

Portage Area School District
Board Highlights
For the January 14, 2015 Board Meeting

Routine Matters:

- ❖ Approved all financial reports and invoices for the month.
- ❖ Approved making a \$1,200 contribution to the Portage Public Library.
- ❖ Approved CJL Engineering, Inc., as architects for the elementary roof project at a cost of \$11,146.
- ❖ Approved a five year contract with Tyler Technologies to purchase business office software from at an annual cost of \$14,373.
- ❖ Approved a Resolution not to raise taxes (if at all) above the Act 1 index applicable to the school district as calculated by the PDE.
- ❖ Approved PlanCon Part K: Project Refinancing for the new bond issue.
- ❖ Approved a one year contract renewal with EFG, Inc., to provide E-Rate services for the district for the 2015-2016 school year.
- ❖ Approved the purchase of a 2015 Ford Transit wagon to be used as a school vehicle at an approximate cost of \$28,209.
- ❖ Approved activities funds clubs for the 2014-2015 school year.
- ❖ Approved back-up real estate tax collectors as required by the county's bonding agent.
- ❖ Approved a facilities easement with the Sewer Authority.
- ❖ Approved upgrading Xerox copy machine leases that are soon expiring for a cost savings of \$121 per month. Xerox will also provide a rebate of \$2,000.

Personnel Matters:

- ❖ Approved additions to the substitute lists.
- ❖ Approved advertising and hiring an autistic support/transition/emotional support teacher to begin with the 2015-2016 school year.
- ❖ Approved advertising and hiring an English teacher, with additional certification preferred, beginning with the 2015-2016 school year.
- ❖ Approved transferring Kayla Fisher to sixth grade beginning with the 2015-2016 school year.
- ❖ Approved extending a staff members FMLA request to January 29, 2015.
- ❖ Accepted the resignations of Terry Miller and Marty Slanoc as assistant track coaches.
- ❖ Added John Havrilla as a volunteer rifle coach beginning with the 2014-2015 season.
- ❖ Granted Jennifer Szpala tenure.
- ❖ Hired Lisa Civis and Kayla Fisher as elementary science fair co-advisors.

Board Requests and Use of Facilities:

- ❖ The board approved all requests for approved travel, field trips and use of facilities as presented.