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SCRANTON, PENNSYLVANIA 18503

The Scranton School Board of Directors held a regular board meeting on Monday, March 5, 2018 at 7:00pm prevailing time in the auditorium of Northeast Intermediate School, 721 Adams Ave., Scranton, PA 18508.

President Dixon called the meeting to order at 7:15pm with a Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call: By the Secretary.

Present : Directors Casey, Cognetti, Duffy, Gilmartin, Lesh, McAndrew, Oleski, Schuster and President Dixon.

Absent: All Present.

Solicitor's Report:

Attorney Minora announced executive sessions were held on February 21, 2018 and this evening March 5, 2018 to discuss Personnel, Potential Litigation, Real Estate and Negotiations.

Superintendent's Report:

Dr. Alexis Kirijan commented on the recent tragedy in Parkland, Fl adding that conversations have been sparked regarding the importance of school safety. Dr. Kirijan announced that active shooter drills will occur after active shooter training which will be offered to all Scranton School District employees before the end of the school year.

Dr. Kirijan noted two important events happening in honor of the seventeen victims of the Parkland, Fl shooting; on March 14th there will be a 17 minute student walk out nationwide and on March 24th the March for our Lives will take place with a march from the Olive Street Heritage Trail to the Lackawanna County Courthouse.

Dr. Kirijan announced the school make up dates due to inclement weather are Thursday, March 29th, Monday, April 2nd, Tuesday, April 3rd, Friday, May 25th and Monday, June 18th. The updated calendar would be published soon.

Dr. Kirijan congratulated Robert Morris Elementary School for being nominated for Blue Ribbon School award, recognized Read-Across America and many activities happening in our elementary schools, congratulated Mr. Bert Gentilezza; he was recently presented with the William J. Gerrity award for his exemplary contributions to the culture of sports in the area, and congratulated outstanding administrators Ms. Erin Keating and Paul Dougherty for representing the Scranton School District at the recent Pennsylvania Association of Student Assistant Professionals/ Pennsylvania Middle School Association Conference.

Dr. Kirijan announced that West Scranton High School will host parent meetings on March 13th at 6PM and March 22nd at 3:30PM to discuss rezoning changes in the Scranton School District.

Public Comment:

Dan LaMagna spoke of his dissatisfaction of his recent football coaching appointment interview.

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Patrick Festa, teacher at McNichols Plaza and SFT member spoke against furlough of teachers, program cuts, and elimination of library and urged the board to cooperate with the union, parents and students and discuss thoughts and ideas.

Donna Zaleski, Scranton High School librarian expressed concern of the elimination of school librarians and the effect it will have on students.

Stephanie Lynch, physical education teacher in Scranton, asked why there is conflicting information from the State and the Superintendent and also questioned what happens if the budget does not pass.

Attorney Minora addressed.

Ms. Lynch also spoke of the importance of physical and health education and how passionate she is about her job and her students.

Director Duffy spoke of subsidies and reimbursements from the state and has been working non-stop with Pennsylvania representatives and hopes that working together with the SFT and the community they'll find a solution.

Holly Meade, special education teacher at Northeast Intermediate, questioned whether breakfast will be served to students on snow delay days and asked for an update on the money Dan Sansky owes the district.

Attorney Minora said he is unable to comment on the matter because it is in litigation.

Mrs. Meade asked why the board does not attend negotiations and what modifications are being made in the existing buildings for the safety and welfare of the children, asked if the security officer at the administration building carries a handgun, why there are no officers in elementary schools and suggested officers serve ½ days and share duties in elementary schools.

Robert Lozada, music teacher at Northeast Intermediate School, spoke of the cuts in physical education and music programs and questioned how many cuts in each middle school, have parents been notified and if there is still funding for extra-curricular activities in high schools.

Kathleen Beckwith, teacher in Scranton, spoke of special education department, the importance of grant writing and suggested a town hall meeting with teachers for back to school instead of a video.

Rosemary Boland, SFT President, spoke of the letter from PDE insisting the district to reverse the resolution regarding the teacher furloughs, the hiring of special labor counsel, all contracts over \$10,000 should be bid, prior grant writer and new curriculum.

ATHLETICS & STADIUM COMMITTEE

The following resolution was submitted by Director Casey.

