

**TROY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Board of Education – Regular Session**  
**Tuesday, June 16, 2020 – 7:00 PM**  
**Troy Area School District – Community Room**

The Regular Session of the Troy Area School District Board of Education, held on Tuesday, June 16, 2020, in the Community Room of the Troy Area School District Offices, was called to order by President, Sheryl Angove at 7:03 PM. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call was taken:

**Present:**        Mrs. Angove                                Mr. Curren (zoom)        Mrs. Murray (zoom)  
                      Mrs. Bohner (zoom)                        Mr. Dibble (zoom)        Mrs. Ordway  
                      Mr. Brasington (zoom)                        Mr. Martin (zoom)        Mr. Roy (zoom)

**Absent:** None

**Others Present:** Mr. Gobble, Acting Superintendent; Mrs. Gilliland, Business Administrator; Mr. Blair, Maintenance Supervisor (zoom); Mr. Brion, Primary School Principal (zoom); Mr. Imbt, Primary School Assistant Principal (zoom); Mr. Brenner, Jr/Sr High School Principal (zoom); Mrs. Keating, Jr/Sr. High School Assistant Principal (zoom); Mr. Schrader, Director of Technology (zoom); Mr. Schwenk, Director of Support Services (zoom); Ms. Baxter, Student Board Representative (zoom); Ms. Call, Student Board Representative (zoom); Solicitor Blaney (zoom); as well as district staff and visitors.

Mrs. Angove announced an executive meeting was held tonight prior to the regular session meeting to discuss legal and safety and security.

**Presentations:** None

**Visitors' Comments on Agenda Items:**

Mrs. Susan May asked if her questions from the June 9, 2020 Work Session meeting would be answered at this time. Mrs. Cassi Blaney responded to Mrs. May's questions that she asked at the June 9, 2020 work session meeting.

Mrs. May stated she felt the District was spending a lot of money on the bus radios and handheld radios. Mrs. May noted it is not necessary. Mrs. May felt the process for selecting the vendor was not equal. The board needs to be more prudent with spending money. The district has a budget deficit. Mrs. May asked Mr. Schrader if he wrote the bid spec. Mr. Schrader replied, yes it was done with the Technology Committee.

**Reports:** **A) Northern Tier Career Center Report:** Mr. Brasington had nothing to report; **B) Intermediate Unit Report:** Mr. Martin had nothing to report; **C) Pennsylvania School Boards Association:** Mr. Brasington had nothing to report; **D) Student Board Representatives:** Ms. Baxter had nothing to report; Ms. Call thanked the staff and teachers for their hard work and dedication during covid-19 and thanked Ms. Baxter for her role as a student board representative; **E) District Report:** Mr. Gobble provided an update on what is happening in the district.

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Mr. Dibble made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brasington to approve the following:

**Minutes:** **A)** April 29, Budget, Finance & Transportation Committee; **B)** May 4, 2020 Special Meeting; **C)** May 5, 2020 Budget, Finance & Transportation Committee; **D)** May 5, 2020, Work Session Meeting; **E)** May 12, 2020, Regular Session Meeting; **F)** Special Meeting; On voice vote there were 9 yes votes. The motion passed 9-0-0-0.

Mrs. Ordway made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dibble, to approve the following financial reports.

**Financial Reports:** **A)** Bill List for Payment - **I)** General Fund, **II)** Construction Fund, **III)** Capital Reserve, **IV)** Cafeteria Fund; **B)** Treasurer's Report – **I)** General Fund Report, **II)** Cafeteria Report, **III)** Activity Report.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Dibble, yes; Mr. Curren, yes; Mrs. Ordway, yes; Mrs. Murray, yes; Mr. Roy, yes; Mr. Brasington, yes; Mrs. Bohner, yes; Mr. Martin, yes; Mrs. Angove, yes; Motion passed 9-0-0-0.

Mrs. Gilliland reviewed those items added to the consent agenda since the work session meeting.

#### **Selection of Items for Removal from Consent Agenda:**

Mr. Curren requested the following be removed from the consent agenda:

**VI) Technology:** **A)** Motion to award the district wide ratio communication upgrade to Mobiletech Communications at a total cost of \$180,600.00 over five years.

