BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE NOVEMBER 2019 BOARD MEETINGS

Student Council Report: Peyton Celesti, Student Council Representative, provided a Student Council update, including that Student Council will be assisting with the Harvest Festival, and that they will be writing cards for a child who is in the hospital.

Beattie Student Report: Olivia Soost, Beattie Student Representative, provided a Beattie update. Olivia mentioned leadership and awards. She also mentioned the recent craft show held at Beattie.

Superintendent's Report: Dr. Johns provided a summary of the recent Western Pennsylvania School Superintendents conference. She also discussed the recent Middle Level Education conference where Northgate participated in the presentations. Dr. Johns also mentioned that students will attend a Junior Achievement meeting to talk about BizTown, and reminded everyone of the elementary drama performance.

The Board approved the following items at their November 18, 2019 Board meeting:

- Approved the following use of facility requests:
 - a) The request of B.A.G.A.A. to use the Bellevue Elementary gym from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. on Thursday & Friday evenings, from February 6 to April 24, 2020, (excluding April 10).
 - b) The request from the Bellevue-Avalon Baseball Association (BABA) to use the Bellevue Elementary gym on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. from March 9 to April 29, 2020.
 - c) The request from the Bellevue-Avalon Baseball Association (BABA) to use the Avalon Elementary gym on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. from January 7 to March 5, 2020.
- Approved Joseph Emery as a part-time custodian at Bellevue Elementary School.
- Approved the following supplemental contracts for the 2019-20 Spring Musical:

Position
Art Director/Set Design
AV Sound/Light
Stage Design/ Set Const.
Vocal Director
Music Director

Name
Morgan Jessup
To Be Named
Jack Gusew
Kassandra Smith
Jessica Haberman

- Approved Dr. Caroline Johns, Mrs. Gail Bernauer and Ms. Molly Lipvosky to attend the 2020 SXSW (South by Southwest) Edu Conference March 9-12, 2020 in Austin Texas funded through Grable Foundation.
- Approved the request for students and Ms. Cynthia Cromer, French Teacher, to be excused from school to participate in a trip to France and England in November 2021. This will be a nonschool funded trip.
- Approved the following athletic supplemental contract for the winter season of the 2019-20 school year as stated below:

Position Name
Asst. Boys' Basketball Coach/7 Shane Adams

- Accepted the supplemental resignation of Caitlin Gates as fall and winter varsity cheerleading sponsor effective the 2020-21 school year.
- Approved the October Treasurer's Report, ratified the October 2019 Bill List and approved the Tax Refunds.
- Approved the licensing of computer software from AMCA Systems, LLC for the completion, automated distribution, and electronic filing of IRS Forms 1094-C and 1095-C. The total cost is \$2,550, which is \$100 more than last year's cost.
- Approved the renewal of the Blanket Bond Insurance Policy through Penn National Insurance for the period of January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020. The bond covers all district employees, and its cost is \$676, which is the same as last year.
- Approved a proposal by Keystone Collections Group to serve as the District's current and delinquent Per Capita Tax Collector for a fee of \$0.50 for each per capita tax notice mailed, plus postage. No commission would be charged for collection of delinquent per capita with the use of the Allegheny North TCC Act 192 Resolution. The agreement would commence in January 2020 and run for a period of one year. Keystone Collections Group will also continue collecting delinquent earned income tax at no additional cost.
- <u>This motion was Tabled</u>: the renewal of the Volunteer Accident Insurance Policy from Special Markets Insurance Consultants, Inc. at a premium of \$650, which is \$150 more than last year.
- Authorized the District's continued participation in the Western Pennsylvania Electric Consortium. The new contract period will begin on the meter read date in January 2021 and will extend for a one, two or three year period based on pricing received from up to six major electric suppliers.
- Adopted an opt-out resolution stating the District will not raise the rate of any tax by more than its Adjusted Act 1 Index of 3.3%.

- Approved the second & final reading of new and revised policies:
 New Policy 833 Approved Commercial Advertising
 Revised Policy 004 Membership
- Approved an agreement to participate in the Microsoft Enrollment for Education Solution (EES) program for a five-year agreement. December 1, 2019 to July 31, 2024. Cost as follows: Year 1 (pro-rated) - \$6,036.70; Year 2 through Year 5 -\$9,017.30 each year.
- Approved the Contract negotiated between the Northgate School District and the Northgate Education Association, effective July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2025.
- Approved the school calendar for the 2020-2021 school year (attached) with the following days to be Act 80 days: August 18, 19, and October 12, 2020, and January 18, and May 18, 2021.
- Ratified a request for 3 unpaid days for a teacher.
- Accepted the retirement resignations of the following teachers: Karen McCarthy, Karen Klicker and Sharon Trimber effective June 5, 2020, and Amy Weryha effective June 15, 2020.
- Approved a Translation Agreement with Allegheny Intermediate Unit 3 to provide translation services at \$120 annually and \$0.90 per minute for all languages when needed effective February 2020.
- Approved a Memorandum of Understanding with the AIU Head Start and Pre-K Counts Programs, in partnership with the Trying Together and the United Way, to support best practices in transition to kindergarten for the 2019-20 and 2020-21 school years. This MOU fulfills the Hi5! requirements for kindergarten transition.
- Approved Resolutions of Appreciation for outgoing Board Members, Mr. Gary Paladin and Dr. Timothy Makatura.
- Special was given by Pennsylvania School Boards Association (PSBA) to Dr. Shannon Smithey for 12 years of service as a Board Member.

