

**EAST ALLEGHENY SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
JUNE 8, 2009**

Committee Meeting 6:30 p.m. – Public Session 7:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the School Board of the East Allegheny School District is called to order by Ms. Hensler, the president, at 7:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL

Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Eichler, Mr. Gates, Ms. Hensler, Mrs. Koch, Mrs. McCullough, Dr. Miller, Mr. Pearsol, Mr. Volpe.

ALSO PRESENT:

Mr. D’Emidio, Ms. Valicenti.
Solicitor: Mr. Beisler.

**STUDENT
REPRESENTATIVES**

ABSENT: Matthew Pfeuffer, Maria Sisley.

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING
OF MAY 11, 2009**

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion approving the minutes of the regular school board meeting of May 11, 2009.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S
REPORT**

Recognition of Spelling Bee Winner, Gerald O’Keefe; Former EA Graduates - Robert Johnston, Phi Delta Kappa and Adam Eichler, Academic All-American

**STUDENT
REPRESENTATIVE**

No Report.

**HEAR FROM
THE CITIZENS**

Mr. Pearsol moved and Mrs. McCullough seconded the motion to dispense with the regular order of business to hear from the citizens.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**RESUME THE
REGULAR ORDER
OF BUSINESS**

Mrs. Brown moved and Mr. Pearsol seconded the motion to resume the regular order of business.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Note and article from Mr. & Mrs. Steve Bannister relative to their son, Stephen, in the regional science fair; 25th anniversary of the Charles Drew Award.

**APPROVE AGENDA
IN TOTO**

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion to approve the agenda as a whole, with exceptions as noted.

Brown	<u>None.</u>
Eichler	<u>None.</u>
Gates	<u>None.</u>
Hensler	<u>None.</u>
Koch	<u>Abstain, B&F, L</u>
McCullough	<u>None.</u>
Miller	<u>No, B&F, F</u>
Pearsol	<u>None.</u>
Volpe	<u>None.</u>

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

BUDGET & FINANCE

**TREASURER’S MONTHLY
FINANCIAL STATEMENT
FOR APPROVAL (A)**

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion to approve the Treasurer’s monthly statement.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**SECRETARY’S REPORT
FOR APPROVAL (B)**

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion to approve the Secretary’s report.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

**BILLS FOR PAYMENT
APPROVAL AND
RATIFICATION (C)**

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve and ratify the payment of bills as follows:

General Fund	-----	\$ 827,914.12
Fund 31*	-----	\$ 35,126.00
Fund 32*	-----	\$ 24,676.00

* Fund 31 is the Capital Improvement Fund for the Loan; Fund 32 is the Capital Improvement Fund for the New Logan Middle School.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**CAFETERIA BILLS
FOR PAYMENT (D)**

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve and ratify Cafeteria bills for payment in the amount of \$46,804.76.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

BUDGET & FINANCE

**FEDERAL PROGRAM
BILLS FOR
PAYMENT (E)**

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve and ratify the Federal Program bills as follows:

Drug Free 08-09	-----	\$1,057.89
Title I 08-09	-----	\$36,488.25
GV Academic Achievement	-----	\$268.62
CFF 08-09	-----	\$42.81
Acc. Bl. Grant 08-09	-----	\$397.02
Safe School Initiative 08-09	-----	\$0.00

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**2009-2010 SCHOOL
DISTRICT PROPOSED
FINAL BUDGET
FOR ADOPTION(F)**

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve adoption of the proposed final budget for the 2009-2010 fiscal year with revenues and expenditures totaling \$28,542,798 and with millage set at 26.54, which is a zero (0) mil increase for the 2009-2010 fiscal year, a continuation of all Act 511 taxes and further the continuation of the Real Estate Tax Installment Payment Plan Resolution, dated 6/8/09, as adopted by Board Resolution.

ROLL CALL

On a roll call vote, the following members voted Yes: Brown, Eichler, Gates, Hensler, Koch, McCullough, Pearsol, Volpe. No: Miller.

Yes 8
No 1

The motion was passed.

**APPROVE AGREEMENT
FOR SERVICES
ADELPHOI VILLAGE, INC. (G)**

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the agreement for continuation of services between the East Allegheny School District and Adelphoi Village, Inc., 1003 Village Way, Latrobe, PA 15650, for the purpose of furnishing alternative educational services for the 2009-2010 school year at \$66.00 per day for regular education and \$72.60 per day for special education.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**DISTRICT GENERAL
SUPPLY BIDS (H)**

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve awarding the 2009-2010 school year general fund bids (subject to final approval by the Superintendent and the Director of Fiscal Affairs).

