

**UPPER PERKIOMEN SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**2229 East Buck Road**  
**Pennsburg PA 18073**

**September 14, 2017**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Board of School Directors of the Upper Perkiomen School District was called to order by President Dr. John L. Farris, at 7:00 p.m. in the Upper Perkiomen School District Education Center.

The following Board members attended: Mike W. Elliott, Raeann B. Hofkin (7:20 pm), Wilfred E. Pike, Joan T. Smith, Dr. John L. Farris, John L. Gehman, Jonathan A. Warren, Kimberly A. Baccari, and Dr. Kerry A. Drake. Administration in attendance were: Alexis McGloin, EdD., Andrea Farina, EdD., Ashley Kitten, and Sandra M. Kassel. Others in attendance were: Ken Roos, Dyan Hipszer, Patrick Knowles, Melanie Cunningham, Labrea Huff, Steve Grouke, Keith McCarrick, Joe Borgese, Donna Sattler, John Walsh, Cathy Davidson, Christine Schmoyer, John Kuzmission and Bob Breslin.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. McGloin said that adjustments were made in the extra-curricular salaries from the agenda that was posted on-line to the current agenda.

Dr. McGloin shared that Opening Day for staff and students went very well. The new mission statement and vision statements were discussed and teachers spoke about ways those visions were currently happening in the district. She encouraged the community to visit the website to see more examples and videos of the visions, Culture, Empowerment, Innovation, Student Achievement and Partnerships, being implemented throughout the district. Dr. McGloin announced that in addition 3,387 students were welcomed back to school this August, she visited all the schools and said that all the students and staff were excited.

Dr. McGloin announced that the Joint PTFS would be sponsoring a Trunk or Treat at the High School on October 28, 2017.

Dr. McGloin reported that on August 29, 2017 the second competitive bond sale was held and resulted in savings for the district.

Dr. McGloin also shared that Community Day was a wonderful day and a great success. She thanked all the teachers and administrators who participated and the organizers for allowing the district to be there.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Roos announced that an Executive Session was held prior to the evening's meeting regarding personnel and matters of litigation.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS**

Dr. John Farris read a statement regarding public comments.

Patrick Knowles, Red Hill, thanked the board for the current progress and encouraged them to move forward with the middle school project. He also thanked the board for all the district upgrades that had been made and said how important this project was to the community.

Melanie Cunningham, Upper Hanover, had many questions about the contractor's contracts, termination policies and costs, LEED certification, bond issues, and PlanCon G.

Labrea Huff, Red Hill, thanked the board for being advocates for the youngest members of the community and for putting their lives on hold to move forward with the middle school construction project.

Steve Grouke, Red Hill, said he and his wife were in support of the new middle school project. He said he valued education and thanked the Board for the advancements in technology.

Keith McCarrick, Pennsburg, thought the middle school project was rushed and not properly planned and financed. Mr. McCarrick felt that the bids should not be awarded and should be postponed a month.

Joe Borgese, Upper Hanover, asked if any eleventh hours bids could stop the project.

Donna Sattler, Upper Hanover, spoke in support of the new middle school project. She explained that it was important for young families.

John Walsh, Palm, asked for clarification of what the bond money could be used for.

Dr. McGloin, Sandy Kassel, Bob Breslin and Ken Roos responded to the comments.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

A. Facilities Committee – Will Pike

Mr. Pike reported that Action Items B and K pertained to the new middle school project.

B. Special Education Committee – Dr. Kerry Drake

Dr. Drake requested time at the September Workshop to discuss special education graduation rates.

C. Policy Committee – Joan Smith

Noted a meeting was scheduled for September 21, 2017 at 6:00 pm.

D. Board Communication Line – Mike Elliott

Mr. Elliott reported that some comments were submitted and were shared with the Board.

E. Western Montgomery Career & Technology Center – John Gehman

Mr. Gehman reported that there would be a Girls Night Out on November 15 for students to explore courses that were offered, there would also be an Open House on November 29 and spoke about dinners that the Western Center offered to the public on Mondays.

Mrs. Hofkin reported that the Western Center Protective Services held a very touching ceremonial tribute to the September 11, 2001 attacks.

F. Montgomery County Intermediate Unit – Dr. Kerry Drake

Dr. Drake reported that a meeting was held on August 23, he announced that Michelle Fowkes accepted a position at the IU.

