

**Portage Area School District**  
**Board Highlights**  
For the August 13, 2014 Board Meeting

**Routine Matters:**

- ❖ Approved all financial reports and invoices for the month.
- ❖ Approved application for payment #2 from David M. Maines & Associates in the amount of \$180,858.37.
- ❖ Approved ambulance coverage fees of \$100 for varsity and \$50 for other home football games for the 2014 season.
- ❖ Approved bond amounts as follows: Mike Kunko, \$150,000, Renee Branas, \$150,000, Eric Zelanko, \$50,000 and Cynthia Brickley, \$20,000.
- ❖ Approved the removal of bus shelters.
- ❖ Approved Madden's quote of \$9,787 to replace the coal chimney at the high school.
- ❖ Approved the Buy Out proposal for staff members.
- ❖ Approved an agreement with Phoenix Rehabilitation Services for post-offer/pre-employment screening for new hires.
- ❖ Approved the purchase of a new floor scrubber in the amount of \$6,320.52.
- ❖ Approved a letter of agreement with the IU for early intervention program services for the 2014-2015 school year.
- ❖ Approved bus routes, runs and stops and bus drivers for the 2014-2015 school year.
- ❖ Approved a letter of agreement with the Cambria County Drug and Alcohol Program for SAP services for students for the 2014-2015 school year.
- ❖ Approved a letter of agreement for services with the Meadows Universal Community Behavioral Health Program for the 2014-2015 school year.
- ❖ Approved permission to advertise for spring sports.
- ❖ Accepted the resignation of JT Bandzuh as vo tech operating committee representative and appointed Erik Thrower as the new representative and Kathy Hough as the first alternate.
- ❖ Approved renewing agreement with Penn Cambria for Title 1 services.
- ❖ Accepted a donation of a baseball infield tarp from Mount Aloysius College.

**Personnel Matters:**

- ❖ Approved additions to the substitute lists.
- ❖ Accepted Benjamin Wolford's resignation as the assistant junior high football coach.
- ❖ Hired the following: Music – Kyle Gossard (Step 1); AmeriCorps – Sally Pesta, Kathy Roman, Phillip Miller and Jade Zatek; Long-term sub (Tech Ed) – Jonathan Thomas. Department heads: social studies – Bryan Jubina; math – Tina Lutz; English – Lydia Dobrowolsky; science – Debbie Zimmerman; fine arts – Dennis Link. Teacher's Aide – Becky Baker; cafeteria – Tracy Engle; part-time custodian – Judy King; reading competition advisor – Kelly Myers; Interact club – Brian Randall; head varsity wrestling coach – Michael Fox; junior-high assistant football coach – Jude Decort.
- ❖ Tabled opening the drama club advisor position.
- ❖ Approved a staff member request for absence through Family Leave Medical Act.
- ❖ Approved permission to advertise for mentor teachers for new hires.
- ❖ Added Louis Kordish as a volunteer football coach.

**Board Requests and Use of Facilities:**

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