

TOWANDA AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Work Session
Towanda Area Elementary School Conference Room
Monday, February 13, 2012 - 7:00 P.M.

1. Pledge of Allegiance:

2. Call to Order - President, Pete Alesky

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

3. Presentations:

A. Northern Tier Insurance Consortium – John Brenchley

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. Buildings & Grounds and Ad Hoc Energy

9. Financial Reports:

10. Personnel:

B. Employment:

1. Substitutes, Professional Staff

- a. Misty Owen, Elementary, Special Education
- b. Matthew Johnson, Elementary
- c. Jonathan Palumbo, Citizenship
- d. Christina Webster, Elementary

11. Contracts/Agreements:

- A. Approve Resolution #2011/12-04 authorizing Berkheimer to impose and retain costs of collection of delinquent earned income taxes
- B. Approve Resolution #2011/12-05 authorizing the termination of the Interest Rate Swap Agreement within parameters
- C. Approve an engagement letter with EFP Rotenberg to provide Single Audit Services for the years ending 2012, 2013 and 2014 in the amounts of \$17,900, \$18,300 and \$18,900

D. Approve a contract with Hess Corporation for Demand Response Program for the period June 1, 2012 through May 31, 2015

12. Programs/Curriculum/Policy:

A. Approve 2012/13 School Calendar

13. Financial:

A. Approve Intermediate Unit #17 proposed 2012-13 General Fund Operating Budget

B. Approve the following real estate tax refunds:

1. Dennis and Barbara Smouse, 5442 Millstone Rd., Monroeton, PA, in the amount of \$651.56, due to a change in assessment
2. David and Cleo Thetga, 1912 River Rd., Wysox, PA, in the amount of \$183.13, due to a change in assessment

VOTING ITEM:

C. Approve the advertisement to seek bids for district supplies and equipment for the 2012/13 school year

| ACTION | MOVE | SECOND | YES | NO | ABS |
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14. Transportation:

A.

15. Other:

A. Approve Resolution #2011/12-06, procedure for the selection of a consulting engineering firm for the services under the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation Safe Routes to School Program

B. Approve Resolution #2011/12-07 authorizing signatories for the Safe Routes to School Project effective January 11, 2012

16. General Board Discussion:

17. Visitor's Comments:

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18. Adjournment: ACTION TAKEN: Moved by_____ Seconded by_____.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD C. BUTLER
Acting Superintendent

FYI: Stephen Davenport, Elementary Librarian, has requested 3 days without pay, February 21, 22 and 23, 2012