

**The June 8, 2020, business meeting** of the Moon Area Board of Education was held virtually at 7:00 p.m., for general purposes. The meeting was CALLED TO ORDER by President, Danielle Zieger. The following directors were present:

Mrs. Zieger	Mr. Harper	Mr. Dugan	Mr. Bogatay
Mr. Hauser	Mr. Testa	Mrs. Partica	Mr. Scappe
Mrs. Blair			

Also, in attendance: Mr. Balaski, Mr. Haslett, Ms. Regan, Mrs. Finnegan, Mrs. Pompeani, Mr. Daniels, Mr. Roth, and Mr. Cambest, Solicitor.

There were approximately 33 audience members.

Mrs. Zieger announced that prior to this evening’s meeting, the Board met virtually in Executive Session to discuss personnel and legal matters.

### **Superintendent’s Report**

Mr. Joe Muscatello with Boenning and Scattergood gave a presentation regarding Bond Refunding.

Mr. Balaski welcomed Moon’s Director of Technology, Mr. Greg Roth.

Mr. Balaski announced to the public that the presentation from Mr. Muscatello, will be uploaded to the website; it was not recorded. The recording of this meeting will begin now.

### **Audience Recognition (Agenda Items)**

Mr. Scott Kubatka, 822 Balmoral Court, Moon Township, PA, commented on the comment “that now is the time, money is cheap”. The pandemic not only hit the school district but the taxpayers as well. He asked, with the new money that we have to fund capital projects, how do you plan on paying for that and where is the money coming from?

Mr. Testa commented that we have number of housing developments that are coming to Moon. When the business office receives the assessments, we will see a natural rise in that area. We do have some temporary commercial reassessments that will be coming off and moving back up to where they need to be. We also have a couple of MTA projects as well. We have buildings and we have to keep up on the repairs. He doesn’t want to do this either, but unfortunately, that’s a position we are in.

Mr. Kubatka also asked about the remodel of Hyde as a bulk of this money will go there. He asked what other options would there be outside of putting a lot of money into that building? He’s looked at Moon’s numbers and we are in a bit of hole. The pandemic hit the district as it has hit other districts as well. Why do you want to do this now, outside of the reason, money is cheap? Mr. Kubatka doesn’t think that’s a reasonable answer right now to put that kind of money in there when we don’t need it. History was mentioned of tackling the middle school and

high school. He'd like to see the Board go back to the drawing board and come up with a Plan B. He doesn't think it's financially responsible to take a loan out on a loan at this time given the current situation of the taxpayers.

Mr. Testa commented that we are not going to remodel Hyde; we are only fixing critical items. The roof is in bad shape and the windows need replaced. Bon Meade is the other school we need to spend funds on, as it hasn't been remodeled in about 20 years and a new roof is needed there as well. With owning buildings, we have to keep up on repairs.

Mr. Dugan commented that that is not necessarily where we are at. The public has the right to a discussion to talk about our operating costs, and the drain it puts on academics and curriculum. The fact that Hyde hasn't been repaired in over 50 years is shameful in its own right. He thinks it's worth listening to the public. They should have a say, and we should be transparent what the cost is and what the investment is.

Mrs. Partica commented that across the state school consolidation is happening at a rapid pace.

Mr. Dugan commented that this is the time to engage the public. It's been five (5) years since there has been open public discussion about what schools need to be closed. A lot of things have happened in the last decade/half a decade. We are all in different financial positions now and due to the pandemic as well. He thinks its worth asking the public, if we are going to raise taxes, which are going to have to, regardless of decision on what to borrow, etc., it's worth giving the public the full financial picture of where we are. The public deserves a full discussion on this.

Mr. Kubatka commented after a building gets so old, repairs, what is Plan B? If you're going to take out \$4 million plus dollars and put that debt load on the taxpayers, the public may be more accepting of the tax increase if it makes sense. Urged the Board to take a look at the buildings the school district has and see what can be done and make sure spending the money makes sense. Putting all the money into one building that is in bad shape doesn't make sense. There are probably buildings in the district that are not in that bad of shape and a lot of money would not have to be put into. He'd like to know what Plan B is. It doesn't make sense to him to put all the money into Hyde at this time, as he doesn't think Hyde is the best option.

