

Wednesday, August 27, 2008

# NASD School Board News

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◆ ◆ ◆ an E-report for all NASD employees

**The North Allegheny School District  
Board of School Directors  
met tonight at 7:30 PM for a Regular Voting Meeting  
in the CAO Board Room.**

- All Board members were in attendance, with the exception of Mrs. Boujoukos. In addition, Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Patricia Green; District Solicitor, Mr. Maiello; the Superintendent's Executive Council; and Ms. Peng and Mr. Hamm, student representatives, were present. The Information Technology Leadership Team was also in attendance, as noted below.



## AGENDA

**7:30           REGULAR MEETING**

- Information Technology Report
- Community Relations
- Speakers (Agenda Items)
- Review of Board Folder
- Voting Items
- Speakers (Non-agenda Items)

**9:00           EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Following the call to order, Mrs. Bishop took the opportunity to make a few special announcements:

- Students return to school tomorrow, Thursday, August 28
- Teachers attended a Back-to-School In-service on Monday, August 25. Several Board members also attended and enjoyed the program. Mrs. Bishop and Mrs. Ludwig congratulated the Administration on a successful morning.
- The average SAT scores of the Class of 2008 were released Tuesday, August 26. The mean composite score of Reading and Math is 1137, which is 13 points higher than last year's score and the highest score ever for the District. When the Writing score is included in the composite, the District composite is 1685.

### **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY REPORT**

Dr. Green reminded the Board that it has been 13 months since an update on technology was last presented to them. Since then, Mr. Botti has become the new Director of this department and he has implemented a significant staff reorganization. Dr. Green also took the time to highlight in advance one important aspect of the report that she feels is important because it is reflective of the way in which the District talks with and listens to the community. During administrative meetings this past year with the FSSAC committee, which is made up of community advisors, discussion ensued regarding charter, cyber charter and cyber schools. As a result, this report includes the possibility of an administrative study of this topic for potential future development/involvement.

Mr. Botti began the presentation by introducing his Information Technology Leadership Team:

- Mr. Sean Flaherty – Manager of Administrative Technology
- Ms. Colleen Casey – Coordinating Supervisor of Academic Technology
- Mr. Eric Treater – Systems Administrator
- Mr. Eric Wolfe – Network Administrator

Using a brief PowerPoint summary, Mr. Botti described the highlights of the report. (*That PowerPoint presentation will be attached to this report when it is posted to the website.*) He detailed:

- The 2007/2008 Accomplishments
- The 2008/2009 Recommendations
- Considerations for 2009/2010 and Beyond
- Other Future Technologies

Mrs. Bishop noted for those in attendance that the process of gaining parent access to the eSembler Gradebook will be explained at all of the Elementary Curriculum Nights, the Middle School Open Houses and the High School Open Houses in September. While teachers used the eSembler software last year to record grades, this year parents will have the ability to view student grades online using their secure passwords.

Following the presentation, the Board engaged in some discussion with Mr. Botti and the Leadership Team, asking some questions and expressing their appreciation for the on-going work and steady progress of this talented group. They remarked several times that they enjoyed reading the report.

### **SPEAKERS**

There were no speakers who came forward to address the Board on voting items.

**The Board took the following actions on the items in the Board folder for August:**

### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

#### **I. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE APPROVAL LISTS**

The Board approved various Accounts Payable lists.

#### **II. CERTIFICATION OF UNPAID 2007 TAXES**

The Board acknowledged receipt of the lists of unpaid taxes as submitted and, further, the Board charged Maiello Brungo & Maiello, LLP with the responsibility for delinquent tax collections after June 30, 2008.

##### Background Information

The tax collectors (Bradford Woods Borough, Franklin Park Borough, Marshall Township, and Maiello Brungo & Maiello, LLP) responsible for the collection of delinquent real estate and per capita taxes through June 30, 2008 have submitted lists of unpaid 2007 taxes for exoneration from collection. A summary containing information of these unpaid taxes is provided for Board action.

