

**PENNS GROVE - CARNEYS POINT  
REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
100 IONA AVENUE  
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**January 4, 2010**

**(Meeting was rescheduled from December 21, 2009 due to snow)**

**This information is a brief overview of actions taken at the Board of Education meeting. These are not official minutes nor do they contain every detail of the meeting.**

1. Dedication of a wall to recognize board of education members with over 25 years service and added plaques for Mr. John Franceschini and Mr. Bernard Heppinstall.
2. Recognized the following Student Citizens of the Month:
  - Lafayette-Pershing- Dylan Carter
  - Field Street School- Tiana Collins and Raquelle Powell
  - Paul W. Carleton School- Kristaly Alcazar and Lynnae Milbourne
  - Middle School- Ahmead Armstead and Destiny Berry
  - High School- Benjamin Pankok and Andrew Willadsen
3. Approved the administrative reports and fire drills for November 2009.
4. Approved home instruction for students 2009/10-12 to 16.
5. Approved the following workshops/seminars:
  - a.Sara Cobb (PGHS) to attend Beyond Basic Differentiated Instruction – 1/05/10 - \$199.00
  - b.Amy Austino, Thomas Mason, Jean Spinelli (PGMS) to attend Professional Learning Community Training – 1/07/10 – No Cost to the Board (PLC’s Grant)
  - c.Zenaida Cobian, Jennifer Rushton, Kristin Williams (DO) to attend NJASCD Annual State Conference – 1/26/10 - \$155.00 each
  - d.Diana Morris, Ellen Lario, Lisbeth Stone (FSS) to attend When Readers Struggle Teaching that Works – 4/21/10 - \$219.00 each
6. Approved the following field trips:
  - a. L. Thomas, together with Concert Choir Students, to Southgate Nursing Home and Merion Gardens Assisted Living – 12/17/09
  - b. M. Seagraves, K. Wang, together with Big Brothers/Big Sisters Students, to Longwood Gardens – 12/18/09
  - c. R. Lower, together with Jr./Sr. Academy Students, to Salem County Vo-Tech – 12/22/09
  - d. I. Fisher, together with 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Students, to Salem County Vo-Tech – 12/22/09
  - e. R. Tyson, J. Lauckner, together with Life Skills Students, to Pennsville Wal-Mart – 12/22/09
  - f. I. Fisher, together with 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Students, to Salem County Vo-Tech – 2/10/10
  - g. I. Fisher, together with 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Special Education Students, to Salem County Vo-Tech – 2/17/10
  - h. K. Ferguson, together with 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Science Fair Students, to Salem Community College – 2/26/10
  - i. M. Bevis, M. Walker, T. Marinaro, J. Lehr, J. Williams, E. Jones, K. Martin, together with 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade KIC Participants, to Salem Community College – 3/10/10

- j. D. Kilian, together with Marching Band and Concert Band Students, to Williamsburg, VA – Festivals of Music – 4/23/10-4/24/10
- k. N. Murphy, together with Gifted & Talented Students, to Washington, DC – 5/28/10
- 7. Approved the revised/updated Policy #5113- Absences & Excuses and Policy #5131- Student Code of Conduct Policy
- 8. Approved financial reports for October 2009.
- 9. Certified that as of November 30, 2009, after review of reports, that no major account has been over-expended and that sufficient funds are available to meet obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.
- 10. Approved to dispose of certain equipment at PGMS that is beyond repair and no longer useable.
- 11. Approved the following use of facility requests:
  - a. Daisy Girl Scout Troop 92207 to use the Lafayette-Pershing School library on Tuesday, January 12, 2010, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. for the purpose of holding a Daisy Ceremony. Alternate date requested: January 19, 2010.
- 12. Approved, with regret, the resignation of Michael Silvestri, Asst. Principal, PGHS effective January 24, 2010.
- 13. Approved, with regret, the resignation/retirement of Paul Morris, Speech FS & CS effective December 31, 2009.
- 14. Approved, with regret, the resignation of Sarah Vetter, Non-Instructional Aide, MS effective December 23, 2009.
- 15. Approved to rescind the employment contract for Audre Rees, Gen Cafeteria Worker, MS effective December 21, 2009.
- 16. Approved employment for Marie Spencer, CS Special Education Teacher effective January 4, 2010.
- 17. Approved employment for Lorraine Bingham, Non-Instructional Aide, MS effective January 4, 2010.
- 18. Approved employment for Suzanne Duffy, B Schedule Play Construction Asst for the 2009-2010 school year.
- 19. Approved the maternity leave request for Victoria Bucksar, Teacher, FS effective January 19, 2010 through April 28, 2010.
- 20. Approved the maternity leave request for Melissa Lane, Teacher, LP effective January 4, 2010 through March 30, 2010.
- 21. Approved Source 4 Teachers to provide substitute teacher professional services to the district.
- 22. Approved to add the following individual to the list of substitutes:  
Velette Williamston- Custodian
- 23. Approved to dispose of certain equipment at CS that is beyond repair and no longer useable.
- 24. Approved staff to administer the Alternate High School Assessment (ASHA).
- 25. Approved the adoption of MS Text- American History (Beginnings through Reconstruction)
- 26. Approved the placement of Rowan U student Jacqueline Mainart at LP from January 19 through March 26 and March 29 through May 7.
- 27. Approved the placement of Rowan U student, Heidi Woodward at HS from January 19 through May 7.