A-1

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Athletics and Stadium Committee that the following resolution be approved:

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WHEREAS, A local Girl's spring/summer AAU Basketball Team-Keystone Karma has requested the use of Scranton High School's Gymnasium for their practices for the 2018 spring/summer season, and

WHEREAS, Keystone Karma will be charged a rental fee in the amount of \$5,000 for the use of Scranton High School for scheduled practices until Saturday, June 30, 2018, and

WHEREAS, Keystone Karma will pay a security deposit in the amount of \$2,000 prior to the use of Scranton High School. The security deposit will be refunded should Scranton High School facilities maintain the same condition that they have been presented. The determination of facility condition will be made by the Principal of Scranton High School. A walk through before and after each practice between SSD staff and Keystone Karma staff is required, and

WHEREAS, In exchange for the reduced rental fees for practices all Scranton School District students will participate in this program with no charge, and

WHEREAS, So that no scheduling conflicts occur, Keystone Karma is to provide a detailed practice schedule to the administration of Scranton High School, and

WHEREAS, Keystone Karma is to provide proof of a Certificate of Insurance for liability purposes, and

WHEREAS, Keystone Karma is responsible for the safety and conduct of its participants and spectators, and

WHEREAS, Adequate adult supervision must be provided by Keystone Karma, and

WHEREAS, Access to facilities shall be limited to the specified area of Scranton High School, and

WHEREAS, Alteration to Scranton High School are prohibited, and

WHEREAS, Scranton School District owned equipment shall not be removed from the facility or loaned to Keystone Karma, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED Keystone Karma is allowed to use the Scranton High School Gymnasium for practices during the 2018 spring/summer season.

The resolution was seconded by Director Oleski and passed unanimously on roll call.

ALSO

The following resolution was submitted by Director Casey.

A-2

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Athletics and Stadium Committee that the following resolution be approved:

WHEREAS, a local AAU Basketball Program-Backcourt Hoops has requested the use of West Scranton High School and Scranton High School Gymnasiums for their practices and tournaments for the 2018 spring season; and

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WHEREAS, Backcourt Hoops will be charged a rental fee in the amount of \$5,000 for the use of West Scranton High School and Scranton High School for scheduled practices and tournaments until Saturday, May 12, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Backcourt Hoops will pay a security deposit in the amount of \$2,000 prior to the use of both facilities, West Scranton High School and Scranton High School. The security deposit will be refunded should West Scranton High School and Scranton High School facilities maintain the same condition that they have been presented immediately following the event. The determination of facility condition will be made by the Principals of both West Scranton High School and Scranton High School. A walk through before and after each practice and/or tournament between SSD staff and Backcourt Hoops staff is required; and

WHEREAS, in exchange for the reduced rental fees for practices and tournaments West Scranton High School and Scranton High School will receive entry fees for two teams each into all tournaments hosted by Backcourt Hoops in Scranton, Pennsylvania. This is roughly an \$8,000 value to the student/athletes of the Scranton School District; and

WHEREAS, so that no scheduling conflicts occur, Backcourt Hoops is to provide a detailed practice and tournament schedule to the administration of West Scranton High School and Scranton High School; and

WHEREAS, Backcourt Hoops is to provide proof of a Certificate of Insurance for liability purposes; and

WHEREAS, Backcourt Hoops is responsible for the safety and conduct of its participants and spectators; and

WHEREAS, adequate adult supervision must be provided by Backcourt Hoops; and

WHEREAS, access to facilities shall be limited to the specified area of West Scranton High School and Scranton High School; and

WHEREAS, alteration to West Scranton High School and Scranton High School are prohibited; and

WHEREAS, Scranton School District owned equipment shall not be removed from the facility or loaned to Backcourt Hoops; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED Backcourt Hoops is allowed to use the Scranton High School Gymnasium for practices during the 2018 spring/summer season.

The resolution was seconded by Director Oleski and passed unanimously on roll call.

ALSO

The following was submitted by Director Casey.

A-3

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Athletics and Stadium Committee that the following resolution be approved:

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WHEREAS, The University of Scranton and the Scranton School District have developed a field agreement partnership for the usage of Scranton Memorial Stadium and the newly developed South Side Athletics Complex, and

WHEREAS, The University of Scranton will use Scranton Memorial Stadium for Track and Field practices, and

WHEREAS, The Scranton School District will use the newly developed South Side Athletics Complex for daily practices and as many games that are allowable by the West Scranton Varsity/Junior Varsity Baseball Team, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the field agreement between the University of Scranton and the Scranton School District be approved.

