

BIG SPRING SCHOOL DISTRICT

Newville, Pennsylvania

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2016

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I. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of School Directors for the Big Spring School District met in the Big Spring High School Large Group Room, Room 140, at 8:01 P.M. with President Wilbur Wolf, Jr, presiding. Seven (7) directors present: Wilbur Wolf, Jr, President; William Swanson, Vice-President; Robert Lee Barrick, Secretary; David Gutshall, Treasurer; William Piper, Bob Kanc, and Todd Deihl.

Absent – Richard Roush, Kingsley Blasco

*Others in attendance: Richard W. Fry, Superintendent; Kevin Roberts Jr, Assistant Superintendent; Richard Kerr, Business Manager; Robyn Euker, Director of Curriculum and Instruction; Rob Krepps, Director of Technology; William August, High School Principal; and Carol Frace, Board Minutes.

II. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

President Wolf led all individuals present in the Pledge to the Flag.

III. APPROVAL OF THE NOVEMBER 21, 2016 REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES, AND THE NOVEMBER 21, 2016 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES.

Motion by Barrick, seconded by Kanc for approval of the November 21, 2016 Committee of the Whole of the Board Meeting Minutes; and the November 21, 2016 Regular Board Meeting Minutes as outlined above. Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Wolf, Piper, Swanson, Barrick, Gutshall, Kanc and Deihl. Motion carried unanimously. 7 – 0

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IV. RECOGNITION OF VO-TECH SCHOOL STUDENTS OF THE QUARTER

Mr. William August, High School Principal, will recognize those Vocational-Technical School students who have earned "Student of the Quarter" awards for the first quarter of the 2016-2017 school year.

Grade 9	Bryce Baker	Electrical Construction & Maintenance 1
Grade 10	Hunter Branyan	Carpentry 2
Grade 10	Haylei Kelley	Horticulture & Landscaping 2
Grade 10	Dillon Sinick	American Studies
Grade 10	Dillon Sinick	Electronics Technology 1
Grade 11	Anthony Cleary	Electronics Technology 2
Grade 11	Nicholas Kowalski	World Studies
Grade 11	Andrew Kulp	Automotive Technology 2
Grade 11	Andrew Mellott	Automotive Collision Technology 2
Grade 12	Katelyn Hamilton	Cosmetology 3
Grade 12	Tyler Hartzell	Electronics Technology 3
Grade 12	Brock Jumper	HVAC 3
Grade 12	John Nippert	Welding 3
Grade 12	Hunter Spencer	HVAC 2

President Wolf and Vice President Swanson congratulated the students for their outstanding hard work and accomplishments. The students received a certificate and a pen.

V. RECOGNITION OF STUDENTS OF THE QUARTER

Mr. William August will also recognize those students who have earned the academic achievement award for the first quarter for the 2016-2017 school year.

Science Department

Grade 9 Leah Eichelberger
Grade 10 Allison Spencer
Grade 11 Emily Webber
Grade 12 Emily Baker

Social Studies Department

Grade 9 Regan Donato
Grade 10 Madalyn Seiler
Grade 11 Emily Webber
Grade 12 Thomas Miller

Technology Ed. Department

Grade 9 Isabella Pittman
Grade 10 Dylan Lego
Grade 11 Bryce Smoker
Grade 12 Ethan Greve

World Language Department

Grade 9 Regan Donato
Grade 10 Alyssa Teter
Grade 11 Mackenzie Herman
Grade 12 Elizabeth Foster

President Wolf and Vice President Swanson congratulated the students for their outstanding hard work and accomplishments. The students received a certificate and a pen.

VI. STUDENT/STAFF RECOGNITION AND BOARD REPORTS

Kenny Blessing and Noah Powell presented a student report.

[Student report is attached.](#)

VII. ELECTION OF THE TEMPORARY PRESIDENT

“...there shall be elected from the hold-over members a temporary president, and the secretary of the board shall act as secretary of such meeting. The certificates of the election or appointment of all new school directors shall be read, and a list of the legally elected or appointed and qualified school directors prepared.”

Motion by Swanson to nominate Mr. Robert Barrick for Temporary President.

Motion by Swanson to close the nominations. Roll call vote to elect Wilbur Wolf as Temporary President: Voting Yes: Gutshall, Deihl, Piper, Barrick, Swanson, Kanc, and Wolf. Motion carried unanimously. 7 – 0.

