

McKEESPORT AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Board Meeting
May 25, 2011

Presiding Wayne Washowich, President

Date, Time, Place Wednesday, May 25, 2011, 7:30 PM, Board Room,
Administration Building, 3590 O'Neil Boulevard,
McKeesport, PA 15132.

Opening Exercises Mr. Washowich called the meeting to order at 7:55 PM,
followed by the Pledge to the Flag.

Present James Brown
Mark Holtzman
Steve Kondrosky
Joe Lopretto
Tom Maglicco
Patricia Maksin
Wayne Washowich

Excused. Joe Chiaverini
Chris Halaszynski

Others Present Dr. Timothy Gabauer, Superintendent
Dr. Rula Skezas, Assistant Superintendent
David Seropian, Business Manager/Board Secretary
James G. Humanic, Director of Human Resources/
Assistant to the Business Manager
Jack Cambest, Solicitor

Board President's Remarks – I would like to make a real quick comment. In our green sheets we are going to be approving a contract extension for the teachers, and I want to assure everybody in this entire district that the Board is most appreciative of number one, having our teachers here agreeing to come to some kind of ratification and thanking our Administrators who have participated in this thing back and forth. We know it has been a grueling several sessions. Board members have always decided to not take part of that and to let the Administrative teams go back and forth and try to come up with some kind of solution, but I will

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speak on behalf of the entire Board in thanking everyone. That's going to be a tremendous help for us as far as education in the district, so that's what I wanted to tell you.

Superintendent's Report – Mr. President, I would like to echo those comments and make a few statements about some things. The last two to three months have been extremely challenging in the public education, not only in the state of Pennsylvania, but throughout the United States. Aside for the abrupt financial dilemma that has been thrust upon us, there has also been what I consider an unjust and unwarranted attacks just on public education in general. McKeesport has always been what I consider a very resilient community, and I would tell you, the people that work in this district regardless of the position that they are in, are extremely passionate and will stop at nothing to do what is best for the children within our district. Within the last week I can say I have witnessed an awful lot of teamwork in seeing the district pull together in a time of crisis and it speaks volumes to the character of the people that we have within this district. We had the Board of Directors come through with an early retirement incentive which is going to do tremendous things for our personnel moves. We also have the teaching and Administrative staff that have stepped out and taken a wage freeze to a degree for next year which is going to be a tremendous help to us. I look at the McKeesport Area School District as a powerful example of what it takes and I am very proud to be a part of the team here at the McKeesport Area School District having witnessed some of this teamwork pull together in a time of crisis. We can assure you that we are going to continue to provide a comprehensive and exemplary educational experience regardless of the resources that we have available to us as we move forward. With that, I would like, Ms. Davis has some shots from around the district of things that are happening and if we could please take a look at those. This is why we are all here and you're going to see some of those things that make us smile on a daily basis in public education.

Treasurer's Report – Mrs. Maksin moved to acknowledge receipt of the Treasurer's Report for the month of April 2011. Seconded by Mr. Holtzman.

Voting aye. Mr. Brown, Mr. Holtzman, Mr. Kondrosky, Mr. Lopretto, Mr. Maglicco, Mrs. Maksin, Mr. Washowich

Excused. Mr. Chiaverini, Mr. Halaszynski

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Hearing of Citizens –

Scott Smith, 1507 Kansas Avenue, White Oak, PA 15131.

Mr. Smith addressed the Board on the issue of renovation.

Terri Kisan, 2132 Duquesne, Avenue, McKeesport, PA 15132.

Mrs. Kisan addressed the Board on the issue of arts in education.

Minutes – Mr. Brown moved to approve the minutes of the Open Agenda Meeting of April 18, 2011, and the Regular Meeting of April 27, 2011. Seconded by Mr. Maglicco.

Voting aye. Mr. Brown, Mr. Holtzman, Mr. Kondrosky, Mr. Lopretto, Mr. Maglicco, Mrs. Maksin, Mr. Washowich

Excused. Mr. Chiaverini, Mr. Halaszynski

Bills – Mr. Brown moved to approve the list of bills. Seconded by Mr. Maglicco.

