

# **BIG SPRING SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Newville, Pennsylvania**

## **BOARD MEETING AGENDA**

**MONDAY, MARCH 5, 2012**

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

**II. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG (President Wolf)**

**III. PRAYER**

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**IV. APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 20, 2012 REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES, AND THE FEBRUARY 20, 2012 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES.**

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**V. STUDENT/STAFF RECOGNITION AND BOARD REPORTS**

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**Student Representatives to the Board Report – Sammi Burke/Wade Reichelderfer**

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**VI. TREASURER'S REPORT**

**VII. PAYMENT OF BILLS**

General Fund	<b>\$ 671,477.65</b>
Miscellaneous Fund	<b>\$ 17,945.74</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 689,423.39</b>

**VIII. READING OF CORRESPONDENCE**

**IX. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS**

**X. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

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**XI. STRUCTURED PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

**XII. OLD BUSINESS**

**XIII. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. PERSONNEL CONCERNS**

**A) PERSONNEL CONCERNS (...continued)****1) Additional Per Diem Substitute Teachers****(ACTION ITEM)**

<b>Sean Barnes</b>	<b>Physics/Mathematics/General Science</b>
<b>Dina Chiappelli</b>	<b>Mathematics 7-12</b>
<b>Amanda Shaw</b>	<b>Health/Physical Education</b>

The administration recommends that the Board of School Directors approve the additions listed to the 2011-2012 per diem substitute teacher list as presented.

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**2) Middle School TV Studio Advisor****(ACTION ITEM)**

Ms. Denise Mancuso has been recommended to serve as Middle School TV Studio Advisor for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year.

The administration recommends that the Board of School Directors appoint Ms. Mancuso as the Middle School TV Studio Advisor for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year, effective immediately.

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**3) Substitute Classroom Aide****(ACTION ITEM)**

The individual whose name is listed below is recommended to serve as a substitute classroom aide for the 2011-2012 school year.

**Ms. Melanie Kessler**

The administration recommends that the Board of School Directors approve the appointment of Ms. Kessler as a substitute classroom aide for the 2011-2012 school year.

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**4) Approval of Child-Rearing Leave for Jennifer Roberts****(ACTION ITEM)**

Mrs. Jennifer Roberts, Elementary Reading Teacher has requested leave of absence under the Family & Medical Leave Act from approximately April 16, 2012 through the end of the 2011-2012 school year. According to Section 3.08 of the 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.

A copy of Mrs. Roberts' letter appears in the agenda.

The administration recommends that the Board of School Directors approve Mrs. Roberts' request for leave under the Family & Medical Leave Act for a child-rearing leave of absence from approximately April 16, 2012 through the end of the 2011-2012 school year.

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

- 5) **Mrs. Julie Friscia** is requesting an extended child-rearing leave of absence for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year, from the initial return approval date of March 20, 2012. Ms. Courtney Mayberry will remain as the long-term substitute teacher for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year for this position.

The administration recommends that the Board of School Directors approve Mrs. Friscia's extended child-rearing leave of absence for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year and grant approval for Ms. Courtney Mayberry to remain as the long-term substitute teacher for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year for this position.

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**(ACTION ITEM)**

- 6) **Mrs. Virginia Cairns** has submitted her letter of resignation for the purpose of retirement as part-time elementary instrumental Music Teacher, effective the end of the 2011-2012 school year.

A copy of Mrs. Cairns' letter is included with the agenda.

The administration recommends that the Board of School Directors accept Mrs. Cairns' resignation for the purpose of retirement as part-time elementary instrumental Music Teacher, effective the end of the 2011-2012 school year.

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**(ACTION ITEM)**

- 7) **Mr. Don Belanger** has submitted his letter of resignation as boy's assistant soccer coach, effective immediately and junior high girls assistant soccer coach, effective the end of the 2011-2012 spring season. Mr. Belanger has also requested to assist volunteering with both teams for the 2012-2013 school year.

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

The administration recommends that the Board of School Directors accept Mr. Belanger's resignation as boy's assistant soccer coach, effective immediately and junior high girls assistant soccer coach, effective the end of the 2011-2012 school year. The administration would also like to recommend that Mr. Belanger assist volunteering with both teams for the 2012-2013 school year.

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**8) Volunteer Coaching Appointments****(ACTION ITEM)**

Mr. Jay Hockenbroch, Athletic Director would like to recommend the individuals listed as volunteer coaches for the 2011-2012, 2012-2013 school year.

<b>Dwain Messersmith</b>	<b>Volunteer Golf Coach</b>
<b>Julie Walter</b>	<b>Volunteer Track Coach</b>

The administration recommends that the Board of School Directors approve the volunteer coaching appointments of the individuals listed for the 2011-2012, 2012-2013 school year.