BRADFORD WDS REAL ESTATE	14 Items	\$ 33,539.08
BRADFORD WDS PER CAPITA	13 Items	\$ <u>130.00</u>
TOTALS	27 Items	\$ 33,669.08
FRANKLIN PARK REAL ESTATE	91 Items	\$ 228,393.08
FRANKLIN PARK PER CAPITA	147 Items	\$ <u>1,470.00</u>
TOTALS	238 Items	\$ 229,863.08
MARSHALL TWP REAL ESTATE	67 Items	\$ 177,608.89
MARSHALL TWP PER CAPITA	100 Items	\$ <u>1,000.00</u>
TOTALS	167 Items	\$ 178,608.89
MCCANDLESS REAL ESTATE	344 Items	\$ 679,895.08
MCCANDLESS PER CAPITA	250 Items	\$ <u>2,494.33</u>
TOTALS	594 Items	\$ 682,389.41
<b>TOTAL OF ALL MUNICIPALITIES</b>	<b>1,026 Items</b>	<b>\$1,124,530.46</b>

### III. STUDENT ACTIVITIES ACCOUNTS EXPENDITURES

The Board acknowledged the student activities expenditures listings for the months of April 2008 through June 2008.

### IV. COLLATERAL SECURITY REPORTS – DEPOSITORIES

The Board accepted the Collateral securities reports submitted for the depositories for the quarter ended June 30, 2008, which are included in this report.

**FOR INFORMATION ONLY**

**I. TAX STATEMENTS**

The District's Real Estate tax statements dated July 1, 2008 were mailed on a timely basis and payments are currently being received reflecting these billings for the 2008-09 fiscal year.

The District's Per Capita tax statements dated July 1, 2008 were mailed on a timely basis and payments are currently being received reflecting these billings for the 2008-09 fiscal year.

**II. STUDENT ACTIVITIES EXPENDITURES**

The Administration reported the following Student Activities expenditures for May and June 2008.

May 2008:

A.	Carson Middle	\$ 9,040.63
B.	Ingomar Middle	57,246.46
C.	Marshall Middle	13,518.95
D.	NA Intermediate	33,209.63
E.	NA Senior High	114,733.58
F.	NA Athletics	20,809.01

June 2008:

A.	Carson Middle	\$ 17,227.76
B.	Ingomar Middle	24,246.23
C.	Marshall Middle	16,935.29
D.	NA Intermediate	28,452.64
E.	NA Senior High	125,550.64
F.	NA Athletic	16,903.46

**HUMAN RESOURCES REPORT**

**I. RESIGNATIONS**

The Board approved the following Resignations:

Robert Christner	Utility Custodian, Hosack Effective 8/20/08	Accepted Another Position
Robert Devlin	Director of Human Resources, CAO Effective 3/13/09	Retirement

	21 yrs. @ NA	
Ellen Dvorsky	Human Resources Assistant, CAO Effective 4/1/08 18 yrs. @ NA	Retirement
Chris Hey	Utility Custodian, CMS Effective 8/8/08	Personal Reasons
Karen Kaczmarek	Secretary to Facilities Manager, Facilities Effective 1/23/09 29-1/2 yrs. @ NA	Retirement
Susannah Scherer	Communication Arts Assistant, IES Effective 8/8/08	Personal Reasons
Bonnie Shugart	ESL, MES Effective 10/8/08	Retirement
Janel Vitai	Special Ed Assistant, IMS Effective 8/7/08	Accepted Another Position

## II. WAGE STATUS CHANGE

The Board approved a wage increase for the following Paraprofessional Employee (This increase is based on anniversary date of hire):

	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Barbara Elsesser	\$14.53/hr.	\$16.46/hr.	9/6/08

## III. PROFESSIONAL CONTRACTS

The following temporary professional employees have taught in the North Allegheny School District for a period of three years and have received a final rating of SATISFACTORY and meeting all requirements as set forth in Article XI, section 108 of the PA Public School Code, are entitled to tenured contract as provided for professional employees:

Mark Anticole	Kelly Klinefelter
Natasha Cech	William Love
Jennifer Dietz	Kevin Thompson
Leslie Garvin	Nicholas Vorrasi
Faye Junker	Harry Yeakel
Kelly Kevan	

**IV. PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYEE SALARIES**

The Board approved the attached listing of salaries for professional employees in accordance with provisions of the contract and approved salary schedules.

