EAST ALLEGHENY SCHOOL DISTRICT MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING March 11, 2019

Committee Meeting 6:00 p.m. – Public Session 7:00 p.m. The Board went into Executive Session from 6:30 p.m. to 7:10 p.m. for Personnel and **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Legal Matters. The regular meeting of the School Board of the East Allegheny School **CALL TO ORDER** District is called to order by Mr. Savinda, the president, at 7:10 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance Mr. Eichler, Mrs. Green, Dr. King, Mrs. McCullough, Mr. Pearsol, Ms. Rosenbayger, **ROLL CALL** Mr. Savinda, Mr. Volpe. ABSENT: Mr. Paradine Mr. Mac Fann, Ms. Valicenti. **ALSO PRESENT:** Solicitor: Mr. Beisler. **STUDENT** Paige Yusko, Amaia Johnson. REPRESENTATIVES Ms. Rosenbayger moved and Mr. Volpe seconded the motion approving MINUTES OF THE the minutes of the regular school board meeting of February 11, 2019. **REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 11, 2019** SUPERINTENDENT'S Ms. Gida and Musical Cast Members, Taylor Getsy and Isaac Richardson presented announcements and invites for the spring musical. **STUDENT** See report. REPRESENTATIVE **RESUME THE** Mr. Pearsol moved and Mr. Volpe seconded the motion to resume the regular order of **REGULAR ORDER** business. **OF BUSINESS** The motion was passed, no dissenting votes. **COMMUNICATIONS:** None. APPROVE AGENDA Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Volpe seconded the motion to approve the agenda as a whole, with exceptions as noted. IN TOTO Eichler None. Green None. King None. McCullough None. Paradine Absent. Pearsol Budget and Finance, Letter G: No Rosenbayger None. Savinda None.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

None.

Volpe

BUDGET & FINANCE

TREASURER'S MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR APPROVAL (A) Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Volpe 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. Volpe seconded the motion to approve the Secretary's report.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

BUDGET & FINANCE

BILLS FOR PAYMENT APPROVAL AND RATIFICATION (C) Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Volpe seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve and ratify the payment of bills as follows:

General Fund	 \$ 489,427.38
GF Batch 9	 \$ 493,602.63
GF Batch 98*	 \$ 274,800.24

* Batch 98 – Charter Schools

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

PURCHASE ORDERS APPROVAL (D)

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Volpe seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve purchase orders as follows:

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

CAFETERIA BILLS FOR PAYMENT (E)

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Volpe seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve and ratify Cafeteria bills for payment in the amount of \$82,686.36

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

FEDERAL PROGRAM BILLS FOR PAYMENT (F)

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

Title I 18-19	 \$ 44,303.08
Title II Part A 18-19	 \$ 0
Title IV 18-19	 \$ 2,144.62

BUDGET & FINANCE

APPROVE ALLEGHENY INTERMEDIATE UNIT SERVICES AGREEMENT (G)

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Volpe seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the continuation of special education services to the East Allegheny School District by the Allegheny Intermediate Unit for the 2019-2020 school year.\

ROLL CALL

On a roll call vote, the following members voted Yes: Eichler, Green, King, McCullough, Rosenbayger, Savinda, Volpe. No: Pearsol.

Yes: 7 No: 1

The motion was passed.

ADOPTION OF POLICIES, PROCEDURES, AND USE OF FUNDS - ALLEGHENY INTERMEDIATE UNIT (H)

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Volpe seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board adopt the Policies, Procedures and Use of Funds for the Allegheny Intermediate Unit as part of the IDEA Application for 2019-2020. This is an annual requirement of the school districts serviced by the AIU.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

APPROVE 2019-2020 AIU PROGRAM OF SERVICES BUDGET (I)

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Volpe seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the proposed 2019-2020 Allegheny Intermediate Unit Program of Services Budget in the amount of \$2,144,656.00. The Allegheny County (AIU3) school districts' total contribution to the budget is \$1,811,545.00. The East Allegheny School District contribution to the Program of Services Budget is estimated to be \$\$15,559.00 and will be determined by PDE according to District Aid Ratio and Weighted Average Daily Membership (WADM.)