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**A) PERSONNEL CONCERNS (...continued)****9) 2011-2012 Additional Bus Driver for Deitch Busing****(ACTION ITEM)****Leonard Stouffer**

The administration recommends that the Board of School Directors acknowledge the addition of Mr. Leonard Stouffer as a bus driver for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year, pending receipt of all required paperwork.

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**10) Cafeteria Worker****(ACTION ITEM)**

The individual whose name is listed below is recommended to serve as a part-time cafeteria worker at Newville Elementary School for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year.

**Aubrie Barrick**

The administration recommends that the Board of School Directors approve the appointment of Aubrie Barrick as a part-time cafeteria worker at Newville Elementary School for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year, effective immediately.

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**11) Additional 2011-2012 Lifeguard****(ACTION ITEM)****Lindsay Carns**

The administration recommends that the Board of School Directors approve the individual listed to serve as a lifeguard during the 2011-2012 school year, pending receipt of all required paperwork.

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**(ACTION ITEM)****12) Donna Lubold**

Carlisle, PA 17015

Long-Term Substitute Kindergarten Teacher  
at Oak Flat Elementary School  
(replacing Mrs. Jessica Shover who will be on child-rearing leave)

**Education:**

Shippensburg University – Elementary Education (Bachelor's Degree)

**Experience:**

Big Spring School District – Long-Term Substitute Teacher  
Cumberland Valley School District – Substitute Teacher

The administration recommends that the Board of School Directors appoint Ms. Lubold to serve as a long-term substitute Kindergarten Teacher at Oak Flat Elementary School beginning approximately March 16, 2012 through the end of the 2011-2012 school year, replacing Mrs. Shover who will be on child-rearing leave. Ms. Lubold's compensation for this position should be established at Bachelor's, Step 2 \$42,562.00, based on the current contract between the Big Spring Education Association and the Big Spring School District.

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**XIII. NEW BUSINESS** (. . .continued)**B) National Junior Honor Society Fundraiser****(ACTION ITEM)**

Mrs. Sue Piper is requesting Board approval for the National Junior Honor Society to conduct a hoagie fundraiser, retroactive to begin February 24, 2012.

Additional information regarding the fundraiser is included with the agenda.

The administration recommends that the Board of School Directors approve Mrs. Piper's request to conduct the fundraiser for the National Junior Honor Society, retroactive to February 24, 2012.

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**C) Permission to Attend a Team Field Hockey Summer Camp****(ACTION ITEM)**

Mrs. Carol Kuntz, Head Field Hockey Coach, is requesting Board approval for the Field Hockey Team and coaches to attend the Inspired Field Hockey Camp at Crestwood High School, Mountain Top, Pa. from July 30, 2012 – August 3, 2012.

All expenses are paid for by the respective team and/or individual student athletes.

The administration recommends that the Board of School Directors approve Mrs. Kuntz's request for the field hockey team and coaches to attend the summer team camp as presented.

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**D) Proposed Band Trip****(ACTION ITEM)**

Mr. Daryl Balseiro, High School Band Director, is requesting permission for the Big Spring High School Band to travel to Montreal, Canada tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, April 24, 2013 through Sunday, April 28, 2013. Mr. Balseiro will update with more information when details are established.

Information is included with the agenda.

The administration recommends that the Board of School Directors grant Mr. Balseiro's approval for the Big Spring High School Band to travel to Montreal, Canada as presented.

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**E) Proposed Updated Job Description****(ACTION ITEM)**

Mrs. Jeanne Temple, Assistant Superintendent has made some revisions to the job description listed. A copy of the job description has been included with the agenda.

**Media Specialist/Secondary Librarian**

The administration recommends that the Board of School Directors approve the updated job description as presented.

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**XIII. NEW BUSINESS** (. . .continued)

**F) Resolution Supporting Prevailing Wage Reform**

**(ACTION ITEM)**

The Prevailing Wage Act places a costly mandate on our school districts and diverts valuable resources from our classrooms. The Prevailing Wage Act requires school districts to pay state-mandated prevailing wage rates for workers on every construction or renovation project in which estimates to exceed \$25,000, a cost that has not been adjusted for fifty years. The wage rate inflates the cost of construction projects by at least 10% siphoning millions of taxpayer dollars from the classroom each year. In lieu of the Prevailing Wage Reform, school districts have the option of adopting a resolution to take measures to further alleviate the burden of the Prevailing Wage Act has on school districts.

The resolution is included with the agenda.

The administration recommends that the Board of School Directors approve the Resolution Supporting Prevailing Wage Reform to take measures to alleviate the burden that school districts will endure with the Prevailing Wage Act.

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**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**

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**XVII. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR**

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**XVIII. PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING FUTURE BOARD AGENDA ITEMS**

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**XIX. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned \_\_\_\_\_ P.M.

**NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING: Monday, March 20, 2012**