Mr. Testa answered his question on the tax increase, that we are looking for Hyde and Bon Meade to be about \$170,000 year, which is about 1/3 of a mil.

Mrs. Partica commented that she thinks we should be honest with the public on how much it will cost to fix Hyde.

Mr. Scappe commented that about five (5) years ago there was a plan to close Hyde and an uproar of the residents. He agrees that you have to look at every operation and move forward. You have to run this building (Hyde) at least two (2) more years and decide if you're going to do something different. Repairs will increase the value of the building if future boards decide differently in the future. There are safety issues, the water infiltration needs corrected, and the boilers need repaired. He doesn't look as a bad investment. He looks at is as an investment and improvements needed for the community, for the children, and staff that attend Hyde. We are growing – there are 300 houses being built on one side of the district and another 200 houses

being built on the other side. We are not decreasing in numbers; we are going to be increasing. This has been evaluated. We are not doing this quickly; we have been discussing this project for months. If we choose to go another direction with Hyde in the future, he thinks it will still be valuable what we are doing.

Mr. Kubatka asked what the current capacity is, as it stands now, for elementary students. What is our capacity versus what we have right now? Mr. Scappe commented that the state would like the capacity to be about 80% capacity with a few rooms available in the buildings – he doesn't have the exact figures at the moment. Mr. Balaski commented that right now we have 1,550 elementary students and have a capacity for over 2,400 elementary students. Hyde holds about 300 students. Mr. Kubatka commented that he doesn't want to put a student in harms way, but financially it doesn't make sense at this time. Asking, why would you put that much money into that building right now when you don't need it? Save that money for a rainy day. You may have to make a tough decision. Hyde should not get that money; the district should look at Plan B.

Mr. Scappe commented that he disagrees with Mr. Kubatka's point and believes there are a lot more residents that think differently than he. He respects his position on this, however, other residents are saying the opposite of what he's saying to the Board as well. He thinks the Board does do their due diligence and does not take things lightly and understands the ramifications and evaluate everything.

Mr. Dugan commented that no one has appeared at a board meeting to say we shouldn't do this. There has been no public comment. Times have changed. They have changed drastically in the past three (3) months, which places us in a precarious position to educate our kids. It is worth having this discussion in public. It is an important decision. He understands the history. He thinks the public is smart enough and deserves the respect to engage in this really important decision. This could be a make or break decision for the long-term health of this district. It is worth engaging the public.

Mr. Testa commented that we have been discussing this since September. We've had numerous public meetings; this has been on the agenda. We've had presentations from three (3) companies regarding this. People are free to come and speak. We also had facilities committee meetings. We have done our job in engaging the public.

Mr. Dugan commented that with the parents' busy life running children around, not attending meetings, etc., they just don't know the details of the ESCO project. He doesn't think we've advertised it enough.

Mrs. Zieger commented that if we really wanted the public to know what was going on, we would have to put out a message, "who's in favor of closing Hyde"? And she knows what type of response we would get. That is partly her issue with this since in 2015, when hundreds of residents, teachers, etc., were pleading with the Board to not close the school. The public made it abundantly clear how they felt about that decision. Those are the faces and names that she remembers every time she hears a proposal that it's financially better to close that school that serves that community. Some families do not have cars and they walk to afterschool programs. Mr. Johnson is more than a principal to those kids he's a father figure to so many of the kids.

He rides home with them on the bus. That school serves a purpose. It may not be a financially wonderful option at this time, but the community spoke up profoundly the last time we said we were going to close Hyde. That's why she is in a precarious position. She understands Mr. Kubatka's point and agrees with some of what he said. She understands the financial impact that this has. She is open to have discussion and debate.

Mr. Hauser commented that the whole discussion we are having around the ESCO program, wasn't a program specifically targeted to Hyde, Bon Meade or any particular building. It was a general energy savings program for the district. This was open to the public. We asked the companies to do research and come back and give us some sense of what we can save for the school district. Hyde was never the point of what we intended to do with this program. It only became a point of attention when we decided which part of the program that we were going to focus our time and attention on, and it became Hyde. There has not been a lengthy debate or discussion about closing Hyde or not closing Hyde. He doesn't think anyone ever discussed the idea of closing Hyde or not keeping Hyde. Most board members remember that discussion and the amount of passion that went into re-opening Hyde. He believes it's a bit of a false flag saying Hyde doesn't deserve this money. We were going to do this energy savings project in the district somehow anyway. It turns out the focus is Hyde and Bon Meade for now.