Mrs. Bohner requested the following be removed from the consent agenda:

**A.) Budget: 2)** Adopt a General Fund operating budget for the 2020/2021 school year in the amount of \$27,530,565.00 with a **1)** Real Estate tax levy of 42.91 mills which is 4.291 per \$100 of assessed valuation; an **2)** Occupation tax levy of 1600 mills which is 160.00 per \$100 of assessed valuation; a **3)** per Capita (Act 511) tax levy of \$5.00; a **4)** per Capita (Section 679) tax levy of \$5.00; a **5)** Discount of 2% for real estate and occupation taxes paid within two months of the billing date; a **6)** Penalty of 10% for real estate and occupation taxes paid after four months of the billing date; a **7)** Real Estate Transfer (Act 511) tax levy of 1% and; an **8)** Earned income tax (Act 511) tax levy of ½ of 1%;

Mrs. Bohner made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dibble to approve the following:

**Motion to Approve the Agenda as Follows:** **I) Budget, Finance & Transportation:** **A.) Budget: 1)** Approval for Administration to take necessary action to close out the 2019/2020 school year and start up the 2020/2021 year including personnel matters and bid awards that need to be done before the board meets again; **3)** Approve resolution providing real estate homestead exclusions for the 2020/2021 fiscal year under the Taxpayer Relief Act; **D)** Request permission of the board of education to submit

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applications with the intent to participate in the following programs for the 2020/2021 year. These allocations are subject to change.

Title 1 - \$316,151.00

Title II, Part A - \$60,738.00

Title III - \$5,000.00

Title IV - \$23,766.00

**B.) Finance:** **1)** Appoint UPMC Susquehanna Soldiers & Sailors to provide the physical and occupational therapy services for the 2020/2021 school year; **2)** Appoint UPMC Susquehanna Soldiers & Sailors to provide the physical and occupational therapy services for the 2019/2020 extended school year; **3)** Approve Resolution providing approval for budget transfers and GASB 54 Compliance; **4)** Motion to approve BLaST Intermediate Unit 17 to provide Medical Access billing services for the 2020/2021 school year; **5)** Appoint Susquehanna Health to provide the drug and alcohol testing services for the 2020/2021 school year; **6)** Appoint Pivot Athletic Training, LLC to provide the Athletic Trainer Services for the 2020/2021 school year; **7)** Motion to approve Jason Gee up to 30 paid hours at the per diem rate for the 2020 Summer ESY program; **8)** Motion to approve Tara Freeman up to 30 paid hours at the per diem rate for the 2020 Summer ESY program; **9)** Motion to approve Stefanie Williams up to 15 paid hours at the per diem rate for the 2020 Summer ESY program; **10)** Motion to approve Bettina Campbell up to 30 paid hours at the per diem rate for the 2020 Summer ESY program; **11)** Approve a contract with Bradford-Tioga Head Start, Inc. to provide meals to Head Start children for the 2020/2021 school year; **12)** Motion to approve BLaST IU purchasing agreement; **13)** 2019/2020 Updated Athletic Salary Listing; **14)** Motion to approve the contract with ESI Group for the Employee Assistance Program from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. Cost is paid by the Northern Tier Insurance Consortium; **15)** Motion to approve applying for the community eligibility program for the W R Croman Primary School for July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2024; **16)** Motion to approve for Mr. Steve Gobble to be the authorized signer for the Federal Programs; **17)** Approve the 2020/2021 Meal Price (increase this year)

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| Elementary Lunch     | \$2.35 |
| Jr/Sr Lunch          | \$2.60 |
| Teacher Breakfast    | \$2.35 |
| Teacher Lunch        | \$3.60 |
| All Breakfast        | \$1.45 |
| Reduced Breakfast    | \$ .40 |
| Reduced Lunch remain | \$ .40 |
| Milk remain          | \$ .50 |

**II.) Transportation:** **A)** Approve the 2020/2021 through 2021/2022 contract with Trojan Transport for student activity bus transportation, as per contract; **B)** Update 2019/2020 Daily Rate; **C)** Vehicle Upgrade, Porter Road.