The resolution was seconded by Director Oleski.

ON THE QUESTION:

Director Casey made a motion to table the resolution for further discussion.

Mr. Bert Gentilezza, Dr. Kirijan and Attorney Minora briefly explained the specifics of the use of the field and the resurfacing of the track at Memorial Stadium, the sharing of services with other groups and funding towards maintaining the fields. Dr. Kirijan added that it is the board's pleasure to table the resolution for further discussion.

After further discussion it was agreed that the students may use the facilities during ongoing discussions regarding the use and sharing costs. Director Casey made a motion, seconded by Director Oleski the motion with friendly amendment passed with seven (7) affirmative votes. (Director Duffy and Director McAndrew stepped out prior to vote)

BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE

The following resolution was submitted by Director Cognetti.

B-1

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent and Budget and Finance Committee that the following resolution be considered:

The list of bill payments in accordance with the bill payment approval policy
Be approved as per the attached:

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\$225,348.90

The resolution was seconded by Director Lesh and passed with eight (8) affirmative and one (1) abstention. Director Schuster abstained due to potential conflict with his employment with Children's Service Center.

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ALSO

The following was submitted by Director Cognetti.

B-2

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent and Budget and Finance Committee that the following resolution be considered:

The Exception Bill List as per the bill payment approval policy for the
Period ended March 5, 2018 be approved as per the attached:

Be it resolved that exception payments in the amount of \$2,963,680.72 have been paid in accordance with the approval payment policy.

February 9, 2018	\$ 162,559.78
February 23, 2018	\$1,993,762.91
March 2, 2018	\$ 807,358.03

Be it resolved that payrolls amounting to \$5,081,347.19 have been paid in accordance with the approval for payment policy.

February 9, 2018	\$2,538,196.78
February 23, 2018	\$2,543,150.41

The resolution was seconded by Director Lesh and passed unanimously on roll call.

ALSO

The following was submitted by Director Cognetti.

B-3

The Superintendent and Budget and Finance Committee present the following for your consideration:

Be it resolved that the Delinquent Tax Report for the month of January 2018 be accepted. A copy of the monthly detail is available for review in the Business Office.

Tax	\$186,296.31
Penalty	\$ 18,284.96
Interest	<u>\$ 11,892.18</u>
TOTAL	\$216,473.45
Commission	<u>\$(10,823.75)</u>
NET TO DISTRICT	\$205,649.70

The resolution was seconded by Director Lesh and passed unanimously on roll call.

ALSO

The following was submitted by Director Cognetti.

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B-4

The Superintendent and the Budget & Finance Committee presents the following resolution for your consideration:

WHEREAS, the Scranton School Board adopted a resolution on June 27, 2016 approving the New Home Construction Local Tax Abatement and New Business Construction Local Tax Abatement Program for a two (2) year period; and

WHEREAS, as stated in the original attachment the program should have been approved for a three (3) year period which would align with the approval of City of Scranton and Lackawanna County; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Scranton School Board approves the New Home Construction and New Business Construction Local Tax Abatement Program in accordance with the attached File of the Council No. 6, 21 and 22 of 2016 and the terms and conditions of the City of Scranton.

The resolution was seconded by Director Lesh and passed unanimously on roll call.

ALSO

The following was submitted by Director Cognetti.

B-5

The Superintendent and Budget and Finance Committee present the following resolution for your consideration:

Be it resolved that the Treasurer's Report for the period ending January, 2018 be accepted as follows:

Opening Balance	\$6,350,804.61
Monthly Revenue	\$24,152,550.12
Transfers & Refunds	<u>\$ -</u>
 Total Available	 \$30,503,354.73
Total Disbursements	<u>\$12,305,084.08</u>
Balance in General Account	\$18,198,270.65

The resolution was seconded by Director Lesh and passed unanimously on roll call.

ON THE QUESTION:

Director Cognetti confirmed with Mr. Laffey that a new Treasurer's Report format would be used at the next board meeting.

ALSO

The following was submitted by Director Cognetti.

