

BIG SPRING SCHOOL DISTRICT

Newville, Pennsylvania

BOARD MEETING AGENDA

MONDAY, APRIL 16, 2012

I. CALL TO ORDER (BIG SPRING HIGH SCHOOL) 8:00 P.M.

II. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG (President Wolf)

III. PRAYER

IV. APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 2, 2012 REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES, AND THE APRIL 2, 2012 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES AND THE APRIL 2, 2012 BUILDING AND PROPERTY MINUTES.

V. STUDENT/STAFF RECOGNITION AND BOARD REPORTS

Student Representatives to the Board Report – Wade Reichelderfer/Nick Hasse

A. Recognition of Vocational-Technical School Students of the Quarter

Mr. Steven Smith, high school principal, will recognize those Vocational-Technical School students who earned “Student of the Quarter” awards for the third quarter of the 2011-2012 school year.

Grade 10	Logan Dennison	Graphic Communications
Grade 10	Natasha Foose	Cosmetology
Grade 10	Tiffany Grimes	American Studies
Grade 10	Dakota Kuhn	Carpentry
Grade 10	Noah Rife	American Studies/Automotive
		Collision Technology
Grade 11	Kevin Risbon	Electronics Technology
Grade 12	Philip Warehime	HVAC
Grade 12	Nathan Allen	Diesel Technology
Grade 12	Melissa Cronk	Advertising Art & Design
Grade 12	Benjamin Mauchamer	Welding
Grade 12	Benjamin Mitchell	Logistics & Warehouse
		Management

B. Recognition of Academic Achievement Awards for the Third Quarter

Mr. Steven Smith will also recognize those students who have earned the academic achievement award for the third quarter for the 2011-2012 school year.

Grade 9	MacKenzie Miko	98.6
Grade 10	Marcus Marpoe	97.6
Grade 11	Lindsay Bower	98.0
Grade 12	Nicole Kell	97.5

VI. TREASURER'S REPORT

General Fund	\$ 11,715,276.67
Cafeteria Fund	\$ 343,187.44
Student Activity Fund	\$ 217,299.32
Capital Projects	\$ 2,994,535.24
Newville Projects	\$ 630,551.52

VII. PAYMENT OF BILLS

General Fund	\$ 2,278,751.91
Miscellaneous Fund	\$ 7,895.95
Capital Projects	\$ 11,590.15
Newville Project	\$ 10,500.00

Total \$ 2,308,738.01

VIII. READING OF CORRESPONDENCE**IX. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS****X. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

XI. STRUCTURED PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**XII. OLD BUSINESS****XIII. NEW BUSINESS****A. PERSONNEL CONCERNS****A) PERSONNEL CONCERNS (...continued)****1) Request for Unpaid Leave of Absence****(ACTION ITEM)**

Mrs. Christine Tolbert, Sixth Grade Science Teacher, has requested unpaid leave of absence, retroactive to April 10, 2012 to June 8, 2012. Mrs. Tolbert intends to return to her teaching position the beginning of the 2012-2013 school year.

The administration recommends that the Board of School Directors approve Mrs. Tolbert's request for unpaid leave of absence, retroactive to April 10, 2012 to June 8, 2012, as presented.

(ACTION ITEM)**2) Mr. Kemal Pegram has submitted his letter of resignation a Head Wrestling Coach, effective April 20, 2012.**

A copy of Mr. Pegram's letter is included with the agenda.

The administration recommends that the Board of School Directors accept Mr. Pegram's resignation as Head Wrestling Coach, effective April 20, 2012.

A) PERSONNEL CONCERNS (...continued)**(ACTION ITEM)**

- 3) **Mr. John Weller** has submitted his letter of resignation as a part time custodian, retroactive to April 6, 2012. Mr. Weller has requested to remain on the custodial substitute list.

A copy of Mr. Weller's letter is included with the agenda.

The administration recommends that the Board of School Directors accept Mr. Weller's resignation as a part-time custodian, retroactive to April 6, 2012 and also accept Mr. Weller's request to remain on the custodial substitute list.

(ACTION ITEM)

- 4) **Ms. Fran Stewart** has submitted her letter of resignation as an instructional aide at Mt. Rock Elementary School, effective immediately. Ms. Stewart has requested to be placed on the substitute aide list.

A copy of Ms. Stewart's letter is included with the agenda.

The administration recommends that the Board of School Directors accept Ms. Stewart's resignation as an instructional aide at Mt. Rock Elementary School, effective immediately and approve Ms. Stewart's request to be placed on the substitute aide list.

