

**TOWANDA AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
 REGULAR MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD  
 Monday, September 21, 2009 – 7:00 P.M.  
 Towanda Area Elementary School Conference Room**

**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. AYP/PSSA/Learning Focused Schools – Diane Place, Dennis Peachey, Pam Hosterman

**4. VISITORS' 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. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

- A. Buildings & Grounds Committee (of the whole) – August 10, 2009
- B. Work Session – August 10, 2009
- C. Policy & Curriculum Committee (of the whole) – August 17, 2009
- D. Regular Session - August 17, 2009
- E. Special Session – August 24, 2009

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**6. FINANCIAL REPORTS:** August, 2009 (Pages 1-13)

- A. Bill List for Payment – General Fund
- B. Receipts List – General Fund
- C. Treasurer's Report
- D. External Funds Report – General Fund
- E. Capital Project 34

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**7. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**

- A. Principals' Reports

8. RESPOND TO QUESTIONS:

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

10. FEDERAL PROJECT PROGRAMS REPORTS:

11. PERSONNEL ITEMS: (All personnel actions approved by the Board are pending required documentation)

A. RETIREMENTS: None

NO.	NAME	POSITION	EFF. DATE
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B. RESIGNATIONS: None

NO.	NAME	POSITION	EFF. DATE
1			

C. EMPLOYMENTS:

1. Act 93:

NO.	NAME	POSITION	EFF DATE	SALARY CONTRACT	OTHER
a	Michael B. Wells	Assistant Elementary Principal	PDE Approval Date	\$64,500	Replacing D. Handrick

2. Professional Contract Employments:

NO.	NAME	POSITION	EFF DATE	SALARY CONTRACT	LEVEL	OTHER
a	Kyleen Alesky	Math Tutor	Dependent on Funding	Substitute Rate	Part Time	Grant Funded
b	Harold Hollenback	Math Tutor	Dependent on Funding	Substitute Rate	Part Time	Grant Funded
c	Gerald Shaffer	Math Tutor	Dependent on Funding	Substitute Rate	Part Time	Grant Funded
d	Tammy Howard	Reading/English Tutor	Dependent on Funding	Substitute Rate	Part Time	Grant Funded
e	Lori Conrad	Reading/English Tutor	Dependent on Funding	Substitute Rate	Part Time	Grant Funded

3. Support Staff Employments: None

NO.	NAME	POSITION	EFF DATE	SALARY CONTRACT	LEVEL	OTHER
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4. Substitutes – Professional Staff: (Attachment A)

NO.	NAME	POSITION	EFF. DATE
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5. Substitutes – Support Staff: (Attachment B)

NO.	NAME	POSITION	EFF. DATE
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**6. Supplemental Contracts:**

NO.	NAME	POSITION	EFF. DATE
a.	Tammy Howard	Band Front Assistant: (\$1,349 prorated to \$1,079.12 for 2009/10 season)	9/3/09

**D. POSITION ELIMINATIONS: None**

NO.	POSITION	EFF. DATE
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**E. CREATE NEW POSITIONS: None**

NO.	POSITION	EFF. DATE
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**12. CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS:**

- A. Approve Resolution #2009/10-01, Safe Routes to Schools Federal Aide Reimbursement Agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Transportation and authorize the Board President to sign on behalf of the district (**Attachment C**)
- B. Approve Resolution #2009/10-02, Consultant Selection Procedure for the Safe Routes to Schools Grant (**Attachment D**)
- C. Approve advertising for engineering services for the Safe Routes to Schools Grant (**Attachment E**)
- D. Approve Act 93 Agreements for Group A, B and C.

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**13. PROGRAMS/CURRICULUM/POLICY : None.**

**A.**

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**14. FINANCIAL:**

**A. Real Estate Tax Refund:**

- 1. James and Jean Wygrala, RR 5, Box 5584, Towanda, PA, in the amount of \$640.93, due to a change in category for 2009.

**B. Occupation Tax Refunds:**

- 1. Bette Tuttle, 3 Porter Place, Towanda, PA, in the amount of \$81.65, due to a change in category for 2009.
- 2. Sherry L. Vincent, RR 1, Box 1168, Monroeton, PA, in the amount of \$83.32, due to a change in category.
- 3. Edward B. VanHaute, 108 Chestnut St., Towanda, PA, in the amount of \$166.64, due to a change in category.

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15. **TRANSPORTATION:**

A. Approve an updated yellow bus driver's list (**Attachment F**)

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16. **OTHER:**

A. Approve Resolution #2009/10-03 Urging the Pennsylvania General Assembly to Approve a 2009-10 State Budget that Maintains the Commonwealth's Commitment to Adequate and Equitable Basic Education Funding. (**Attachment G**)

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17. **GENERAL BOARD DISCUSSION:**

A.

18. **VISITOR COMMENT AND QUESTION PERIOD:**

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19. **ADJOURNMENT:**

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Respectfully Submitted,

Diane M. Place  
Superintendent

FYI: Tenure has been granted to the following employees:

- Amanda Evans
- Kristine Watkins
- Sarah Adams
- Kevin O'Neil
- Joel Spinney
- Stephanie Millard
- Anthony Ward
- Clayton Weaver