**III) Personnel:** **A) Retirements:** **1) a)** Nathan Williams, Math Teacher, Effective date end of the 2020/2021 school year.

**B) Resignations:** **1) a)** Tanya Mattocks, Jr High Volleyball Coach, Effective June 1, 2020; **b)** Hannah Harris, Agriculture Teacher, Effective July 15, 2020; **c)** Elizabeth Lipovsky, Teacher, effective August 14, 2020; **d)** Ron Bellinger, Head Track Coach,

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effective June 12, 2020; e) Danielle Benjamin, Assistant Volleyball Coach, effective June 15, 2020; f) Hannah Harris, FFA Advisor, effective July 15, 2020; g) Joe Millard, Assistant Track Coach, effective June 16, 2020.

**C) Transfers: a) None.**

**D) Employment: 1) Act 93: a) None.**

**2) Professional Contract Employees: a) 1) Victoria Johnson, Science, 7-12, effective August 21, 2020, salary as per contract.**

**3) Support Staff Employments: a) 1) None.**

**4) Supplemental Contracts: a) 1) None.**

**5) Coaching Contract: a) Continuation Contracts: 1) None; b) New Employment: 1) Marshall McNeal, Head Girls' Basketball Coach, effective TBD, salary as per contract, no additional benefits.**

**E) Position Eliminations: 1) None.**

**F) Create New Positions: 1) None.**

**G) Contracts: 1) ESS Northeast, LLC Substitute Listing - none; 2) Volunteer Listing – none.**

**H) Leave Requests: 1) None.**

**I) Student Teacher Practicum/Observation: 1) Parker Neal, Mansfield University, from August - October 2020, Assignment Music, Co-Op Teacher TBD, Building TBD.**

**IV) Buildings and Grounds: A) Motion to approve for NRG Controls North, Inc to update the Commons Building and Jr/Sr High School Siemens Controls at a total cost of \$49,572.00. Project is included in the 2020/2021 General Fund Budget; B) Approve the amended 2019/2020 Capital Budget and proposed 2020/2021 Capital Budget; C) Approve a 12-month contract from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 with NRG Controls North, Inc. for preventative maintenance on the electronic controls at a maximum cost of \$15,750.00; D) Motion to approve a change order on the Commons Building roof project for 20 roof drains to be replaced and not to exceed a cost of \$7,000.00; E) Motion to approve a change order for the W R Croman Playground for additional concrete walkways and equipment with Play & Park Structures at a cost not to exceed \$15,000.00**

**V) Curriculum/Instruction and Assessment: A) Approve 2020/2021 BLaST IU #17 IDEA Agreement; B) Approve 2020/2021 BLaST IU #17 Special Education Contract.**

**VI) Technology: B) Motion to approve a three-year contract, including a service agreement with Empire Access to lease two (2) pair of dark fiber cable from the Jr/Sr. High School (150 High Street Troy, PA) to the Administration Office (68 Fenner Avenue Troy, PA) in the amount of \$199.00 per month, before e-rate; C) Motion to approve a**

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three-year contract, including a service agreement with Empire Access to lease two (2) pair of dark fiber cable from the Administration Office (68 Fenner Avenue Troy, PA) to the W.R. Croman Primary School (317 Canton Street Troy, PA) in the amount of \$199.00 per month, before e-rate.

**VII) Student Affairs:** **A)** Motion to approve the attached 2020/2021 Field Trip requests; **B)** Motion to approve the exclusion waiver of a Troy Junior Senior High School student per agreement; **C)** Motion to approve the Letter of Agreement with Bradford County Human Services Agency and the Troy Area School District for School Based Outreach Services and Student Assistance Services from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021; **D)** Motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Bradford County Human Services Agency and the Troy Area School District for School Based Outreach Services and Student Assistance Services from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021; **E)** Motion to approve Jeffrey Roy (grade 11) as 2020 Student Board Representative;

**VIII) Community Relations:** **A)** Appoint Bill Brasington as voting delegate for the PSBA Legislative/Policy Council Meeting on Saturday, November 7, 2020; **B)** Motion to approve the Resocialization of Extra Curricular Recommendations; **C)** Motion to approve the Extra-Curricular Activities Participation Waiver; **D)** Motion to approve the Troy Area School District Planning for the 2020/2021 Reopening of Schools parent survey.

