

BOARD BRIEFS



Actions of the Board 2004-2005

August 25, 2005



Award –

- *Bids for Music Equipment for the 2005-2006 school year as per attached bid tabulations.*

Remove –

- *On the recommendation of the Superintendent and Business Manager, the Board of Education approve the **involuntary resignation** of Victoria A. Dolena as a part-time Custodian.*
- *On the recommendation of the Superintendent and the High School Principal, the Board of Education hire Phillip Brennen, 346 Fifth St., Whitehall, PA, as a full-time permanent Mathematics Teacher at the high school effective starting with the 2005-2006 school year, at Step (B-1), of the PVEA contract.*

Note: Dollar amount will be applied when P.V.E.A. contract is settled.

Accept –

- *The resignation of Maria Boner as a regularly scheduled Special Education Aide at the high school, effective immediately.*

Hire –

- *Carmella Miller, as an Instructional Aide at the Elementary School (Inclusion Class) for the 2005-2006 school year, at the current hourly rate of the Instructional Aides contract.*

Note: Hourly rate will be determined when contract is settled.

- Linda Androkitis, as an Instructional Aide at the Middle School (Learning Support Class) for the 2005-2006 school year, at the current hourly rate of the Instructional Aides contract.

Note: Hourly rate will be determined when contract is settled.

- Johnna Yurko as an Elementary Teacher (Grade 5) starting with the 2005-2006 school year, at Step (B-2) of the P.V.E.A. contract.

Note: Dollar amount will be applied when the P.V.E.A. contract is settle.

Appoint –

- Grace Kocha, as a Temporary Substitute Instructional Aide at the High School (Multi-Disabilities Class) at the hourly rate of \$8.60.

Note: Until a regularly scheduled appointment is made.

- Kimberly Scarcella and Kirsten Tout as the site coordinators for the 100 Book Challenge at the elementary school for the 2005-2006 school term.

Note: The stipend is \$500 per coordinator, payable from the 2005-2006 Ametek Foudation Grant for the 100 Book Challenge.

- The following individuals as volunteer Volleyball Coach.

Lori Hahn Johnna Yurko

- The following individual as volunteer Basketball Coach.

Bernie Ogozalek

Approve –

- Mr. Mike Ouly as the Middle School Disciplinarian for the 2005-2006 school year, at a salary of \$20,500.00.

Note: This is in accordance with terms and conditions identified in a Memorandum of Understanding between Mr. Ouly and the Panther Valley School District.

- The transfer of Melissa Wickersham from Elementary Title I to 3rd Grade teaching position, effective the start of the 2005-2006 school year.
- The transfer of Kevin Dillon from Grade 5 to Elementary Title I teaching position, effective the start of the 2005-2006 school year.
- To continue the employment of Carrie Selinko, 1323 W. Market St., Pottsville, PA, as the Elementary School Health Room Associate, for the 2005-2006 school year at a salary of \$26,000.00 and further, to approve a Memorandum of Understanding defining benefits and conditions of employment.

Note: Mrs. Selinko held this position last year. It is not part of the P.V.E.A. contract. No health benefits. Will receive 5 sick days and 2 personal days.

- *Entering into the annual cafeteria contract between Panther Valley School District and BHA Academy/Educare for the 2005-2006 school year.*
- *The attached formal resolution referencing taking the necessary and appropriate action for the acquisition of ownership of the land 11.194 acre parcel owned by Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company for the access to the existing High School and to also provide for a second access to the proposed building site of the Middle School on School District property along Route 209 in the Borough of Summit Hill.*
- *Exoneration requests for per capita taxes in the amount of \$20.00 and occupation taxes in the amount of \$250.00 for a total of \$270.00 for the 2003 tax year.*

Note: Notarized documentation is on file in the Business Office.

- *Exoneration requests for per capita taxes in the amount of \$100.00 and occupation taxes in the amount of \$1125.00 for a total of \$1225.00 for the 2004 tax year.*

Note: Notarized documentation is on file in the Business Office.

- *A refund of an overpayment of 2004 Occupation taxes in the amount of \$122.50 to Nicole Kane, 338 E. Ludlow St., Summit Hill, PA 18250.*

Note: Proof of payment on file confirming overpayment.

- *A refund of an overpayment of 2004 Occupation taxes in the amount of \$122.50 to Elizabeth Henninger, 36 E. White St., Summit Hill, PA 18250.*

Note: Proof of payment on file confirming overpayment.

- *A refund of an overpayment of 2004 Occupation taxes in the amount of \$245.00 to Richard Murlo, 333 E. Mountain Top Road, Summit Hill, PA 18250.*

Note: Proof of payment on file confirming overpayment.

- *Entering into a contract for educational services with Educare and BHA Academy for the 2005-2006 school year.*
- *Second reading and revision to the following policies:*

- Policy #137 Home Schooling Programs*
- Policy #006 Meetings*
- Policy #222 Tobacco Use*
- Policy #323 Tobacco Use*
- Policy #423 Tobacco Use*
- Policy #523 Tobacco Use*
- Policy #232.1 Athletic Transfer*
- Policy #248 Unlawful Harassment*
- Policy #121 Field Trips*
- Policy #912 Relations with Education Institutions*

Note: Policies previously handed out to Board

Grant –

- Tenure to the following teachers, and therefore, a Professional Contract with the Panther Valley School District.

	<u>Date of Hire</u>
Frank Damian	August 20, 2002
Regina Kuzma	August 20, 2002
Joseph Tout	August 20, 2002

Note: All have received six satisfactory ratings as required to obtain tenure.

- Tenure to the following teachers, and therefore, a Professional Contract with the Panther Valley School District.

	<u>Date of Hire</u>
Nancy Gardiner	August 24, 2001*
Toni Gerhart	August 20, 2002*
Tanya Martin-Kirkutis	August 20, 2002
Meredith (Lee) Alabovitz	August 20, 2002
Shannon McBride	August 20, 2002
Jennifer Squillace	August 20, 2002

**Corrected dates – given credit for long-term positions in the district.*

- Permission to Heather Heffelfinger, Special Education Aide, to take the following three credit courses at Lehigh Carbon Community College [Spring Session]:

EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY

INTRO TO MUSIC

Note: reimbursement will be at community college Spring rate in accordance with the Instructional Aide agreement.

- Tenure to the following teachers and therefore, a Professional Contract with the Panther Valley School District.

	<u>Date of Hire</u>
Diane Buchman	August 20, 2002
Sheila McCall	August 20, 2002
Theresa Williams	August 20, 2002
Maria Wozniak	August 20, 2002
Tara Yuricheck	August 20, 2002

Note: All have received six satisfactory ratings as required to obtain tenure.

- Permission for the Carbon County Juvenile Court Office to conduct Community Service Projects at the Stadium on Saturdays after all home football games.

Note: This would be the ninth year for this program.