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B-6

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent and Budget and Finance Committee that the following resolution is approved:

WHEREAS, the Scranton School Board recognizes that certain job functions require an employee to be accessible when away from the office or during times outside scheduled working hours; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent and Board Members has identified the following five positions to be provided district cell phones:

Chief of Operations

Director of Transportation

Non-Professional Substitute Coordinator

Day Maintenance Supervisor

Night Maintenance Supervisor

WHEREAS, the Board also recognizes the need for two positions that require the need of communication outside their scheduled working hours, and cell phones will be provided to the Diversity Coordinator and the Hispanic Community Liaison through a Title Funding source to address the needs of students and parents with language barriers.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Scranton School Board hereby authorizes the Scranton School District to provide said positions with district cellular phones.

The resolution was seconded by Director Lesh and passed with eight (8) affirmative and one (1) negative vote. Director Duffy cast the negative vote.

ON THE QUESTION:

Director Casey questioned the type of phones and plans provided. Mr. Laffey addressed.

Technology Committee

The following resolution was submitted by Director Oleski.

C-1

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent and Technology Committee that the following is approved:

WHEREAS, Northeast Pennsylvania Wide Area Network is a network service that provides internet services to the school districts that are serviced by NEIU 19; and

WHEREAS, Scranton School District is one of the members of this consortium and all required bidding is done by the Intermediate Units as required by federal regulations and the Scranton School District receives its full eRate discount not a blended discount; and

WHEREAS, PAIUnet is a statewide, high-speed educational network that enables educators and students throughout Pennsylvania to create, communicate, collaborate and share valuable resources to enhance student learning; and

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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Scranton School Board hereby approves the contract as per the attached terms and conditions for the period July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2021.

The resolution was seconded by Director Lesh and passed unanimously on roll call.

ON THE QUESTION:

Director Schuster asked if this is a plan that has been used in the past and Dr. Kirijan confirmed.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The following was submitted by Director Cagnetti.

D-1

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Education Committee that the following resolution be approved:

WHEREAS, a request for approval has been submitted to the Board of School Directors for the following out of state field trips:

West Scranton High School Drama Club *Financed by students through Drama Club	4/18/2018	Broadway Musical Anastasia-NYC
West Scranton Intermediate School Student Council *Financed by Student Council	05/24/18	Adventure Aquarium, Camden, NJ
Scranton High School Political Science Club *Student Funded	03/23-24/2018	Washington DC Student March for Our Lives

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Scranton School Board hereby approves the field trips per the requests previously provided for your review.

The resolution was seconded by Director Lesh and passed unanimously on roll call.

ALSO

The following was submitted by Director Cagnetti.

D-2

The Superintendent and the Education Committee requests board approval of staff attendance to conferences and meetings for professional development relevant to their specific duties and responsibilities as per the attached.

Board approval is contingent upon the required approval of all supervisors, principals or administration.

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Mario Emiliani
2018 PA Title I ISP Conference
Pittsburgh, PA
\$1283.29
1/28/18-1/31/18

Susan Giambrone
2018 PDE Data Summit
Hershey, PA
\$850.00
3/25/18-3/28/18

Jeremy Guse
SCM Instructor Recertification
State College, PA
\$779.00
3/26/18-3/27/18

Megan Barrett
PDE Data Summit
Hershey, PA
\$650.00
3/26/18-3/27/2018

Sandra Newhart
PDE Data Summit
Hershey, PA
\$850.00
3/25/18-3/28/18

The resolution was seconded by Director Casey and passed unanimously on roll call.

ON THE QUESTION:

Director Cognetti questioned the difference in charges for individuals attending the same conference. Dr. Kirijan answered that the trainings are highly recommended and the individuals chose what program suits them and when they will be able to attend.

ALSO

The following was submitted by Director Cognetti.

D-3

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Education Committee that the following Resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, this Committee was duly authorized to conduct an expulsion hearing in the matter of Expulsion No. 9 of 2018 and;

WHEREAS, the Committee after due notice to the student of the charges alleged and after affording the student the opportunity to challenge the same at the time of informal hearing, as well as a full hearing;

DOES HEREBY RECOMMEND that the student be expelled as set forth in the report previously presented for your consideration.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the student identified in this resolution as Expulsion No. 9 of 2018 be expelled upon the terms and conditions as set forth in the report mentioned above.