Mr. Kubatka commented that if the economic situation was different at this time, that would be a valid point. He commented that you have to be completely transparent with all the options. You've only presented one option and that's spending \$4.1 million on a building that's falling apart. Outline the details on each plan for the public to see and do not play politics.

Mr. Scappe commented that normally when people come to the board meetings its to complain about something. If things are working smoothly, people don't come in and say we are doing a good job. The only time they come is when they question what we are doing and that speaks volumes to him as well.

Mr. Kubatka also commented reiterating that if the economic situation was different, he thinks there would be a totally different opinion on this. He came to this board meeting because he heard what was going on, did his research, and financially it doesn't make sense. It is totally irresponsible, and the taxpayers will know that when you start raising their taxes. So, what you think it was five years ago, it is not the same today. Maybe pre-pandemic it was a different argument, it's not right now. Financially it doesn't make sense.

Mr. Harper commented that he believes Mr. Kubatka is bringing up a point that needs further discussion with the Board. Mr. Harper commented that the Board will take this under advisement and have additional conversations about it and continue forward.

Mr. Hauser questioned the Board and public, that based upon tonight's discussion and the presentation regarding the refinancing of the bond, if we decide to refinance the bond, is that going to bring about a direct impact, in addition to the budget that we already passed for the next school year?

Mr. Testa commented that it will have an impact this year. Overall the impact will be minimal this year and the impact picks up a couple years down the line. For our current budget 2020-2021, minimal impact based on Mr. Muscatello's presentation.

Mr. Hauser wants to know the figures. Mr. Balaski commented that once you make the decision to move forward with Hyde, you have to pay back the \$4.1 million dollars and its interest. It is a minimal impact this year, but it does increase in years. If you make the decision tonight, you are making the decision to move forward with \$4.1 million dollars.

Mr. Hauser's point is if we do make that decision, that doesn't specially lead to an increase in taxes in subsequent years. Mr. Balaski commented that we would have to find money to payback the \$4.1 and would have to raise taxes. Mr. Testa commented that we are looking at the cost for the \$4.1 million to be \$170,000 a year. One mil brings in \$2.4 million, looking at 2/10ths of a percent of a mil to fund this. Mr. Hauser commented that cost of doing this going forward on an annual basis is negligible. Mr. Dugan commented that there are still operating costs to the building and we've gone through the scenarios what our fund balance is, with and without tax increase. We are going to have to raise taxes and we still won't have a balanced budget. He's not saying he's in favor of this. His proposal is only that we break this down for the public and explain that we are going to raise taxes and here's what you get in return. Mr. Balaski commented that we can't raise taxes to a mil. If we raise taxes to the maximum that we can raise, it's a percentage of a mil and we gain about \$1.4 million dollars by a tax raise to the fullest amount. Mr. Dugan commented, again, that people are in a different financial position now than three (3) months ago. To ask them to pay more taxes, which we are more than likely going to have to do, he thinks it's fair to tell them exactly what they are getting in return for that and be as open and transparent as possible and see what all the options are. He's not taking a side on either. He recognizes the importance of Hyde. It is worth having a public discussion to say here's where we are at financially because he doesn't think the public knows where we are financially. Mr. Testa agrees, and said five years ago that we'll have to raise taxes for multiple years. We finally dug ourselves out of the negative and getting close to a balanced budget and COVID -19 struck. It's nobody's fault; however, we are going to have to raise taxes. We do not want to pull money from our general fund if the boilers break, roof caves in, and then we are able to fund other areas as well. We are left with what's our best alternative based on what we have. We have given this a lot of thought and discussion, working on this for months as to how we would finance it--part with the lease and funding from bond issue. He wishes we did not have to raise taxes. We are looking at alternatives.

### **Correspondence**

None.

