

BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

November 22, 2011

Northgate Staff,

Special recognition was given to John Girvin in football for WPIAL Class A – Eastern All Conference 1st Team Quarterback and also to Jake Abernethy in football for WPIAL Class A – Eastern All Conference 1st Team Wide Receiver.

Special recognition was also given to Coach T.J. Wiley, Coach John Wiley and Coach Hank Marziale for coaching these students and their achievements during the year and post-season competition.

Special recognition was given to Lillian Hall for WPIAL Class AA – Cross Country Medalist and PIAA Class AA – State Championship Qualifier and Jonathan Gusew for PIAA Class AA – State Championship Qualifier.

Special recognition was further awarded to Coach Frank Nesko and Coach Brian Veshio for coaching these students and their achievements during the year and post-season competition.

Superintendent's Report: Mr. Kevin Gallagher and Mr. Joel Martin of Cottrill, Arbutina & Associates provided a summary of the 2010-11 Local Audit Report.

The Board approved the following items at their November 21, 2011 Board meeting:

- Approved the absence of students and select school staff for the annual Sixth Grade Trip for Avalon Elementary to Washington, D.C. on May 17 and 18, 2012. Also, the Board approved the absence of students and select school staff for the Annual Sixth Grade Trip for Bellevue Elementary to Washington, D.C. on May 24 and 25, 2012. These are non-school sponsored activities.
- Approved a supplemental for Rachelle Russo as Elementary Choral Director.
- Approved the request for students and Mr. Michael Bichko, Spanish Teacher, to be excused from school to attend a trip to Puerto Rico in the spring of 2013. This trip is at no cost to the District and is a non-school sponsored event.
- Approved eliminating Computer Application I as a graduation requirement for the class of 2016 and beyond.
- Approved the Treasurer's Report, Bill List and Tax Refunds.

- Approved the renewal of the School System Employees Faithful Performance Blanket Bond from Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland for the period of January 1, 2012 to January 1, 2013.
- Approved the renewal of the Volunteer Accident Insurance Policy.
- Approved authorizing the continuation of Northgate's participation in the Allegheny Intermediate Unit's Joint Purchasing Board. Also, the Board approved participation in the BuyBoard Cooperative Purchasing Program.
- Approved Conrad Siegel Actuaries to provide District actuarial post employee benefit costs analysis and reporting in accordance with GASB 45.
- Approved a contract with EPIC Communications to provide full-service E-Rate support through June 30, 2013, renewable annually for a total term not to exceed five consecutive fiscal years. The fee will be 10 percent of all awarded funding.
- Approved the application of North Hills Community Outreach for Exemption of Real Estate Taxation.
- Approved the following use of facility requests:
 - a) Approved the request of Fred Zangaro, Assigning Official for JV, Middle School Football, Volleyball, and Basketball games, to use the high school seating area in front of the main office on August 1, 22, September 5, 19, 26, and October 3, 2012 from 6:00 – 9:00 p.m. for Official's State mandatory weekly meetings and use of high school library on August 15, 2012 from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. for an Official's State mandatory meeting.
 - b) Approved a request from the Bellevue-Avalon Girls' Athletic Association (BAGAA) to use the Bellevue Elementary gym on Tuesday evenings when available, January 24 to March 6, 2012 from 6:00 – 9:00 p.m. and weeknights March 5 to May 4, 2012, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. when available. The Board also approved the request to use Bellevue gym on Saturdays, January 28 and February 25, 2012 contingent upon available times, and also Saturdays, March 10 and 24, 2012, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
 - c) Approved the request from (Bellevue- Avalon Baseball Association) BABA to use the high school cafeteria on Saturday, January 14, 2012, from 7:00 a.m. to noon for a pancake breakfast fundraiser.
- Approved Melanie Callahan as a four-hour, part-time custodian at the Middle/High School.

- Approved Emily Aleski as a Long-Term Substitute Elementary Teacher for the remainder of the 2011-12 school year to replace Melinda Malsch who is on leave. Also, the Board approved Adam Valeriano as a Long-Term Substitute as Elementary Art Teacher for the remainder of the 2011-12 school year to replace Katherine Novelli who is on leave.
- Accepted the retirement resignation of Dr. Reggie Bonfield effective at the end of the working date of June 29, 2012.
- Approved a contract with Mr. Joseph Werlinich to serve as the School District's Search Consultant and Advisor in selecting a new Superintendent.
- Approved the salaries for the Central Office (Confidential Secretary/Board Secretary and Clerical Aide) and Business Office (Payroll and Accounts Payable) and Technology Technician.
- Approved a College Day Trip tour in the spring. This trip is at no cost to the District.
- Approved to advertise for anticipated two- year Board vacancy position and to hold public meeting on December 12, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. to interview and appoint a Board Member to fill vacancy.