**V. LEAVES OF ABSENCE – JUDY DUDAS, STEPHEN HECKMANN**

The Board approved an unpaid Leave of Absence for Judy Dudas, Special Education Assistant, Marshall Middle School, effective November 10 through November 14, 2008 and April 27 through May 1, 2009.

The Board approved an unpaid Leave of Absence for Steve Heckmann, Teacher, Marshall Middle School, effective March 6 through March 10, 2009.

**V. EDUCATIONAL TRAVEL LEAVE OF ABSENCE – WILLIAM MCCLELLAND**

<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
2800-500 Other Purchased Services Support Services-Central	2200-100 Salaries Support Svcs-Instructional Staff	\$ 160
1200-300 Purchased Prof & Tech Svcs Special Programs-Elem/Sec	1200-100 Salaries Special Programs-Elem/Sec	\$ 360

The Board approved an Educational Travel Leave for William McClelland, Teacher, NAI, effective for the Second Semester of the 2008/2009 School Year and the First Semester of the 2009/2010 School Year.

**VII. HONORARIA**

The Board approved the following Honoraria Applications:

		<u>Submitted</u>	
Janet Neuner	Federal Programs - Title I and Title II Programs	7/29/08	\$ 5,000.00
Mimi Flaherty	eSembler Teacher Training	8/13/08	\$ 350.00
Laura Haberman	“ “	8/13/08	\$ 350.00
Jody Williams	“ “	8/13/08	\$ 350.00
Joanne Muchoney	“ “	8/13/08	\$ 350.00
Tina Tomczak	“ “	8/13/08	\$ 350.00
Margaret McMahan	“ “	8/13/08	\$ 350.00
Lynne Burk	“ “	8/13/08	\$ 350.00
Kristin Falkner	“ “	8/13/08	\$ 350.00

James Bernardo	“	“	8/13/08	\$ 350.00
Karen Goodman	“	“	8/13/08	\$ 350.00
Linda Kamzelski	“	“	8/13/08	\$ 350.00
Jean Leri	“	“	8/13/08	\$ 350.00
David Schmidt	“	“	8/13/08	\$ 350.00
Sharon Volpe	“	“	8/13/08	\$ 350.00

**TOTAL HONORARIA 2008/2009 EXPENDITURES THRU 08/27/08 \$23,600.00**

The Board approved the following adjustments to previously approved Honoraria Applications:

		<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Karyn Dobda	Mathematics Summer Placement Testing	\$200.00	\$100.00
Arlene Barbus	“ “	\$100.00	\$200.00

**VIII. SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS**

The Board approved the following cancellations of Supplemental Contracts:

<sup>1</sup>Tawnia St. Amant Fall Cheerleading – MMS Coach  
Janel Vitai Fall Cheerleading – IMS Coach

The Board approved the following Supplemental Contracts:

<sup>1</sup> Tawnia St. Amant	Fall Cheerleading – IMS Coach	\$ 1,600.00
<sup>1</sup> Heather Winters	Fall Cheerleading – MMS Coach	\$ 1,950.00
<sup>1</sup> *Thomas Kaylor	Middle School Boys Gold Soccer 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Coach	\$ 1,950.00
<sup>1</sup> Craig A. Slaubaugh	Middle School Boys Gold Soccer 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Coach	\$ 1,950.00
<sup>1</sup> Margo Hinton	Head 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Basketball Coach (F) – MMS	\$ 2,450.00
<sup>1</sup> Kirk Semler	Water Polo Head Coach Boys	\$ 826.00
<sup>1</sup> *Adrienne Fyock(s)	Water Polo Head Coach Girls	\$ 826.00
<sup>1</sup> *Timothy Heusey(s)	Water Polo Head Coach Girls	\$ 485.00
*Patrick Wenzel	Water Polo Assistant Coach (Boys/Girls)	Volunteer
*Daniel Goss	Water Polo Assistant Coach (Boys/Girls)	Volunteer
<sup>1</sup> *Damie Matanovic	Water Polo Assistant Coach (Boys/Girls)	Volunteer
<sup>1</sup> *Mark Gensenheimer	Water Polo Assistant Coach (Boys/Girls)	Volunteer
<sup>1</sup> *John Vaughn	Assistant Varsity Football Coach	Volunteer
<sup>1</sup> *Alessandro Moreira	Varsity Assistant Girls Soccer Coach	\$ 2,650.00
<sup>1</sup> *Allison Fayfich	Assistant Varsity Field Hockey Coach	\$ 2,500.00
<sup>1</sup> *Lorraine Kerr(s)	Middle School Head Field Hockey Coach	\$ 1,800.00
<sup>1</sup> *Richard Meister(s)	NASH Faculty Manager	\$ 3,625.00
<sup>1</sup> *David Cracraft(s)	NASH Faculty Manager	\$ 3,625.00

The Board approved the attached Supplemental Contracts.

