

**CANON-McMILLAN SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 20, 2007**

The Canon-McMillan Regular School Board Meeting was called to order at 7:02 P.M. by the President, Mr. Cianelli, at the Canon-McMillan Administration Building, 1 North Jefferson Avenue, Canonsburg, PA.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call

Roll call was taken.

Robert Arista	P	Adam Galambos	P	Robert Pintar	P
Kathleen Smith	P	Edward Yorke	P	Nick Cianelli	P
Debbie Link	P	Laura Grossman	P	Jay Romano	A

In addition to Board Members, the following non-members were present:

- Dr. Helen McCracken, Assistant to the Superintendent
- Ms. Joni Mansmann, Director of Business and Finance
- Mr. Lee Schafer, Director of Support Services
- Ms. Linda Kappel, Federal Coordinator
- Mr. Francis DiSalle, Solicitor
- Ms. Sharon Avbel, Board Secretary

Agenda Approval

Ms. Link made a motion, seconded by Ms. Smith to approve the agenda.

The motion carried unanimously.

Items for Consideration

Mr. Yorke made a motion, seconded by Ms. Link that the Board accept the following minutes, treasurer's report, wage tax reports, and correspondence:

- Regular Meeting of the Board, June 18, 2007
- Committee Meeting of the Board, June 25, 2007
- Special Meeting of the Board, June 25, 2007
- Special Meeting of the Board, July 9, 2007
- Committee Meeting of the Board, August 6, 2007
- Special Meeting of the Board, August 6, 2007
- Pre-Board Agenda Meeting, August 13, 2007

	Current	Year to Date	Budgeted	% of
FOR JUNE, 2007	Collections		2006-07	Expected
Canonsburg Borough	\$7,394.13	\$516,268.3	\$589,780	87.5%
North Strabane	101,672.55	1,204,385.4	1,209,048	99.6%
Cecil Township	22,814.02	979,238.29	1,150,070	85.2%

FOR JULY, 2007	Current Collections	Year to Date	Budgeted 2006-07	% of Expected
Canonsburg Borough	\$ 0	\$516,268.3	\$589,780	87.5%
North Strabane	58,532.97	1,262,918.4	1,209,048	104.5%
Cecil Township	113,453.30	1,092,691.5	1,150,070	95.0%

The motion carried unanimously.

Bills for Ratification and Approval

Ms. Link made a motion, seconded by Mr. Arista that the Board ratify and approve the following bills:

For Ratification:

FOR JUNE, 2007

General Fund	4,206,877.19
Athletic Fund	550.00
Cafeteria Fund	83,345.22

FOR JULY, 2007

General Fund	\$3,175,066.79
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For Approval:

FOR JULY, 2007

General Fund (2006-07)	\$373,887.25
General Fund (2007-08)	476,145.11

FOR AUGUST, 2007

General Fund	\$97,693.17
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The motion carried with all present voting aye, with the exception of Mr. Pintar who voted nay.

Solicitor's Report

Mr. DiSalle stated that he had nothing to report.

Committee Reports

Mr. Yorke reported that at the Intermediate Unit meeting on August 9th Harry Brownlee who was the first I.U. director and passed away recently was honored for his 43 years of service to education. Also, the I.U. staff is in place and ready to go and the evaluation of the director will be done soon. As athletic chairperson Mr. Yorke met with Mr. Montecalvo last Friday and he stated he is content with the stadium and the trailer which is in place. Last Wednesday while Mr. Yorke was meeting with the district attorney, a few state police were there and stated that they were extremely impressed

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with Mr. Schafer and his busses. Mr. Yorke stated that Mr. Schafer is very well thought of and has things right on track.

Ms. Grossman reported that the buildings and grounds committee met last Thursday and they are planning to meet weekly.

Mr. Pintar questioned whether the temporary bleachers created more or less room for the band. Mr. Schafer responded that there was less room, but he had spoken to Mr. Falvo who assured him that he could work it out.

Citizens Speak No citizens addressed the Board.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Resignations Mr. Pintar made a motion, seconded by Mr. Yorke that the Board approve the following resignations:

1. accept the resignation of Kristen Lemke from her position as an elementary teacher at First Street Elementary School effective August 8, 2007.
2. accept the resignation of Beverly Small from her position as a gifted teacher at Cecil Intermediate School effective August 27, 2007. Ms. Small has accepted other employment.
3. accept the resignations of the following extra-curricular personnel:
Ryan Mason Middle School Ass't. Boys Soccer Coach
Erik Presto Middle School Ass't. Boys Soccer Coach

The motion carried unanimously.

