

Avonworth School District
Regular Meeting – October 8, 2018
BOARD NOTES

The following items were approved at this meeting:

- Ratify payment of General Fund bills for September, 2018, beginning with Check #44891 and ending with Check #45220 in the total amount of \$6,188,053.54.
- Ratify the September, 2018 payroll in the amount of \$1,125,593.76.
- Treasurer's Report for August, 2018.
- Ratify Capital Project Fund payments in the amount of \$9,671.09.
- Ratify payment of Athletic Fund checks for September, 2018, beginning with Check #8541 and ending with Check #8595 in the total amount of \$5,465.00.
- Ratify payment of Food Service Fund checks for September, 2018, beginning with Check #2573 and ending with Check #2582 in the total amount of \$19,316.54.
- To approve **Ms. Katy Tarasi** to attend the ELA Symposium Learning Leadership Series 2018 in Nashville, TN, October 14-16, 2018. All expenses are paid by McGraw-Hill Education.
- To approve **Ms. Keera Dwulit** to attend the "Champions for Equity" ASCD Conference in Nashville, TN November 2-4, 2018 at a cost not to exceed \$1,510.
- To approve **Ms. Tommie Murray** to attend the MTSS Conference in Harrisburg, PA October 16-18, 2018 related to implementation of a Multi-Tiered System of Support at the Primary Center and Elementary School at a cost not to exceed \$550.00.
- To approve Resolution 100818 to authorize the refinancing of the Series 2013 bonds.
- To approve Dr. Shelby Stewman to conduct a demographics study for the Avonworth School District at a cost not to exceed \$16,000.
- To move to record in the Minutes of this meeting that **Ms. Jana Stahl** has attained Professional Employee status and will be issued a Professional Employee contract as per PA School Code #1108 and #1121
- To approve the transfer of 24.5 sick days for **Ms. Tommie Murray** which were accumulated during her employment with the Bellwood Antis School District.
- To approve a change in assignment for **Ms. Angela McDowell**, Food Service Worker from 4 hours/day (9:30 A.M. – 1:30 P.M.) in the Middle/High School to 3.75 hours/day at the Elementary School retroactive to August 27, 2018. Clearances are on file in the District office.
- To approve a change in assignment for **Mr. Mervin Doerfler** from Substitute Food Service Worker to Part-Time Foodservice worker for 4 hours/day (9:30 A.M. – 1:30 P.M.) in the Middle/High School retroactive to August 27, 2018. Clearances are on file in the District office.
- To approve **Ms. Bonnie Beal** as a substitute secretary on an as-needed basis, at a rate of \$9.50/hour, with no benefits, pending requirements of the District.
- To approve the creation of two full-time, permanent Paraprofessional positions commencing with the 2018-2019 School Year.
- To accept the Letter of Resignation from Paraprofessional, **Mr. Jeremy Campbell**, retroactive to September 27, 2018.
- To approve **Ms. Tricia Floyd-Scheller** participate in the Allegheny Intermediate Unit's SmartSTART Guest Substitute Teacher Training Program at a cost of not more than \$200 for the 2018-2019 School Year.
- To approve **Ms. Amanda Szenyeri** as a Substitute Food Service General Worker for the 2018-2019 School Year, retroactive to September 4, 2018, with no benefits, at a rate of \$8.50/hour, pending requirements of the District.
- The amount of \$800 to cover the cost of meals and transportation for the Senior Citizen dress rehearsal of the Fall play, **Clue: On Stage** adapted for the stage by Jonathan Lynn, Hunter Foster, Eric Price, and Sandy Rustin, on Tuesday, November 13, 2018.

