year:

Assistant Boys Basketball Coach (MS)	Michael Soprano	$2,979.00
Head Wrestling Coach	Greg Barnett (nd)	$5,312.00
Assistant Wrestling Coach (1) (JV & Varsity Asst.)	Curtis Harrington	$2,979.00
Assistant Wrestling Coach (2) (JV & Varsity Asst.)	Mike Munsee	$2,979.00
Assistant Wrestling Co-Coach (3) - MS	Andrew Gourley (nd)	$1,489.50
Varsity Swimming/Diving Coach	Doug Gerould (nd)	$3,695.00
Assistant Swimming/Diving Coach	Rich Zarger	$2,278.00
Head Boys Track and Field Coach	Andy Passinger	$3,695.00
Assistant Boys Track and Field Coach (1)	Ryan Kelly	$2,278.00
Assistant Boys Track and Field Coach (2)	Adam Lamber	$2,278.00
Head Girls Track and Field Coach	Andy Potocki	$3,695.00
Assistant Girls Track and Field Coach	Mike Roden (nd)	$2,278.00
Head Baseball Coach (Varsity)	Eric Brumagin	$3,695.00
Assistant Baseball Coach (JV and Varsity Asst.)	Adam Brewer	$2,278.00
Assistant Baseball Coach (JV and Varsity Asst.)	Josh Daniels	$2,278.00
Head Girls Basketball Coach	Meghan Sisson	$5,312.00
Assistant Girls Basketball Coach (MS)	Meghan Sisson	$2,979.00
Assistant Girls Basketball Coach (MS)	Colleen Zaczkiewicz	$2,979.00
Elementary Girls Basketball Director	Amanda Cook	$600.00
Elementary Boys Basketball Director	Rob Elchynski (nd)	$600.00
Elementary Volleyball Co-Director	Kelly Goodsel (nd)	$300.00
Elementary Volleyball Co-Director	Pat Goodsel (nd)	$300.00

PERSONNEL (cont'd)

2. APPROVED the following additions to the Substitute Support Personnel List for the 2015-2016 school year (pending clearance results):

Substitute Support Personnel

Position	Last	First
Aide/Café/Secretary	Anderson	Michelle
Café/Custodial/Secretary/T. Aide	Blaede	Linda
Aide/Café	Cole	Rose
Aide/Café/Secretary	Knight	Amanda
Aide/Café/Secretary	Smith	Tammy
Aide/Café/Secretary	Swan	Peggy

YEAS: Directors: Baker, Drake, Eastman, Frisina, Gernovich, Hajec, Liller, Wood

NAYS: None.

PERSONNEL

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

Kelsey Beichner (nd)

1. APPROVED the appointment of Kelsey Beichner (non-district) as a Category I Volunteer for the Volleyball program for the 2015-2016 season.

Mary Ann Palmer (nd)

2. APPROVED the appointment of Mary Ann Palmer (non-district) as a Category I Volunteer for the Band program for the 2015-2016 season.

Mark Munsee (nd)

3. APPROVED the appointment of Mark Munsee (non-district) as a Category I Volunteer for the Wrestling program for the 2015-2016 season.

Joseph A. Frisina, Jr. (nd)

4. APPROVED the appointment of Joseph A. Frisina, Jr. (non-district) as a Category I Volunteer for the Youth Girls Basketball program for the 2015-2016 season.

Richard Read (nd)

5. APPROVED the appointment of Richard Read (non-district) as a Category I Volunteer for the Youth Girls Basketball program for the 2015-2016 season.

YEAS: Directors: Baker, Drake, Eastman, Frisina, Gernovich, Hajec, Liller, Wood

NAYS: None.

OTHER MATTERS BY THE SUPERINTENDENT

None

OTHER MATTERS BY THE BUSINESS MANAGER

None

OTHER MATTERS BY BOARD MEMBERS

Dr. Gernovich asked the PTO President to get PTO applications to the Board Members.

A Policy Committee Meeting will be held on September 24, 2015 at 5:30 pm.

Dr. Gernovich reminded everyone that a Public Hearing will be held on Wednesday, September 16, 2015 at 5:30 pm, regarding the Spartansburg Community Charter School.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Director Frisina and seconded by Director Hajec to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting at 8:05 p.m.

YEAS: Directors: Baker, Drake, Eastman, Frisina, Gernovich, Hajec, Liller, Wood

NAYS: None.

Victoria L. Anderson

Victoria L. Anderson, Board Secretary