28. Approved the placement of Wilmington University student Andrew MacFarland at CS for 60 days from January 4.
29. Approved University of Delaware student MaryAnn Magee at HS from January 4 through February 10
30. Approved a waiver to school board policy #6153 concerning the 2010 senior class trip.
31. Approved the request of Rose Breslin, Non-Instructional Aide, LP for unpaid leave effective December 7 through January 4.
32. Approved to submit the districts Title I, Part A- ARRA Waiver Application.
33. Approved the contract for Contour Data Corp for 2 years.
34. Approved to promote Douglas Pollitt to the position of Building & Grounds Supervisor effective February 1, 2010.
35. Approved to post and advertise for an instructional aide position at MS.
36. Approved the request of Nancy Maccarone, CS Teacher for unppiad leave for the period of January 4 through February 26, 2010.
37. Approved 4 special education out of district placements.
38. Approved home instruction for students 2009/10-19 through 21.
39. Approved to adopt the 403b plan document with the following vendors: AIG Valic, Ameriprise Financial Services, AXA Equitable, Fidelity Investments, ING, Lincoln Investments and MetLife.
40. Approved new job description A-102- K-8 Gifted & Talented Teacher.
41. Approved the following mentor for 2009-2010- Angie Alston for Marie Spencer.
42. Approved the following workshops/seminars:
  - a. Nancy Tice (PGMS) to attend Professional Learning Community Training - 1/07/10 - No Cost to the Board (PLC's Grant)
  - b. James Halter (PGHS) to attend Be The Best You Are Coaching Clinic - 1/14-15/10 \$100.00
  - c. George Rhea (PGHS) to attend NSCAA Convention - 1/14-15/10 - \$315.00
  - d. Amber Hann and Stacy Lockwood (DO) to attend Battelle Dev. Inventory Training 1/27/10 - No Cost to the Board
  - e. Amber Hann and Kimberly Tursi (DO) to attend Enhancing Your Knowledge of th New WIAT-III - 2/02/10 - \$150.00 each
43. Approved the following field trips:
  - L. Groeber, together with Spanish 2/3 Students, to El Restaurante "Sabor Latino" - 1/7/10
  - R. Keane, together with Mock Trial Students, to Carneys Point Municipal Court - 1/7/10
  - N. Murphy, together with Gifted and Talented Students, to Franklin Institute - 2/11/10
  - L. Sorantino and S. Stevenson, together with 1<sup>st</sup> Grade ESL Students, to Salem Community College - 3/10/10
  - N. Murphy, together with Gifted and Talented Students, to Longwood Gardens - 4/30/10
  - L. Thomas and D. Kilian, together with Concert Choir and Band Students, to Music in the Parks Festival at Six Flags - 6/4/10

44. Approved the following use of facility requests:
  - a. Salem County Department of Health to use the Penns Grove High School cafeteria on Wednesday, January 6, 2010, from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. for the purpose of holding a H1N1 Vaccine Clinic. Alternate date requested: January 7, 2010.
  - b. S.J. Cobras Softball to use the Penns Grove Middle School gymnasium on 1/8, 1/15, 1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2/19 and 2/26/10, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. for the purpose of holding winter agility training.
    - a. PGHS Guidance Department to use the Penns Grove High School library on Thursday, January 14, 2010, from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. for the purpose of holding PGHS Financial Aid Night.
    - b. PG Twins Midget Football League to use the Penns Grove High School auditorium on Friday, January 15, 2010, from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of holding an award ceremony.
45. Approved the following volunteers for 2009-2010: Earnest Cunningham/ Basketball
46. Approved the following substitutes: Barbara Zane/ Aide and Cafeteria
47. Approved to award a transportation contract to Walts Bus Service for 2009-2010-EM09/10-02, 04 and 05.
48. Approved to award a transportation contract to Kerry Bus Service for 2009-2010-EM09/10-03