\* Not a District Employee.

<sup>1</sup> First Time Supplemental Contract Holder in this position.

(s) One contract shared by more than one person.

## **HUMAN RESOURCES REPORT ADDENDUM**

### **I. RESIGNATION**

The Board approved the following Resignation:

Bryan Pritchard	Transportation Services Supervisor Transportation Department Effective 01/09/09 5-1/2 yrs. @ NA	Retirement
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### **II. APPOINTMENTS**

The Board approved the following Appointments:

#### **Professional**

Benjamin Bower	PT Physical Education., NAI Effective 08/27/08	Temp Prof Step 3 Col. B \$24,561
Matthew Butler	Grade 2, HES Effective 8/25/08 for the 2008/2009 School Year Only	Sub Form Step 1 Col. A Sub Rate \$28,924
Jenna Butts	Learning Support, MES Effective 08/25/08	Temp Prof Step 2 Col. A \$42,140
Stephanie Conrad	Grade 4, HES Effective 08/26/08 for the 2008/2009 School Year Only	Sub Form Step 1 Col. E Sub Rate \$29,565
Megan Esterheld	Inclusion Facilitator, FES/IES/HES/PES Effective 08/29/08	Prof Contract Step 6 Col. E \$50,740
Timothy Kalajainen	German, CMS/MMS Effective 08/26/08 – TBD	Per Diem Sub \$152.39/day

Mariah Slavin	Grade 4, IES Effective 08/25/08 for the 2008/2009 School Year Only	Sub Form Step 2 Col. C Sub Rate \$29,793
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**Paraprofessional**

Carol Deike	Transfer from PT to FT Communications Arts Assistant Itinerant Effective 08/28/08	\$15.44/hr. Class II-C 6 Hours/Day 187 Days/Yr.
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Alissa Evans	Special Education Assistant, IMS Effective 08/25/08	\$11.58/hr. Class II-C 7 Hours/Day 187 Days/Yr.
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Kathleen Herbert	Special Education Assistant, MMS Effective 08/25/08	\$11.58/hr. Class II-C 7 Hours/Day 187 Days/Yr.
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Lynne Penco	Transfer from Supervisory Assistant, HES To Instructional Assistant, HES Effective 08/25/08	\$15.34/hr. Class III 6 Hours/Day 187 Days/Yr.
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Diane Pieton	Supervisory Assistant, BW Effective 08/28/08	\$11.51/hr. Class III 4 Hours/Day 187 Days/Yr.
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Rosalind Thornton	Library Secretary, BW Effective 08/26/08	\$11.65/hr. Class I-C 4 Hours/Day 190 Days/Yr.
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**Paraprofessional**

The Board approved the following as substitute/clerical aides at \$7.50/hr. as needed, effective August 1, 2008:

Marjorie Divosevic  
Lisa Fuhrman

Phyllis Huber  
 Kathleen Kromer  
 Elisa Paul

**Classified**

<b><u>NAME</u></b>	<b><u>TYPE OF WORK</u></b>	<b><u>SALARY</u></b>	<b><u>START DATE</u></b>
Paul Budzinski	From Extra Board Driver To Full Time Driver	\$14/01/hr.	08/19/08
Joel Cagwin	From Extra Board Driver To Full Time Driver	\$14.01/hr.	08/19/08
Sean Creasy	From IT Department Intern To PT Custodian--As Assigned	\$8.50/hr.	08/28/08
Amy Frolo	Probationary Driver	\$14.01/hr.	08/19/08
Daniel Gazzo	IT Department Intern	\$7.50/hr.	08/28/08
Warren F. Ringeisen	PT Custodian-- As Assigned	\$8.50/hr.	08/29/08
James Ross	Probationary Driver	\$14.01/hr.	08/19/08
Bryce Thompson	From Summer Help Custodian, NASH To Utility Custodian, MMS	\$11.21/hr.	09/07/08