Voting aye. Mr. Brown, Mr. Holtzman, Mr. Kondrosky, Mr. Lopretto, Mr. Maglicco, Mrs. Maksin, Mr. Washowich

Excused. Mr. Chiaverini, Mr. Halaszynski

Refunds – Mr. Maglicco moved to approve property tax refunds as presented. Seconded by Mr. Brown.

Voting aye. Mr. Brown, Mr. Holtzman, Mr. Kondrosky, Mr. Lopretto, Mr. Maglicco, Mrs. Maksin, Mr. Washowich

Excused. Mr. Chiaverini, Mr. Halaszynski

Depositories – Mr. Maglicco moved to designate the District's financial depositories for the 2011/2012 fiscal year as presented. Seconded by Mrs. Maksin.

Voting aye. Mr. Brown, Mr. Holtzman, Mr. Kondrosky, Mr. Lopretto, Mr. Maglicco, Mrs. Maksin, Mr. Washowich

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Excused. Mr. Chiaverini, Mr. Halaszynski

Bids – Mr. Kondrosky moved to award bids for general, custodial, art, office, medical, athletic, athletic medical and AIU paper supplies for the 2011/2012 school year as presented. Seconded by Mr. Holtzman.

Voting aye. Mr. Brown, Mr. Holtzman, Mr. Kondrosky, Mr. Lopretto, Mr. Maglicco, Mrs. Maksin, Mr. Washowich

Excused. Mr. Chiaverini, Mr. Halaszynski

Parades – Mr. Lopretto moved to approve the high school band to participate in the Memorial Day parades in McKeesport and White Oak on Monday, May 30, 2011. Seconded by Mr. Kondrosky.

Voting aye. Mr. Brown, Mr. Holtzman, Mr. Kondrosky, Mr. Lopretto, Mr. Maglicco, Mrs. Maksin, Mr. Washowich

Excused. Mr. Chiaverini, Mr. Halaszynski

Insurance – Mr. Maglicco moved to approve the Workers' Compensation Insurance with a premium of \$198,905.00 through PSBA with School Boards Insurance Company for the 2011/2012 school year. Seconded by Mr. Kondrosky.

Voting aye. Mr. Brown, Mr. Holtzman, Mr. Kondrosky, Mr. Lopretto, Mr. Maglicco, Mrs. Maksin, Mr. Washowich

Excused. Mr. Chiaverini, Mr. Halaszynski

Policies – Mr. Holtzman moved for First reading of Board Policies:

200 – Pupils – Enrollment in District

202 – Pupils – Eligibility of Nonresident Students

Seconded by Mrs. Maksin.

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Voting aye. Mr. Brown, Mr. Holtzman, Mr. Kondrosky, Mr. Lopretto, Mr. Maglicco, Mrs. Maksin, Mr. Washowich

Excused. Mr. Chiaverini, Mr. Halaszynski

AIU – Mr. Maglicco moved to approve an agreement with the Allegheny Intermediate Unit to provide special education services to students in MASD during the 2011/2012 school term. Seconded by Mr. Lopretto.

Voting aye. Mr. Brown, Mr. Holtzman, Mr. Kondrosky, Mr. Lopretto, Mr. Maglicco, Mrs. Maksin, Mr. Washowich

Excused. Mr. Chiaverini, Mr. Halaszynski

Change Order – Mr. Maglicco moved to approve change orders for the McClure Elementary/Intermediate school project. Seconded by Mrs. Maksin. Discussion followed.

Voting aye. Mr. Brown, Mr. Holtzman, Mr. Kondrosky, Mr. Lopretto, Mr. Maglicco, Mrs. Maksin, Mr. Washowich

Excused. Mr. Chiaverini, Mr. Halaszynski

Contract – Mr. Kondrosky moved to approve the contract with APANGEA from July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 at a total cost of \$31,625. (Paid for by the 21st CCLC – Cohort 5) Seconded by Mr. Brown.

Voting aye. Mr. Brown, Mr. Holtzman, Mr. Kondrosky, Mr. Lopretto, Mr. Maglicco, Mrs. Maksin, Mr. Washowich

Excused. Mr. Chiaverini, Mr. Halaszynski

List – Mr. Lopretto moved to approve the CTC book list. Seconded by Mrs. Maksin.

