

**JEFFERSON-MORGAN SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS  
OCTOBER 16, 2017 6:30 P.M.  
LEGISLATIVE MEETING  
JOHN E. MURPHY MEMORIAL ELEMENTARY LIBRARY**

Members Present: Mark Pochron, Cindy Jento, Dan Wagner, Bob Mitchell, Debbie Phillips, isa Mattish, Brittany Morrison and Donna Brown.

Absent: John Shaffer

Mr. Mitchell called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Motion to accept the agenda.

Motion: Mrs. Phillips  
Second: Mrs. Pochron  
Yes: 8  
No: 0

**Public Comments**

Student Council gave a student activity update.

Scot Moore gave a brief fall sports update and update on the sound system at the fieldhouse.

Motion for the board to enter into executive session at 6:40 p.m. to discuss a student issue and personnel.

Motion: Mrs. Phillips  
Second: Mrs. Brown  
Yes: 8  
No: 0

The board returned from executive session at 7:00 p.m.

**Financial Report**

Motion to accept the transfer of payroll:

**September 1, 2017**

- \$ 54,124.48 from General Fund to Tax Clearing
- \$ 125,040.10 from General Fund to Payroll

**September 15, 2017**

- \$ 59,250.97 from General Fund to Tax Clearing
- \$ 140,559.65 from General Fund to Payroll

**September 29, 2017**

- \$ 57,568.92 from General Fund to Tax Clearing
- \$ 145,441.59 from General Fund to Payroll

Motion: Mrs. Phillips  
Second: Mrs. Brown  
Yes; 8  
No: 0

Motion to accept the Payment of Bills:

General Fund	\$ 395,453.10
Athletic Fund	\$ 6,581.68
Cafeteria Fund	\$ 18,075.61
Capital Reserve	\$ 0.00
Capital Projects Fund	\$ 0.00
PLGIT/Renovations	\$ 0.00

Motion: Mrs. Phillips  
Second: Mrs. Brown  
Yes; 8  
No: 0

Motion to accept the payment of bills to True Value in the amount of \$ 57.95.

Motion: Mrs. Phillips  
Second: Mrs. Brown  
Yes: 7  
No: 0  
Abstain: 1 - Pochron

### **Administrative Reports**

Joseph Orr presented 8 year certificates from PSBA to Mrs. Jento, Mrs. Phillips, Mr. Shaffer and Mr. Mitchell. He also reported the district is eligible for a \$13,188 grant from Rural Schools.

Sam Silbaugh attended the Federal Programs seminar.

Jennifer Foringer gave brief financial updates.

Brandon Robinson reported he attended the IU principals meeting and Act 80 days went well.

Sam Silbaugh reported progress reports went out and October 23<sup>rd</sup> is Red Ribbon Week.

Cassandra Bozek reported aides participated in the Act 80 days and teacher observations have begun.

Doug Headley reported the HVAC will be turned over shortly.

Jacob Shingle reported the 1<sup>st</sup> collection of PIMS is now closed.

Sherry Kottke reported the cafeteria review from last year had been closed and the donations from the church have been unpacked and sorted.

Motion: Mrs. Brown  
Second: Mr. Pochron  
Yes: 8  
No: 0

Ratify the actions of the Superintendent to purchase speakers, an amplifier and larger grade wiring for the sound system at Parker Field at an approximate cost of \$4,000.00 through Fawley Music Company.

Motion: Mrs. Brown  
Second: Mr. Pochron  
Yes: 8  
No: 0

### **Staff and Student Activities**

#### **Professional Conferences**

Request approval for Samuel Silbaugh, Courtney Ignaski, Andrea Devecka, and Kelly Kerskin to attend the Fall Title I Teacher Workshop at Lakeside Party Center on Thursday, October 26th. The cost of the action is \$200.00 as budgeted.

Motion: Mrs. Phillips  
Second: Mr. Wagner  
Yes: 8  
No: 0

Request approval for Lisa Moore, Lori Gustovich, Susan Tretinik, and Andrea Devecka to attend Text Dependent Analysis Training at IU 1 on Wednesday, November 1st. The cost of the action is \$100.00 as budgeted.

Motion: Mrs. Phillips  
Second: Mr. Wagner  
Yes: 8  
No: 0

Request approval for Stacie Kniha to attend the 2017 PA Science Curriculum Council at North Hills High School on Friday, November 17, 2017. One substitute will be needed at a cost of \$85.00, as budgeted. Transportation provided by school vehicle.

Motion: Mrs. Phillips  
Second: Mr. Wagner  
Yes: 8  
No: 0

#### **Student Activities**

Request approval for Scot Moore, Athletic Director, and five students to attend the WPIAL Sportsman's Summit on November 9, 2017 at no cost to the district. Transportation provided by school vehicle.