### **Parkway West Career and Technology Center**

Mr. Hauser reported that Parkway West Career and Technology Center Joint Operating Committee met on June 2, 2020 and the committee approved the minutes, treasurer's report and bills for payment. Dr. Copeland shared the enrollment projections for the coming school year. Parkway's enrollment has gone up in excess of 900 students and that's probably the highest Parkway has been in the last 15 to 20 years. Students recognize that a 4-year college is not the

only path to becoming a productive, resourceful citizen. The principals reported on graduation. The drive by graduation ceremony was well attended. A report was given on the National Honor Society Induction. There were 77 students who were inducted--the highest number in forever! Fourteen (14) of those 77 students were from Moon. Routine business to close out the year at Parkway.

**Moon Transportation Authority**

Mr. Scappe reported that the Thorn Run Project is back to construction. Everything has been delayed because of the shutdown, and the material for the project has been delayed. One of the critical items that needs to be delivered are the poles to hold the traffic signal lights. They are on backorder. We cannot open any of the new intersections until those are installed. They are not anticipated to be delivered to the property until July. The schedule was changed; we are trying to shoot for the end of summer or beginning of fall to be able to have that whole intersection completed and operational for the residents.

A couple other projects we are working on and moving forward with are in the final design stages: the Stevenson Mill Connector, as well as Portvue or Rouser Road. We are in the final stages and have applied for design grants submitted to the federal government as well as the state to offset those costs. They are also working on the Marketplace Boulevard, located where the old Super K was. We have the 300 homes that are being constructed. Some office buildings received the approval from the township to move forward. An engineering group has been hired to do the construction for that phase of the work on Marketplace. The projects are moving forward, and grant money is being requested for Marketplace as well.

Mr. Hauser commented that the MTA Board is still interested in coming to the district and sharing with the Board and the community the specifics of how the MTA operates, the way it is funded, and how funds are being spent on the various projects. So we can really understand the positive impact that the MTA has for the district and for the township. The executive director and the members of the Board want to make sure the district understands the way it works. Any concerns about what MTA does, how it operates, how funds are used to improve the district, improve the tax base of the district, we want to make sure that we get to the board and have that full presentation. Mr. Scappe would like to have MTA put on the agenda for the August 24, 2020 workshop meeting.

**Student Activities Committee**

No report.

**Solicitor's Report**

No report.

**Approval of Reports**

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Hauser, SECONDED by Mr. Dugan, “that the Board of Education approve the minutes from the meeting held on May 11, 2020, and the following reports as reflected in the June Financial Reports:

- Treasurer’s Report
- Investment Report
- Board Summary Report
- High School/Middle School Activities Report
- Procurement Card Report.”

All directors voted in favor on a roll call vote.

**Payment of Bills**

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Scappe, SECONDED by Mr. Testa, “that the Board of Education approve the bills listed for payment in the June Financial Reports below, in the amounts totaling \$2,518,861.44, for the period May 7, 2020, to June 4, 2020:

General Fund	\$ 983,460.80
Activity Fund	4,994.45
Food Service	6,656.69
General Fund	<u>1,523,749.50</u>
Total	\$ 2,518,861.44.”

All directors voted in favor on a roll call vote.

**Hayes Inventory Software**

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Scappe, SECONDED by Mr. Hauser, “that the Board of Education approve the contract with Hayes Software Systems for the TIPWEB software license inventory system as attached. This is a five (5) year contract. (Note: A discount of 45% was given with no set up or training fees.)”

All directors voted in favor on a roll call vote.

**Special Education Report**

IT WAS MOVED by Mrs. Partica, SECONDED by Mr. Testa, “that the Board of Education approve the required submission of the 3-year cycle of Moon Area School District’s Special Education Plan reflecting updates to on-going programs and services and incorporates anticipated changes so that the information in the Special Education Plan can be applied to the school district’s strategic plan, as attached.”

All directors voted in favor on a roll call vote.

**Yearly Renewal of the Allegheny Intermediate Unit’s Services Agreement**

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Hauser, SECONDED by Mr. Dugan, “that the Board of Education approve the Allegheny Intermediate Unit Services Agreement for the 2020-2021 school year as attached.”

All directors voted in favor on a roll call vote.

**Remote Extended School Year (ESY) Paraeducator Positions for Summer 2020**

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Hauser, SECONDED by Mrs. Partica, “that the Board of Education authorize the administration to post extended school year (ESY) paraeducator positions for summer, 2020 to assist with the remote ESY program. These services will be provided remotely due to COVID-19.”

All directors voted in favor on a roll call vote.