Voting aye. Mr. Brown, Mr. Holtzman, Mr. Kondrosky, Mr. Lopretto, Mr. Maglicco, Mrs. Maksin, Mr. Washowich

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Excused. Mr. Chiaverini, Mr. Halaszynski

Courses – Mr. Brown moved to approve the On-line Summer School courses. Seconded by Mr. Kondrosky.

Voting aye. Mr. Brown, Mr. Holtzman, Mr. Kondrosky, Mr. Lopretto, Mr. Maglicco, Mrs. Maksin, Mr. Washowich

Excused. Mr. Chiaverini, Mr. Halaszynski

Camp – Mr. Lopretto moved to approve the ELECT Summer Camp. Seconded by Mr. Holtzman.

Voting aye. Mr. Brown, Mr. Holtzman, Mr. Kondrosky, Mr. Lopretto, Mr. Maglicco, Mrs. Maksin, Mr. Washowich

Excused. Mr. Chiaverini, Mr. Halaszynski

Recovery – Mr. Maglicco moved to approve the 21st CCLC Cohort 5 Summer Math and Reading Recovery, 15 days at 4 hours per day for a total of 60 hours, June 20 through July 14, 2011. Seconded by Mr. Brown.

Voting aye. Mr. Brown, Mr. Holtzman, Mr. Kondrosky, Mr. Lopretto, Mr. Maglicco, Mrs. Maksin, Mr. Washowich

Excused. Mr. Chiaverini, Mr. Halaszynski

Music – Mr. Kondrosky moved to approve the Summer Music Program of 40 hours of string instruction, 80 hours of brass, woodwinds and percussion instruction and 60 hours for High School Marching Band instruction and pre-band camp. Seconded by Mr. Lopretto.

Voting aye. Mr. Brown, Mr. Holtzman, Mr. Kondrosky, Mr. Lopretto, Mr. Maglicco, Mrs. Maksin, Mr. Washowich

Excused. Mr. Chiaverini, Mr. Halaszynski

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Green Sheets – Mr. Brown moved to approve personnel recommendations (green sheets).
Seconded by Mr. Lopretto.

PROFESSIONAL:

RESIGNATION:

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| 1. | Jen Pappasergi | School Psychologist, District, effective 06-30-11 |
| 2. | Laura Wilson | Business Teacher, High School, effective 06-13-11 |
| 3. | Tabitha Harbuck | Music Itinerant, effective 06-13-11 |

TO BE HIRED: Long Term Substitute: Rate of pay will be \$80.00/day + benefits and increase to \$125.00 on the 61st day:

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| 1. | Brad Bellinger
(M. McCabe) | Social Studies Teacher, Founder's Hall, effective
05-02-11. |
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SUMMER TESTING SERVICES: (Special Education Department) for the completion of psychological evaluations for referred students not to exceed 250 hours. Hourly rate of pay will be \$21.75:

1. Melissa Phelps
2. Tom Knight

TO BE HIRED: EAP SUMMER SCHOOL PROGRAM AS APPROVED AT THE 03-22-11 BOARD MEETING: Rate of pay will be \$21.75/hour (paid from the Educational Assistance Program) (Number of teachers utilized will be based on student enrollment):

EAP Summer School Program Manager

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|----|--------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. | Amy Dellapenna | | |
| | <u>Centennial</u> | <u>Geo. Washington</u> | <u>White Oak</u> |
| 1. | Debbie Miller – Lead | 1. Amy Montalbano – Lead | 1. Betsy Bacon - Lead |
| 2. | Krystal Reid | 2. Julianne Huwalt | 2. Marcy Funk |
| 3. | Dana Lawson | 3. Matt Kopchinski | 3. Sam Humanic |
| 4. | Amy Chiaverini | 4. Jessica Zuber | 4. Lori Hegedus |
| 5. | Julie Perla | 5. Heather Obringer | 5. Jamie Lusebrink |
| 6. | Lillian Bator | 6. Amy Navaroli | 6. Ashley Smith |
| 7. | Barbara Spivak | 7. Eran Scozzaro | 7. Kristen Romano |
| 8. | Rebecca McCarthy | 8. Kelli McCall | 8. Mary Russo |
| 9. | Trina King | 9. Ashlee Anthony | 9. Tammy Chonko |