The resolution was seconded by Director Casey and passed unanimously on roll call.

Policy Committee

The following was submitted by Director Gilmartin.

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I-1

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Policy Committee after careful review and discussion that the *revised* Rules for the Board of School Directors be adopted as per the attached.

The resolution was seconded by Director Casey and passed unanimously on roll call.

ALSO

The following was submitted by Director Gilmartin.

I-2

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Policy Committee that the following resolution be approved:

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania school districts provide countless academic and extracurricular opportunities for learning and growth of all students, preparing them for higher education and careers; and districts have continued to make steady gains in academic achievement, with Pennsylvania students consistently ranked in or near the top 10 nationally on the National Achievement Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) exams for reading and math; and Pennsylvania has been named a national leader in providing Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) education programs; and

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania also maintains a greater high school graduation rate and a larger percentage of students moving on to higher education than the national average; and

WHEREAS, more than 80% of Pennsylvania students enrolled in career and technical centers or programs are achieving at the competent or advanced level on industry-based skills assessments, enabling them to earn credentials leading to meaningful employment or college credit equivalencies at cooperating institutions; and

WHEREAS, public schools ensure that each student with a disability receives a Free Appropriate Public Education (FAPE) in compliance with federal and state law and regulations, with students and their families having the benefits of a system of procedural safeguards; and

WHEREAS, Education Savings Account (ESA) voucher programs such as those under Senate Bill 2 undermine Pennsylvania's responsibility to ensure every student in every community has equal access to public education; and schools targeted under Senate Bill 2 are already in under-resourced districts; and state money for ESAs would be deducted, on a per-student basis, from a school district's basic education subsidy; and not only would school districts' state aid be sent to unaccountable private schools, but such money could also be diverted to higher education, tutoring services and other "qualified education expenses," not even ensuring students receive full-time educational instruction; and

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WHEREAS, the voucher program in Senate Bill 2 benefits families regardless of income or need, including students already enrolled in private schools or never having attended a targeted public school; and voucher systems in other states have been shown to be vulnerable to financial fraud and abuse; and

WHEREAS, unlike private schools, public school districts accept, educate and protect the rights of all children who come to their doors, as opposed to those institutions that can reject applicants based on any number of factors and are not required to uphold the rights of the students with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, public schools are held to strict accountability standards that measure student achievement and academic progress, unlike private schools which are not required to use the same standard assessments and reporting requirements as public schools; and provisions under Senate Bill 2 would not require participating private schools to use the same standardized assessments, making comparison and evaluation of academic progress unachievable; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Scranton School District opposes Senate Bill 2 and any other legislation or any effort by the General Assembly to implement tuition vouchers or any other program that would have an effect of a tuition voucher program, and conveys the importance of supporting and improving the quality of all public schools in the Commonwealth.

The resolution was seconded by Director Lesh and passed unanimously on roll call.

ALSO

The following was submitted by Director Gilmartin.

I-3

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Policy Committee that the following resolution be approved:

WHEREAS, the following policies 005, 006, & 351 have been *revised* by the Scranton School District Policy Committee, and

POLICY NUMBER	POLICY REVISIONS
Policy 005	Organization
Policy 006	Meetings
Policy 351	Drug and Alcohol Free workplace Statement

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Scranton School Board hereby approves *revisions* recommended by the Scranton School District Policy Committee to policies 005, 006, & 351.

ON THE QUESTION:

Director Casey made a motion for a friendly amendment to strike out Policy 006 for further review. Director Duffy seconded and the friendly amendment passed unanimously on roll call.

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The resolution approving revisions for Policy 005 and Policy 351 was seconded by Director Lesh and passed unanimously on roll call.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

The following was submitted by Director Casey.

J-1

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent and Personnel Committee that the attached list of Appointments, Assignments, Resignations, Rescinded Positions and Leaves of Absences is approved.

Appointments are effective upon receipt of proper criminal records, immigration, and medical and child abuse reports.

Salaries are in accordance with the Collective Bargaining Agreements.

