

**COLUMBIA-MONTOUR AVTS
JOINT OPERATING COMMITTEE
September 15, 2009**

The regular September 2009 meeting of the CMAVTS Joint Operating Committee was held on the above date in the CMAVTS Schoolhouse Café. Chairperson Fogarty called the meeting to order at 6:33p.m. with the Pledge to the Flag.

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL

Bob Fogarty	Megan Raup
Kelly O'Brien Gavin	Steven Schooley
Lance Wolfe	Eric Stahley
Cheryl Kessler	Frank Suchwala-Absent
Charles Chyko-Absent	Dr. Francis Peters
Dennis Kuczynski	Rhonda Wieners-Absent
Daniel McGann-present at 6:35p.m.	Michael Yeager

Others present: Dr. Thomas Rushton, Dr. Kathleen Stark, Mr. David Bacher, Mr. Michael Sokoloski, Mr. Marc Freeman, Ms. Angela Ciucci, Mrs. Lee Yost, Mrs. Sally Matje, Spencer Johnson, Brandi Davis, and Jocelyn Kalesse.

*****FCCLA PRESENTATION*****

An Executive session was motioned at 6:38p.m. by Ms. Raup and seconded by Mr. Wolfe for the purpose of expulsion hearings. An affirmative voice vote was taken. The meeting was motioned out of executive session at 7:17p.m. by Mrs. O'Brien – Gavin and seconded by Ms. Raup. An affirmative voice vote was taken. The meeting went back into an executive session at 7:20p.m. motion was made by Mrs. O'Brien – Gavin and seconded by Mr. Wolfe. An affirmative voice vote was taken. The meeting reconvened at 7:39p.m. with a motion made by Mr. Schooley and seconded by Dr. Peters.

A motion was made by Mrs. O'Brien – Gavin to Expel Student A until January 17, 2010 for one semester subject with requirements as needed upon by both parties and return on January 19, 2010. The motion was seconded by Ms. Raup to expel student A. An affirmative voice vote was taken.

A motion was made by Mrs. O'Brien – Gavin to Expel Student B permanently. This motion was seconded by Mr. Wolfe. An affirmative voice vote was taken.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Recommendation: Approve the minutes of the August 18, 2009 meeting as written.

Motioned by Mr. Kuczynski and seconded by Mr. McGann to approve the minutes of the August 18, 2009 meeting as written. An affirmative voice vote was taken.

TREASURER’S REPORT – August 2009

Beginning General Fund Balance	7/31/09	\$ 1,356,328.92
Add: August 2009 Deposits		\$ 764,444.44
Less Checks Written:		
August Hand Written Checks Issued	\$ 85,041.35	
August 18, 2009 Checks Approved at last month’s meeting	<u>\$ 75,037.54</u>	
Total Checks Issued		<u>(\$ 160,078.89)</u>
Ending General Fund Balance	8/31/09	<u>\$ 1,960,694.47</u>
The First National Bank of Berwick	8/31/09	\$ 1,008,774.92
First Columbia Bank & Trust	8/31/09	\$ 1,051,794.75
First Columbia Bank & Trust – Certificate of Deposits	8/31/09	\$ 46,939.44
Less: Outstanding Checks	8/31/09	<u>(\$ 146,814.64)</u>
Ending General Fund Balance		<u>\$ 1,960,694.47</u>

Recommendation: Approve the Treasurer’s Report for August 2009 as presented.

Motioned by Mr. Kuczynski and seconded by Mr. Schooley to approve the Treasurer’s report for August 2009 as presented. An affirmative voice vote was taken.

APPROVAL OF BILLS – August 2009 Pages 3 – 6

Recommendation: Approval of all August 2009 up to September 15, 2009 bills as presented.

Motioned by Mr. Schooley and seconded by Mr. McGann to approve all August 2009 up to September 15, 2009 bills as presented. An affirmative voice vote was taken.

APPROVAL OF BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT – August 2009

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Recommendation: Approve the August 2009 Business Manager’s Report as presented.

Motioned by Mr. Yeager and seconded by Mrs. Kessler to approve the August 2009 Business Manager’s Report as written. An affirmative voice vote was taken.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT – Director

Item 1. Personnel

A. Re-approval of Winter Sports Coaches

Recommendation: To approve the following winter sports coaches for the 2009-2010 season:

<u>Coach</u>	<u>Sport</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Robin Houser	Head Girls' Basketball	4	4	\$4,104
Charles Hook	Assistant Girls' Basketball	2	2	\$2,016
Wayne Creasy	Head Bowling	10	11	\$2,232
Karen Creasy	Volunteer Bowling			
Ted Fedder	Volunteer Bowling			
Michael Nearhoof	Volunteer Bowling			
Tisha Comstock	Volunteer Bowling			
Michael Cyphers	Volunteer Bowling			
Frank Payne	Head Boys' Basketball	2	2	\$3,384
Dave Nevius	Assistant Boy's Basketball	4	4	\$2,448
William Freeman	Head Wrestling Coach	10	11	\$4,824
Scott Mertz	Assistant Wrestling Coach	2	2	\$2,016

B. Change Status

Recommendation: To approve Natalie Hart as a 6/8 Para-Professional, 2/8 Science Teacher at an annual salary of \$ 17,995.20 retroactive to 8/20/09.

C. Football Coaches

Recommendation: To approve Mr. Donald Pursel as a ½ time Assistant Football coach Step 1, Year 1 at a salary of \$900.00 for the 2009-2010 football season. All clearances on file.

Recommendation: To approve Mr. Jason Shotwell as a ½ time Assistant Football coach Step 12, Year 13 at a salary of \$1440.00 for the 2009-2010 football season. All clearances on file.