VIII. OATH OF OFFICE OF NEWLY APPOINTED AND RE-ELECTED BOARD MEMBERS

When there are newly-elected, appointed or re-elected Board members, the Temporary President will administer the oath of office:

“I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support, obey and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of this Commonwealth, and that will discharge the duties of my office with fidelity.”

IX. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Refer to Sections 402 and 404 of the Public School Code of 1949.

A. ELECTION OF THE PRESIDENT (1-year appointment)

Motion by Swanson to nominate Mr. Wilbur Wolf, Jr., for President.

Roll call vote on the motion by Swanson to elect Wilbur Wolf, Jr. as President. Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Gutshall, Deihl, Piper, Barrick, Swanson, Kanc, and Wolf. Motion carried unanimously. 7 – 0.

The 2017 Board President, Wilbur Wolf, Jr., began his duties.

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B. ELECTION OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT (1-year appointment)

Motion by Kanc to nominate Mr. William Swanson for Vice President.

Roll call vote on the motion by Kanc to elect Mr. William Swanson Vice President. Voting Yes: Gutshall, Deihl, Piper, Barrick, Swanson, Kanc, and Wolf. Motion carried unanimously. 7 – 0.

X. APPOINTMENTS

A. Pennsylvania School Boards Association Legislative Chairperson (1-year appointment)

Current Representative – Mr. Robert Barrick

Mr. Barrick was appointed to a one-year term as the Pennsylvania School Boards Association legislative chairperson.

B. Capital Area Intermediate Unit (1 year appointment)

Current Representative - Mr. Wilbur Wolf, Jr.

Mr. Wilbur Wolf, Jr., was appointed to a one-year term as the Capital Area Intermediate Unit representative.

C. Athletic Council (1-year appointment)

Current Representatives - Mr. William Swanson
Mr. David Gutshall
Mr. Todd Deihl

Mr. Swanson, Mr. Deihl, and Mr. Gutshall were appointed to serve one-year terms on the Athletic Council.

D. District Improvement Committee (1-year appointment)

Current Representatives – Mr. Bob Kanc

Mr. Kanc was appointed to the District Improvement Committee.

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X. APPOINTMENTS (...continued)

E. Meet and Discuss Committee for Classified Employees

(1-year appointment)

Current Representatives – Mr. Kingsley Blasco, Chairperson

Mr. Blasco, Chairperson, was appointed to serve a one-year term on the Meet and Discuss Committee for Classified Employees.

F. Cumberland Perry Area Vocational Technical School

(1-year appointment)

Current Representatives – Mr. William Piper
Mr. Wilbur Wolf, Jr.

Mr. William Piper and Mr. Wilbur Wolf, Jr., were appointed to serve one-year terms on the Cumberland Perry Area Vocational Technical School Committee.

G. Pennsylvania School Boards Association Regional Cabinet Member

(1-year appointment)

Current Representative – Mr. Robert Barrick

Mr. Robert Barrick was appointed to serve a one-year term as a Pennsylvania School Boards Association Regional Cabinet Member.

H. Buildings and Property Committee

Current Representatives - Mr. Robert Barrick, Chairperson
Mr. William Piper
Mr. William Swanson
Mr. Richard Roush
Mr. David Gutshall

Mr. Barrick, Chairperson, Mr. Piper, Mr. Swanson, Mr. Roush, and Mr. Gutshall were appointed to the Buildings and Property Committee.

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X. APPOINTMENTS (...continued)

I. Finance Committee

Current Representatives – Mr. Kingsley Blasco, Chairperson
Mr. William Piper
Mr. William Swanson
Mr. David Gutshall

Mr. Blasco, Chairperson, Mr. Piper, Mr. Swanson, and Mr. Gutshall were appointed to the Finance Committee.

J. South Central Trust Board

Current Representative - Mr. Kingsley Blasco

Mr. Blasco was appointed to serve as a representative to the South Central Trust Board.

K. Tax Collection Committee

Current Representative – Mr. Wilbur Wolf, Jr.
Mr. William Swanson

Mr. Wolf and Mr. Swanson were appointed to serve as a representative to the Tax Collection Committee.