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- To approve **Ms. Melissa Reagle** and **Ms. Breanna Maisner** as Interim shared Sponsors of the Student United Nations Club for the first semester of the 2018-2019 School Year with a shared stipend according to the current AEA contract.
- To approve **Ms. Erica Snyder** as a sponsor of the Girls on the Run Club for the 2018-2019 School Year retroactive to September 17, 2018, with a stipend according to the current AEA contract.
- To approve **Ms. Kathy Galecki** as the Grade 8 Grade Level Chair for the 2018-2019 School Year with a stipend according to the current AEA contract.
- To approve the following winter sports coaches for the 2018-2019 School Year:
 - Girls' Senior Basketball Head Coach – **Mark D'Alesandris**
 - Girls' Senior/JV Basketball Assistant Coach – **Ms. Julie Tullar**
 - Boys' Senior Basketball Head Coach – **Mr. Dan Bradley**
 - Boys' Senior Basketball Assistant Coach – **Mr. Mike Donovan**
 - Boys' 8th grade Basketball Coach – **Mr. Mike Murray**
 - Boys' 7th grade Basketball Coach – **Mr. Brody Zangaro**
 - Boys' Senior Wrestling Head Coach – **Mr. Tim Giel**
 - Boys' Middle School Wrestling Head Coach – **Mr. Marino Barbabella**
 - Boys' Middle School Wrestling Assistant Coach – **Mr. Brandon Wasko**
 - Boys' Senior Weightlifting Head Coach (Shared) – **Mr. Duke Johncour**
 - Boys' Senior Weightlifting Head Coach (Shared) – **Mr. Phil Coffin**
 - Bocce (Shared) – **Ms. Tiffany White**
 - Bocce (Shared) – **Ms. Jennifer Wickert**
- To approve **Mr. Michael Konieczki** as Chess Club sponsor at the Elementary School for the 2018-2019 School Year, at a stipend according to the AEA contract, pending requirements of the District.
- To accept the resignation of **Ms. Kerri Villani** as co-sponsor of the recently created GOLD Club retroactive to October 4, 2018.
- To approve **Ms. Melissa Reagle** and **Ms. Breanna Maisner** as shared sponsors of the Mock Trial Team for the 2018-2019 School Year, at a stipend according to the AEA contract.
- To approve the following supplemental sponsors at the Elementary School for the 2018-2019 School Year, at a stipend according to the AEA contract:
 - a. **Ms. Melissa Cwynar** as Grade 3 Lunch Monitor, retroactive to August 27, 2018.
 - b. **Ms. Erin Funwela** and **Ms. Jessica Kostewicz** as shared Grade 4 Lunch Monitors effective October 9, 2018.
 - c. **Ms. Alaina Schrader** as PM Dismissal Parent Pick-Up Monitor retroactive to August 27, 2018.
- To approve a one-day field trip for 35-40 Grade 12 students to New York City on Saturday, December 1, 2018. The trip is organized by students and includes four teacher/ Administrator chaperones. The trip will be for approximately 30 hours and includes sightseeing, a museum tour, and a show "Come From Away." Departure time is 11:00 PM on Friday, November 30, 2018 and return time is approximately 6:00 A.M. on Sunday, December 2, 2018.
- To approve the application for a Chinese Club as a Provisional Club in the High School beginning with the 2018-2019 School Year, with a stipend according to Policy 122.4. Sponsor for this club will be **Ms. Jai Li**. Meetings will be held monthly after school and open to students in grades 9-12.
- To approve **Ms. Tracy Keyes'** request to study the makerspace learning environment at the Avonworth Primary Center as part of her dissertation research during the Fall of 2018. Research does not include any student data collection.

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- **Mr. William Guess**, two assistants, and ten volunteers to accompany 65 High School and Middle School students to Disney World, Orlando, Florida for an overnight trip from February 1-4, 2019. Transportation and lodging will be paid by the Avonworth Band Boosters Association. Three substitutes will be needed for two days. Students will miss two days of school.
- To approve a one-day field trip for 36 Choral students in grades 7 and 8 to attend the Hershey Choral Festival on Saturday, May 11, 2019. Departure time is 6:00 AM and return time is approximately 9:00 PM. Trip will be chaperoned by **Mr. Michael Warren** and 5-10 parent volunteers who have current clearances. Trip will cost students \$64 and the cost of the bus is approximately \$700 and will be paid from the Choir budget.
- Fifth grade teachers, nurse, and volunteers to accompany fifth grade students to Camp Kon-O-Kwee May 15-17, 2019 and permission for students attending to be absent three field trip days; and permission for high school counselors attending to be absent three field trip days. Field trip fees will be paid by the students. Costs to the District will be six substitute teachers for three full days and transportation.
- To approve the Varsity Baseball coaching staff to accompany the high school baseball team on an overnight field trip to the Florida Coastal Sports Park training facilities in Coco Beach, FL March 21-25, 2019. All costs including airline, lodging, and substitute fees will be paid by the Avonworth Baseball Boosters Association. No substitute is required. Students will miss two days of school. (*Monday, March 25, 2019 is a scheduled day off for staff and students. If needed, this day will be used as the first snow make-up day and students would then miss three days of school.*)
- To approve the Varsity Softball coaching staff to accompany the high school softball team on an overnight field trip to the Ripken Experience in Myrtle Beach, SC March 21-25, 2019. All costs including airline, lodging, and substitute fees will be paid by the Avonworth Softball Boosters Association. One substitute will be needed for two days (three days if March 25 is used as a snow make-up day). Students will miss two days of school. (*Monday, March 25, 2019 is a scheduled day off for staff and students. If needed, this day will be used as the first snow make-up day and students would then miss three days of school.*)
- To create a Hall of Distinction for the Avonworth School District.
- To remove the provisional status of the National Arts Honor Society and approve it as an Avonworth Co-curricular club/organization commencing with the 2018-2019 School Year. The sponsor for this club is **Ms. Kerri Villani** with a stipend according to the AEA contract.
- Approve the policy on student and team awards, subject to delegation of finalization of the policy to Dr. Ralston and his administration for review and identification of the appropriate award levels for arts and academics.