A. Recommendations For Long-Term Substitute Teaching Assignments:

Sarah Bauman	Teacher(Autistic)	John Adams	11/22/17-3/2/18
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B. Resignations-Professional

Michael Courtright	Business	SHS	3/2/18
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C. Coaching Appointments

Bill Stetzer	Freshman Boys Baseball	SHS	2017/2018 only
Kerry Fallon	Assistant Girls Basketball	SHS	2017/2018 only
Joseph Watral	JV Girls Basketball	SHS	2017/2018 only
Steven Shumbres	Head Football Coach	SHS	TBD

D. Leaves of Absence- Professional

Kristen Gervasi	Jr. High Track Coach	WSHS	2018 Season
Ann Marie Nasser	English	SHS	2/1/18-End School Yr. Sabbatical R.O.H.
Kendra Hooper	Kindergarten	Willard	3/12/18-May 2018 Sick/FMLA

E. Resignations-Non-Professional

Brian Maxion	WSHS	Maintenance	2/9/18
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F. Leaves of Absence – Non-Professional

Shauna Pevec	Paraprofessional	Kennedy	3/26/18-4/30/18 FMLA
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Gina Griffiths	Paraprofessional	Morris	2/2/18-5/2/18 FMLA
Latifa Pearson	Paraprofessional	Whittier	3/6/18-4/16/18 FMLA
Dawn Bingham	Paraprofessional	WSIS	2/2/18-4/27/18 FMLA

The resolution was seconded by Director Duffy and passed with six (6) affirmative, two (2) negative and one (1) abstention. The negative votes were cast by Directors McAndrew and Schuster. Director Duffy abstained because he is related to Mr. Shumbres.

Mr. Bill Gaynord announced the effective date is to be determined because we have not found a proper substitute yet.

Director McAndrew said because he consistently votes against the hiring of directors' relatives therefore he will be voting no.

Director Cagnetti remarked that she thought the whole point of abstaining is to not comment.

ALSO

The following was submitted by Director Casey.

J-2

These employees have completed at least three years of professional service (with satisfactory ratings). For achieving the status of professional employee, under the school code, it is the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that professional contracts be issued to the following individuals:

<u>Professional Contracts</u>	<u>Date of Appointment</u>
1. Amanda Berardinelli 815 Atherton St Clarks Summit, PA 18411	September 2, 2014
2. Brandon Budd 2189 Port Royal Rd Clarks Summit, PA 18411	September 2, 2014
3. Leanne Butka 304 Church St Jessup, PA 18434	September 2, 2014

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| 4. Kathleen Cadden
28 Fawnwood Dr
Scranton, PA 18504 | September 2, 2014 |
| 5. Tara Carey
1703 Washburn St
Scranton, PA 18504 | September 2, 2014 |
| 6. Ashley Carroll
404 Alice St
Olyphant, PA 18447 | August 29, 2014 |
| 7. Amanda Casey Washney
388 Warren Ave
Kingston, PA 18704 | September 2, 2014 |
| 8. Michele Crofton
1085 W Market St
Scranton, PA 18508 | September 2, 2014 |
| 9. Ashley DeLorenzo
1584 Aberdeen Rd
Moscow, PA 18444 | September 2, 2014 |
| 10. Brenda Dixon
150 E Atherton St
Taylor, PA 18517 | September 2, 2014 |
| 11. Tara Donnelly
314 Oakford Rd
Clarks Summit, PA 18411 | September 2, 2014 |
| 12. Colleen Dulay
426 ½ Ridge St
Honesdale, PA 18439 | September 2, 2014 |
| 13. Mark Fryer
306 Tall Trees Dr
Scranton, PA 18505 | September 2, 2014 |
| 14. Christine Gammaitoni
634 Breck St
Scranton, PA 18505 | September 2, 2014 |

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| 15. Patrick R. Gaughan
1734 Wayne Ave
Scranton, PA 18508 | September 2, 2014 |
| 16. Gina Giovannini
42 James St
Plains, PA 18705 | September 2, 2014 |
| 17. Rachel Harshbarger
310 Stafford Ave
Scranton, PA 18505 | September 2, 2014 |
| 18. Christina Horne
536 River St
Scranton, PA 18505 | September 2, 2014 |
| 19. Crystal Johnston DeAntona
1134 W Gibson St
Scranton, PA 18504 | September 2, 2014 |
| 20. Francis Jones
1510 Clay Ave
Dunmore, PA 18509 | September 2, 2014 |
| 21. Maki King
502 Deacon St
Scranton, PA 18509 | July 15, 2014 |
| 22. Sara Krukovitz
408 Cleveland St
Olyphant, PA 18447 | September 2, 2014 |
| 23. Richele Lencicki
103 Ridgeview Dr
Scranton, PA 18504 | September 2, 2014 |
| 24. Julie Lukasiewicz
204 Stafford Ave
Scranton, PA 18505 | September 2, 2014 |
| 25. Emily Lutz
937 State Route 307
Moscow, PA 18444 | September 2, 2014 |

