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Highlights from the Keystone Oaks Board of School Directors Meeting

Meeting Information: Work Session & Special Voting Meeting, Thursday, June 18, 2015

Board Members Neely Crowell and David Hommrich were absent.

SPECIAL VOTING MEETING

FINANCE REPORT

The Board of School Directors voted to adopt the 2015-2016 General Fund Budget in accordance with Section 687 of the School Laws of Pennsylvania. The 2015-2016 budget is estimated at \$38,977,585 with the levying of 18.63 mills. [Click here for more details about the 2015-2016 Final Budget.](#)

PUPIL PERSONNEL REPORT

The Board voted to approve the agreement between the Allegheny Intermediate Unit and the Keystone Oaks School District for the usage of IDEA-Section 619: Pass Through Funds – Use of Funds Agreement for the 2015-2016 school year.

PERSONNEL REPORT

The Board voted to accept the retirement date change for Kathleen M. Foster, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent, to June 29, 2015.

The Board voted to approve a number of individuals for The Extended School Year Program, being held Monday through Thursday (June 29 – July 23, 2015). The salary is in compliance with the KOEA Agreement 2011-2016 based on a per period rate of \$27.12 to \$43.60. Additionally, the Board approved a Personal Care Aide and a number of Paraprofessionals for the Extended School Year Program, with salaries in compliance with the KOESPA Agreement 2009-2014 based on an hourly rate of \$11.51 to \$14.31.

WORK SESSION MEETING

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board held an Executive Session prior to the meeting to discuss personnel matters, including the hiring of professional staff.

BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Next week, the Board will vote on the meeting dates for the 2015-2016 school year. Please note that the Board is considering moving its meetings to the second and third Tuesday of each month.

The Board will vote next week on authorizing the Superintendent to hire the necessary staff for the start of the 2015-2016 school year, subject to retroactive approval by the Board.

Next week, the Board will vote on the 2015-2016 salary of \$136,750 for William P. Stropkaj, Ed.D., Superintendent, effective July 1, 2015.

The Board will vote next week on the Special Voting Minutes of May 19, 2015, Work Session Minutes of May 19, 2015 and the Business/Legislative Minutes of May 28, 2015. [The minutes will be made available on the District's website.](#)

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Next week, the Board will vote to accept the letter of resignation from Eric A. Brandenburg, Director of Fiscal Services, effective July 31, 2015.

The Board will vote next week on naming D. Scott Hagy, Keystone Oaks High School Principal, as an Administrator-at-large, effective July 1, 2015 through September 21, 2015.

Next week, the Board will vote on the elimination of the District Receptionist/AESOP Coordinator, effective June 30, 2015.

Next week, the Board will vote on a recommendation to approve the position of Supervisor of Special Education.

The Board will vote next week to hire a Supervisor of Special Education, effective July 1, 2015, in compliance with the Act 93 Administrative Employees Compensation and Performance Plan July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2016.

Next week, the Board will vote to hire a High School Principal, effective July 1, 2015, in compliance with the Act 93 Administrative Employees Compensation and Performance Plan July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2016.

The Board will vote next week on the compensation for the Administrative Team for the 2015-2016 school year, effective July 1, 2015. Salaries are to be provided. The Administrative Team includes:

- Eric Brandenburg, Director of Fiscal Services
- Aaron Smith, Director of Technology

- Christopher Swickline, Director of Facilities & Transportation
- D. Kevin Lloyd, Director of Food Service
- Sarah Welch, Coordinator of Communications & Public Relations
- Justin Talbert, Systems Administrator
- Carol Persin, Technology Integration Specialist
- John Bruner, School Resource Officer
- Beth Ann Padden, School Security Monitor
- William Neuman, Head Custodian/Dormont
- Charmaine Masztak, Administrative Assistant
- Karen Wong, Administrative Assistant

The Board will vote next week on the Second Reading of a number of policies, which can be found by [clicking here](#).

Next week, the Board will vote on two conference requests.

