



**A REPORT OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF MARCH 23, 2010**

The Board of School Directors approved the following *personnel* items:

**Professional**

- retirement resignation – effective June 30, 2010: Suzan Petersen, Assistant to the Superintendent
- retirement resignations – effective the last day of school of the 2009-10 school year: Karen Bakalarski, Kindergarten – Gill Hall Elementary; Sally Chiappetta, Kindergarten – Jefferson Elementary; Nancy Douglas, Grade 3 – Jefferson Elementary; Joanne Greenwald, Music – Jefferson Elementary; Linda James, Librarian – PHMS; Jeffrey Lytle, Grade 8 Social Studies – PHMS; Suzanne Mackulin, Gifted – PHMS; Sandra Madden, Grade 6 Math – PHMS; Debbie Markwith, Grade 6 Science – PHMS; Audrey Minjock, Grade 4 – Gill Hall Elementary; Karen Sheppard, Grade 5 – Gill Hall Elementary; Mary Ann Temple, Grade 2 – Jefferson Elementary; Nancy Yocco, Grade 2 – Jefferson Elementary; John Yogan, Phys Ed – Jefferson Elementary & TJHS
- positions to be eliminated – 2010-11 school year:
  - Grade 1 – Gill Hall Elementary
  - ½ Kindergarten & ½ Tutorial – McClellan Elementary
- positions to be created – 2010-11 school year:
  - Grade 4 – Gill Hall Elementary
  - Grade 2 – McClellan Elementary
- additions to the 2009-10 professional substitute list
- to be hired (start date effective upon release from current school district): Tracey Betschart, Mathematics – Alternative Education - TJHS
- educational conference requests:
  - Penny Caswell – PA Association for Gifted Education State Conference – Four Points Sheraton, Mars, PA – Wednesday, April 21, 2010, through Friday, April 23, 2010. Cost: \$345.00
  - Keith Hartbauer – 2010 New Grantee Orientation – Washington, DC – Monday, April 5, 2010, through Tuesday, April 6, 2010. Cost: \$1,108.00
  - Suzanne Mackulin – Exploring New Worlds in Gifted Education – Four Points Sheraton, Mars, PA – Thursday, April 22, 2010, through Saturday, April 24, 2010. Cost: \$350.00
  - Tomi Lynn Porter – Strategies to Differentiate Math Instruction – Four Points Sheraton, Airport – Tuesday, May 11, 2010. Cost: \$244.00
  - Hamsini Rajgopal – PERC Teacher Job Fair – Monroeville Convention Center – Wednesday, April 14, 2010. Cost: \$410.00
- volunteer for extra-curricular activity – 2009-10 school year: Elise D’Alessandro, Volunteer Assistant – Girls’ Softball
- resignation – extra-duty position – effective 3-9-10: Katie Frenock, Varsity Cheerleading Coach

## **Non-Professional**

- to be hired: *James Shaffer*, Van Driver/General Worker – TJHS
- additions to the 2009-10 non-professional substitute list

## **IN OTHER ACTION, THE BOARD APPROVED:**

- the minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 23, 2010
- the bill listing from February 13 through March 12, 2010, in the amount of 2,690,001.73 for the General Fund and \$716.88 for the Construction Fund
- the purchase of RM Interwrite Boards, projectors and Qomo pads for Grade 3 classrooms totaling \$26,639.00 to be paid through PACT Grant funding
- the expansion of the Classrooms For the Future initiative with the purchase of Promethium Boards, projectors and computers for the English and Social Studies Departments at TJHS totaling \$47,602.35 to be paid through the PACT Grant funding
- authorizing district personnel to apply for funding under Title I, Title II and PACT
- authorizing the Administration to proceed with the process of renewing the contract between the District and Metz & Associates, Ltd., for the School Lunch Program for the 2010-2011 school year
- the proposed 2010-2011 Allegheny Intermediate Unit Program of Services Budget totaling \$3,817,800 (there is no increase in the total district allocation from 2009-2010) as presented. The West Jefferson Hills School District's expected contribution to the AIU Program of Services Budget is \$38,091.35.
- casting the District's ballot to elect Roger Tachoir to serve as the Allegheny County Schools Health Insurance Consortium School Board Trustee for the Southeastern Region, for a two-year period, effective March 29, 2010
- the Class of 2010 commencement date for Thursday, June 3, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. in the TJHS stadium (7:30 pm in the gymnasium in case of rain)
- the TJHS Academic Handbook for the 2010-2011 school year
- a grant-funding contract for the Community Revitalization Assistance Program in the amount of \$25,000 for the Electronic Marquee at TJHS
- a grant-funding contract with the Urban Development Program in the amount of \$7,000 for the Electronic Marquee at TJHS
- authorizing the Administration to seek bids for digital recording and wireless microphone sound system for board meeting purposes and other student-related activities at TJHS
- authorizing the Administration to seek bids for the Alternative Classroom renovations at TJHS
- the purchase of Tenex Software and Maintenance Laser Bundle License from Harris Solutions in the amount of \$5,500.00 (to be funded by Capital Projects) plus an annual maintenance fee of \$900.00
- appointing Dr. Timothy McNamee as Substitute Superintendent effective July 1, 2010, and to approve the Substitute Superintendent Agreement
- Settlement Agreement and General Release with Saturn of Pleasant Hills, Inc.
- Settlement Agreement and General Release with Day Toyota, Inc.
- the following trips and activities:
  - TJHS – 12 students to attend the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Student Leadership Conference hosted by The Future is Mine (TFIM), Pittsburgh Marriott City Center Hotel, from Thursday, April 22, 2010, through Friday, April 23, 2010
  - TJHS – 1 student to attend Penn State University for the PJAS State Competition and Awards Ceremony from Sunday, May 16, 2010, through Tuesday, May 18, 2010
  - TJHS – 20 students to visit Italy, France and Spain (countries of languages studied at TJHS) from Monday, June 27, 2010, through Friday, July 8, 2011, to be paid by the students' families

- TJHS - 10 students to attend the State Leadership Conference for FBLA, to compete at the State level, in Hershey, PA, from Sunday, April 11, 2010, through Wednesday, April 14, 2010
- PHMS - 1 student to attend Penn State University for the PA Junior Academy of Science State competition ( PJAS) from Sunday, May 16, 2010, through Tuesday, May 18, 2010
- PHMS - 4 students to attend the State Affiliate Bowl for Future Problem Solving State Competition in Camp Hill, PA, from Friday, April 16, 2010, through Saturday, April 17, 2010
- Dr. Cynthia Fuselier as Supervisor of Academic Programs, at a starting salary of \$96,000.00 (effective date of hire upon release from her present school district)
- Elizabeth H. Wheat as Supervisor of Special Education/Pupil Personnel at a starting salary of \$90,000.00 (effective date of hire upon release from her present school district)

WEST JEFFERSON HILLS BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

*Terry Kushner*

Substitute Superintendent

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