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| 10. Wendy Wakefield | 10. Sharyn Randig | 10. Joe Rogers |
| 11. Beth Gumbert | 11. Maureen Gault | 11. Keri Raymer |
| 12. Cheri King | | 12. Katelyn Camic |
| 13. Rebecca Bolitski | | 13. Cathy Gerdich |
| 14. Joseph Yeager | | 14. Nevenka Kostley |

TO BE HIRED: EAP SUMMER SCHOOL PROGRAM AS APPROVED AT THE
03-22-11 BOARD MEETING: Rate of pay will be \$21.75/hour (paid from the Educational
Assistance Program) (Number of teachers utilized will be based on student enrollment):

- | <u>McClure</u> | | <u>Substitutes</u> |
|--------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Kelly Ridinger – Lead | 10. Heather Amey | 1. Chris Caldwell |
| 2. Kerry Ochap | 11. Justin Evans | 2. Megan Bomba |
| 3. Jennifer Petrick | 12. Betsy Hochstine | 3. Kate Machi |
| 4. David Petrick | 13. Kristen Oeler | 4. Ryan Berich |
| 5. Mande McGuire | 14. Deneen Folkmire | 5. Michael Kunic |
| 6. Maureen Stefko | 15. Jen Tondera | 6. Rachel Ward |
| 7. Robert Pupich | 16. Dana Ruffling | |
| 8. Lisa Miracle | 17. Gabrielle Roche | |
| 9. Kim Washington | 18. Alex Anderson | |

TO BE HIRED: EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR PROGRAM – Summer 2011:

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| 1. Erin Sypin | Special Education Teacher
6.5 hours/day - \$21.75/hour for 24 days |
| 2. Carolyn Will | Special Education Teacher
6.5 hours/day – \$21.75/hour for 24 days |
| 3. Pat Codelka | Nurse
6 hours/day - \$21.75/hour for 19 days |
| 4. Elizabeth Straub | Speech-Language Teacher
6 hours/day - \$21.75/hour for 20 days |

SUBSTITUTES:

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| 1. Autumn Grata | Teacher |
| 2. Derek Pavlovic | Teacher |
| 3. Maureen Gault | Teacher |
| 4. Kelly Headrick | Nurse |

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TO BE HIRED: Summer Music Program (pending approval): Hourly rate of pay will be \$21.75:

1.	Katelyn Panza	40 hours	Strings
2.	Mark DeCarlo	27 hours	Brass
3.	Chris Davidson	26 hours	Woodwinds
4.	Keith Parton	27 hours	Percussion
5.	Karen Cole	60 hours	Marching Band Instruction

TO BE HIRED: Extra Curricular Athletics for the 2011-2012 school year: (salary reflects current contractual rate):

1.	Abby Virag	Cheerleading Coach	\$1,495.80
2.	Kiley Virag	Assistant Cheerleading Coach	\$1,080.30
3.	Katie Ratesic	Dance Team Coach	\$1,495.00
4.	Mysty Robinson	7 th Grade Girls Basketball Coach	\$1,730.40
5.	Lynnette Taylor	8 th Grade Girls Basketball Coach	\$1,730.40
6.	John Parks	7/8 Grade Boys Soccer Coach	\$1,586.20
7.	Dana Brown	9 th Grade Football Coach	\$2,307.20
8.	John Grabowsky	7/8 Grade Football Coach	\$2,307.20
9.	Ryan Shank	Golf Coach	\$2,160.60
10.	Jon Harper	Assistant Football Coach	\$2,991.60
11.	Marcus McCullough	Assistant Football Coach	\$2,991.60
12.*	Sean Liotta	Assistant Football Coach	\$2,991.60
13.	Troy Blackwell	Assistant Football Coach	\$2,991.60
14.	Joe Hart	Assistant Football Coach	\$2,991.60

VOLUNTEERS: Extra Curricular Athletics for the 2011-2012 school year:

1.	Katie Swauger	Assistant Cheerleading Coach
2.	Todd Blackwell	Assistant Football Coach
3.	Aaron Beatty	Assistant Football Coach
4.	Bill Starry, Jr.	Assistant Football Coach