Motion: Mrs. Phillips  
Second: Mrs. Brown  
Yes: 8  
No: 0

Request approval for Suzanne Boyle to take up to 5 female students to Carnegie Mellon University's Society of Women Engineers (SWE) day on Friday, October 20, 2017. One substitute teacher will be needed at a cost of \$85.00, as well as use of the school district van, as budgeted.

Motion: Mrs. Phillips  
Second: Mrs. Brown  
Yes: 8  
No: 0

Request approval for Katie Herold and Kathy Cochran to take up to 15 female students to the 2018 Women in Manufacturing Day at the Advanced Technology Center in Mt. Pleasant on October 20, 2017 at no cost to the district. Transportation will be provided by a bus, with reimbursement from Westmoreland Community College. Cost of this action is \$85.00 for one substitute teacher, as budgeted.

Motion: Mrs. Phillips  
Second: Mrs. Brown  
Yes: 8  
No: 0

Request approval for Katy Herold to take 9th grade students to the Greene County Career and Technology Center on Tuesday, November 7, 2017, as part of an Open House presentation to prospective students. An additional teacher will be needed as a chaperone, as well as a bus for transportation. Total cost for this action is \$195.00 (\$85.00 for the substitute teacher and \$110.00 for the bus), as budgeted.

Motion: Mrs. Phillips  
Second: Mrs. Brown  
Yes: 8  
No: 0

Request approval for Katy Herold to take interested 11th & 12th grade students to the College Fair on Thursday, November 16, 2017 at Carmichaels' Fire Hall. Two teachers will be needed as chaperones, as well as one bus for transportation. Total cost for this action is \$280.00 (\$170.00 for the substitute teachers and \$110.00 for the bus), as budgeted.

Motion: Mrs. Phillips  
Second: Mrs. Brown  
Yes: 8  
No: 0

Request approval for Stacie Kniha to take her Biology II students (6 students) to Sam Rhine's Genetics Conference at North Allegheny High School on November 29, 2017 at a cost of \$20.00 per student. One substitute teacher will be needed at a cost of \$85.00, as well as a district van. Total cost of this action is \$225.00 as budgeted.

Motion: Mrs. Phillips  
Second: Mrs. Brown  
Yes: 8  
No: 0

Request approval for Karen Cox and Pete Pratt to take 8 students to the 2018 Science Bowl at CCAC on February 24, 2017 at a cost of \$75.00. Two substitute teachers will be needed at a cost of \$170.00, as well as a district van. Total cost of this action is \$245.00 as budgeted.

Motion: Mrs. Phillips  
Second: Mrs. Brown  
Yes: 8  
No: 0

Request approval for Tiffany Throckmorton and Sue Simatic to take up to 8 middle school students to the 2018 Math Counts competition at Penn State Fayette in February at a cost of \$15.00 per student. Two substitute teachers will be needed at a cost of \$170.00, as well as a district van. Total cost of this action is \$290.00 as budgeted.

Motion: Mrs. Phillips  
Second: Mrs. Brown  
Yes: 8  
No: 0

Request approval for the Band Director, Dana Svensson, with the Jefferson-Morgan MS/HS Band to travel to Gettysburg/Hershey on Friday, May 18, 2018 through Saturday, May 19, 2018. The trip experience would include an adjudicated performance experience at a local amusement park, as well as visits to various landmarks, museums and memorials. There is no cost to the school district for this trip.

Motion: Mrs. Phillips  
Second: Mrs. Brown  
Yes: 8  
No: 0

### **Items of Information**

#### Scheduled Meetings:

- Nov. 6, 2017: Athletics & Activities – 5:30 PM
- Nov. 13, 2017: Building, Grounds & Safety Committee - 5:30 PM
- Nov. 14, 2017: Personnel
- Nov. 8, 2017: JOC Meeting – 6:00 PM
- Nov. 20, 2017: Legislative Meeting--6:30 PM

### **New Business**

Request approval to add Kirk Hetrick to the substitute bus driver list for the 2017-18 school year. All requirements have been met.

Motion: Mrs. Phillips  
Second: Mrs. Mattish  
Yes: 8  
No: 0

Request approval to appoint Ernie DeHaas as the chief negotiator for the negotiating committee.

Motion: Mrs. Phillips  
Second: Mrs. Mattish  
Yes: 8  
No: 0

Request approval to adjourn the meeting.

Motion: Mrs. Phillips  
Second: Mr. Mitchell  
Yes: 8  
No: 0

Meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Prepared by Jennifer Foringer

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President, John Shaffer

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Secretary, Mark Pochron