XI. PAYMENT OF BILLS

General Fund	
Procurement Card	\$ 23,713.19
Checks/ACH/Wires	\$ 948,690.37
Capital Projects	\$.00
Stadium/Track	\$ 112,959.70
Project	
Cafeteria Fund	\$.00
Student Activities	\$ <u>23,314.76</u>
Total	\$ 1,108,678.02

Motion by Gutshall, seconded by Barrick for approval of General Fund, Capital Projects, Cafeteria Fund, and Student Activity/Miscellaneous Fund payments of bills as outlined above. Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Wolf, Piper, Gutshall, Deihl, Barrick, Kanc, and Swanson. Motion carried unanimously. 7 – 0

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XII. TREASURER'S FUND REPORT

General Fund	\$24,108,428.91
Capital Projects	\$ 5,871,959.16
Cafeteria Fund	\$ 476,844.14
Student Activities	\$ 231,518.71
Stadium/Track Project	<u>\$ 958,129.31</u>
Total	\$31,646,880.23

The Treasurer's Report showed balances as outlined above. Motion by Gutshall, seconded by Swanson for acceptance of the Treasurer's Report. Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Wolf, Swanson, Barrick, Piper, Gutshall, Deihl, and Kanc. Motion carried unanimously. 7 – 0

XIII. YTD GENERAL FUND REPORT AND YTD TAXES

The administration prepared these reports for the Board. The General Fund report looks at our revenue and expense for this year against the budget and compares those amounts to last year. The YTD Tax report shows the monthly collections and cumulative collections and compares that to the two previous years.

Motion by Swanson, seconded by Barrick to approve the recommendation as outlined above. Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Wolf, Swanson, Piper, Barrick, Deihl, Gutshall, and Kanc. Motion carried unanimously. 7 – 0

Mr. Kerr informed the Board of School Directors that we are doing really good. We are 2 ½ percentage points over last year on the income side. I think most of this is EIT. No one really knows at year end how this will end up because it really fluctuates. On the expenses, we are about a percentage point lower than last year.

XIV. READING OF CORRESPONDENCE

Mr. Richard W. Fry, Superintendent of Schools received correspondence from Pennsylvania Department of Education regarding Big Spring School District's single audit report for the year ended June 30, 2015. The Pennsylvania Department of Education has approved the Single Audit Report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015. Correspondence is included with the agenda.

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XV. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Scott Bothe, Karla Dechene, John Gazgi, Brian Bingman, Sam Sheeler, Shawn Gutshall, Brian Grzybowski, Sherri Webber-Mains, Robyn Woodley, Emily Webber, Judy Webber, William Sinick, Andrew Mellott, Robert Baker, Rebecca Baker, John Nippert, George Nippert, Brenda Nippert, Katelyn Hamilton, Bev Hamilton, Steve Hamilton, Emily Baker, Bryce Baker, Mackenzie Herman, Kelly Herman, Lloyd Herman, Allison Spencer, Deb Spencer, John Spencer, Bill August, Niki Donato, Scott Donato, Regan Donato, Camden Donato, Mindi Greve, Ethan Greve, Erik Greve, Nicholas Kowalski, Corine Melusky, Lean Eichelberger, Shelley Eichelberger, Kenny Blessing, Bill Beck, Dylan Lego, Alyssa Teter, and Kim Fisher.

XVI. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Rev Bill Beck 108 Lawrence Lane, Carlisle, PA addressed the members of the Board of School Directors and offered a prayer of encouragement for the Board members and community.

XVII. STRUCTURED PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

XVIII. OLD BUSINESS

XIX. NEW BUSINESS

A) PERSONNEL CONCERNS

(ACTION ITEM)

1) Resignation – Head Golf Coach – Doug Lautsbaugh

Mr. Doug Lautsbaugh has submitted his resignation as Head Golf Coach, retroactive to November 30, 2016.

The administration recommends that the Board of School Directors accept Mr. Lautsbaugh's resignation as Head Golf Coach, retroactive to November 30, 2016.

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XIX. NEW BUSINESS (...continued)

(ACTION ITEM)

2) Leave Without Pay – Sara VanderHeijden

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. Ms. Sara VanderHeijden is requesting one-day leave without pay, retroactive to Tuesday, December 6, 2016.

The administration recommends that the Board of School Directors approve the following request for leave without pay, as presented.

(ACTION ITEM)

3) Approval of Child Rearing Leave of Absence – Mrs. SaraBeth Fulton

Mrs. SaraBeth Fulton, High School Agriculture Teacher is requesting child-rearing leave of absence to begin approximately April 18, 2017 through approximately June 1, 2017. According to Section 3.07 of the current contract between the Big Spring Education Association and the District, a professional employee may request up to one year of child-rearing leave upon the birth of a child. In addition to the duration of the leave period, her request meets all provisions for a child-rearing leave according to the current contract.