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**ALLEGHENY
INTERMEDIATE UNIT
E-SCHOOL MALL BIDS (I)**

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve awarding the purchase of materials bid jointly, to the Allegheny Intermediate Unit for copy paper, selected custodial cleaning supplies and selected school supplies for the 2009-2010 school year. (All bids have final approval by the Superintendent and the Director of Fiscal Affairs.)

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

BUDGET & FINANCE

RENEWAL OF INSURANCE (J)

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the following insurance premiums for the 2009-2010 school year from the Gleason Agency, Inc.:

	2008-09	2009-10
Premiums		
Package – Indemnity of North America	\$44,789	\$48,981
Umbrella	\$7,060	\$7,060
Workers Comp	\$59,909	\$85,812
School Leaders of PA	\$10,787	\$9,815
11-15 Passenger Van – Argonaut Midwest	\$1,188	\$2,750
Total	\$123,733	\$154,418
Student & Sports Insurance	\$6,710.51	\$7,021.00
Total	6,710.51	\$7,021.00

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

SERIES 2009/2010 REVENUE ANTICIPATION NOTE FORBES ROAD CAREER & TECHNOLOGY CENTER (K)

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the Series 2009/2010 Revenue Anticipation Note in the amount of \$4,800,000.00 for the Forbes Road Career & Technology Center at a 2.79% interest rate.

ROLL CALL

On a roll call vote, the following members voted Yes: Brown, Eichler, Gates, Hensler, McCullough, Miller, Pearsol, Volpe. No: None. Abstain: Koch.

Yes 8
No 0
Abstain 1

The motion was passed.

SCHOOL DISTRICT BANK DEPOSITORY (L)

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board appoint Huntington Bank as the East Allegheny School District Bank Depository for the 2009-2010 fiscal year.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

APPROVE TAX ANTICIPATION LOAN (M)

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board pass a resolution to enter into an agreement with Huntingdon Bank for a Tax Anticipation Loan not to exceed \$1,200,000.00 for the 2009-2010 fiscal year at a 2.5 % interest rate.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

BUDGET & FINANCE

**FIRST STUDENT
TRANSPORTATION
CONTRACT AMENDMENT (N)**

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve an amendment to the existing negotiated transportation contract between First Student and the East Allegheny School District which would freeze rates for the 2009-2010 school year, rather than the 2% increase as indicated in the contract. In order to realize this freeze, language would be revised to indicate the Carrier would use buses no older than eight (8) years. The old language indicated an age requirement of seven (7) years.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**APPLICATION FOR
PAYMENT
QUALITY MECHANICAL
SERVICES, INC.
HS BOILER
REPLACEMENT PROJECT (O)**

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve Payment #2 to Quality Mechanical Services, Inc., in the amount of \$4,500.00 for the High School Boiler Replacement Project. This payment has been reviewed and certified for payment by HHSDR Architects.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**APPLICATION FOR
PAYMENT
JOHN HAUGHEY
& SONS, INC.
HS BOILER
REPLACEMENT PROJECT (P)**

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve Payment #1 to John Haughey & Sons, Inc., in the amount of \$16,164.00 for the High School Boiler Replacement Project. This payment has been reviewed and certified for payment by HHSDR Architects.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**SAFETY CHECK FOR
HIGH SCHOOL
STAGE EQUIPMENT (Q)**

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the yearly safety check of the stage equipment at the high school, which includes a visual inspection and all necessary maintenance such as adjusting ropes, curtains, and cables, at a cost of \$1,500.00.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**AWARD CONCRETE BID
HIGH SCHOOL SIDEWALK (R)**

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board award the bid for the concrete work on the high school sidewalk to Carmen Barone & Sons, Inc., in the amount of \$31,400.00, pending receipt of the Federal Stimulus funding.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**RESOLUTION TO
OPPOSE KEYSTONE
EXAMS (S)**

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board pass Resolution No. 09-001, a Resolution of the Board of School directors of the East Allegheny School District opposing the proposed Keystone Exams.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

BUDGET & FINANCE

**APPLICATION FOR
PAYMENT
LOGAN MIDDLE
SCHOOL PROJECT (T)**

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the following payment for the respective contractor for the Logan Middle School Project. All payments have been reviewed and certified for payment by HHS DR Architects.