CONFERENCE REQUESTS:

1.	Angie Cale	2011 Alternative Education Conference
	Wayne Wade	Sponsored by the PDE, Center for Safe Schools in Lancaster, Pa May 24, 2011 through May 25, 2011 (Paid for by the School Improvement Grant) \$948.00

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CHANGES TO THE SUBSTITUTE TEACHER LIST:

ADDITIONS:

- 1.* Ryan Miglino Biology, Chemistry

SUPPORT STAFF:

RETIREMENT: Effective 05-31-11:

1. Carol Sopko Middle School Secretary, Founder's Hall

RESIGNATION: Effective 04-27-11:

1. DiAnne Levy Instructional Assistant, Geo, Washington Elementary School

TO BE HIRED: Effective 03-16-11:

1. Mary Jo Dirle General Worker, High School. Rate of pay will be \$7.25/hour

TO BE HIRED: EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR PROGRAM – Summer 2011:

1. Holly Gallagher Instructional Assistant
6 hours/day - \$11.50/hour for 19 days
2. Debbie Hose Instructional Assistant
6 hours/day - \$11.50/hour for 19 days
3. Sarah Forsythe Instructional Assistant
6 hours/day - \$11.50/hour for 19 days

SUBSTITUTES:

1. Allissa Hillard Instructional Assistant
2. Vickie Babyak Instructional Assistant
3. Brandi Stough Instructional Assistant
4. Melanie Miller Instructional Assistant
5. Candida Tom Instructional Assistant
6. Leslie Paterni Instructional Assistant
7. Anthony DeSimone Instructional Assistant

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CHANGES TO THE SUBSTITUTE LISTS:

ADDITIONS:

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| 1.* | Ashley Haggerty | Special Education Assistant |
| 2.* | Brian Johnson | Special Education Assistant |
| 3.* | Ulysses Brown | Crisis Intervention Specialist |
| 4.* | Linda Onderko | Food Service |
| 5. | Janice Bishop | Secretary |

DELETIONS:

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| 1. | Kathleen Pacacha | Special Education Assistant |
| 2. | Debra Theis | Nurse Assistant |
| 3. | Sheryl Likar | Nurse Assistant |

WAITING LIST: Summer laborers in the maintenance department effective 05-01-11: Hourly rate of pay will be \$7.25:

- 1.* Brandyn Shank
2. Libby Ball
3. Ted Kampert
- 4.* Shayne Snyder
- 5.* Jessica Swauger
6. Katie Swauger
- 7.* Corey Winters
- 8.* Casey Winters
- 9.* Gloria Miller
10. Daniel Tom

* Pending receipt of Act 34, 114 and 151 clearances, T.B. Tine Test and Drug Test results.

ADDENDUM

BOARD ACTION TO **ELIMINATE** THE FOLLOWING PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS EFFECTIVE AT THE END OF THE 2010-2011 SCHOOL YEAR:

- (1) Parent Involvement Coordinator
- (1) Response to Intervention Teacher
- (1) Secondary Guidance Counselor
- (6) Elementary Teachers Grades 1 – 6

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- (1) Title I Reading Teacher at Centennial Elementary School
- (1) Title I Reading Teacher at McClure Intermediate School
- (1) Title I Reading Coach
- (1) Title I Math Coach
- (1) Mathematics Teacher at East End Academy
- (1) Mathematics Teacher at Founder's Hall
- (1) Mathematics Teacher at the High School
- (1) English Teacher at East End Academy
- (1) English Teacher at Founder's Hall
- (1) English Teacher at the High School
- (1) Science Teacher at East End Academy
- (1) Science Teacher at Founder's Hall
- (1) Science Teacher at the High School
- (1) Social Studies Teacher at East End Academy
- (1) Social Studies Teacher at Founder's Hall
- (1) Social Studies Teacher at the High School
- (1) Reading Teacher at Founder's Hall
- (1) Art Teacher Itinerant
- (1) Music Teacher Itinerant
- (1) Health/Physical Education Teacher Itinerant
- (1) Librarian Itinerant
- (1) Business/Technology Teacher at the High School

BOARD ACTION TO ELIMINATE THE FOLLOWING GRANT FUNDED PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS EFFECTIVE AT THE END OF THE 2010-2011 SCHOOL YEAR.