<u>Name</u>	<u>Type of Work</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Start Date</u>	<u>Hours Per Day</u>
Scott Bressler	Lot Attendant	\$11.45/hr.	08/25/08	2.0 hrs.
Kelly Ann McCarthy	Lot Attendant	\$11.45/hr.	08/25/08	2.0 hrs.
Sharon Shute	Lot Attendant	\$11.45/hr.	08/25/08	2.0 hrs.
Deborah Stelmach	Lot Attendant	\$11.45/hr.	08/25/08	2.0 hrs.
Valerie Guiden	Detailer	\$9.97/hr.	08/25/08	2.5 hrs.
David Kielek	Detailer	\$9.97/hr.	08/25/08	2.5 hrs.
Larry Rice	Detailer	\$9.97/hr.	08/25/08	2.5 hrs.
Thomas Herbert	Garage Helper	\$13.57/hr.	08/25/08	0.5 hrs.
Richard Werling	Moving & Delivery	\$12.95/hr.	08/19/08	As Needed

**III. WAGE STATUS CHANGES**

The Board approved the following adjustment to the previously approved Professional Appointment:

	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Renae Neumeyer	\$30,307 (2B)	\$30,307 (2E)	08/25/08

The Board approved the following adjustments to Professional Salaries listed in the August 27, 2008 Board Folder:

	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Holly Gibean	\$51,551 (12C).	\$54,881 (12C)	08/25/08
Thomas Mooney	\$50,046 (7A)	\$50,592 (7C)	08/25/08

#### IV. PROFESSIONAL CONTRACT

The Board approved the addition of the following temporary professional employee to the previously submitted list of employees entitled to a tenured contract under Article XI, Section 108 of the PA Public School Code:

Rachel Fischbaugh

#### V. CHILD REARING LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The Board approved the following adjustment to previously Approved Child Rearing Leave of Absence:

	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Jennifer Pavely	Last Day of Work: 9/12/08	Last Day of Work: 6/9/08
	Unpaid Leave: 10/27/08-10/31/08	Unpaid Leave: 10/3/08-10/31/08

#### VI. LEAVE OF ABSENCE – KENNETH KALB

The Board approved an unpaid Medical Leave of Absence for Kenneth Kalb, Class I Mechanic, Transportation Department, effective August 12, 2008 through August 31, 2008.

#### VII. HONORARIA

The Board approved the following Honoraria Applications:

		<u>Submitted</u>	
L. Michelle Backauskas	APPEAL Workshop	08/21/08	\$150.00
Tracy Cima	“ “	08/22/08	\$150.00
Berchman Grinage, Jr.	“ “	08/22/08	\$150.00
Cindy Kimmons	“ “	08/22/08	\$150.00
Michael McCrea	“ “	08/22/08	\$150.00

**TOTAL HONORARIA 2008/2009 EXPENDITURES THRU 08/27/08 \$24,350.00**

#### VIII. SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACT

The Board approved the following Supplemental Contract:

Pool Personnel



specifications for the Replacement Energy Management and Control Systems at Bradford Woods Elementary, Marshall Elementary and Marshall Middle Schools.

**For Information**

This project was originally awarded at the June 25, 2008 School Board meeting in the amount of \$126,300.00. After this project was awarded, we found that the amount of the base bid was not included in the calculation for the contract amount, so this contract value had to be adjusted to reflect this corrected amount.

**IV. CHANGE ORDERS**

The Board approved various change orders to construction contracts.

**V. TENNIS COURT REPLACEMENT AT THE MARSHALL CAMPUS**

The Board approved acceptance of the bid and associated unit prices from McElroy Paving Company for \$97,800.00 as the lowest responsible bidder meeting the specifications for the replacement of the Tennis Courts at the Marshall Campus.

**For Information**

This project will include the removal and replacement of the two tennis courts and the fencing and nets at the Marshall Campus.

**PROPERTY AND SUPPLIES REPORT  
ADDENDUM**

**I. SOFTWARE LICENSES FOR MICROSOFT PRODUCTS**

The Board approved the agreement between North Allegheny School District and SynergIT for 2,219 Microsoft software licenses. The agreement commences on September 1, 2008 and expires on August 31, 2011. The yearly cost of the licenses is \$125,506.64.

