

**TOWANDA AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Work Session**  
**Towanda Area Elementary School – Conference Room**  
**Monday, February 8, 2010 - 7:00 P.M.**

1. **Pledge of Allegiance:**
2. **Call to Order** - President, Peggi Munkittrick

***Towanda Area School District: Each Child By Name Achieving Proficiency in Reading and Math***

3. **Presentations:**
  - A. Don Stewart, Warden, Bradford County Correctional Facility
  - B. Book Presentation to Guy Maryott, Former IU #17 Board Representative

4. **Public Comments on Agenda Items:**

Please identify yourself by name and indicate which agenda item you are commenting on. Address all comments to the Board as a whole and make sure they are in the form of a statement. Questions will be taken under advisement. Responses to questions will be offered after due deliberation, usually at the next board meeting. You will be allowed three (3) minutes for your comments; five (5) minutes if prior written notification was made. Comments relative to private student matters or personnel issues should be directed to the appropriate school authority outside of this meeting. The presiding officer reserves the right to interrupt or terminate a participant's statement when the statement is too lengthy, personally directed, abusive, obscene, or irrelevant (not related to an agenda item). Thank you for your cooperation.

5. **Superintendent's Report:**

6. **Respond to Questions:**

7. **Minutes:**

8. **Committee Reports:**
  - A. Sports & Supplemental Committee
  - B. Ad Hoc Energy Committee

9. **Financial Reports:**

10. **Personnel:**
  - A. **Retirements:**
    1. Ray Hill, Speech Therapist, effective January 19, 2010
    2. Dennis Vermilya, Elementary Teacher, effective the end of the 2009/10 school year.
  - B. **Resignations:**
    1. Paula Eckroth, ESL Teacher
  - C. **Employment:**
    1. **Support Staff Employments**
      - a. Bradly Benjamin, Custodian II

2. **Substitutes, Professional Staff**
  - a. Jenna Vermilya, Elementary
  - b. Lori Monahan, Elementary
  - c. Amy Montgomery, Early Childhood
  - d. Carolann Ward-Spencer, Elementary
  - e. Brenda Conklin, Elementary
  - f. Shelly Fish, Guest Teacher
  - g. Priscilla Parsons, Guest Teacher
3. **Supplemental Positions:**
  - a. Approve fall sports contract renewals

11. **Contracts/Agreements:**

12. **Programs/Curriculum/Policy:**

- A. Approve 2010/11 School Calendar
- B. Approve the following policies:
  1. 113: Special Education
  2. 113.1: Discipline of Students with Disabilities
  3. 113.2: Behavior Support
  4. 113.3: Screening and Evaluations for Students with Disabilities
  5. 109.1: Challenges to Instructional and Resource Materials
  6. 800 - 830: Operations
  7. 901-919: Community

13. **Financial:**

- A. Approve the refund of 2009/10 real estate taxes to Bryce A. Burgess, 2704 W. Gila Lane, Chandler, Arizona, in the amount of \$861.75 due to a change in assessment.
- B. Approve the following occupation tax refunds for 2009/10:
  1. Debbie Roth, RR 1, Box 1756, Monroeton, PA, in the amount of \$91.65 due to a change in category.
  2. Benjamin Kershner, RR 2, Box 290, Towanda, PA, in the amount of \$170.40 due to a change in category.
  3. Vicki L. Watkins, RR 2, Box 5, Monroeton, PA, in the amount of \$30.54, due to a change in category.
  4. Dorothy E. Keeney, RR 2, Box 3056, Monroeton, PA, in the amount of \$83.32, due to a change in category.
- C. Approve the advertisement to seek bids for district supplies and equipment for the 2010/11 school year.
- D. Approve advertising for bids for paving at Monroe Franklin School.

14. **Transportation:**

15. **Other:**

16. **General Board Discussion:**

**17. Visitor's Comments:**

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**18. Adjournment: ACTION TAKEN:** Moved by\_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by\_\_\_\_\_.

Respectfully submitted,

**DIANE M. PLACE**  
Superintendent