- Suzanne Lochie, Recognizing & Reporting Child Abuse, Pressley Ridge, July 16-17, 2015. Cost is \$1,000.00
- John Bruner, National Association of School Resource Officers, Orland, FL, July 5-12. Cost is \$1,470.00

PUPIL PERSONNEL REPORT

The Board will vote next week on the *Service Agreement with DT Watson Institute* for consultation for autistic support at the elementary and secondary levels and for community-based instruction on an as-needed basis for the 2015-2016 school year.

Next week, the Board will vote on the Allegheny Intermediate Unit's Educational Services Agreement for the 2015-2016 school year.

COMMUNICATIONS REPORT

Next week, the Board will vote to on a School District Photographer for the 2015-16 and 2016-17 school years.

PERSONNEL REPORT

The Board will vote next week to accept the letter of resignation from Christie Bengeler, Kindergarten teacher, Dormont Elementary School, effective June 12, 2015.

Next week, the Board will vote to accept the letter of resignation from Dawn Natto, Assistant Food Service Manager, effective June 26, 2015.

The Board will vote next week to accept the letter of resignation from Dolores Wedling, Food Service Worker, effective June 10, 2015.

Next week, the Board will vote to on approving a number of Mentor Teachers, who will receive payment of \$725 in accordance with Article XXXVIII of the KEOA Agreement 2011-2016.

The Board will vote to on a leave of absence for Nicole Kochanski, Autistic Support Teacher, Keystone Oaks High School, effective August 19, 2015 with a return date of December 23, 2015.

The Board will vote to on a leave of absence for Dena DeChellis, Learning Support Teacher, Keystone Oaks High School, effective October 5, 2015 with a return date of February 1, 2016.

Next week, the Board will vote to approve a number of Fall sports, coaches and stipends for the 2015-2016 school year.

Next week, the Board will vote to approve payment for a number of individuals for coaching in the post season at \$50 per week.

FINANCE REPORT

The Board will vote next week on the Accounts Payable lists as presented in the Finance Package.

Next week, the Board will vote to authorize the transfer of the unencumbered fund balance of \$1,100,000 for capital reserve fund improvements or deferred maintenance.

The Board will vote next week to approve a number of authorized depositories for the purpose of investing School District funds.

The Board will vote next week to approve First National Bank and PNC Bank as designated depositories.

The Board will vote next week to approve the District's insurance.

Next week, the Board will vote to on the current Act 511 taxes, including local service tax (\$5/per working individual), earned income tax (0.5%) and real estate transfer tax (0.5%).

The Board will vote next week to on the annual membership in the Pennsylvania School Boards Association for the 2015-2016 school year.

Next week, the Board will vote on price increases for breakfast and lunch for the 2015-2016 school year. The increases are as follows:

	<u>Increase</u>	<u>2015-2016 Cost</u>
Elementary Breakfast	\$0.05	\$1.15
Elementary Lunch	\$0.15	\$2.25
Secondary Breakfast	\$0.05	\$1.25
Secondary Lunch	\$0.15	\$2.35

FACILITIES REPORT

The Board will vote next week on a recommendation to approve CJL Engineering to design and prepare all bid specifications for the upgrades to the stage lighting. The

compensation for the electrical design and construction administration services shall be a fixed fee of \$12,500.

The Board will vote next week on a recommendation to approve the repair and upgrade to the District heating, ventilation and air condition mechanical control equipment at Aiken Elementary, Dormont Elementary, Myrtle Elementary and the Middle School as per the Investment Grade Audit conducted by Schneider Electric at a cost not to exceed \$3,684,805.

Next week, the Board will vote on a recommendation to approve the purchase of a 2015 Chevrolet City Express van at a cost of \$21,267. This van will be used by the Food Services Department and the Facilities Department.

Next week, the Board will vote to on an Eagle Scout Project, as presented by Mr. David Domalik.

The Board will vote next week to approve a number of individuals to work for the Summer Work Program, pending receipt of all legal documents and clearances.

NEXT MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

The Business/Legislative Meeting of the Board of School Directors will be held on Thursday, January 20, 2014 beginning at 7 PM in the Board Room. [The final agenda will be posted on the website.](#)