**Resolution No. 2020-5 – ABM Building Solutions, LLC**

A motion was made to table the original motion: “that the Board of Education table Resolution No. 2020-5, approving ABM Building Solutions, LLC, for the implementation of a design build project with alternative funding sources, authorizing the President of the Board to issue a Notice to Proceed with the project.”

Mr. Scappe commented that by delaying the approval of the project, it will be delayed until later in August. He wouldn’t table everything. The motion should be amended to continue with the other projects and exclude Hyde.

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Scappe, SECONDED by Mr. Testa, “that the Board of Education amend Resolution No. 2020-5, as follows: “that the Board of Education approve Resolution 2020-5, approving ABM Building Solutions, LLC, for the implementation of a design build project with alternative funding sources, excluding the Hyde Project, authorizing the President of the Board to issue a Notice to Proceed with the project.”

Mr. Bogatay commented that there is more information that we didn’t get to discuss in executive session that he thinks is worth talking about. If we are going to be committing this much of taxpayers’ money, we need to discuss this further. His job and obligation are to vet these things and look at everything as we owe this to the taxpayers. He thinks the extra two weeks would be valuable to look at this.

Mr. Hauser commented that we do want to be transparent and accurate on making a final determination. He doesn’t have a problem giving more time and attention to this and give the public the opportunity to hear more details. He’s comfortable with this delay. Wants to make a good decision everyone understands Mr. Testa commented that it’s disappointing to him since we have been discussing this openly in the public for a number of months now. We are looking at delaying a project that impacts a neighborhood school that serves a great deal in that

community. Now we are looking at potentially not getting critical items done for the infrastructure prior to the start of the school year. It causes him concern. We've had numerous meetings and presentations made. A lot of time and effort on this process. If it goes through with the two-week delay, he gets it, but doesn't know what will change in two weeks to make people more aware. He doesn't want to rush construction at the end of project and want to make sure we do this project the correct way.

Mrs. Partica commented that we, as a Board, wanted to see the full presentation post audit from ABM, we wanted to talk about it as a group prior to voting. They just did that presentation on Thursday night and we have not talked about it as a group yet. She doesn't think we've met our own standards of consideration to go ahead and vote on this right now.

Mr. Harper, Mr. Bogatay, and Mrs. Blair voted in favor on a roll call vote. Mrs. Zieger, Mr. Dugan, Mr. Testa, Mr. Hauser, Mr. Scappe and Mrs. Partica voted in disfavor.

Mr. Scappe re-raised the motion to re-vote due to confusion on the amended motion; seconded by Mr. Bogatay. Second roll call vote on this motion:

All directors voted in favor on a roll call vote, with the exception of Mr. Dugan and Mrs. Partica on the amended motion.

### **Personnel**

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Hauser, SECONDED by Mrs. Blair, "that the Board of Education approve the items listed:

#### **I. Retirement**

"that the Board of Education accept the retirement resignation from Maureen Hutton from her position as Guidance Secretary at the Middle School effective July 31, 2020."

#### **II. Approval of Student Services Technician**

"that the Board of Education approve Jonah Yurkovich, 209 Santa Anna Drive, Moon Township, PA 15108 to the position of Student Services Technician in the District Administration Office. The salary for this position will be \$33,280, with a start date effective July 1, 2020."

#### **III. Approval of Varsity Girls Basketball Head Coach**

"that the Board of Education appoint Meghan Mastroianni as the Varsity Girls Basketball Head Coach contingent upon the re-opening of the Moon Area School District for the 2020-2021 school year and approval of the girls interscholastic basketball program under the laws and orders of the Federal, State, County, WPIAL and PIAA."

**IV. Approval of Three (3) Extended School Year (ESY) Speech Language Pathologists – Summer 2020**

“that the Board of Education approve the following individuals to the positions of Extended School Year (ESY) Speech Language Pathologists for summer 2020, total of 12 days’ contract:

Jennifer Marasco  
Brenda Jackson  
Leann Walko.”

**V. Approval of Two (2) Extended School Year (ESY) Learning Support Teachers – Summer 2020**

“that the Board of Education approve the following individuals to the positions of Extended School Year (ESY) Learning Support teachers for summer 2020, total of 12 days’ contract:

Elizabeth Nijenhuis  
Mary Fuentes.”