The administration recommends that the Board of School Directors approve Mrs. Fulton's requested child-rearing leave via section 3.07 of the current Collective Bargaining Agreement to begin approximately April 18, 2017 through approximately June 1, 2017.

(ACTION ITEM)

4) Recommendation for Substitute School Nurse

The administration would like to recommend the individual listed as a substitute nurse for the 2016-2017 school year.

Mary Bradley

The administration recommends that the Board of School Directors approve the above individuals as substitute school nurse, as presented.

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XIX. NEW BUSINESS (. . .continued)

(ACTION ITEM)

5) Recommendation for Classified Personnel Transfer

As per Board Policies 3850.1-3850.4, the administration will transfer the classified employee listed below.

Heather Arey will transfer from a part-time MDS Aide at Oak Flat Elementary School to a full-time One-on-One Aide for a student at Mt. Rock Elementary School. Ms. Arey will work 7 hours per day, five days a week with an hourly wage of \$11.77.

The administration recommends that the Board of School Directors approve the transfer of the above listed individual, as presented.

(ACTION ITEM)

6) Source4Teachers – Long Term Substitute

The administration requests permission to move forward with the recommendation for the long-term substitute listed below with Source4Teachers, the District substitute teaching contractor.

Adam Gutshall, Long-Term Substitute Middle School Seventh Grade Science Teacher, replacing Mrs. Kyna Morgan, Long-Term Substitute for Mrs. Therese Bukousky who is on child-rearing leave of absence through approximately January 19, 2017.

(ACTION ITEM)

7) Approve Change to Classified Payscale

In the conversion to a new payscale in 2012 the District decided to keep old employees on the old scale; the administration recommends moving all classified employees onto the new scale so they can participate in the longevity increases. Attached is a spreadsheet showing that change along with the new rates as of January 1, 2017 as well as the annual cost which would equal ~ \$13,339 for the balance of this year.

There are two employees annotated for retroactive pay to July 1, 2016 as they moved to positions of increased responsibility and we missed giving them an increase.

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors approve the classified pay adjustments included with the agenda.

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VOTE ON XIX., NEW BUSINESS, A-1 – A-7, PERSONNEL CONCERNS

Motion by Swanson, seconded by Barrick to combine and approve Items A-1 through A-7 as outlined and recommended above. Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Wolf, Piper, Deihl, Barrick, Gutshall, Kanc, and Swanson. Motion carried unanimously. 7 – 0

XIX. NEW BUSINESS (. . .continued)

(ACTION ITEM)

B) Case B 2016-2017

The parents of the student of Case B of the 2016-2017 school year waived their right to a formal student discipline hearing before the Board of School Directors.

The administration recommends that the Board of School Directors exclude the student in Case B of the 2016-2017 school year for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year with an alternative placement at River Rock Academy.

Motion by Barrick, seconded by Swanson to approve the recommendation as outlined above. Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Wolf, Piper, Deihl, Barrick, Gutshall, Kanc, and Swanson. Motion carried unanimously. 7 – 0

(ACTION ITEM)

C) Recommendation for Act 80 Days

The administration requests that two days of in-service activities be used as an Act 80 day for students for the 2016-2017 school year. The dates to be utilized for Act 80 purposes are Monday, October 12, 2016 and Thursday, February 17, 2017. On these dates, Big Spring School District's entire professional staff were involved in relevant educational work in support of our instructional program. A detailed schedule for the day that shows activities completed in support of our instructional program are included with the administration's request.

The administration recommends that the Board of School Directors approve the submission to the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) of two (2) Act 80 days for the 2016-2017 school year on Monday, October 12, 2016 and Thursday, February 17, 2017.

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Motion by Barrick, seconded by Swanson to approve the recommended as outlined above.
Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Wolf, Piper, Deihl, Barrick, Gutshall, Kanc, and Swanson.
Motion carried unanimously. 7 – 0

Mr. Fry informed the Board that we received communication from PDE that their infrastructure is going to change quite dramatically in January. We are not an Act 80 district but there have been times that we have needed to request Act 80 days because of inclement weather. We are asking the Board to approve two of those days now that we might not use unless the weather is challenging and our seniors need time at the end of the year. We classify these in-service days as Act 80 days. Our teachers work that day and we can decrease that from the 180 days for our students.

