

**BLAIRSVILLE-SALTSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**102 School Lane**  
**Blairsville, Pennsylvania 15717**

**March 19, 2007**

The Board of Directors of the Blairsville-Saltsburg School District met for their Regular Voting Meeting on Monday, March 19, 2007, in the Cafeteria at the Saltsburg Middle/High School with the following members present:

Lance Alexander  
Linda Brown  
George Rowley  
Mary Whitfield

Paul Bell  
Michael LaMantia  
Edward Smith

Karen Shusko was absent.

Mr. Nadonley, Theresa Hanley, Ron Saffron, Leigh Free, and a group of citizens also attended the meeting.

Mr. Paul Bell, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The minutes of the February 19, 2007, Regular Board Meeting was approved as mailed.

**Indiana County Technology Center Report** – Mr. Smith reported that the meeting was business as usual.

**ARIN Report**- Mr. Smith reported that the meeting will be held tomorrow evening. The budget is on the agenda for approval this month. The Board talked about E-Rate and where that is going.

**Legislative Report** – Ms. Whitfield reported that PSBA offered written comments regarding shifting the primary election to March 5 or February 12.

**Standing Committee Report** – No reports.

**Student Representative Reports**

Abby Summerson reported the following for Saltsburg:

- Majorettes are undefeated this season. This week's competition is at Brentwood.
- Thriller dance was held.
- Spring sports are in full swing. The first game will be held one week from today.

Jared Korchok reported the following for Saltsburg:

- Donkey basketball was held at the high school with SES and SHS teachers playing against the junior and senior students.
- The school musical is coming up at the end of the month.
- Spring sports are starting – softball and track.
- Basketball team outperformed all schools in the Heritage Conference.
- Thanked Mr. Nadonley and Mrs. Hanley for inviting students to Blairsville for lunch and a discussion about the schools.

**Citizens' Remarks**

Terry Dick, 531 R. Leech Avenue, Saltsburg, signed in to address the Board regarding consolidation. She stated that her daughter, Mitsy St.Clair, has spoke to the Board many times against consolidation. Ms. Dick had her children go through Saltsburg schools and now her grandchildren attend school there and she is against the Saltsburg schools closing and students be transported to Blairsville.

Beverly Caranese, Saltsburg resident, signed in to address the Board regarding consolidation. She stated that there has been a change is the size of the relief requested by Chestnut Ridge. Who is involved in the decision? She feels the Board is continuing with the consolidation because of the lawsuit and not making sound business decisions. She feels there is something against Saltsburg and it will come out in the end. Someone should offer classes on how to

conduct yourself as a school board member and there should be a test before you are allowed to be on the school board. She stated she hopes the Board is planning for students to attend Kiski Prep or cyber school because they are not coming to Blairsville.

Linda Johnson, Saltsburg resident, signed in to address the Board regarding a letter to the editor and the Thursday meeting. Linda Brown handed out a copy of the letter to the editor for Linda. She stated that consolidation will cause property value to go down and Blairsville will have to fund taxes. Mr. Henigin was at the meeting last week and he was asked if his child had to travel from Blairsville to Saltsburg would it bother him. He said, "No – I would move." The people of Saltsburg are hoping to have a charter school with walls and an administrator. If the Board moves on, the residents will move on.

Stanley Waddle, Saltsburg resident, signed in to address the Board regarding consolidation. He stated that his sister was in Blairsville at the dentist office and someone started talking about consolidation. The woman she was talking with said whoever wants to send Saltsburg students to Blairsville is crazy. He said the women said they would not send their kids to Saltsburg down Route 22 and whoever wants to do that is "off their rocker." He stated we are talking about a \$24 million budget on top of the current \$13 million debt. The grandchildren will be paying for this debt. Someone has their finger in the pie; someone is going to get rich.

John Hanna, 722 Market Street, Saltsburg, signed in to address the Board regarding consolidation. He stated he has three questions. He stated he asked these questions at last week's special meeting but got no answers. He will submit in writing if necessary. What is the total cost so far from HHSDR? What is the actual amount of reimbursement? Last week a figure was given based on an exemption being allowed from the State. Funding is available for Saltsburg but not for Blairsville.

Kathy McCormick, 285 Sawmill Road, Saltsburg, signed in to address the Board regarding consolidation/building. She stated that Saltsburg will realize a \$3 million reimbursement because of the 20 year rule. The Board has not spent any money on the Saltsburg buildings. She stated that the Board should take K-6 from Blairsville Elementary and bring them to Saltsburg then they will have an empty building to house the students brought up from Saltsburg. If the Board consolidates, there will be so many vacant properties that Blairsville will have to pick up the taxes.

### **Remarks to Citizens**

Ms. Brown demonstrated a portable PA system. She stated that the junior high majorettes took a second place this week. Ms. Brown received information from David Davore, Director of Research Services for PSBA, indicating that consolidation does not help schools educationally or financially. Small schools are better.

Mr. LaMantia responded to Ms. Brown's comments on small schools. He stated that when Saltsburg's first grade consisting of 39-41 students get to the upper grade levels, it will be difficult to schedule such a small number of students. Mrs. Hanley clarified that he would be referring to the core courses and teachers having to double up on grade levels. Ms. Whitfield stated that she has talked to PSBA many times on the telephone and when they are talking about small schools they are referring to schools that are much larger than ours. They are talking about classes of 500 and more. If the schools are combined we are talking about classes of 120 students which are very small classes.