G. Legislative Liaison – Kimberly Baccari

Ms. Baccari welcomed everyone back to school and spoke about working as a team.

H. Upper Perkiomen Regional Planning Commission – Kimberly Baccari

Ms. Baccari thanked the boroughs and townships for working on making Upper Perkiomen a vibrant place to live.

I. Upper Perkiomen Education Foundation – Mike Elliott

Thanked Dr. McGloin and Ms. Baccari for the presentation about the proposal of hiring the Upper Perkiomen Education Foundation director and a Communications director.

### **MINUTES**

A. Motion by Wilfred E. Pike, seconded by John L. Gehman, to approve the **Regular School Board Meeting Minutes of August 10, 2017 as amended.** (Attachment A). VOTE: Elliott – yes, Hofkin – yes, Pike – yes, Smith – yes, Farris – yes, Gehman – yes, **Warren – abstain, Baccari – abstain**, Drake – yes. Motion carried.

### **PERSONNEL REPORT**

Motion by Jonathan A. Warren, seconded by Mike W. Elliott, to approve the **Personnel Report as presented:**

A. **APPOINTMENTS**

1. **SUPPORT STAFF**

- a. **Rebecca C. Rudolph**, Food Service Member at the Western Center, effective August 24, 2017, to be hired subject to required employment history review, at \$9.50/hour, Step 1, per the Agreement for Food Service Staff. Rebecca will be replacing Karen Reed, who resigned.
- B. **SATURDAY DETENTION/SUSPENSION PROCTORS** for the 2017-2018 school year (4 hours/day, as needed) at the hourly rate per the professional agreement:

**1. HIGH SCHOOL**

Joan Adducie	Danielle Hawthorne
Lori Barsh	Laura Hilehoffer
Debra Burns	Vincent Leskusky
Tammy Day	Todd Niemann
Diane Grandizio	Tara Purcell
Monica Griffith	Chad Rutherford
Ruth Guenther	Megan Smolinski
John Gunning	Michael Tirjan
Daniel Hawthorne	Meredith Wickard

**2. MIDDLE SCHOOL**

Lisa Bryson	Jamye Keiser
Kelly Cahoon	Deb Macioge
Jessica Dynda	Tara Muthard
Christian Fowkes	Brenda Stephenson
Jennifer Hart	Cheryl Stotsenburg

**C. SUPPLEMENTAL SALARY POSITIONS** for the 2017-2018 school year:

Area	Position	Name	Salary	
Sound/Light	MS Technician	Christian Fowkes	A	\$ 735
	HS Technician	Mark P. Thomas	A	\$ 1,224
Music	Orchestra - HS	Mark P. Thomas	A	\$ 1,836
	Orchestra - MS	Margaret Lerch	A	\$ 1,428
	Orchestra - Elem	Margaret Lerch	A	\$ 1,020
	Band - HS	Kierstin Levan	A	\$ 10,814
	HS Band Asst.	Blake A. Bergey	A	\$ 1,330
	HS Band Asst.	Robin Holman	A	\$ 1,330
	HS Band Asst.	Adam Street*	B	\$ 1,064
	Band - MS	Kierstin Levan (50%)	A	\$1,242.50
		Robin Holman (50%)	A	\$1,242.50
	Band - Elem	Robin Holman	A	\$ 2,485
	Chorus - HS	Mark P. Thomas	A	\$ 3,351
	Chorus - MS	Amanda Maldonado	A	\$ 1,620
Chorus - Elem	Margaret E. Lerch	A	\$ 1,020	
Student Council	Advisor - HS	Amy A. Lychock	A	\$ 3,351
	Advisor - MS	Cathy Bronsdon	A	\$ 1,678
Class Advisor	Advisor - 12th Grade	Mark P. Thomas	A	\$ 3,570
	Advisor - 11th Grade	Angela Traub	A	\$ 1,275
	Advisor - 10th Grade	Jennifer L. Rosch	A	\$ 1,020