- (1) Career/Transition Counselor
- (1) Middle School Math Coach
- (1) Middle School Literacy Coach
- (1) Middle School Technology Coach

BOARD ACTION TO ELIMINATE THE FOLLOWING ACT 93 POSITIONS EFFECTIVE 06-30-11:

- (1) Act 93 Technology Coordinator
- (1) Act 93 Coordinator of District Security

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BOARD ACTION TO ELIMINATE THE FOLLOWING SUPPORT STAFF POSITIONS EFFECTIVE 06-30-

11:

- (1) Class 5 Purchasing Clerk/Business Office Rover Secretary
- (1) Class 5 Federal Programs Secretary
- (1) Class 5 Curriculum and Instruction Secretary
- (1) Class 3 Assistant Secretary at the High School
- (2) Custodians
- (1) Groundskeeper
- (2) Instructional Assistants

Voting aye. Mr. Brown, Mr. Holtzman, Mr. Kondrosky, Mr. Lopretto, Mr. Maglicco, Mrs. Maksin, Mr. Washowich

Excused. Mr. Chiaverini, Mr. Halaszynski

Staffing – Mrs. Maksin moved to approve the personnel/staffing recommendations as a result of substantial decrease in enrollment in the district and its corresponding impact on the overall school system and in order to promote a more effective and efficient educational system, in accordance with Section 1124 of the Pennsylvania Public School Code of 1949, as amended, effective at the end of the 2010/2011 school year. Seconded by Mr. Lopretto. Discussion followed.

Voting aye. Mr. Brown, Mr. Holtzman, Mr. Kondrosky, Mr. Lopretto, Mr. Maglicco, Mrs. Maksin, Mr. Washowich

Excused. Mr. Chiaverini, Mr. Halaszynski

Contract – Mr. Lopretto moved to approve a one-year contract extension with MAEA from 9/1/11 through 8/31/12. Seconded by Mr. Maglicco.

Voting aye. Mr. Brown, Mr. Holtzman, Mr. Kondrosky, Mr. Lopretto, Mr. Maglicco, Mrs. Maksin, Mr. Washowich

Excused. Mr. Chiaverini, Mr. Halaszynski

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Budget – Mrs. Maksin moved to adopt the 2011/2012 Preliminary Budget in the amount of \$57,536,244 with a millage rate of 17.05 mills as presented. Seconded by Mr. Maglicco. Discussion followed.

Voting aye. Mr. Brown, Mr. Holtzman, Mr. Kondrosky, Mr. Lopretto, Mr. Maglicco, Mrs. Maksin, Mr. Washowich

Excused. Mr. Chiaverini, Mr. Halaszynski

Financing – Mr. Kondrosky moved to authorize the School District's Administration to work with Janney Montgomery Scott, as Investment Banker, Dinsmore & Shohl, LLP, as Bond Counsel and Dodaro, Matta & Cambest, P.C., the local solicitor, in connection with the financing of General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2011 for the purpose of refunding its currently outstanding General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2001, provided that, the Refunding Program may not be completed prior to July 5, 2011. Seconded by Mrs. Maksin. Discussion followed.

Voting aye. Mr. Brown, Mr. Holtzman, Mr. Kondrosky, Mr. Lopretto, Mr. Maglicco, Mrs. Maksin, Mr. Washowich

Excused. Mr. Chiaverini, Mr. Halaszynski

Committee Reports

Athletic – James Brown – No report.

Buildings & Grounds – Steve Kondrosky – Thank you, Mr. President. I met with Mr. Fagan and we had a list of things he accomplished since last meeting and he repaired the cracked skylight above the small gym at South Hall, also repaired the roof curb box and removed saturated felt paper and flood coated the top surface with liquid bitumen. I guess there is no leaks there now, which is good. We have been checking daily the three main water pits at Founders Hall, South Hall front and rear. Due to the heavy rains the site gauges can become damaged thus compromising needed water pressure to service the buildings. He repaired 28 lineal feet of the front roof gutter at Founders Hall that was damaged during one of the storms. Graffiti was removed from the exterior brick at South Hall/Voc Tech shops. We changed eight locks at the stadium as per Coach Ward. This is very important here, we completed changing ballasts and bulbs in the parking lots at South Hall and Founders. A bank of polls were not operable, due to

