

PINE GROVE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Education Meeting
November 19, 2009
7:00 PM – Middle School Library

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – the meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Board President Mrs. Rosemary Kramer.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. **ROLL CALL**

Tammy Donmoyer	Carolyn Folta	Clinton Koontz
Rosemary Kramer	Gerald Lengel	David Lukasewicz
Patti Minehan	Dr. Richard Russell	Jeffrey Stump
Sarah Ney, Student Representative		

Others Present: Robert Grantier, David Shipe, Joanne Brindle, Andrea Flocken, Attorney Tom Nickels, Dennis Morgan, Don Brown, Trudy Reichert, Sue Tesno, Lori Zechman, Scott Dimon, Missy Mekosh, Steve Brill, Joy Russell, Keith Lehman, Henry Snyder, Karen Hoy, Mr. & Mrs. Dave Muldowney, Dave Boltz, John Skinner, Kelly Fidler, Kelsey White and parents, Madison Beck and parents, Shelby Schaeffer, Wendell Gainer, Nick Shugars, Samantha Kemmerling, and Waleisha Mohe.

4. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Seniors of the Month – Ms. Mekosh introduced Madison Beck and Kelsey White, read their bios and presented each with a certificate.

5. **CURRICULUM FOCUS** – Ms. Nicole Matsago’s English 12 class students Kelly Fidler, Nick Shugars, Kelsey White, Samantha Kemmerling and Waleisha Mohe presented their online book club through google groups.

On a motion by D. Lukasewicz, seconded by P. Minehan the board adjourned into an executive session to discuss a personnel issue at 7:20 pm and reconvened at 7:24 pm.

6. **MINUTES**

Request approval of the October 08, 2009 Work Session and October 15, 2009 meeting of the Board of Education as presented in the board packet.

Moved By D. Lukasewicz Seconded By J. Stump

Comments: Vote Was Unanimous

7. **TREASURER’S REPORT – INVESTMENT REPORTS**

Request approval of the treasurer’s reports, monthly financial reports and investment of surplus funds as found in the board packet.

Moved By D. Lukasewicz Seconded By C. Koontz

	YES	NO
Approved	<u>9</u>	<u> </u>

8. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE – Sarah Ney

- 👉 10/21/09 – 9th grade CP English and 12th grade AP English went to the renaissance faire.
- 👉 10/24/09 – Community Service Project “Hug A Bears.”
- 👉 10/29/09 – Trick or Treat Night
- 👉 10/31/09 – Community Service “Food Pantry.”
- 👉 11/10/09 – Schuylkill Youth Conference in Pottsville
- 👉 11/11/09 – 12th Grade Students attend Shakespeare
- 👉 11/14/09 – Semi Formal
- 👉 110 days until graduation

9. BUILDINGS & GROUNDS COMMITTEE – Clinton Koontz, Chairperson

The Board of Education reviewed items listed on the agenda. Mr. Koontz asked the board to approve Item A through C as listed.

Moved By C. Koontz Seconded By R. Russell

	YES	NO
Approved	<u>9</u>	<u> </u>

- A. Request approval of a change order from SMJ, Inc. Construction Services in the amount of \$4,783.00. This is for Stair Tower “D” at the elementary school.
- B. Request approval of a change order from LTS Plumbing & Heating, Inc. in the amount of \$316.37. This is additional work completed to core drill manhole #1.
- C. Request approval to purchase a snow plow from Reading Equipment and Distribution, LLC at a cost of \$5,285. The plow will be purchased with Capital Projects Funds.

10. CURRICULUM COMMITTEE – Jeffrey Stump, Chairperson

The Board of Education reviewed items listed on the agenda. Mr. Stump asked the board to approve Items A through Q as listed.

Moved By J. Stump Seconded By D. Lukasewicz

	YES	NO
Approved	<u>9</u>	<u> </u>

- A. Request approval of the newly written Career Tech English 10 Curriculum.
- B. Request approval of the newly written Trigonometry/Pre-Calculus curriculum.
- C. Request approval of the newly written curriculum Library Science - Kindergarten.
- D. Request approval of the newly written curriculum Library Science – Grade 1.
- E. Request approval of the newly written curriculum Library Science – Grade 2.