	Advisor - 9th Grade	Colby R. Phillips	A	\$ 1,020
Publications	Yearbook Advisor - HS	Monica I. Griffith	A	\$ 3,351
	Yearbook Asst. - HS	Daniel J. Hawthorne	A	\$ 1,678
	Yearbook Advisor - MS	Bethany Smolinsky	A	\$ 1,678
	Newspaper Advisor - HS	Dave Thomas	B	\$ 2,681
	Newspaper Asst. - MS	Pamela McGovern	A	\$ 1,678
Business Club	FBLA Advisor	John R. Williamson	A	\$ 2,161
Debate Club	Advisor	Michael Calvello (50%)	A	\$1,080.50
		Angela Traub (50%)	A	\$1,080.50
Writing Club	Advisor	Timothy Herbert (50%)	A	\$ 765
		Kathy Stattel (50%)	A	\$ 765
NHS	Advisor, HS	Colby R. Phillips	A	\$ 2,161
JR. NHS	Advisor, MS	Hillary Miller (50%)	A	\$ 484.50
		Theresa Schlatterer (50%)	B	\$ 387.50
LEO Club	Advisor - HS	Danielle Hawthorne (50%)	A	\$ 812
		Tasha Rushatz (50%)	A	\$ 812
	Advisor - MS	Kelly Cahoon	B	\$ 775
TSA/Robotics	Advisor - HS	Blake Bardman	A	\$ 2,161
	Advisor - MS	Phil Grigonis (50%)	A	\$1,080.50
		Cathy Bintliff (50%)	A	\$1,080.50
Curriculum Assistant	Business - HS	Monica I. Griffith	A	\$ 2,535
	Social Studies - HS	Michael J. Cianchetta	A	\$ 2,535
	Eng & Foreign Lang.-HS	Michael Calvello	B	\$ 2,028
	Related Arts - HS	Amy Lychock (50%)	A	\$1,267.50
		Dan Moyer (50%)	A	\$1,267.50
	Special Education - HS	Shane Thrush	A	\$ 2,535
	Mathematics -HS	Ruth Guenther	A	\$ 2,535
	Science - HS	Michael Tirjan (50%)	A	\$1,267.50
		Jennifer L. Rosch (50%)	A	\$1,267.50
	Health & PE - HS	Frank Mercon	B	\$ 2,028
	Social Studies - MS	David Pierce	A	\$ 1,275
	ELA - MS	Jessica Dynda	B	\$ 1,020
	Science - MS	Kristyn Sparacino	A	\$ 1,275
	Special Education - MS	Jennifer Hart (50%)	A	\$ 637.50
	Mathematics - MS	Amy McPherson	A	\$ 1,275
	Related Arts - MS	Deb Macioge	A	\$ 1,275
Elementary - HFD	Amy Miller (50%)	A	\$ 637.50	
	Robin Ewer (50%)	A	\$ 637.50	
Elementary - MLB	Carly Worman (50%)	A	\$ 637.50	
	Erica Fitzgerald (50%)	B	\$ 510	
Art Club	Advisor - HS	Lora Mayer (50%)	A	\$ 765

		Amy Lychock (50%)	A	\$ 765
Gaming Club	Advisor - HS	Robert LaSalle (50%)	B	\$ 612
		Debra Burns (50%)	B	\$ 612
	Advisor - MS	Philip Detwiler (50%)	A	\$ 510
		Jessica Dynda (50%)	A	\$ 510
MS Studio	Advisor - MS	Christian Fowkes	A	\$ 1,020
Tutoring Club	Advisor - HS	Leanne LeGendre (50%)	A	\$ 765
		Theresa Schlatterer (50%)	A	\$ 765
Crochet Club	Advisor - HS	Veronica Neff (33%)	B	\$ 408
		Laura Hilehoffer (33%)	B	\$ 408
		Melissa Swope (33%)	B	\$ 408
Reading Olympics	Coaches - MS	Mary Wietecha	A	\$ 1,469
	Coaches - HS	Kathy Stattel	A	\$ 734
	Coaches - Hereford	Kathleen Steuer (33%)	A	\$ 489.50
		Christine Rice (33%)	A	\$ 489.50
		Brigid McGovern (33%)	A	\$ 489.50
	Coaches - Marlborough	Nicole Peart (50%)	B	\$ 587.50
Bonnie Scott (50%)		A	\$ 734.50	
Performance	Drama/Musical Dir - HS	Alicia Austin	A	\$ 3,060
	Drama/Musical – HS Assistant	Colby Phillips	A	\$ 1,301
		Jennifer L. Dancy	A	\$ 1,301
		Matthew Austin	A	\$ 1,301
	Drama/Musical Dir. - MS	Pamela McGovern	A	\$ 2,321
Drama/Musical MS Asst.	Mary Wietecha	A	\$ 1,199	
Soccer	Assistant HS Coach	Doug Needs*	B	\$ 3,269
Wrestling	Varsity HS Coach	Steve Adam*	A	\$ 8,435
	Assistant HS Coach	Kyle Kemmerer*	A	\$ 5,059

\*To be hired subject to required employment history review.