**SPECIAL EDUCATION AND PUPIL SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

**I. 2008–2009 CONTRACT FOR EDUCATIONAL SERVICES AT THE THERAPEUTIC LEARNING CENTER OF FAMILY LINKS**

The Board approved contracted services for special education programs at the Therapeutic Learning of Family Links. Programs and services will be provided Mondays

through Fridays from 8:50 AM – 3:30 PM from September 2, 2008 through July 23, 2009. Costs for program services as follows:

- \$85.00/day per enrolled student

**Additional Costs:**

- \$57.00/hour for Speech and Language Therapy
- \$63.00/hour for Occupational Therapy
- \$69.00/hour for Physical Therapy
- \$103.00/day for One-on-One Staff Support

**SPECIAL EDUCATION AND PUPIL SERVICES REPORT  
ADDENDUM**

**I. EARLY ENTRANCE TO KINDERGARTEN**

The Board approved the following students who have been tested and meet the North Allegheny School District criteria for early entrance to Kindergarten for the 2008-2009 school year:

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Birthdate</u></b>	<b><u>Home School</u></b>
Emma Bernardi	09/19/2003	Ingomar Elementary
Samhita Vasudevan	09/10/2003	Marshall Elementary

**II. EARLY ENTRANCE TO FIRST GRADE**

The Board approved the following student who has been tested and meets the North Allegheny School District criteria for early entrance to First Grade for the 2008-2009 school year:

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Birthdate</u></b>	<b><u>Home School</u></b>
Jiaji Wang	09/17/2002	Peebles Elementary

**STUDENT ACTIVITIES REPORT**

**I. NORTH ALLEGHENY ACTORS' SOCIETY AND NATV – THEATER AND TELEVISION FIELD EXPERIENCE – NEW YORK, NEW YORK**

The Board granted permission for the North Allegheny Actors' Society and NATV students to travel to New York, New York from **Wednesday, December 3 (10:45 a.m.) through Friday, December 5, 2008** (2-1/2 days) to participate in a Theater/Television

Field Experience. Students will return on Saturday morning, December 6, 2008, at 5:00 a.m. Approximately **50 students** will be participating in this trip.

## **SCHOOL BOARD REPORT**

### **INFORMATION ONLY**

**I. FIRST READING OF REVISED BOARD POLICY #9200 – STANDARDS FOR EFFECTIVE SCHOOL GOVERNANCE**

In accordance with Board Policy #1710, adoption of the attached revised Board Policy #9200, Standards for Effective School Governance (as adopted from the Pennsylvania School Boards Association), will be requested for adoption at the Regular Meeting of the Board of School Directors on September 24, 2008.

**II. FIRST READING OF REVISED BOARD POLICY #9300 – CODE OF CONDUCT FOR SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS**

In accordance with Board Policy #1710, adoption of the attached revised Board Policy #9300, Code of Conduct for School Board Members (as adopted from PSBA Code of Conduct), will be requested for adoption at the Regular Meeting of the Board of School Directors on September 24, 2008.

**After completing their work on the items in the School Board section, the Board asked Mr. Hubert** to share a summary of his trip to China this summer with a Girls' Volleyball Team from this area. He acted as a representative of North Allegheny and Head of that delegation. Mr. Hubert shared that it was an outstanding 10 days and that the families, students, and players who were involved were just terrific. The Chinese were very friendly, hospitable and gracious to them. In addition to the competitions the team participated in, the group did some sightseeing, visited two high-achieving high schools, ate some interesting food, and experienced some of the very unique cultural differences between China and America. He and his wife are delighted that they had this opportunity.