- F. Request approval of the newly written curriculum Library Science – Grade 3.
- G. Request approval of the newly written curriculum Library Science – Grade 4.
- H. Request approval of the newly written curriculum Library Science – Grade 5.
- I. Request approval of the newly written curriculum Library Science – Grade 6.
- J. Request approval of the newly written curriculum Library Science – Grade 7.
- K. Request approval of the newly written curriculum Library Science – Grade 8.
- L. Request approval of the newly written curriculum Library Science – Grade 9.
- M. Request approval of the newly written curriculum Library Science – Grade 10.
- N. Request approval of the newly written curriculum Library Science – Grade 11.
- O. Request approval of the newly written curriculum Library Science – Grade 12.
- P. Request approval of the PGA High School Band trip to Florida on December 26, 2010 through January 1, 2011.
- Q. Request approval to ratify a request of homebound instruction for a middle school student beginning on November 10, 2009 and lasting for approximately three to four weeks.

11. FINANCE COMMITTEE – Rosemary Kramer – Chairperson

The Board of Education reviewed items listed on the agenda. Mrs. Kramer asked the board to approve Items A through J as listed.

Moved By C. Koontz Seconded By G. Lengel

	YES	NO
Approved	<u>9</u>	<u> </u>

- A. Request approval of all bills for payments as found in board packet.
- B. Request approval to transfer up to \$60,000 from the general fund to the athletic fund as needed between this meeting and the next regular board meeting.
- C. Request approval of the additional tax exemption rosters for 2009.

- D. Request approval of the tax refunds as listed in the board packet.
- E. Request approval to start a Junior National Honor Society in the middle school at a cost of \$100.
- F. Request approval to purchase the Olweus Bullying Prevention Program for the middle school and elementary school at a cost of \$10,000. Note: We have applied for a Drug Free Schools Grant and Healthy High Five grant to help offset this cost.
- G. Request approval to declare surplus 120 biology textbooks in the high school.
- H. Request approval to dispose of the surplus high school biology textbooks through Booksavers.
- I. Request approval to pay Mrs. Trudy Reichert a \$1,500 stipend for assisting with business manager duties during the absence of a business manager.
- J. Request approval to pay Mrs. Lori Zechman a \$1,500 stipend for assisting with business manager duties during the absence of a business manager.

Informational: Activity Fundraising Financial Recaps are included in the board packet.

12. **EXTRA CURRICULAR COMMITTEE** – Dr. Richard Russell, Chairperson
 The Board of Education reviewed items listed on the agenda. Dr. Russell asked the board to approve Item A through C as listed.

Moved By R. Russell Seconded By J. Stump

Comments: Dr. Russell said it was an honor to serve on the board and thanked the voters. He stated that he has been through 5 superintendents and various principals. He thanked everyone for their support and wished the new members the best of luck. He also thanked his wife for her support.

	YES	NO
Approved	<u> 7 </u>	<u> 2 (Item A Lengel and Donmoyer)</u>

- A. Request approval of the fees to be paid to game workers as attached.
- B. Request approval of the following individuals as game workers:
Faculty/Staff Members: Andrea Marterella, Ann Klinger, Becky Griffiths, Gerald Salen, Heather Cook, Jane Fidler, Linda Horst, Pam Ryan, Paul Felty, Renee Hughes, Rich Nickel, Romaine Grangereau, Todd Rizzardi, Tracey Bohn, Bridget Donofrio and Will Shiffer.
Coaches: Jason Brown, Jeff Sampson and Justin Stroupbauer.
Students: Kalene Anderson, and Kelly Fidler. (They run the JH Girls clock and keep score).
Non District Employees (upon receipt of their clearances): Bob Horst, Brent Becher (runs video camera), Neil Umbenhauer (does football stats), Steve

Hardenstine (runs clock), Bruce Kosack (announces games), and Stephanie Dimon.

- C. Request approval to hire Cody Miller as a wrestling assistant for the 2009/2010 season. He will receive a stipend of \$1,455.00. This is a split stipend.

13. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE – David Lukasewicz, Chairperson

The Board of Education reviewed items listed on the agenda. Mr. Lukasewicz asked the board to approve Items A through C as listed.