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a power loss from a shorted electrical circuit, heavy rains and the circuit at the stadium parking lot shorted the conductors. The wiring harnesses melted under the ground and arch flashed the soil. The three phase wiring harness was not protected by any type of conduit or placed in any box protection, nobody has an answer as to why that was like that. It took three days to locate this, it was buried under 18" of ground. We will replace all necessary wiring and provide rigid PVC conduit protection which will ensure grounding to the secondary location. We will also install a separate service disconnect at this location so that if this does happen again, we will be able to shut it down. Duquesne Light was contacted to temporarily terminate the service from the main distribution transformer at the stadium so we could safely do the repairs. We are prepared for prom night. We conducted an in-service training on May 4th for the Maintenance employees on the proper use of the 40 foot Genie Lift. This training will be scheduled annually, and I think that's a very good idea because safety is important, and Mr. Lopretto, the sign at Founders Hall will be electrified as soon as the necessary repairs to the stadium is completed and the power is turned back on. So, you can quite complaining about that. Thank you.

Mr. Lopretto – I just want to talk on the electrical problem that Mr. Kondrosky was talking about. I'm not an electrician, I don't know much about it. But, here we had a project done out at the stadium and the work that was being done obviously wasn't being overseen by anybody because the way they buried this wire, was suppose to be encased in all kind of different things and they stuck it right in the ground and this is why we had the problem that we had. It could have been a potential dangerous situation if the wrong person would have came into contact with it, general public. Like I said, it's the taxpayers' dollars again not being watched. Here we have a contractor out here doing work and when you go to try to get the answer as to why it was put in like that, nobody has the answer for us. With our new projects and everything going on, we've got to stay on top of this. I want them done right. We're putting all the money out there, to let's make the buildings good, let's make them safe, let's make them the way they are suppose to be.

Cultural Diversity – Tom Maglicco – Yes, Mr. President, good evening ladies and gentlemen, we met and went over a pier tutoring program, mentoring future teachers, maps program and the drop out rate in the school district. We had a lengthy meeting actually this evening and a couple of the programs I am going to have to read up on a little bit more, Dr. Skezas went over them today, but it sounds pretty good for our students in the McKeesport Area School District. The pier tutoring program and the mentoring for future teachers, I'm really excited about that

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program where we can have our students actually tutor students and athletes to help them make sure they are staying on the right track and possibly then look for some future teachers in that group. I am real excited about that and we will report more in the fall.

Education/Technology/Grants & Outside Funding – Pat Maksin – Yes, we did meet on May 18th. The most important item we discussed was the online summer course that I mentioned last month, and it is reflected in #19 in tonight's agenda.

Financial Affairs – Tom Maglicco – We are still working on a number of issues. Some of the numbers and the figures I hope to report on that next month and get you a total amount of millage it will cost for the two and a half elementary schools. That's all, Mr. President.

Legislation/Policy – Pat Maksin – Yes, we did meet and the two items that we discussed were #200 and #202 in the Board Policy that were reflected in #8 in tonight's agenda.

Personnel – Joe Lopretto – Yes, we did have a meeting. The green sheet reflects all that and I take my hat off to Dr. Skezas, Dr. Gabauer, Mr. Humanic for putting everything together the way that they did. I know it's tough times for them and again, we stress to everybody, we don't want to see one teacher lose a job out here, so we are hoping everything can fall into place and everybody can walk away smiling.

Safe Schools – Joe Lopretto – No, we did not have a meeting this month.

Solicitor's Report – No report.

Correspondence – None.

New Business – None.

Mr. Maglicco – I attended the Centennial kindergarten graduation class and I was very impressed. It was very good and it looks like our future is bright with the students we have there that were performing and Mr. Faulk and the staff did a tremendous job and I just wanted to recognize them.

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Adjournment - 8:40 PM – Mr. Lopretto moved for adjournment. Seconded by Mr. Kondrosky.

Voting aye. All Members present.

ATTEST: _____
David M. Seropian, Business Manager/Board Secretary