(ACTION ITEM)

D) Approve Release of MS Roof Replacement Bid Specification

A copy of the specification is included in the agenda and discussed in the Buildings and Property Committee meeting.

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors approve the release of the Middle School roof replacement bid specification as presented.

Motion by Kanc, seconded by Barrick to approve the recommended as outlined above.
Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Wolf, Piper, Deihl, Barrick, Kanc, Gutshall, and Swanson.
Motion carried unanimously. 7 – 0

(ACTION ITEM)

E) Approve Release of Erate Application & Bid for Fiber Links to OF/NV

A copy of the Bid specification, including Solicitor comments, is included in the Buildings and Property online agenda. This requests for proposals is to install fiber links to Oak Flat and Newville Elementary Schools as part of the Erate program. It was prepared by Mr. Krepps in coordination with our Erate consultant at Questeq. This RFP is meant to explore best options and costs before moving forward. This may be a multiple year effort.

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors approve the release of the bid specification for fiber network connections to Oak Flat and Newville Elementary Schools.

Motion by Barrick, seconded by Kanc to approve the recommended as outlined above.
Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Wolf, Piper, Deihl, Barrick, Kanc, Gutshall, and Swanson.
Motion carried unanimously. 7 – 0

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(ACTION ITEM)

F) Approve Purchase of Replacement UPS for DAO Data Facility

The uninterruptible power supply (UPS) system for the District main data facility (MDF) has deteriorated to less than 13 minutes of run time. In case of emergency, there is not adequate time to shut down all systems leaving them exposed to transient voltages. The Technology Director sought proposals from multiple vendors and recommends we accept the proposal attached. This is a COSTARS purchase.

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors approve the purchase of the APC Symmetra system at a cost of \$27,616.70 to be paid from the Capital Project Reserve Fund.

Motion by Barrick, seconded by Swanson to approve the recommended as outlined above.
Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Wolf, Piper, Deihl, Barrick, Gutshall, Kanc, and Swanson.
Motion carried unanimously. 7 – 0

(ACTION ITEM)

G) Approval of New Microwave Data Links to Oak Flat & Newville Elementary

The District currently has small 100Mb data connections to Oak Flat and Newville resulting in slow network performance at both schools. The quickest solution is to upgrade the current Wi-Fi links to support up to 2 Gb links. The Board released an RFP for professional services last month and the Technology Director reviewed those in the Buildings and Property meeting. In the future, this system would still be needed as a backup to fiber links.

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors accept the proposal from Henkels & McCoy, Inc and authorizes the administration to negotiate final details and sign final contract documents at a cost not to exceed \$68,400 to be paid from the Capital Project Reserve Fund.

Motion by Barrick, seconded by Kanc to approve the recommended as outlined above.
Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Wolf, Piper, Deihl, Barrick, Kanc, Gutshall, and Swanson.
Motion carried unanimously. 7 – 0

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(ACTION ITEM)

H) Approve Payment from Stadium & Project Fund

WCE submitted these two final payment applications for the stadium project.

<u>Work Submitted</u>	<u>Pay To</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Balance</u>
Pay App 7 - Final	Ellsworth Electric, Inc.	\$23,814.45	
Pay App 3 Final	MidState Mechanical & Electrical, LLC	\$12,386.00	

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors approve the payment of \$23,814.45 to Ellsworth Electric, Inc. and \$12,386 to MidState Mechanical & Electrical, LLC from the Stadium & Track Project Fund.

Motion by Barrick, seconded by Swanson to approve the recommended as outlined above.
Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Wolf, Piper, Deihl, Barrick, Kanc, Gutshall, and Swanson.
Motion carried unanimously. 7 – 0

(ACTION ITEM)

I) Approve Purchase of Warehouse Van

The District currently uses a large box truck for mail/equipment/food distribution; most of the loads are far smaller than a typical pallet. To be more efficient the administration is recommending we move to a van; the proceeds from the recent pickup sale will be used to partially offset the cost.

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors approve the purchase of a 2017 Ford Transit Van via PA State Contract at a cost of \$26,268 to be paid from the general fund budget reserve.

