

GREATER JOHNSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Education Special Meeting
November 7, 2007
Jansen Avenue Library

I. Called to order by Vice President Miller at 5:46 p.m.

ATTENDEES:

Robert Curtis	Scott Miller	Susanne Fitzgerald
Russell Martin	James Levin	Joanne Freeman (arrived 5:54 pm)
Robert Kosowicz	Leslie Buggeln-Bosworth	

EXCUSED:

John David Praught

OTHERS:

John S. Whelan	Katherine Sullivan	Peter Hopke
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II. BUSINESS ITEMS

A. Retiree Health Insurance Transfers

(Board Member) Mrs. Fitzgerald presents the following resolution and moves its adoption, Seconded by (Board Member) Mr. Curtis:

WHEREAS, the Greater Johnstown School District provides health insurance to eligible retirees under current contractual agreements and Board policy, and

WHEREAS, the eligible retiree's choice of the health insurance plans offered by the District is determined at the time of retirement and limited to that plan for the duration of their retirement, and

WHEREAS, eligible retirees have requested that they be allowed to transfer to a District offered health insurance plan with a lower annual premium cost than their current health insurance plan, and

WHEREAS, allowing eligible retirees to enroll in a health insurance plan with a lower annual premium cost is mutually beneficial to the eligible retiree and the District

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Greater Johnstown School District will allow eligible retirees participating in a District offered health insurance plan to transfer to another District offered health insurance plan with a lower annual premium cost during the District's health insurance open enrollment period.

VOTE: 6 YES 0 NO 1 ABSTAIN (Mrs. Buggeln-Bosworth)

III. EDUCATION ITEMS

A. PERSONNEL

1. Separations

a. **Resignation of David Carr, Junior High School Principal**

Motion by Mr. Curtis seconded by Mrs. Buggeln-Bosworth to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to accept the resignation of David Carr, as junior high school principal, effective November 25, 2007.

VOTE: 7 YES 0 NO

Note: *Mr. Miller indicated we are sad to see Mr. Carr leave. Mr. Whelan discussed hiring an interim to begin after Thanksgiving and presented a timeline for the Knox principal selection process. It was agreed that Mrs. Fitzgerald and Mr. Kosowicz will be the Board's representatives in the stakeholder group.*

2. **Leaves of Absence**

a. **Leave of Absence for Patricia Robinson, Teacher Assistant**

Motion by Mr. Curtis seconded by Mrs. Buggeln-Bosworth to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve a leave of absence for Patricia Robinson, teacher assistant, from October 26, 2007 to June 30, 2008.

VOTE: 7 YES 0 NO

3. **Creations/Appointments/Adjustments**

a. **Probationary Appointment of Jared Heiner, Assistant High School Principal**

Motion by Mrs. Fitzgerald seconded by Mr. Levin to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the probationary appointment of Jared Heiner as assistant principal, in the principal tenure area, effective December 10, 2007 through December 9, 2010 at \$60,917.50, per JAA agreement.

VOTE: 8 YES 0 NO

Note: *Mr. Heiner was present and welcomed aboard.*

b. **Term Appointment of Patricia Robinson, Extended Leave Substitute Elementary Teacher**

Motion by Mrs. Fitzgerald seconded by Mr. Levin to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the term appointment of Patricia Robinson, as extended leave substitute elementary teacher, from October 26, 2007 to June 30, 2008 at Step A1, \$37,434 (prorated) in conjunction with the Johnstown Teachers' Association collective bargaining agreement.

VOTE: 8 YES 0 NO

c. **Term Appointment of Monica Gudlewski, Part-Time ESL Teacher**

Motion by Mrs. Fitzgerald seconded by Mr. Levin to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the term appointment of Monica Gudlewski, as part-time ESL teacher, from November 13, 2007 through June 26, 2007 at Step A1, \$37,434 (prorated) in conjunction with the Johnstown Teachers' Association collective bargaining agreement.

VOTE: 8 YES 0 NO

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – CSE, CPSE

1. Committee for Preschool Special Education

Motion by Mr. Curtis seconded by Mr. Levin to approve the minutes of the Committee for Preschool Special Education meeting(s) held on 11/1/07:

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VOTE: 8 YES 0 NO

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Levin, seconded by Mr. Kosowicz, to adjourn at 6:02 p.m.

VOTE: 8 YES 0 NO

Respectfully submitted,

Larraina Carpenter,
District Clerk