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

AUTHORIZE GMAX TEST ATHLETIC FOOTBALL FIELD (J)

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Volpe seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve Thomas Testings, Inc. to conduct the GMAX test on the athletic football field at a cost of \$825.00, which includes expenses.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

PHONE SYSTEM REPLACEMENT PROPOSAL (K)

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Volpe seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the proposal from Full Service Network, 600 Grant Street, 30th Floor, Pittsburgh, PA 15219, for the replacement of the district-wide phone system at a cost of \$1,778.99 per month, taxes and surcharges not included, as per the attached proposal, with a one-time activation fee of \$499.99. Lifetime warranty and Umbrella Dispatch Service included on all FSN equipment provided in agreement.

BUILDING & GROUNDS

USE OF PROPERTY REQUEST

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

Group	Building/Grounds	Date Requested	<u>Time</u>	Activity Cost
North Versailles Twp. (A)	JSHS Fields and Parking lots	Thurs., 8/1/19	2:00 p.m10:00 p.m.	Parade: \$0 150 th NVT Celebration
Men's Basketball (B)	JSHS Gymnasium	Tues., 3/12/19-6/11/19	7:30-10:00 p.m.	Pick-up \$3,750.00 Basketball Games
Boy Scout Troop 85 (C)	JSHS Pool	Tues., 5/7-5/28/19	7:00-9:00 p.m.	Swimming \$0 Instruction
EA Swim Team (D)	JSHS Indoor Court	Sun., 3/24/19	5:00-9:00 p.m.	End of Season \$0 Dinner
Jr. High Soccer Team (E)	JSHS Soccer Field	Weds., 3/13-6/19/19	6:00-8:00 p.m.	Soccer Practice \$0

^{*}Note: the NHS Induction ceremony date of May 13, 2019, approved February 11, 2019, has been changed to May 14, 2019.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

CURRICULUM

2019-2020 SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL COURSE SELECT BOOK (A) Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Volpe seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the 2019-2020 East Allegheny Senior High School Course Select Book.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

CONFERENCE REQUEST PITTSBURGH, PA (B)

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Volpe seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve and ratify the request from Eileen Joll, Science Teacher, to attend two (2) workshops on science notebooking and language acquisition through inquiry centered science classrooms, at PaTTAN Pittsburgh, on Monday, February 25, 2019 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Ms. Joll uses an interactive notebook and would like to gain knowledge from these workshops on how to utilize it for critical thinking in the classroom. In doing so, students will gain writing practice which will help increase both Science and ELA scores.

COST TO THE DISTRICT: One (1) substitute for one (1) day. Cost has been budgeted.

FIELD TRIP REQUEST MONROEVILLE, PA (C)

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Volpe seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve and ratify the request from Emilia Peiffer, School Counselor and 50-75 ninth grade students to attend the Forbes Road Career and Technology Center, Hands-on Tour, Monroeville, PA on Friday, March 8, 2019 from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. This tour allows ninth grade students to explore all of the programs Forbes CTC has to offer.

COST TO THE DISTRICT: Transportation. Cost has been budgeted.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

CONFERENCE REQUEST BETHEL PARK, PA (D)

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Volpe seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the request from Kathleen Chenot, English Teacher, to attend the English Language Arts Teacher's Exchange, (ELATE,) at Bethel Park High School, on Tuesday, March 12, 2019 from 7:45 to 11:00 a.m. This is the first meeting of ELATE. District department heads will discuss common issues and solutions pertaining to the English Language Arts education. Mrs. Chenot will learn about dealing with 21st century ELA education which incorporates STEAM, digital literacy, PBL video technology, etc. This will help the ELA department fully take advantage of our technology grant.