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

**I. PROFESSIONAL SEMINAR REQUESTS**

The Board approved the following professional seminar requests:

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Conference</u></b>	<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>

Barb Elsesser	Mistake-Free Grammar & Proofreading Sponsor: Careertrack Pittsburgh, PA	9/17/2008	\$ 154.00
Linda Bishop Dr. Patricia Green Maureen Grosheider Daniel Hubert Beth Ludwig	2008 PASA-PSBA School Leadership Conference Sponsor: PASA-PSBA Hershey, PA	10/14- 10/16/2008	\$ 737.25 \$ 823.25 \$ 899.73 \$ 310.00 \$ 737.25
Roger Botti	Association Of School Business Officials 94 <sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting Sponsor: Association Of School Business Officials International Denver, CO	11/7- 11/10/2008	\$ 2,023.33

## FOR INFORMATION ONLY

### I. GOOD STAFF NEWS AROUND NA

- ★ **Ms. Tammy Andreyko, Principal of IMS**, will be accepting the **2008 PAESSP Lincoln Investment Bob D. Schiller Memorial Cancer Research and Support Award** on behalf of Ingomar Middle School on Sunday October 19. This award carries with it a check in the amount of \$2,000 for the school. Ms. Andreyko submitted an IMS project titled “Satchels of Caring” for consideration by PAESSP and it was selected from among a number of applications as a unique program that truly supports cancer research and the survivors of cancer.
- ★ **Ms. Sherri Ludwig, Assistant Manager Financial Services**, has been selected for inclusion in the 2009 Edition of *Who’s Who in America*®. *Who’s Who in America*® has been providing accurate, concise biographies of notable Americans for over 100 years. The directories have grown to include the biographies of millions of leaders and achievers from around the world and from every significant field of endeavor. Corporate executives, journalists, personnel recruiters, librarians, researchers, students, and many others consult the *Who’s Who* databases for in-depth information they can use with confidence.

## **SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT ADDENDUM**

### I. PROFESSIONAL SEMINAR REQUESTS

The Board approved the following professional seminar requests:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Conference</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Amount</b>
John DeMann Barbara Hutchinson Christa Klein Amanda Mathieson Guinevere Maximo Marion McCormick Anne Rogers	IDEA & PA Code Chapter 14 & Chapter 711 Update Program Sponsor: Pennsylvania Department of Education Homestead, PA	9/8/2008	\$ 21.00* \$ 21.00* \$ 21.00* \$ 21.00* \$ 21.00* \$ 21.00* \$ 21.00*
Tammy Andreyko	Pennsylvania Middle School Association State Board Meeting & Retreat K-3 Reading Apprenticeship Model Sponsor: PMSA State Board of Directors State College, PA	9/11- 13/2008	\$ 300

\* Access Funds

### **A.W. BEATTIE CAREER CENTER BOARD**

Mrs. Ludwig provided a written summary of the costs of the Mandarin Chinese course to the Board members. The two teachers from China have arrived. The Superintendents will meet on September 12 and discuss the future of this course further. Having lost Matt Roberts at Beattie, Mrs. Ludwig suggests that NASD should keep a close eye on the management of this project. Enrollment at Beattie is down this year significantly, so recruitment will be a focus this year. Mr. Schwartzmier reported on the building program. The plans are nearing completion in the schematic design phase. So far the plans are consistent with what was approved.

### **NA FOUNDATION**

Mr. Cunningham reported that this group will not meet again until September.

### **NA HALL OF FAME**

Mr. Schwartzmier reported that the committee is in recess. The banquet is on Thursday, October 2, at The Chadwick.

### **LEGISLATIVE REPORT**

Mr. Shuckrow reported that the Legislature is in recess.

Mrs. Grosheider did attend the Platform Committee meeting recently. There was discussion on every proposed item. No recommendations from the Labor Relations Task Force were adopted at

this point. The item relative to the ability of taxing the profits resulting from drilling for natural gas, oil and minerals on school district properties was adopted.

**There were no speakers** who came forward to address the Board at the close of the meeting.

**Mrs. Bishop announced that the Board members and the NA Marching Band will be participating in the McCandless Community Day Parade on September 13.**

Dr. Green pointed out the addition of a 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Banner in the Board Room to help celebrate the District's anniversary year. Additional banners will be displayed at CAO and around the District.

**The meeting was dismissed at 9:32 PM.**

**The Board met in Executive Session following this meeting to discuss property-related issues, two matters of potential litigation and contract negotiations.**

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**The next meeting of the NA Board of School Directors is scheduled for September 17, 2008, and will be held in the Board Room at CAO.**

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*For information about the Board meeting schedule, please refer to the NA website [www.northallegheny.org](http://www.northallegheny.org).*

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