**D. EXTRAMURAL POSITIONS** for the 2017-2018 school year:

Area	Position	Name	Salary
Extra Mural	Webmaster - MLB	Matthew Lippincott	\$550
	Webmaster - HFD	Thomas Guellich	\$550
	Webmaster - MS	Luke Verna	\$550
	Webmaster - HS	David Thomas	\$550

**E. GAME MANAGERS** for the 2017-2018 school year:

- Bernie Jurgelewicz, not to exceed 15 hours per week
- Dean Sullivan

**F. SITE MANAGERS** for the 2017-2018 school year:

- Bernie Jurgelewicz, not to exceed 15 hours per week

2. Sharon Schoelkopf
3. Dean Sullivan

**G. ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT WORKERS.** Positions include announcers, scorers, ticket sellers, timers and starters:

1. Sharon Schoelkopf
2. Dean Sullivan

**H. LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

1. **Scott L. Seip**, approve a FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE of absence from August 24, 2017, through September 8, 2017.

**I. CHANGE OF STATUS**

**1. SUPPORT STAFF**

- a. **Heather Rowland**, Paraprofessional from Marlborough to Middle School, effective August 22, 2017, per the Part-Time Support Agreement.
- b. **Deborah Sullivan**, from Paraprofessional to Reading Assistant, effective August 22, 2017, per the Part-Time Support Agreement

Motion carried; all voted aye.

**ACTION ITEMS**

- A. Motion by Mike W. Elliott, seconded by Jonathan A. Warren, to approve **Maureen E. Zavadel**, as Principal at Hereford Elementary School, effective September 15, 2017, at \$108,000 per year (prorated). Motion carried; all voted aye.

Several Board members expressed their congratulations to Mrs. Zavadel.

- B. Motion by Jonathan A. Warren, seconded by Wilfred E. Pike, to approve **PlanCon F**, (Attachment B). VOTE: Elliott – yes, **Hofkin – no**, Pike – yes, Smith – yes, Farris – yes, Gehman – yes, Warren – yes, Baccari – yes, **Drake – no**. Motion carried.

- C. Motion by Wilfred E. Pike, seconded by Jonathan A. Warren, to **award the Contract for General Construction for the New Middle School to Boro Developers, Inc. d.b.a. Boro Construction in the amount of \$32,874,500.00**, contingent upon receipt of satisfactorily completed Performance and Payment Bonds and the Certificate(s) of Insurance.

Several board members commented and John L. Gehman called for the vote.

Motion by John L. Gehman, seconded by Wilfred E. Pike, **to call for the vote**. ROLL CALL VOTE: Elliott – yes, **Hofkin – no**, Pike – yes, Smith – yes, Farris – yes, Gehman – yes, Warren – yes, Baccari – yes, **Drake – no**. Motion carried.

Motion by Wilfred E. Pike, seconded by Jonathan A. Warren, to **award the Contract for General Construction for the New Middle School to Boro Developers, Inc. d.b.a. Boro Construction in the amount of \$32,874,500.00**, contingent upon receipt of satisfactorily completed Performance and Payment Bonds and the Certificate(s) of Insurance. ROLL CALL VOTE: Elliott – yes, **Hofkin – no**, Pike – yes, Smith – yes, Farris – yes, Gehman – yes, Warren – yes, Baccari – yes, **Drake – no**. Motion carried.

- D. Motion by Jonathan A. Warren, seconded by Wilfred E. Pike to award **the Contract for Plumbing Construction for the New Middle School to Frey Lutz Corp. in the amount of \$2,795,700.00**, contingent upon receipt of satisfactorily completed Performance and Payment Bonds and the Certificate(s) of Insurance. ROLL CALL VOTE: Elliott – yes, **Hofkin – no**, Pike – yes, Smith – yes, Farris – yes, Gehman – yes, Warren – yes, Baccari – yes, **Drake – no**. Motion carried.