The Board also approved the following items at their November 11, 2019 Committee of the Whole meeting:

- Approved the request of the Bulldogs to use the high school cafeteria for their banquet from noon to 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 16, 2019.
- Authorized the administration and HHSDR Architects / Engineers to proceed with the advertising and bidding for the Security Vestibule renovations at all three buildings, and miscellaneous improvements to Avalon Elementary and Bellevue Elementary. These miscellaneous improvements shall include at Avalon Elementary the powered

exit signs, electrical in the computer lab, auditorium railings, and auditorium seating, and at Bellevue Elementary a new chair lift system.

- Approved Olivia Brown to transfer from a part-time to a full-time custodian to fill a vacant position.
- Ratified the following athletic supplemental contracts for the fall of the 2019-20 school year as shown below:

FALL
<u>Name</u>
Alan Bowden
Lewis Clark

Position
1st Asst. Football Coach
Asst. Football Coach

Approved the first reading of new and revised policies:

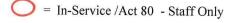
New Policy 833 - Approved Commercial Advertising Revised Policy 004 - Membership

NORTHGATE SCHOOL DISTRICT 2020 - 2021 School Calendar

Graduation June 4

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Teachers: 191 Students: 182 Seniors: 182

NORTHGATE SCHOOL DISTRICT 2020 – 2021 CALENDAR

Before Labor Day (Sr. Graduation–June 4, 2021)

August 17, 2020	Monday	Inservice/ Clerical Day – Staff Only
August 18, 2020	Tuesday	Inservice/ Act 80 – Staff Only
August 19, 2020	Wednesday	Inservice/ Act 80 – Staff Only
August 20, 2020	Thursday	FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL
September 4, 2020	Friday	NO SCHOOL
September 7, 2020	Monday	Labor Day - NO SCHOOL
October 12, 2020	Monday	Columbus Day – Inservice/ Act 80 – No School /Staff Only
November 3, 2020	Tuesday	Election Day - Parent/Teacher Conf No School /Staff Only
November 25, 2020	Wednesday	Thanksgiving Break – NO SCHOOL
November 26, 2020	Thursday	Thanksgiving Day - NO SCHOOL
November 27, 2020	Friday	Thanksgiving Break - NO SCHOOL
November 30, 2020	Monday	Thanksgiving Break – NO SCHOOL
December 23, 2020	Wednesday	Winter Break - NO SCHOOL
December 24, 2020	Thursday	Christmas Eve –Winter Break – NO SCHOOL
December 25, 2020	Friday	Christmas Day - Winter Break – NO SCHOOL
December 28, 2020	Monday	Winter Break – NO SCHOOL
December 29, 2020	Tuesday	Winter Break – NO SCHOOL
December 30, 2020	Wednesday	Winter Break – NO SCHOOL
December 31, 2020	Thursday	New Years Eve – Winter Break - NO SCHOOL
January 1, 2021	Friday	New Years Day - Winter Break – NO SCHOOL
January 18, 2021	Monday	Martin Luther King Holiday-Inservice/Act 80-No School/Staff Only
February 15, 2021	Monday	Presidents' Day – NO SCHOOL
March 12, 2021	Friday	NO SCHOOL
March 30, 2021	Tuesday	Evening Parent/Teacher Conferences / Senior Projects
March 31, 2021	Wednesday	Evening Parent/Teacher Conferences / Senior Projects
April 1, 2021	Thursday	Spring Break – NO SCHOOL
April 2, 2021	Friday	Spring Break - NO SCHOOL
April 5, 2021	Monday	Spring Break - NO SCHOOL
May 18, 2021	Tuesday	Inservice/Act 80 Day-No School/Staff Only(Primary Election Day)
May 31, 2021	Monday	Memorial Day - NO SCHOOL
June 3, 2021	Thursday	LAST DAY FOR STUDENTS
June 4, 2021	Friday	LAST DAY FOR TEACHERS - Inservice / Staff Only
June 4, 2021	Friday	Graduation for Seniors