Appointments Ms. Link made a motion, seconded by Mr. Arista that the Board approve the following appointments:

1. hire the following professional personnel for the 2007-08 school year:
Danielle Blonar 1st grade teacher, Hills-Hendersonville Elem.
Tami Jaworski 6th grade teacher, Cecil Intermediate School
Deanna Miller Elementary Music teacher
Lisa Hepner Speech/Language teacher
Aimee Eismont 1/2 day kindergarten teacher, Borland Manor
2. appoint the following as permanent substitutes for teachers on leave for the 2007-08 school year with salary and benefits per Procedure IV-7:
Sara Hega 3rd grade, Hills-Hendersonville Elementary, 1st semester through April 29, 2008
Mollie Zewe 3rd grade, Muse Elementary, 1st semester
Kristen Mavrigh 3rd grade, Cecil Elementary, full year
Jennifer Gansberger 6th grade, North Strabane Intermediate, 1st

semester

3. approve the following cafeteria positions effective for the 2007-08 school

year:

- a. change Sue Gaynard from a 5 hour cafeteria worker at the High School to a 5 ½ hour cafeteria worker at Canonsburg Middle School
- b. change Deb Zofchak from a 5 hour cafeteria worker at the High School to a 5 ½ hour cafeteria worker at the High School
- c. change Eileen Steding from a 5 1/4 hour cafeteria worker at the High School to a 5 ½ hour cafeteria worker at the High School
- d. change Kim Camerson from a 4 3/4 hour cafeteria worker at the High School to a 5 hour cafeteria worker at the High School
- e. change Belinda Senay from a 4 3/4 hour cafeteria worker at the High School to a 5 hour cafeteria worker at the High School
- f. change Joan Long from a 3 ½ hour cafeteria worker at the High School to a 4 hour cafeteria worker at the High School
- g. change Karen Gaston from a 3 ½ hour cafeteria worker at Cecil Intermediate School to a 4 3/4 hour cafeteria worker at the High School
- h. change Heather Kotar from a 3 ½ hour cafeteria worker at the High School to a 3 3/4 hour cafeteria worker at the High School
- i. change Noelle Briceland from a 2 ½ hour cafeteria worker at Wylandville to a 3 3/4 hour cafeteria worker at the High School
- j. change Diane Wolford from a 3 hour cafeteria worker at Borland Manor Elementary School to a 3 ½ hour cafeteria worker at Cecil Intermediate School
- k. change Karen Smith from a 2 hour cafeteria worker at Borland Manor Elementary School to a 2 3/4 hour cafeteria worker at Borland Manor Elementary School
- l. change Sandra Girdish from a 2 ½ hour cafeteria worker at North Strabane Intermediate School to a 2 3/4 hour cafeteria worker at South Central Elementary School
- m. change Carol Bosko from a 2 ½ hour cafeteria worker at South Central Elementary School to a 2 1/4 cafeteria worker at Borland Manor Elementary School

The motion carried unanimously.

Appointments

Mr. Pintar made a motion, seconded by Ms. Smith that the Board approve the change the status of the following employees from temporary professional to professional employees based on six satisfactory semesters:

Cynthia Carroll	Steven Cox	Brian Herrig
Jill Dennick	Jason Dill	Jon Weber
Randy Clonan	Eric Gennes	Melissa Dalbon
Christen Hufnagel	Justin White	Jeremy Kuharcik
Tera Brownlee	Danielle Ruffolo	Elizabeth Beck
Jeanne Lias	Alicia Patton	Lindsay Kavelak
Gabriele Hoolahan	Jaime Read	Theresa Beistel
Tiffany Bushko	Beth Wendt	Jessica Edgar
Heather Hagerman	Stacie Scheidler	Lucy Hart
Christine Palmieri	Kelly Conlon	Carrie Kushner

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Dennis Pastorius	Bethany West	Lisa Dominick
Susan Ranier	Jill Zonca	Kathryn Cerminara
Yvonne Jones	Bethany Chappel	Ryan Radovitch
Lori Seekely	Monica Davis	Shannon Crombie

The motion carried unanimously.

Appointments

Mr. Yorke made a motion, seconded by Ms. Smith that the Board approve the following appointments:

1. change the status of the following aides from library aides to special education aides with the corresponding increase in salary (\$.22 per hour):
Amy Davis Cathy Keaney
2. approve the following extra-curricular positions at the contracted rate:

Fred Custer	High School Chess Club Sponsor	
\$413		
Jade Morgan	M.S. World Language Club Co-sponsor	\$206.50
Christina Tassone	M.S. World Language Club Co-sponsor	\$206.50
Kara Stauffer	Art Department Chairperson	\$1,350
3. approve the Addendum to the Professional and Support Staff Substitute List, dated August, 2007.