COST TO THE DISTRICT: One (1) substitute for one half (1/2) day. Cost has been budgeted.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

FIELD TRIP REQUEST MCKEESPORT, PA (E)

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Volpe seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the request from Holly Spallone, Science Teacher, 13 AP Environmental Science students and 12 Physics I and II students to attend STEM-Day at Penn State, Greater Allegheny, on Thursday, March 14, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Students will learn about STEM, specifically related to energy. They will participate in hands-on activities in regards to wind power, people power and calorimetry. These activities relate to the energy unit of the AP Environmental Science curriculum. Students will learn how wind turbines produce electrical energy, how human energy produces useful energy and how to determine calorie content in food through calorimetry. Students will also hear a presentation on STEM careers and Penn State University.

COST TO THE DISTRICT: One (1) substitute for one (1) day. Cost has been budgeted. Transportation costs will be paid for by Penn State Greater Allegheny.

CONFERENCE REQUEST HOMESTEAD, PA (F)

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Volpe seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the request from Lou Gerbi, 5th Grade Teacher, Hope Gerbi, 6th Grade Teacher, Math and Science Teachers: Holly Spallone, Marcie Sippey and Frank Szatkowski, to attend the "STEAM Summit" at the Allegheny Intermediate Unit, Homestead, PA on Wednesday, March 20, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Attendees plan to learn new and best practices in STEAM education and ways to integrate the new ideas, including maker education, computer science and space redesign, into our science and math classes. There will be four (4) tracks followed that day that should provide many new ideas in how to infuse more STEAM into our curriculums. Additionally, Ms. Spallone, Ms. Sippey and Mr. Szatkowski hope to gain further information to help with implementing the PaSmart Advancing Grant.

COST TO THE DISTRICT: Five (5) substitutes for one (1) day. Costs have been budgeted.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

CONFERENCE REQUEST MONTOUR, PA (G)

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Volpe seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the requests from Linda Carlson, Computer Science and Media Teacher to attend the "Scratch" training workshop at Montour High School on Friday, March 22, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Attendees will learn proper ways to incorporate and teach "Scratch," a computer programming language. This training is recommended for the PaSmart Advancing Grant.

COST TO THE DISTRICT: One (1) substitutes for one (1) day. Cost has been budgeted.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

CONFERENCE REQUEST PITTSBURGH, PA (H)

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Volpe seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the request from Dr. Joseph Howell, Special Education Coordinator and School Psychologist, Principals: Dr. Betsy D'Emidio, Sean Gildea and Mark Draskovich, and Deans of Students: Ryan Encapera and Christopher Berger to attend Days 2 and 3 of Alternative to Suspensions: Addressing Disproportionate Behavior Practices, at PaTTAN Pittsburgh, PA on Thursday, March 21, 2019 and Thursday, May 23, 2019 for full days. Attendees will gain an increased knowledge in data skills to detect disproportionate behavior practices, exposure to potential action items around 8 Key Responsibility Areas to addressing disproportionate outcomes around behavior and an increased awareness of resources.

COST TO THE DISTRICT: None. Substitutes and transportation not required.

CONFERENCE REQUEST MONTOUR, PA (I)

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Volpe seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the requests from Linda Carlson, Computer Science and Media Teacher to attend the "Hummingbird" training workshop at Montour High School on Friday, March 29, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. This class will introduce Ms. Carlson to "Hummingbirds," which are robots that will prepare students for working with a different kind of robot. This training is recommended for the PaSmart Advancing Grant.

COST TO THE DISTRICT: One (1) substitutes for one (1) day. Cost has been budgeted.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

FIELD TRIP REQUEST PITTSBURGH, PA (J)

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Volpe seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the request from Kathleen Chenot, English Teacher, and ten (10) journalism students to visit the Center for Media Innovation, Point Park University, Pittsburgh, PA on Wednesday, April 3, 2019 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Students will be exposed to technological innovations in media. They will learn how to be savvy media consumers and will explore potential careers.