Contractor	Payment #	Amount
WAE Balancing, Inc.	Final	\$10,300.00

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

BUILDING & GROUNDS

**USE OF PROPERTY
REQUEST**

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the following requests for the use of the district facilities at a cost to the organization according to board policy:

<u>Group</u>	<u>Building/Grounds</u>	<u>Date Requested</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Activity</u>
Tang Soo Do Karate College (A)	LMS Stage or Gym	Friday, 6/5/09	Time TBD	Demo
Wilmerding YMCA (B)	WE Gym	M-F, 6/15 - 8/14/09	9:00 a.m. – Noon	Basketball Camp
EA Varsity Football (C)	HS Stadium	M-F, 7/6-10/09	6:00 – 8:30 p.m.	Youth Football Clinics

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

CURRICULUM

**FIELD TRIP REQUEST
SOUTH PARK, PA (A)**

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve and ratify the request from Valerie Ekis, Freshman Class Sponsor, 25 students and 2 additional chaperones to visit Hundred Acres Manor, South Park, PA on Wednesday, June 3, 2009 from 5:30 to 11:00 p.m. to work as actors in the haunted house to fundraise for Prom 2011. If 25 students help at this event, the Freshman Class Cabinet will receive a donation of \$450.00 to put towards their prom and senior breakfast.

COST TO THE DISTRICT: None.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

CURRICULUM

**FIELD TRIP REQUEST
NORTH VERSAILLES, PA (B)**

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the request from Denise Snyder and Tracy Yusko, Green Valley teachers, and 46 students to visit the Lincoln Square Assisted Living Center on Tuesday, June 9, 2009 from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. This is a culmination of the Great Idea Grant received by Mrs. Snyder and Mrs. Yusko where cookbooks were sold and gifts purchased with the proceeds for the children to present to the residents of the Center.

COST TO THE DISTRICT: Transportation is needed, but the bus is being donated. There is no other cost to the District.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**CONFERENCE REQUEST
HOUSTON, TX (C)**

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the request from Raymond Morton, Assistant High School Principal, to attend the ASCD (Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development) Summer Conference in Houston, Texas on Friday, June 26, 2009 through Sunday, June 28, 2009. This conference focuses on the topics Differentiated Instruction, Understanding by Design and What Works in Schools. Mr. Morton will return with materials and information to share with the other administrators.

COST TO THE DISTRICT: Registration (\$429.00), travel (\$450.00) and lodging (\$530.00), for a total of \$1,509.00.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**WORKSHOP REQUEST
HOMESTEAD, PA (D)**

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the request from Sean Gildea, Principal, and Gary Peiffer, Assistant to the Superintendent, to attend the Curriculum Leadership Academy at the Allegheny Intermediate Unit, Homestead, Pa on September 10, 2009, October 2, 2009 and November 16, 2009.

COST TO THE DISTRICT: \$365.00 each.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

POLICY

**APPROVE THE FIRST
READING OF THE
REVISIONS TO
POLICIES**

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the first reading of the revisions to the following policies, as recommended by the building administrators, as per attached:

Policy #204, Attendance

Policy #217, Graduation Requirements

(To reflect the changes in the PSSA Intervention Plan)

Policy #218, Student Discipline

Policy #237, Electronic Devices

Policy #249, Anti-Bullying

Policy #802, School Organization (To reflect the current building configuration)

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

PERSONNEL

**RESIGNATION OF
 SOCIAL STUDIES
 TEACHER (A)**

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board accept the letter of resignation from Malcolm Jarrett, social studies teacher, and approve the Separation Agreement between the East Allegheny School District and Mr. Jarrett, effective June 12, 2009. Further authorize the posting of this position.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**CHANGE IN STATUS
 TEMPORARY
 PROFESSIONAL
 EMPLOYEE TO
 PROFESSIONAL
 EMPLOYEE (B)**

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the change in status for the following:

Linda Carlson	Heather Maurizio
Alice Flores	Jessica Pierce
Elisa Greb	Julie Poljak
Nicole Henline	Brendan Walk
James Kuhla	Kathleen Weaver
Karen Martin	Darcy Yeloushan

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**2009-2010 TEACHER
 REASSIGNMENTS (C)**

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the following teacher reassignments for the 2009-2010 school year, and further authorize the posting of any positions that becomes vacant due to reassignment:

Teacher	From	To
Janeen Badali	High School Physical Education	Logan Middle School/High School Physical Education
Kristina Botti	1st Grade	2nd Grade
Lynne Botti	2nd Grade	Green Valley Technology Teacher
Natalie Ciccanti	2nd Grade	Middle School Mathematics
Donna Grzyb	2nd Grade	Title I Mathematics
Christopher Liptak	Pre-Kindergarten	2nd Grade
Dolores Miklos	IST	4th Grade
Amanda Rhoten	Kindergarten	Pre-Kindergarten