**VI. Approval of One (1) Extended School Year (ESY) Elementary Emotional Support Teacher – Summer 2020**

“that the Board of Education approve the following individual to the position of Extended School Year (ESY) Elementary Emotional Support teacher for summer 2020, total of 12 days’ contract:

Eliot Hawk.”

**VII. Approval of Seven (7) Extended School Year (ESY) Teachers for LSS/ABA – Summer 2020**

“that the Board of Education approve the following individuals to the positions of Extended School Year (ESY) teachers for LSS/ABA for summer 2020, total of 12 days’ contract:

Maureen Archer  
Sarah Bukowski  
Meghan Flannery Foust  
Rachael Kamicker  
Sarah Knaus  
Leeann Lombardo  
Katelyn Schulmeister.”



**XIV. Approval of a Childbearing/Childrearing/Family Medical Leave of Absence**

“that the Board of Education approve a Childbearing/Childrearing/Family Medical Leave of Absence to Danielle Baker, from her position as Learning Support teacher at Brooks Elementary School, beginning on or about August 18, 2020 and returning on or about January 4, 2021.”

**XV. Approval of High School Department Heads/Middle School Department Heads (5-8) and Coordinators**

“that the Board of Education approve the following Department Heads and Coordinators for the 2020-2021 school year:

**High School Department Heads**

Language Arts (Reading)	Maria McGrosky
Mathematics	Jennifer Wilhelm
Social Studies	Jason Ferri
Science	Kenneth Firmstone
Tech Ed, FCS and Business	Scott Adams
Special Education	Patricia Perry
Health & Physical Education	Mistydae Junko
World Language	Monica Ianarelli

**Middle School Department Heads (5-8)**

Mathematics	Patricia Hyland
Language Arts (Reading)	James Winner
Science	Frank Todd
Social Studies	Jane Joyce
Special Education	Kristin Baumgardner
Signature (one represents entire dept.)	Nancy Burgunder
Encore (one represents entire dept.)	Janice Barthen

**Coordinators**

P.E./Library/Computer (K-4)	Carolyn Andrews
Art (K-12)	Lisa Haigler
Music (K-12)	Nicholas Barthen
Guidance (K-12)	TBD
Special Education (K-4)	Neal Jacoby
Elementary Grade Level Coord. – Kindergarten	Ellen Burke
Elementary Grade Level Coord. – Grade 1	Lauren Gregg
Elementary Grade Level Coord. – Grade 2	Amy Pannebaker
Elementary Grade Level Coord. – Grade 3	Beth Carter
Elementary Grade Level Coord. – Grade 4	Christine Dushack

Pre-K Transition

Tristen Kohl.”

**XVI. Resignation**

“that the Board of Education accept the resignation from Aymee Comas from her position as Child Accounting Registrar/Data Analysis Support Personnel effective August 31, 2020.”

**XVII. Approval of an Educational Sabbatical Leave of Absence**

“that the Board of Education approve an Educational Sabbatical Leave of Absence to Haley Martin from her position as Special Education teacher at the High School for the 2020-2021 school year.”

**XVIII. Approval of Independent Contractor Positions for the 2020-2021 School Year**

“that the Board of Education approve the following individuals for independent contractor positions for the 2020-2021 school year:

**Rates for 2020-2021**

**School Physician**

Dr. Theresa Crocenelli  
974 Beaver Grade Road  
Moon Township, PA 15108

\$10 per exam  
\$25 work, make-up and  
driving physicals (cost borne by district)

**School Dentist**

Dr. Alene D’Alesio (dental exams)  
4001 Duckhorn Drive  
Moon Township, PA 15108

\$3.00 per exam  
\$18.00/hr. dental health ed.

Dr. J. Matthew Stacy (orthodontic exams)  
133 West Allegheny Road  
Imperial, PA 15126

**Optometrist**

Dr. Holly Caputy  
Eger Eye Group  
1501 State Avenue  
Coraopolis, PA 15108

\$3.00 per exam

**MAPS Coordinator (District-wide)**

Joseph Martonik  
1817 Madison Drive  
Moon Township, PA 15108

\$200/day 3 – 4 days per week

**Prevention Education Specialist**

Leon Strimel  
Crisis Center North  
P.O. Box 101093  
Pittsburgh, PA 15237

\$100/day; 1 day per week

**Social Worker**

Kristin King, MSW, LCSW  
Allegheny Intermediate Unit  
475 E. Waterfront Drive  
Homestead, PA 15120

78 days at \$625/day as per the  
attached services agreement

**Transition Consultant**

Daniel Morgan  
DJ Morgan Educational LLC  
1695 Ewing Circle  
Pittsburgh, PA 15241.”