Moved By D. Lukasewicz Seconded By J. Stump

	YES	NO
Approved	<u>9</u>	<u> </u>

- A. Request approval to grant Selena Egan middle school life skills teacher three days of unpaid leave (March 15th, 16th and 17th, 2010).
- B. Request approval to grant Daryl Wessner high school social studies teacher a day of unpaid leave on March 10, 2010.
- C. Request approval to add Donna Noll and Patricia Brand to the faculty substitute list for the 2009/2010 school year and Judith Fickinger and Angile Marchetti to the cafeteria substitute list.

14. POLICY COMMITTEE – Tammy Donmoyer, Chairperson

The Board of Education reviewed items listed on the agenda. Mrs. Donmoyer asked the board to approve Items A through R as listed.

Moved By T. Donmoyer Seconded By D. Lukasewicz

	YES	NO
Approved	<u>9</u>	<u> </u>

- A. Request approval of the second reading and final adoption of the revised policy #618 “Student Activities Fund.”
- B. Request approval of the second reading and final adoption of the revised policy #504 “Employment of Classified Employees.”
- C. Request approval of the second reading and final adoption of the revised policy #200 “Enrollment in District.”
- D. Request approval of the second reading and final adoption of the revised policy #707 “Use of School Facilities.”
- E. Request approval of the second reading and final adoption of the revised policy #709 “Building Security” and to eliminate 709 Attachment.
- F. Request approval of the second reading and final adoption of the new policy #907.1 “Prohibiting Registered Sex Offenders From Entrance to School Premises or Activities.”

- G. Request approval of the 1st reading of the revised policy #907 “School Visitors.”
- H. Request approval of the 1st reading of the revised policy #114 “Gifted Education.”
- I. Request approval of the 1st reading of the revised policy #237 “Electronic Devices.”
- J. Request approval to remove policy #113.1, “ADD/ADHD Education” it is no longer appropriate.
- K. Request approval of the 1st reading of the revised policy #007 “Distribution.”
- L. Request approval to remove policy #120, “Human Development Program.”
- M. Request approval of the 1st reading of the revised policy #111 “Lesson Plans.”
- N. Request approval of the 1st reading of the revised policy #108 “Adoption of Textbooks.”
- O. Request approval of the 1st reading of the revised policy #009 “Formulation of Board Policy.”
- P. Request approval of the 1st reading of the revised policy #003 “Functions.”
- Q. Request approval of the 1st reading of the revised policy #008 “Organizational Chart.”
- R. Request approval of the 1st reading of the new policy #000 “Board Policy/Procedure/Administrative Regulations.”

15. TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE – Patti Minehan, Chairperson
 The Board of Education reviewed items listed on the agenda. Mrs. Minehan asked the board to approve Item A and B as listed.

Moved By P. Minehan Seconded By J. Stump

	YES	NO
Approved	<u> 9 </u>	<u> </u>

- A. Request approval of the 2009-2010 daily transportation rate for Newhurst Inc. in the amount of \$5,469.80 in accordance with the negotiated contract.
- B. Request approval to add Joseph Gottschall to the approved list of drivers for the 2009/2010 school year.

16. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE – Clinton Koontz, Chairperson

Don Brown said the presentation of the students tonight is part of what they will get with the blended schools package. They will not have to go and look for free software anymore.

B. LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE – Rosemary Kramer, Chairperson

Legal Ads rate billings – HB 876 passed 1 amended and 2 others still lobbying to do. Free initiative PSBA back again . Auditor General ban SWAP contracts.

C. INTERMEDIATE UNIT #29 – Clinton Koontz, Representative

Nothing

17. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Recognition of Board Members – Mrs. Kramer read letters of recognition of Dr. Richard Russell, Mrs. Tammy Donmoyer, Mr. Gerald Lengel and Ms. Carolyn Folta. The members were also presented with gifts.

Mr. Lengel thanked the constituents and the other members of the board. The also thanked the administrative staff, teachers, and support staff.

18. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

The Superintendent thanked the board members for their time and expertise. He talked about moving forward with the board setting goals and the staff achieving them.

Mrs. Kramer gave Dr. Russell, Mrs. Donmoyer and Mr. Lukasewicz certificates from PSBA for their years of service.

19. ADJOURNMENT – on a motion by G. Lengel, seconded by C. Koontz the board adjourned and a reception was held for the board members who are leaving at 8:10 p.m.

Joanne Brindle
Recording Secretary

Jeffrey Stump
Board Secretary