Motion by Barrick, seconded by Swanson to approve the recommended as outlined above.
Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Wolf, Piper, Deihl, Barrick, Kanc, Gutshall, and Swanson.
Motion carried unanimously. 7 – 0

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(ACTION ITEM)

J) Accept Newville Abatement Bid

At the last meeting the Board authorized the release of a bid specification for the Abatement of Newville Elementary School during the summer of 2017. Mr. Roush reviewed the bid proposals in the Buildings and Property Committee meeting. A copy of the apparent winning bid is included with the agenda.

The administration recommends the Board of School Directors accept, pending Solicitor review, the bid from Conservative Environmental Services, Inc. showing the base amount of \$69,375. Once legal review is complete the administration is authorized to sign those documents required to complete the contract.

Motion by Barrick, seconded by Kanc to approve the recommended as outlined above.
Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Wolf, Piper, Deihl, Barrick, Kanc, Gutshall, and Swanson.
Motion carried unanimously. 7 – 0

(INFORMATION ITEM)

K) Proposed 2017-2018 Cumberland Perry Area Vocational Technical School Budget

Included with the agenda for Board review is the proposed 2017-2018 Cumberland Perry Area Vocational Technical School Budget.

The proposed 2017-2018 Cumberland Perry Area Vocational Technical School Budget will be recommended for Board action at the January 16, 2017 Board of School Directors meeting.

XX. FUTURE BOARD AGENDA ITEM

There were no future Board agenda items.

XXI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. District Improvement Committee – Mr. Kevin Roberts

No meeting was conducted and no report was offered.

XXI. COMMITTEE REPORTS (...continued)

B. Athletic Committee – Mr. Swanson

No meeting was conducted and no report was offered.

C. Vocational-Technical School – Mr. Wolf/Mr. Piper

No meeting was conducted and no report was offered.

D. Buildings and Property Committee – Mr. Barrick

I make a motion to release the all-weather track bid specification, pending Solicitor review, as presented in the Building & Property Committee.

Motion by Barrick, seconded by Swanson to approve the recommended as outlined above. Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Wolf, Piper, Deihl, Barrick, Kanc, Gutshall, and Swanson. Motion carried unanimously. 7 – 0

E. Finance Committee – Mr. Blasco, Mr. Piper, Mr. Swanson and Mr. Gutshall

No meeting was conducted and no report was offered.

F. South Central Trust – Mr. Blasco

No meeting was conducted and no report was offered.

G. Capital Area Intermediate Unit – Mr. Wolf

No meeting was conducted and no report was offered.

H. Tax Collection Committee (TCC) – Mr. Wolf

No meeting was conducted and no report was offered.

XXII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. **Transportation** – If you recall at the start of school, we had a couple of challenges with our transportation. At that time the Administration let the Board know that by the end of December our student information system, Aspen would communicate with Bus Boss. We are now able to download information into our sis. Parents can then access this information as needed. Thanks to Mr. Krepps for completing this challenge. By the end of this week, our parents should be able to access bus stops, bus locations and bus times. We will be out of the mailing cards business. We will notify parents to log on through Blackboard connect.

Mr. Barrick asked if this answers all the parental concerns that we had earlier. Are they GPS tagged?

2. **Coaching** – Later this week, we will be meeting with all head coach to discuss the Tri-Valley League. All head coaches will be in attendance along with Mr. Hockenbroch and Mr. August. We gathered as much data as we could put our hands on to give a full report on pros and cons. I plan to bring back to the board at a later date where our coaches stand. You will clearly know the percentage of coaches in support or don't support before we go to the community to discuss this. Public meeting sometime in January.
3. **Meeting** – I want to remind the Board there is only one meeting in January. The meeting is January 16th.

XXIII. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Mr. Barrick wished everyone Merry Christmas.

Mr. Kanc reminded everyone of the Newville Kiwanis Christmas parade on Friday at 7:00 pm.

XXIII. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR (...continued)

Mr. Swanson informed the Board members he attended the veterans brunch the other day and I was very impressed with Tempus Club and the way the students helped out with the veterans. They deserve praise.

XXIV. PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING FUTURE BOARD AGENDA ITEMS

There was no public comment regarding future Board agenda items.

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XXV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Kanc, seconded by Swanson to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Wolf, Piper, Barrick, Swanson, Deihl, Gutshall, and Kanc. Motion carried unanimously. 7 – 0

The meeting was adjourned at 8:36 P.M.



Robert Lee Barrick, Secretary

NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING: Monday, January 16, 2017