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| 26. Andrea Lynch
1249 Blair Ave
Scranton, PA 18508 | September 2, 2014 |
| 27. Stephanie Lynch
1249 Blair Ave
Scranton, PA 18508 | September 2, 2014 |
| 28. Jamie Marcks-Kelly
1628 Farr St
Scranton, PA 18504 | October 24, 2014 |
| 29. Jessica McCauley
282 Lake Dr
Gouldsboro, PA 18424 | September 2, 2014 |
| 30. Adam McCormick
1717 Penn Ave
Scranton, PA 18509 | September 2, 2014 |
| 31. Ashley McCulloch Ferrese
119 Elizabeth St
Pittston, PA 18640 | September 2, 2014 |
| 32. Katona Miller
419 Wintermantle Ave
Scranton, PA 18505 | September 2, 2014 |
| 33. Sebastian Moulin
833 Brook St
Dickson City PA 18514 | September 2, 2014 |
| 34. Amanda Mousley
76 Szostowski Rd
Waymart PA 18472 | September 2, 2014 |
| 35. Christine Muta Baresse
1340 Dorothy St
Scranton, PA 18504 | September 2, 2014 |
| 36. Tricia Natale
102 Parkdale Place
Dickson City, PA 18519 | September 2, 2014 |

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| 37. Kathryn Yablonsky Niemotka
203 Prynne St
Peckville, PA 18452 | September 2, 2014 |
| 38. Tricia O’Gurek
56 W Walton St
Summit Hill, PA 18250 | September 2, 2014 |
| 39. Lindsay Pagnotti
148 W. Morton St
Old Forge, PA 18518 | September 2, 2014 |
| 40. Matthew Paris
633 White Birch Rd
Scranton, PA 18505 | September 2, 2014 |
| 41. Stephen Peters
114 Ren Acres
Clarks Summit, PA 18411 | September 2, 2014 |
| 42. Kristen Riley
1321 Ash St
Scranton PA 18510 | September 2, 2014 |
| 43. James Ritts
38 W Germania St
Ashley, PA 18706 | September 2, 2014 |
| 44. Laura Roche
2646 Frink St
Scranton, PA 18504 | September 2, 2014 |
| 45. Adam Ruane
1029 Monroe Ave
Scranton, PA 18510 | September 2, 2014 |
| 46. Robert Sadler
255 Lincoln Ave
Nazareth, PA 18064 | September 2, 2014 |
| 47. Susan Schimelfenig
1520 N Washington Ave
Scranton, PA 18509 | October 1, 2013 |

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| 48. Sara Schmader
1114-1116 S Main Ave
Taylor, PA 18517 | September 2, 2014 |
| 49. Amber Schmidt
1435 N Lincoln Ave
Scranton, PA 18508 | September 2, 2014 |
| 50. Jennifer Scott
1501 N Washington Ave
Scranton, PA 18509 | September 2, 2014 |
| 51. Susan Shaw Reilly
321 Sampson St
Old Forge, PA 18518 | October 22, 2013 |
| 52. Sarah Singleton
910 Taylor Ave
Scranton, PA 18510 | September 2, 2014 |
| 53. Megan Smith
1416 Luzerne St
Scranton, PA 18504 | September 2, 2014 |
| 54. Laura Stec Osmun
7277 Moss Dr
Swiftwater, PA 18370 | September 2, 2014 |
| 55. Ashlei Valatka-Kishel
104 Carbon St Apt 3
Old Forge, PA 18518 | September 2, 2014 |
| 56. Dominic Vergnetti
2649 Milwaukee Rd
Clarks Summit, PA 18411 | September 2, 2014 |
| 57. Joshua Watters
420 Dunmore St, Apt. C
Throop, PA 18512 | September 2, 2014 |
| 58. Kerri Welcome Gaughan
602 Sunset St
Clarks Summit, PA 18411 | September 10, 2013 |

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| 59. Shannon Wentland
643 Beech St .1 st Floor
Scranton, PA 18505 | September 2, 2014 |
| 60. Nadine Zaccheo
1722 Wyoming Ave
Scranton, PA 18509 | September 2, 2014 |
| 61. Julie Zaleski
1322 S Webster Ave
Scranton, PA 18505 | September 2, 2014 |

The resolution was seconded by Director Lesh and passed unanimously on roll call.