40 days (1 day per week + 4 days  
for program development) at \$520/day  
as per the attached services agreement

All directors voted in favor on a roll call vote.

**Audience Recognition (Non-Agenda Items)**

None.

Mr. Balaski commented that the Board approved the Varsity Girls Head Basketball Coach, Meghan Mastroianni under the personnel agenda.

Mr. Dugan, Mr. Hauser and Mrs. Zieger congratulated Ms. Mastroianni saying it was a great choice for coach, great hire, great teacher!

**Board Comments**

Mr. Testa congratulated the seniors who received their diplomas on Saturday. He thought the diploma distribution went very well; it was a very nice ceremony. Great to see all of the kids and parents. He thanked Mr. Ledbetter, Mr. D’Eramo, Mrs. Durham, Mr. Gallup, Mr. Hathaway, Mr. Balaski, and Mr. D’Alesio. Great kickoff to graduation season. Looking forward to the ceremony on July 11 at the stadium when we gather all the graduates together to have a formal

ceremony. There were a number of teachers lining the way as the students drove through. Thank you for the teachers that attended.

Mr. Bogatay congratulated the seniors and wished everyone the best of luck and all the best! He thanked the administration, the teachers and the support staff, for an incredible job and thanked them for rising to the occasion in unprecedented times. It's great to be a part of a district where everyone comes together and can take on adversity so effortlessly. Thanks to everyone out there that made this possible.

Mr. Harper, Mrs. Zieger and Mrs. Blair congratulations to the seniors!

Mr. Dugan congratulated the seniors and congrats to Mr. Testa on his son graduating. He feels bad for our seniors missing out on these milestones. It's a time they will never get back, but a time they certainly will not forget. What graduating class has graduated through a pandemic? They are probably tougher than most graduating classes!

Mrs. Partica congratulated the seniors, and also said that she has talked to more people this past month than for any of the other months on the school board mainly because everyone is thinking about next year. One on one alleviated some fears of what next year will look like. Take a break from that. Take a break and not think about school for a while! Wish everyone health and happiness this summer.

Mr. Scappe, congratulations to the seniors. Great job to the administration. Parents are interested to know what's going to happen next year because a lot of the families are going back to their offices to work and have to make plans on what they are doing with childcare. Some other districts have come out publicly saying that they are going to stay home at the beginning of the year and have virtual education. He thinks we need to come up with a couple plans of how we want to do this. As the Governor has stated, they are leaving it up to the individual school districts to decide what is best for them. We need to come up with a game plan for our district so we can give the parents as much information as we can to plan for their children. They want to know what type of delivery we are going to have. We need to decide sometime in July to give parents opportunity to plan for their children. Barry has attended several meetings regarding this. Mr. Scappe would like to see two or three plans that we have so that we can at least let the public know that these are the avenues that we are looking for.

Mr. Hauser extended his congratulations to the 2020 graduates. He has been a part of a lot of graduation ceremonies. While this one was very unusual; it was a lot of fun. The parents really appreciated the effort that the administration and support staff put together for this special event. It will be a lifetime memory that certainly will not be forgotten. Congrats to the entire staff for completing this school year under adverse circumstances. We want everyone to have a good summer and we are looking forward to getting planning done and prepared for the next school year.

Mrs. Zeiger congratulated the class of 2020. Commenting that it was fantastic getting to know you and your parents. She's looking forward to the celebration on July 11. She also commended all involved on the celebration on June 6. Congratulations Mr. Testa and his son Anthony.

Mrs. Zeiger announced that after the Board adjourns, they are going back into executive session to discuss personnel matters.

**Adjournment**

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Testa, SECONDED by Mrs. Scappe, “that the Board of Education adjourn this meeting, 7:30 pm.”

All directors voted in favor on a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

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Lisa Brown  
Clerk, Board of Education

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James Bogatay  
Secretary, Board of Education