The motion carried unanimously.

Broker of Record

Ms. Link made a motion, seconded by Mr. Galambos that the Board approve Robert Simonin as the broker of record for an additional one year term through June 30, 2009.

The motion carried with all present voting aye with the exception of Mr. Arista who voted nay.

Policies

Ms. Smith made a motion, seconded by Ms. Link that the Board approve the PSBA revised policies and the district committee's revisions to Section 300 of the new Policy Manual, effective with the start of the 2007-08 school year or after completion of the entire Policy Manual. Also recommend the Board approve updates on Policy 204, Attendance; Policy 248, Harassment; Policy 706, Property Records; Policy 810, Transportation; and 810.1, Drug/Alcohol Testing - Covered Drivers.

Mr. Cianelli stated that the gift policy (322) didn't require that gifts be reported. He said he would agree to approve it, but it might need changed at a later date. He also stated that a fraud policy might need added. The motion carried unanimously.

PSBA Legislative Policy Council Voting Delegates

Mr. Galambos made a motion, seconded by Ms. Link that the Board approve Kathy Smith and Laura Grossman as the voting delegates to represent the district at the Legislative Policy Council at this year's meeting on Thursday, October 4, 2007, during the School Leadership Conference in Hershey. (Funds from Budget Reserve)

The motion carried unanimously.

Student Trip

Mr. Yorke made a motion, seconded by Ms. Smith that the Board approve the trip of the boys basketball team to attend the KSA Disney Boys Basketball Tournament in Orlando from December 12-16, 2007 at no cost to the district.

The motion carried unanimously.

Project 720 Grant

Mr. Yorke made a motion, seconded by Ms. Link that the Board approve the second year of the Project 720 Grant in the amount of \$68,000. We are very fortunate and happy the high school has been provided this opportunity.

The motion carried unanimously.

Title I Academic Achievement Award

Ms. Smith made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pintar that the Board approve the Title I Academic Achievement Award for First Street Elementary and South Central Elementary in the amount of \$2,076 per building.

The motion carried unanimously.

Textbook Approval

Mr. Pintar made a motion, seconded by Ms. Smith that the Board approve the following textbook for the High School Web Page Design Course: Introduction to Web Design, Glencoe, 2007.

The motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Smith made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pintar that the Board approve the settlement for the Tax Assessment Appeal regarding the 701 Technology Drive as outlined by the Solicitor and pending final review.

The motion carried unanimously.

High School Hot Water Heater

Mr. Yorke made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pintar that the Board approve the bid and valued engineering from Huckestein Mechanical Services for the hot water boiler, storage tank and preparation work at a

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cost of \$27,000.

The motion carried unanimously.

Recognition

The Board recognized the following:
Mike Maffei of Canonsburg Middle School was awarded the Ernest Q. Johnson for Charity Trust Grant in the amount of \$3,000 to help fund new computer parts for the middle school's A+ program. The A+ program is part of Mr. Maffei's Exploring Computer Technologies Class which involves building a functional computer from scratch and running a Linux-based operating system. The computer parts need replenished on a three-year basis.

Elizabeth Bellicini and Jackie Zeni have been awarded a grant from the SACP Elementary/Middle School Science Equipment Grants program to sponsor a Science Olympiad at Wylandville Elementary School.

Jared Hladycz of Wylandville Elementary has had 5 years of perfect attendance; Benjamin Hladycz and Vincent Lavorgna of Wylandville have had 3 years of perfect attendance. The following Canonsburg Middle School students have achieved consecutive years of perfect attendance: Khristina Gardner and Maureen Lewandowski (6 years), Melissa Harbert (5 years), and Breanna Bakaitis and Addison Galambos (3 years).

Andrew Klemash has achieved the highest rank in Scouting, that of Eagle. A recent graduate, Kenny Wessel, has also achieved that honor.

Alexa Melone, a recent graduate, has achieved a national first place performance in The Art Institutes and Americans for the Arts 2007 Poster Design Competition. Alexa earned a total of \$28,000 toward her pursuit of a degree in Graphic Design at The Art Institute of Pittsburgh. Alexa received the first place award from among 31 throughout the United States and Canada.

Information

1. Ms. Smith mentioned that the Western Area Career and Technology Center is putting in two new programs which are continuing education courses primarily for adults; one in the culinary sciences and one as a training program for the concrete industry. These courses will tie into the courses being taught to our secondary students giving them a gateway to advanced career training.

Adjournment

Mr. Cianelli adjourned the meeting at 7:20 P.M. An executive session will follow the meeting related to contracts, specifically the Act 93 contract.

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Sharon L. Arbel

Secretary