Buildings & Grounds Committee

The following was submitted by Director McAndrew.

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It is the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Buildings and Grounds Committee that the following is approved:

WHEREAS, in an effort to balance the enrollments at both the McNichols Plaza and Kennedy Elementary, attendance zone changes are proposed for McNichols Plaza students to Kennedy Elementary; and

WHEREAS, beginning in the 2018/2019 school years the students residing at the following addresses will attend Kennedy Elementary:

900 block and up of Pear Street
1000 block and up of Genet Street
1000 block and up of Stafford Avenue
1000 block and up of Breck Street

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Scranton School Board approves these changes as previously presented by administration for board review.

The resolution was seconded by Director Casey and passed unanimously on roll call.

ON THE QUESTION:

Director Lesh thanked Mrs. Colleen Leonard, McNichols Plaza Principal and Mr. Nathan Barrett, Kennedy Elementary Principal, Superintendent Dr. Kirijan and Director Gilmartin for the time they put in at the schools with the parents. Director Gilmartin commented the information was well received.

Director Schuster confirmed with Dr. Kirijan the dates that administrators will hold parent meetings on March 13th at 6PM and March 22nd at 3:30PM to discuss the boundary changes for high school.

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Director Lesh asked if the changes will affect the boundaries of both elementary schools and Dr. Kirijan answered yes.

Director Lesh asked if there would be additional meetings and Dr. Kirijan said yes and referenced a meeting in the beginning of the school year with Mr. Barrett there was discussion to hold a meeting for the parents of the students affected by the changes.

Special Education Committee

The following was submitted by Director Oleski.

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It is the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Special Education Committee that the following resolution be approved:

WHEREAS, as recommended and reviewed by the Special Education attorney, the Scranton School District will implement a Special Education Procedure Handbook to provide guidance to teachers and principals, as a part of the corrective action plan to improve service to students and to decrease Special Education litigations and as a part of Special Education litigation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Scranton School Board approve this resolution to implement and train personnel on the procedures contained in the Special Education Procedure Handbook.

Director Casey seconded.

ON THE QUESTION:

Director Schuster questioned the language regarding restricted placements. Ms. Ann Genett addressed.

Director Cognetti expressed concern that there wasn't someone on the litigation side to review this and asked that Angela Evans be added to the participants. Dr. Kirijan responded that it has been review by special education attorney. Director Schuster made a motion, seconded by Director Casey and motion passed unanimously on roll call.

The resolution passed unanimously on roll call.

NEW BUSINESS:

Dr. Alexis Kirijan announced that some students will now be provided meals over the weekends and snow days with the help of the organization Here for a Reason and asked Mrs. Missy McTiernan to elaborate. Mrs. McTiernan responded that beginning on March 23rd they will be starting with three pilot schools, Adams, Bancroft and McNichols Plaza and letters will be sent home to families with instructions and explaining the program if they are interested in receiving meals. Mrs. McTiernan also said they will be focusing on different areas and adding schools as they go along. Dr. Kirijan also thanked teacher Holly Meade for her diligence with moving this project along.

Director Duffy spoke of safety in the schools and Active Shooter Training and asked for discussion at the next work session.

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Director Schuster said he is happy to see that the public meetings will again be televised and also spoke of proposing a resolution for executive sessions to be recorded and maybe include media outlets. Dr. Kirijan suggested first to seek legal advice. After brief discussion between directors including violating privacy and confidentiality it was determined that Dr. Kirijan and the solicitor will research the matter further.

There being no further business a motion to adjourn was made by Director Oleski, seconded by Director Duffy and the meeting adjourned at 9:39PM.

By: _____
Secretary