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**HIRING OF
 GREEN VALLEY
 PHYSICAL EDUCATION
 TEACHER(D)**

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board hire Bryan Dull, North Versailles, as a physical education teacher assigned to Green Valley Primary School, at Masters, Step 2, effective for the 2009-2010 school year, commencing Thursday, September 3, 2009, and in accordance with the agreement between the East Allegheny Board of School Directors and the East Allegheny Education Association.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

PERSONNEL

**HIRING OF
ELEMENTARY
TEACHER (E)**

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board hire Tressa Dvorsky, Connellsville, as an elementary teacher, assigned to third grade at Green Valley School, at Bachelor, Step 2, effective for the 2009-2010 school year, commencing Thursday, September 3, 2009 and in accordance with the agreement between the East Allegheny Board of School Directors and the East Allegheny Education Association.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**HIRING OF
TITLE I SUMMER
ENRICHMENT
PROGRAM TEACHERS(F)**

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board hire the following teachers for the Title I Summer Enrichment Program (funding out of Title I monies):

Margaret Meighan	Angela Turkowski
Jeannie Estadt	Dolores Miklos
Janine Montgomery	

Program will run for 3 Wednesdays, July 8, 15, 22, 2009 from 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. Teachers would work 9:00 a.m. to Noon. Teachers would provide activities and lessons around the following themes: Time and Money, Tornadoes and Weather, and Rockets and Flight.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**RENEW SCHOOL
DISTRICT DENTIST(G)**

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board renew the contract with Dr. Michael Fontana, North Huntingdon, as the School District Dentist at a cost of \$2,800 for the 2009-2010 school year. This is the same rate as last year.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**RENEW SCHOOL
DISTRICT
PHYSICIAN(H)**

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve to renew the contract with R. Curtis Waligura as the school physician for the 2009-2010 school year with compensation set at \$13,500.00. This is the same rate as last year.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**RESIGNATION OF
SCIENCE FAIR
CHAIRPERSON (I)**

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board accept the resignation of David Janusek as Logan Middle School Science Fair Chairperson, effective immediately, and further authorize the posting of this position.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

PERSONNEL

**SUBSTITUTES FOR
APPROVAL(J)**

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the following substitutes in the respective areas:

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<u>FName</u>	<u>LName</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Area</u>
Jacob	Graham	Monroeville	Health/Physical Education
Felix	Marguriet	North Versailles	Custodial
Caitlin	Moury	Bethel Park	English
Rick	Nese	Pittsburgh	Elementary
Stevie	Stipanovic	McKeesport	Elementary
Eric	Wilkins	Elizabeth	French

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**HIRING OF
ASSISTANT
CHEERLEADING
COACH (K)**

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Gates seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board hire Maureen Serrapere, East McKeesport, as the Assistant Cheerleading Coach, pending receipt of updated clearances, and in accordance with the agreement between the East Allegheny Board of School Directors and the East Allegheny Education Association.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

**FEDERAL PROGRAMS
REPORT:**

Mr. Peiffer attended a meeting at the AIU on May 5th for new Federal Programs Directors. At the meeting, much was discussed on completing the year end reports and the application for next year's funds.

On May 6th, Mrs. McCoy and Mr. Peiffer worked on the Federal Programs grant application on the e- Grant, the online grant for funds for next year. Mrs. Sedlak, Mrs. McCoy and Mr. Peiffer also began to look at the equity plan in the federal program requirements and to revise East Allegheny's plan.

Mr. Peiffer held two meetings with the Title teachers: May 13th and May 15th. The meetings revolved around year end reporting, setting a closing date for the Title Labs. (June 3rd) and planning for the Summer program.

On May 26th, the Title Teachers met for the day to plan the summer program. Mr. Peiffer went up to Logan to meet with them to see how the plans were developing and to provide input. Questions also arose over who was teaching what for next year. Mr. Peiffer asked Mr. Gildea to keep the teachers status quo until we are able to see what stimulus funds may be available.

Letters had gone out to parents inviting them to register for the summer program. A tentative bus schedule was established, with summer stops. This will be defined once we receive the final registrations for the program.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Gates moved and Mrs. McCullough seconded the motion to adjourn at 7:52 p.m.

Toni Valicenti

Board Secretary

HEAR FROM THE CITIZENS

Brittany Grubbs, Ardara, PA