COST TO THE DISTRICT: One (1) substitute for one (1) day. Cost has been budgeted. Transportation cost will be paid for by Point Park University.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

CONFERENCE REQUEST HOMESTEAD, PA (K)

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Volpe seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the request from Deborah Bacco-Wicker, Gifted Education Teacher, to attend "Gifted Networking" at the Allegheny Intermediate Unit, Homestead, PA on Wednesday, April 3, 2019 from 8:20 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The Gifted Network is a professional learning community for coordinators of gifted students to discuss topics relevant to supporting the unique needs of gifted students. Time is also designated for discussion about current issues in gifted education at the classroom, building and district levels. Networking with others in the field is an integral part of each meeting and allows for collaboration between participants.

COST TO THE DISTRICT: None. Transportation and substitute not required.

FESTIVAL PARTICIPATION REQUEST NORTH HUNTINGDON AND PITTSBURGH, PA (L)

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Volpe seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the request from Stephen Ehrlich, Orchestra Director, and student Alyssa DePaoli, to participate in the 2019 Pennsylvania Music Educators' Association All-State Orchestra Festival at Norwin Sr. High School, North Huntingdon, PA starting at 2:45 p.m. on Wednesday, April 3, 2019, with performances through Friday, April 5, 2019. A final performance will take place at the David L. Lawrence Convention Center, Pittsburgh, PA on Saturday, April 6, 2019. Through a series of rigorous auditions, Alyssa was selected to participate in this festival. According to PMEA bylaws, the school music teacher is required to accompany his/her students and assist in the audition process.

COST TO THE DISTRICT: One (1) substitute for two (2) days, student registration fee of \$385.00, which includes student housing and meals, and director registration fee of \$185.00. Costs have been budgeted.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

CONFERENCE REQUEST PITTSBURGH, PA (M)

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Volpe seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the request from Jennifer Costello, Special Education Teacher, and Donna Grzyb, Title I Teacher, to attend the "Mathematic Literacy: Developing Students Writing Skills in Mathematics" Workshop at PaTTAN Pittsburgh on Monday, April 8, 2019 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Ms. Costello and Ms. Grzyb will gain knowledge in helping students understand mathematical reasoning and how they can better explain their thoughts in written form. Attendees will gain knowledge and information to help students use math vocabulary to explain their answers to openended questions in class and on the math section of the PSSA.

COST TO THE DISTRICT: One (1) substitute for one (1) day; Ms. Grzyb does not require a substitute. Cost has been budgeted.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

CONFERENCE REQUEST HOMESTEAD, PA (N)

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Volpe seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the request from Emilia Peiffer, School Counselor, to attend the Allegheny County School Counselor Association meeting at Dave & Buster's at the Waterfront, Homestead, PA on Friday, March 22, 2019, from 7:15 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. This conference will be focused on trauma-informed practices and will provide professional development on this topic.

COST TO THE DISTRICT: None.

FIELD TRIP REQUEST MONROEVILLE, PA (O)

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Volpe seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the request from Emilia Peiffer, School Counselor, and 25-30 12th grade students to attend the "College Kick-Start Day" at CCAC Boyce Campus, Monroeville, PA on Wednesday, April 3, 2019, from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. This is a tour of CCAC, Boyce Campus to give seniors an opportunity to learn and explore programs available. Seniors who are undecided about their future plans may complete applications and make final decisions about attending CCAC.

COST TO THE DISTRICT: None. Transportation cost paid for by CCAC.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

POLICY

ADOPTION OF ATTACHMENT TO POLICY (A)

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Volpe seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the adoption of Attachment B, Safe2Say Something procedure to Policy 805, Emergency Preparedness, as suggested by PSBA, as per attached.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

ADOPTION OF REVISIONS TO THE FOLLOWING POLICIES (B)

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Volpe seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the adoption of revisions to the following policies, as per attached, as recommended by PSBA.

Policy 103, Nondiscrimination/Discriminatory Harassment-School and Classroom Practices

Policy 103.1, Nondiscrimination-Qualified Students with Disabilities

Policy 104, Nondiscrimination/Discriminatory Harassment-Employment Practices

Policy 626, Federal Fiscal Compliance, Attachment Revision

Policy 904, Public Attendance at School Events

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

SECOND READING OF REPLACEMENT POLICIES (C)

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Volpe seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the second reading of the following policies, as per attached, which will replace current policies per PSBA recommendations and to reflect changes in the law. These policies will be replaced, rather than revised, due to the extensive revisions required for compliance.

