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Highlights from the Keystone Oaks Board of School Directors Meeting

Meeting Information: Business/Legislative Meeting, Tuesday, February 16, 2016

The Board of School Directors recognized three groups of students at the beginning of the Business/Legislative Meeting:



- Eighth grade student Raquel Dinoviz was recognized for receiving third place in the Phipps Fairchild Challenge for her “Spring Magnolia Blossoms” drawing.
- Three groups of elementary and middle school students were recognized for taking home top honors in the recent Science Bowl Competition, sponsored by the Allegheny Intermediate Unit.
- Four high school students were recognized for participating in PMEA District Band and Choir.



[Click here to view the February 2016 “Highlighting Excellence” presentation](#), which includes more details on these student accomplishments and showcases other ways in which students and staff members are excelling inside the classroom and out.

BUSINESS/LEGISLATIVE MEETING

BOARD PRESIDENT’S REPORT

The Board approved the Work Session Minutes of January 12, 2016 and the Business/Legislative Minutes of January 19, 2016. [The minutes can be found on the District’s website by clicking here.](#)

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

The Board approved the Second Reading of a number of policies. These policies are now adopted and can be found on the District’s website:

- [Policy No. 103.1: Nondiscrimination – Qualified Students with Disabilities](#)
- [Policy No. 127: Assessment System](#)
- [Policy No. 711: Naming Rights](#)
- [Policy No. 920: Commercial Advertising on School Property/Website](#)

The Board approved the First Reading of a number of policies, which can be found by [clicking here](#). These policies are:

- Policy No. 105: Curriculum
- Policy No. 108: Adoption of Textbooks and Supplemental Resource Materials
- Policy No. 237: Educational Use of Student Owned Technology Devices
- Policy No. 240: Homeless Students

The Board approved the implementation of the Keystone Oaks Middle School Best Friends Club. There will be one (1) sponsor who will be paid a stipend of \$1,100 to be prorated for the remainder of this school year. This sponsorship will begin on April 1, 2016.

The Board adopted the 2016-17 school year calendar as presented by the Superintendent. [Please click here to view the calendar.](#)

EDUCATION REPORT

The Board approved the revised Keystone Oaks Middle School Program of Studies and course changes for the 2016-17 school year.

PERSONNEL REPORT

The Board voted to hire **Natalie Zivic** as a paraprofessional at Myrtle Avenue Elementary School, effective February 8, 2016. Salary is in compliance with the Keystone Oaks Educational Support Personnel Association/PSEA/NEA Agreement 2009-2014.

The Board recognized **Kelly Connolly**, Keystone Oaks Middle School, as having completed the requirements according to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and achieving tenure with a Professional Contract, effective February 22, 2016.

FINANCE REPORT

The Board voted to approve the following Accounts Payable lists as presented in the *Finance Package*:

A. General Fund as of February 12, 2016 (Check No. 50498-50737)	\$786,770.62
B. Risk Management as of February 12, 2016 (Check No. – None)	None
C. Food Service Fund as of February 12, 2016 (Check No. 9054-9055)	\$2,838.04
D. Athletics as of February 12, 2016 (Check No 2016-2019)	\$7,390.00
E. Renovations as of February 12, 2016 (Check No. 1526-1529)	\$936,922.97

TOTAL **\$1,733,921.93**

The Board approved the Parkway Wes General Operating and Jointure Budget for the 2016-17 school year as follows:

- Parkway West General Operating Budget \$5,919,322.00
- Parkway West Jointure Budget \$476,534.00

Keystone Oaks School District's Estimated Share of Budget:

- Parkway West General Operating Budget \$496,803.37
- Parkway West Jointure Budget \$31,919.70

The Board approved the contract with **Eric Ryan Corporation** to provide services to evaluate and audit the utilities and telecommunications invoices for recommendations in regards to potential savings to the District.

FACILITIES REPORT

The Board voted to table the Electricity Agreement Extension Opportunity.

The Board approved Schneider Electric to perform the Investment Grade Audit on all of the Keystone Oaks High School's HVAC/Boiler Systems.

The Board approved NIRA Engineering to design, create bid specifications, oversee and inspect the rehabilitation of the McDonough's Run storm drain project. The cost is not to exceed \$21,700.

The Board approved Janson Industries to upgrade the stage rigging as described in the inspection report from Pittsburgh Hoist & Sandbag, LLC. The cost is not to exceed \$46,204.00

TECHNOLOGY REPORT

The Board approved the Keystone Oaks School District's continued participation in the Regional Wide Area Network in accordance with the Service Order and E-Rate Letter of Agency, effective through June 30, 2021.

ACTIVITIES & ATHLETICS REPORT

The Board approved the following competition and overnight trips:

Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA)

Hershey, PA

Sunday – Wednesday – April 10-13, 2016

Sponsor – **Beth Smith**

Approximate number of students participating – 12

Approximate cost per student - \$617

District funds requested - \$4,689.00

Golden Eagles Marching Band

Niagara Falls, NY and Niagara Falls, Canada

Wednesday – Sunday – April 27-May 1, 2016

Sponsors – **William Eibeck, Cynthia Mancini**

Chaperones – Beverly Bronder, Shelia Gunia, Sean Henki, Barbara Hollick, Dianne Kowalski, Elizabeth Merieweher, Jan Palashoff, Cathy Zaharko

Approximate number of students participating – 60-70

Approximate cost per student - \$700 (raised through fund raisers and student payments)

District funds requested - \$270 (cost of one substitute teacher for three days)

High School Dance Team – Jamfest Dance Super Nationals

Covington, KY

Norther Kentucky Convention Center

Friday-Sunday – February 12-14, 2016

Sponsor – **Katie Boyle**

Approximate number of students participating – 10

Approximate cost - \$2,170 (raised through fund raisers and student payments)

No District funds requested

Odyssey of the Mind (OM)

Pittsburgh, PA (Moon Area High School)

Saturday – March 12, 2016

Sponsor – **Geoffrey Dobson**

Chaperones – To be announced

Approximate number of students participating – 40-45

Approximate cost per team (7 teams) - \$300.00

District funds requested - \$2,100.00

The Board approved the advertisement for athletics bids for the Fall of the 2016-17 school year.

NEXT MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

The next Work Session meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 8, 2016 beginning at 7 p.m. in the Board Room. [The final agenda will be posted on the website.](#)