Motion by Jonathan A. Warren, seconded by John L. Gehman, to approve **Action Items E and F:**

- E. Motion to award **the Contract for Heating, Ventilating, and Air Conditioning Construction (HVAC) for the New Middle School to Boro Developers, Inc. d.b.a. Boro Construction in the amount of \$4,890,000.00**, contingent upon receipt of satisfactorily completed Performance and Payment Bonds and the Certificate(s) of Insurance.
- F. Motion to award **the Contract for Electrical Construction for the New Middle School to Albarell Electric, Inc. in the amount of \$5,314,449.00**, contingent upon receipt of satisfactorily completed Performance and Payment Bonds and the Certificate(s) of Insurance.

VOTE: Elliott – yes, **Hofkin – no**, Pike – yes, Smith – yes, Farris – yes, Gehman – yes, Warren – yes, Baccari – yes, **Drake – no**. Motion carried.

- G. Motion by Wilfred E. Pike, seconded by Joan T. Smith, to approve **PlanCon G**. (Attachment C). VOTE: Elliott – yes, **Hofkin – no**, Pike – yes, Smith – yes, Farris – yes, Gehman – yes, Warren – yes, Baccari – yes, **Drake – no**. Motion carried.

Motion by Jonathan A. Warren, seconded by John L. Gehman, to approve **Action Items H, I and J:**

- H. Motion to award **the Construction Waste Management Professional Services Agreement to Waste Management, Inc. for a not-to-exceed amount of \$100,000.00**. (Attachment D)
- I. Motion to award **the Testing/Adjusting/Balancing Professional Services Agreement to Butler Balancing Company, Inc. for a not-to-exceed amount of \$72,000.00**. (Attachment E)
- J. Motion to award **the Construction Testing and Special Inspection Services Professional Services Agreement to David Blackmore & Associates, Inc. for a not-to-exceed amount of \$100,000.00**. (Attachment F)

VOTE: Elliott – yes, **Hofkin – no**, Pike – yes, Smith – yes, Farris – yes, Gehman – yes, Warren – yes, Baccari – yes, **Drake – no**. Motion carried.

- K. Motion by Jonathan A. Warren, seconded by Wilfred E. Pike, to **reauthorize the Radiological Emergency Response Plan “Authorization” for the Limerick Nuclear Generating Station**. (Attachment G). Motion carried; all voted aye.

- L. Motion by Wilfred E. Pike, seconded by Jonathan A. Warren, to **approve the agreement with Pediatric Therapeutic Services for the 2017-2018 school year** at the following rates: \$67.99 per hour for Speech, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy and \$52.50 per hour for Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant (COTA). (Attachment H). Motion carried; all voted aye.
- M. Motion by Jonathan A. Warren, seconded by Joan T. Smith, to approve **an agreement with The Pathway School for the 2017-2018 school year** for student #276813, attending from September 5, 2017 through June 15, 2018, in the amount of \$51,000. (Attachment #1- *Board Member only*). Motion carried; all voted aye.

Motion by Jonathan A. Warren, seconded by Kimberly A. Baccari, to approve **Action Items N through Q:**

- N. Motion to approve **the education service agreement between Upper Perkiomen School District and the family of student #244061**. (Attachment #2- *Board Member only*)
- O. Motion to approve **the agreement with Buxmont Academy in Sellersville for student #227268 for the 2017-2018 school year for the amount of \$23,000**.
- P. Motion to approve **the agreement with Buxmont Academy in Sellersville for student #227192 for the 2017-2018 school year for the amount of \$23,000**.
- Q. Motion to approve **the independent contractor agreement with Dr. David Abel for a psychiatric evaluation for student #252961 for the rate of \$1,300**.

Motion carried; all voted aye.

Motion by Jonathan A. Warren, seconded by John L. Gehman, to approve **Action Items R and S:**

- R. Motion to approve **the following contracts with the MCIU for Professional Development:**
1. Literacy and Math Consultation for the 2017-2018 (Attachment I)
  2. Assessment Literacy and School Improvement Training (Attachment J)
- S. Motion to approve the **Student Activity & Scholarship List for the 2017-2018 school year** in accordance with Board Policy No. 618 (Attachment K).

Motion carried; all voted aye.

- T. Motion by Mike W. Elliott, seconded by Joan T. Smith, to approve **David Hutchinson to serve as President-Elect of PSBA for 2018**.
1. David Hutchinson
  2. Otto W. Voit, III

Motion carried; all voted aye.

- U. Motion by Mike W. Elliott, seconded by Raeann B. Hofkin, to approve **Gary Michael Smedley to serve as Vice-President of PSBA for 2018**.