Policy 222, Pupils, Tobacco/Nicotine

Policy 247, Hazing

Policy 249, Bullying/Cyberbullying

Policy 323, Tobacco/Nicotine

Policy 251, Homeless Students

STUDENT LIFE

APPROVE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING DISTRICT & POLICE DEPARTMENTS (A) Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Volpe seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the East Allegheny School District and the police departments of North Versailles Township, Allegheny County and East McKeesport Borough for the 2019-2020 school year, as per attached, with one addition to the 2018-2019 MOU which addresses the PA statewide mandated Safe2Say Something initiative. This MOU must be approved each year.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

DISTRICT EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR PROGRAM (B)

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Volpe seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the 2018-2019 District Extended School Year (ESY) Program for students, commencing July 1, 2019 and continuing through July 26, 2019. Students will participate for nineteen (19) days from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. each day. The ESY Program cost not to exceed ninety (90) hours at \$32.00 per hour for a total of \$2,880. The AIU cost for ESY is \$2,350 per student. Further approve the posting of the position of ESY teacher.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

PERSONNEL

HIRING OF 3-HOUR CAFETERIA WORKER (A)

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Volpe seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board hire Tammy Allen, North Versailles, as a 3-Hour General Cafeteria Worker, Group IV employee, at Logan Elementary School, with a starting hourly rate of \$11.01, effective March 12, 2019, based on a graduated pay scale, and in accordance with the agreement between the East Allegheny Board of School Directors and the East Allegheny Educational Support Professionals.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

SUBSTITUTE FOR HIRE (B)

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Volpe seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board hire Richard Bruce, North Versailles, as a Substitute Custodian, effective March 12, 2019.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

UNPAID LEAVE OF ABSENCE (C)

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Volpe seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board approve the request from Darcy Yeloushan, School Nurse, for unpaid leave on Friday, March 22, 2019; Thursday, April 18, 2019 and Monday, April 22, 2019. Mrs. Yeloushan exhausted allotted sick and personal leave due to an extended illness.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

RESIGNATION OF COACH (D)

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Volpe seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board accept the resignation from Dana Williams, Baseball Head Coach, effective immediately, and further authorize posting of this position.

PERSONNEL

RESIGNATION OF COACH (E)

Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Volpe seconded the motion as recommended by the Administration the Board accept the resignation from Tom Nola, 7th/8th Grade Girls' Assistant Softball Coach, effective immediately, and further authorize posting of this position.

The motion was passed, no dissenting votes.

FEDERAL PROGRAMS REPORT FEDERAL PROGRAMS REPORT

Submitted by Betsy D'Emidio for

February 2019

All Non-Public students' data is continuing to be updated into PIMS. The Non-Public consultation has begun and the low income data is continuing to be collected.

We are presently gathering information regarding the non-public income eligible students and ensuring they match our Title I school attendance area.

The VR/AR Goggles purchased through Title IV have been used in several classrooms at the Jr/Sr High School to supplement instruction. The students are showing enthusiasm. Mrs. Spallone held a workshop at Logan so that teachers can begin using them at the elementary level.

The invitations to parents of our Title I students were sent home, welcoming them to attend the Parent Engagement Workshop, Winter Wonders. This workshop is not only training for staff members, but it supplies parents with strategies that can be used at home to promote learning.

Mrs. Piccini and I our preparing for our upcoming March assembly titled "Off Script". This assembly will educate our students on the risks of using drugs and alcohol. This assembly was paid through Title IV under the category of Safety, Health and wellness.

The February monthly personnel Activity report for split-time federal employees was completed and submitted to Mr. MacFann.

I am presently waiting for the consolidated application amendment/funding adjustment amounts which will be distributed soon.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

ADJOURNMENT Mrs. McCullough moved and Mr. Paradine seconded the motion to adjourn at 7:16 p.m.

HEAR FROM THE CITIZENS

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Board Secretary

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None.