**IX) Policy:** **A) New:** **1) First Reading: i.)** None; **2) Second Reading: i.)** None.

**B) Revised:** **1) First Reading: i.)** None; **2) Second Reading: i.)** 006.1 – Attendance at Meetings Via Electronic Communications; **ii.)** 335 – Family and Medical Leaves; **iii.)** 626 – Federal Fiscal Compliance; **C) Retire: 1) First Reading: i.)** None.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Curren, yes; Mrs. Ordway, yes; Mrs. Murray, yes; Mr. Roy, yes; Mr. Brasington, yes; Mrs. Bohner, yes; Mr. Martin, yes; Mr. Dibble, yes; Mrs. Angove, yes; Motion passed 9-0-0-0.

#### **Items Removed from Consent Agenda:**

Mr. Roy made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Murray to approve the following:

**VI) Technology:** **A)** Motion to award the district wide ratio communication upgrade to Mobiletech Communciations at a total cost of \$180,600.00 over five years.

During discussion Mr. Curren stated this is a lot money to spend on this project. The Transportation Director was not asked to provide any input on the process. It is a waste of money.

Mr. Roy thanked Mr. Curren and Mrs. May for their comments. Mr. Roy stated the county was contacted for their input. The lowest bidder for the project also had a cost on top of purchasing the equipment and the equipment only had a three-year warranty.

Roll Call Vote: Mrs. Ordway, yes; Mrs. Murray, yes; Mr. Roy, yes; Mr. Brasington, yes; Mrs. Bohner, yes; Mr. Martin, no; Mr. Dibble, yes; Mr. Curren, no; Mrs. Angove, yes; Motion passed 7-2-0-0.

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Mrs. Bohner made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dibble to approve the following:

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Roll Call Vote: Mrs. Murray, yes; Mr. Roy, yes; Mr. Brasington, yes; Mrs. Bohner, yes; Mr. Martin, no; Mr. Dibble, yes; Mr. Curren, yes; Mrs. Ordway, yes; Mrs. Angove, yes; Motion passed 8-1-0-0.

**General Board Discussion:**

Mr. Brasington thanked Mr. Gobble for serving as Acting Superintendent.

Mrs. Ordway thanked Mrs. Gilliland for being the board secretary.

Mr. Gobble thanked the Administration team.

Mrs. Gilliland responded to the questions Ms. Abreu asked at the June 9, 2020 work session meeting.

**Visitor Comment and Question Period:**

Mrs. Zimmerman, Troy asked if a head coach was hired for girls' basketball. Mrs. Angove replied that a coach was hired this evening. It is Mr. McNeal.

Mrs. May, Troy stated she is surprised by a few of the board votes this evening. A few board members that always vote no on the budget did not this year. Mrs. May also stated she does not agree with the money spent on the radio project.

**Adjournment:** On a motion by Mrs. Ordway, seconded by Mrs. Bohner, the directors adjourned at 7:38 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Traci Gilliland  
Board Secretary

FYI: Acknowledgement:

Deduct Days -

| Name | Building | Date/s | Reason |
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A. Special Education Extended School Year (ESY) letter attached

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- B. 335-ATT-0 – Families First Coronavirus Response Act
- C. Employee Rights – English
- D. Employee Rights – Spanish
- E. 626-ATT-0 – Allowability of Costs – Federal Programs
- F. 626-ATT-1 – Administration of Federal Funds Type of Costs, Obligations and Property Management
- G. 626-ATT-2 – Cash Management – Federal Programs
- H. 626-ATT-3 – Grant Subrecipient Monitoring Procedures – Federal Programs
- I. 626-ATT-4 – Procurement – Federal Programs
- J. Uncompensated leave granted to staff member #1787
- K. Uncompensated leave granted to staff member #1212
- L. Northern Tier Career Center Information