Recommendation: To approve Mr. Marvin Eveland as an Assistant Football coach Step 2, Year 2 at a salary of \$2016.00 for the 2009-2010 football season. All clearances on file.

D. Resignation – Addendum A

Recommendation: Accept the resignation of Mrs. Karen Olin, Paraprofessional effective September 25, 2009.

Motioned by Mr. Kuczynski and seconded by Mr. Yeager to approve all Personnel items in A – D effective September 16, 2009. An affirmative voice vote was taken.

E. Substitute Teachers

Recommendation: Approve Meredith Michael of Nescopeck, PA to the academic substitute list effective September 16, 2009. All clearances on file.

Recommendation: Approve Steward Kashner of Bloomsburg, PA to the vocational substitute list effective September 16, 2009. All clearances on file.

Recommendation: Approve Nancy Bogart of Benton, PA to be a volunteer in the Food Preparation Shop to offer personnel tutoring to CMAVTS' students effective September 16, 2009. All clearances on file.

Motioned by Mr. Schooley and seconded by Mr. McGann to approve all Personnel items in E effective September 16, 2009. An affirmative voice vote was taken with one abstained vote – Mr. Stahley.

Item 2. Approval of 2009-2010 Advisors and Department Chairs – Addendum B

Recommendation: Approve the 2009-2010 Advisors and Department Chairs as presented in Addendum B.

Motioned by Mr. Yeager and seconded by Mrs. Kessler to approve the 2009-2010 Advisors and Department Chairs as presented in Addendum B. An affirmative voice vote was taken.

Item 3. Employee Handbook on second reading – to be shared via email and a copy will be available at the meeting to save paper

Motioned by Mrs. Kessler and seconded by Mr. Yeager to approve the employee handbook on second reading. An affirmative voice vote was taken.

Item 4. Name Change --- informational item

Item 5. Expansion Plan ---informational item

Item 6. Transportation Costs

Recommendation: Approve the revised buses and rates as follows for the 2009-2010 school year.

Columbia-Montour AVTS Revised Transportation

<u>Bus Contractor</u>	<u>District</u>	<u>Bus #</u>	<u>Previous Rate</u>	<u>Daily Rate</u>
Bower Transportation	Berwick-Town Stops	Bus # 11	\$ 121.92	\$ 120.05
	Berwick-Nescopeck	Bus # 20	\$ 115.06	\$ 120.05
Rinehimer Bus Lines	Berwick-High School PM (Bus # 12 replaced Bus # 53 as of 8/26/2009)	Bus # 12	\$ 65.29	\$ 61.49
Total:			\$ 302.27	\$ 301.59

Motioned by Mr. Yeager and seconded by Mrs. O'Brien – Gavin to approve the revised buses and rates as listed above for the 2009-2010 school year. An affirmative voice vote was taken.

Item 7. Auditor's Report – Addendum C

Recommendation: To accept the Commonwealth of PA Dept. of the Auditor General Audit Report for the School years ending June 30, 2007, and 2008, dated August 2009, with no findings or observations to report.

Motioned by Mrs. O'Brien – Gavin and seconded by Mr. Schooley to accept the Commonwealth of PA Dept. of the Auditor General Audit Report for the School years ending June 30, 2007, and 2008, dated August 2009, with no findings or observations to report. Mr. Fogarty noted that he would like to congratulate all those involved with the Audit. An affirmative voice vote was taken.

Item 7a. Homebound Instruction

Recommendation: Approve homebound instruction for a Central Columbia student residing in the Central Columbia School district effective September 15, 2009. (Length of homebound instruction – to be determined)

Motioned by Mr. Kuczynski and seconded by Mr. McGann to approve homebound instruction for a Central Columbia student residing in the Central Columbia School district effective September 15, 2009. An affirmative voice vote was taken.

Item 8. Administrative Reports

- A. Principal's Report – Mr. Bacher**
- B. Director of Student Services Report – Mr. Freeman**
- C. Special Education Director's Report – Mr. Dunkelberger**
- D. Cooperative Education Report– Addendum D**
- E. Enrollment Report – Addendum E**
- F. Superintendent of Record Report – Dr. Stark**
- G. Public Comment**

Item 9. Upcoming Events

Authority Meeting	September 16, 2009
Bloomsburg Fair Week: No Students	September 28-30, 2009
Offices Closed	October 1-2, 2009

Perkins Participatory Planning Committee Meeting	October 15, 2009
PAC Meeting	October 16, 2009
Joint Operating Committee Meeting (6:30p.m.)	October 20, 2009

Item 10. Executive Session for the purpose of Personnel, and Support Negotiations

An Executive Session was motioned by Mrs. O'Brien – Gavin at 8:35p.m. and seconded by Mr. Wolfe to discuss Personnel and Support Negotiations. An affirmative voice vote was taken.

The Executive Session reconvened at 9:15p.m. A recommendation was made by Mrs. O'Brien – Gavin and seconded by Mrs. Kessler to approve increases in the Non-Classified Staff. Listed below are the increases:

Assistant to the Business Manager \$2.10 increase per hour
Executive Secretary \$2.40 increase per hour
Maintenance Supervisor \$3.44 increase per hour
Adult Education Coordinator \$2.66 increase per hour

A roll call vote was taken with 8 Yes and 2 No – Mr. McGann and Mr. Schooley.

A motion to end the meeting was made by Mr. Kuczynski at 9:17p.m. and seconded by Mrs. O'Brien – Gavin. An affirmative voice vote was taken.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael J. Sokoloski
Secretary

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