(ACTION ITEM)

- 5) **Ms. Teresa Smith** has submitted her letter of resignation as a High School Cafeteria Cashier, effective June 7, 2012. Ms. Smith is requesting to be placed on the substitute secretary list for the 2012-2013 school year.

A copy of Ms. Smith's letter is included with the agenda.

The administration recommends that the Board of School Directors accept Ms. Smith's resignation as a High School Cafeteria Cashier, effective June 7, 2012 and also accept Ms. Smith's request to be placed on the substitute secretary list for the 2012-2013 school year.

(ACTION ITEM)

- 6) **Ms. Kathryn Varner** High School Art Teacher has submitted her letter of resignation for the purpose of retirement, effective September 24, 2012.

A copy of Ms. Varner's letter is included with the agenda.

The administration recommends that the Board of School Directors accept Ms. Varner's resignation for the purpose of retirement, effective September 24, 2012.

A) PERSONNEL CONCERNS (...continued)**(ACTION ITEM)**

- 7) **Ms. Lauren Swigart** has submitted her resignation as eighth grade girls' basketball coach, effective immediately. Ms. Swigart has requested to remain on the coaching staff as a volunteer coach.

A copy of Ms. Swigart's resignation is included with the agenda.

The administration recommends that the Board of School Directors accept Ms. Swigart's resignation as girls' basketball coach, effective immediately and accept Ms. Swigart's request to remain on the coaching staff as a volunteer coach.

(ACTION ITEM)**8) Luke Nerone**

Carlisle, PA 17013

Long-Term Substitute Sixth Grade Science Teacher
(replacing Christine Tolbert who is on unpaid leave)

Education:

Dickinson College (Bachelor's Degree in American Studies)

Wilson College (Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education)

Experience:

Big Spring School District – Substitute Teacher

The administration recommends that the Board of School Directors appoint Mr. Nerone to serve as a Long-Term Substitute Sixth Grade Science Teacher, replacing Mrs. Christine Tolbert who will be on unpaid leave of absence retroactive to April 10, 2012 to June 8, 2012. Mr. Nerone's compensation for this position should be established at Bachelor's, Step 1 \$41,551.00, prorated, based on the current contract between the Big Spring Education Association and the Big Spring School District.

(ACTION ITEM)

- 9) **Ms. Courtney Moore**, High School English Teacher is requesting two days leave without pay, retroactive to April 11 & 12, 2012.

Section 3.09 of the contract between the Big Spring Education Association and the Big Spring School District provides that "The Board may grant leave without pay to an employee who requests prior approval for such leave."

The administration recommends that the Board of School Directors approve Ms. Moore's request for two days leave without pay as presented.

XIII. NEW BUSINESS (. . .continued)**B) Dawgs Baseball Field Utilization Agreement****(ACTION ITEM)**

The members of the Board of School Directors were provided with copies of an April 2, 2012 memorandum to the Big Spring Board of School Directors and Mr. Richard W. Fry, Superintendent of Schools at the April 2, 2012 Building and Property Committee Meeting from Mr. Jay Hockenbroch, Director of Athletics and Student Activities regarding a proposed Dawgs Baseball Field Utilization Agreement. Following discussion during the Building and Property Committee Meeting the proposed utilization agreement is presented for approval.

The administration recommends that the Board of School Directors approve the field utilization with the Dawgs Baseball organization.

C) Tenure Status**(INFORMATION ITEM)**

The following professional employee has completed the required years of service as temporary professional employee and has earned tenure based on her satisfactory performance.

Rebecca Coulson Special Education Teacher at Oak Flat Elementary School

Additional information regarding the professional employee has been prepared by Mrs. Stacey Kimble, Oak Flat Elementary School Principal.

D) Proposed LERTA**(DISCUSSION ITEM)****E) Updated Year-to-Date Summaries/Taxes and General Fund****(INFORMATION ITEM)**

The Business Office prepared updated year-to-date summaries for taxes and general fund that are included with the agenda.

XIV. FUTURE BOARD AGENDA ITEM

XV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A) District Improvement Committee – Mr. Norris/Mr. McCrea**
- B) Athletic Committee – Mr. Swanson**
- C) Vocational-Technical School – Mr. Wolf/Mr. Piper**
- D) Buildings and Property Committee – Mr. Barrick**
- E) Finance Committee – Mr. Blasco**
- F) South Central Trust – Mr. Blasco**
- G) Capital Area Intermediate Unit – Mr. Wolf**
- H) Tax Collection Committee (TCC) – Mr. Wolf**

XVI. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

XVII. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

XVIII. PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING FUTURE BOARD AGENDA ITEMS

XIX. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned _____ P.M.

NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING: Monday, May 7, 2012