1. Eric Wolfgang
2. Gary Michael Smedley

VOTE: Elliott – yes, Hofkin – yes, Pike – yes, Smith – yes, Farris – yes, Gehman – yes, **Warren - no**, Baccari – yes, Drake – yes. Motion carried.

V. Motion by Kerry A. Drake, seconded by Jonathan A. Warren, to approve **Michael Faccineto and Marianne L. Neel to serve as a Trustee on the PSBA Insurance Trust Board:**

- i) Michael Faccineto
- ii) Marianne L. Neel

Motion carried; all voted aye.

W. Motion by Jonathan A. Warren, seconded by Raeann B. Hofkin, to approve **Mike Gossert to serve as Treasurer of PSBA for 2018**. VOTE: **Elliott – no**, Hofkin – yes, Pike – yes, Smith – yes, Farris – yes, Gehman – yes, Warren - yes, Baccari – yes, Drake – yes. Motion carried.

### **BUSINESS REPORTS**

Motion by Jonathan A. Warren, seconded by John L. Gehman, to approve the **payment of bills, in the amount of \$1,125,409.41 from the General Fund**. Motion carried; all voted aye.

Motion by Jonathan A. Warren, seconded by John L. Farris, to approve **the payment of Expenditures from the Capital Projects Account in the amount of \$16,301.80**. Motion carried; all voted aye.

Motion by Kimberly A. Baccari, seconded by Joan T. Smith, to **approve the payment of Expenditures from the Capital Reserve Account in the amount of \$14,133.91**. Motion carried; all voted aye.

Motion by Jonathan A. Warren, seconded by Kimberly A. Baccari, to approve **the payment of check #14 in the amount of \$20,000.00 from the Capital Reserve Account**. Motion carried; all voted aye.

Motion by Jonathan A. Warren, seconded by Kimberly A. Baccari, to approve **the Per Capita Exonerations as listed**. Motion carried; all voted aye.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

John Walsh, Palm, thanked everyone for setting up the tour at the Middle School. He said the teachers addressed all questions. Mr. Walsh shared that he heard many times about issues with heating/AC and the Wi-Fi.

Cathy Davidson, Pennsburg, asked about work that was being done on the baseball fields at the High School. She also asked if a letter would be sent to students who walk to the High School about the walking safety during construction and how the public could see the letter.

Christine Schmoyer, Pennsburg, thanked the board and administration for the accelerated math program for middle school students at the high school.

Melanie Cunningham, Upper Hanover, asked about PlanCon reimbursement and the approval of PlanCon F.

Keith McCarrick, Pennsburg, asked to receive total costs of projects each month and about findings from the Feasibility Study.

John Kuzmission, Upper Hanover, followed up with communication he had with the board in August.

Dr. McGloin asked the Board if they would allow the Sports Boosters to place a sign at the High School baseball fields recognizing Tim Mayza for his success in Major League Baseball.

Motion by Raeann B. Hofkin, seconded by John L. Farris, to **approve a sign being placed at the Upper Perkiomen High School for Tim Mayza**. Motion carried; all voted aye.

### **BOARD COMMENTS**

Jonathan Warren, echoed Dr. McGloin's thoughts about Community Day and stated seeing the Interaction between teachers and students was great.

Kimberly Baccari, talked about school wide positive behavior where everyone should be safe, respectful, responsible and kind, she encouraged her fellow board members to remember to treat each other the same way. She also asked if new chairs were obtained for the high school library. Ms. Baccari talked about the increase in the graduation rate and asked for a presentation on how we got there.

Dr. Farris asked Mr. Roos to respond to Joe Borgese question from the public comments.

Raeann B. Hofkin, announced that her name would be included on the PSERS ballot in November and also asked about the purpose of the middle school tour on October 3, 2017. Mrs. Hofkin addressed the Communication line, her responding to comments, and talked about the responsibility of school board directors. Mrs. Hofkin read a statement on the new middle school project.

John Gehman had a question about the impact of the blasting.

Kerry Drake, read a statement about concerns he had about previous financial issues and the district's inability to address those concerns. He spoke about his thoughts on the middle school project.

Mike Elliott talked about his experiences of sitting in classrooms. He also spoke about progress in the district today and moving forward.

Will Pike thanked Dr. McGloin and the community for all the good things with reference to Project Live.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Jonathan A. Warren, seconded by Mike W. Elliott that **the meeting be adjourned at 9:20 p.m.** Motion carried; all voted aye.

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Sandra M. Kassel, Board Secretary