Mr. Alexander responded to Ms. Caranese's comments stating that he has taken days off work and gone to PSBA meetings when they talked about consolidation. There will be an increase in taxes even if the buildings are closed. The costs will be lower because the buildings have merged. There is not a savings, just less of a cost increase.

### **FINANCE**

Motion by Mr. Alexander and seconded by Mr. Smith that based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following Financial Report be approved and placed on file. Rowley, Alexander, LaMantia, Smith, Brown, Whitfield, Bell voting yes. Motion carried.

**(Financial Report is available for public review in the Office of the Board Secretary)**

Motion by Mr. Alexander and seconded by Mr. Smith that the following Accounts Payable be paid. Rowley, Alexander, Smith, Brown, Whitfield, Bell voting yes. LaMantia voting yes to all payments with the exception of cafeteria check #5162 to which he abstained. Motion carried.

**(Bill listing is available for public review in the Office of the Board Secretary)**

Motion by Mr. Alexander and seconded by Mr. Smith that the Board of Directors hereby approves the adoption of the ARIN Intermediate Unit 28 general operating budget for the 2007-2008 school year in the amount of \$2,903,129, an increase of \$70,704 from the 2006-2007 school year. Blairsville-Saltsburg School District contribution to the 2007-2008 will be \$47,677 a 3.80% increase. Proposed operating budgets have been mailed to each board member prior to this vote. Rowley, Alexander, LaMantia, Smith, Brown, Whitfield, Bell voting yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Alexander and seconded by Mr. Smith that the Board of Directors hereby adopts the following Resolution authorizing participation in the Northwestern Pennsylvania Regional Wide Area Network E-Fund Consortium and approving, authorizing and directing the execution of a Regional Wide Area Network Service Agreement between the Blairsville-Saltsburg School District and ARIN Intermediate Unit 28, a copy of said Regional Wide Area Network Service Agreement having been provided to the Board of School Directors prior to this meeting and a copy of which shall be incorporated into the minutes of this meeting as an exhibit to the Resolution.

#### RESOLUTION

**AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN THE NORTHWESTERN  
PENNSYLVANIA REGIONAL WIDE AREA NETWORK  
E-FUND CONSORTIUM AND AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING  
THE EXECUTION OF A NECESSARY REGIONAL WIDE  
AREA NETWORK SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE  
BLAIRSVILLE-SALTSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT  
AND ARIN INTERMEDIATE UNIT 28.**

WHEREAS, the Blairsville-Saltsburg School District has previously indicated its participation (with ARIN Intermediate Unit 28 and other school districts and/or participating educational organizations) in the Northwestern Pennsylvania Regional Wide Area Network E-Fund Consortium for the preparation and submission of competitive Requests for Proposals and a three-year state e-Fund grant application for the build-out of the Northwestern Pennsylvania Wide Area Network; and

*WHEREAS, the Blairsville-Saltsburg School District desires to participate in a sixty (60) month term/lease for network services with ARIN Intermediate Unit 28 (and other school districts and/or participating educational organizations) and the Northwestern Pennsylvania Regional Wide Area Network E-Fund Consortium in the receipt of network services attendant to the build-out of the Northwestern Pennsylvania Wide Area Network; and*

WHEREAS, ARIN Intermediate Unit 28 and the Northwestern Pennsylvania Regional Wide Area Network E-Fund Consortium have accepted the proposal of Last Mile, Inc. (doing business as Sting Communications) and entered into a Master Service Agreement with it as vendor of network services related to the build-out of the Northwestern Pennsylvania Wide Area Network; which Master Service Agreement includes provision for an individual Regional Wide Area Network Service Agreement between ARIN Intermediate Unit 28 and each of the school districts and participating educational organizations in its region.

BE IT RESOLVED by its Board of Directors that the Blairsville-Saltsburg School District shall, beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2012, participate in the sixty (60) month term/lease for network services of the Northwestern Pennsylvania Wide Area Network at the base services rate of \$2,350 per month (consisting of \$2,100 e-rate eligible services plus \$250 e-rate ineligible services) plus additional payment for any district-selected extra services in accordance with the terms and conditions of a Regional Wide Area Network Service Agreement to be substantially in the form attached hereto as an exhibit. The appropriate officers or otherwise lawfully designated representatives of the Blairsville-Saltsburg School District are authorized and directed to hereafter execute such Regional Wide Area Network Service Agreement. (Attachment #1) Rowley, Alexander, LaMantia, Smith, Brown, Whitfield, Bell voting yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Alexander and seconded by Mr. Rowley that the Board of Directors hereby approves the exoneration request from payment of 2006 Per Capita taxes, having met all the necessary parameters established by the Board of the following individuals:

1.	Blazek, Joseph
2.	Bolen, Robert
3.	Campbell, Mary Pehrson
4.	Caruso, Patsy
5.	Horrell, James
6.	McKendrick, Leonard, Sr.
7.	Murray, Jeanne
8.	Palmer, Alice
9.	Thompson, Robert, Sr.
10.	Whitfield, Aleen
11.	Zofchak, Juliana

Rowley, Alexander, LaMantia, Smith, Brown, Whitfield, Bell voting yes. Motion carried.

**PERSONNEL**

Mr. Bell recognized a number of individuals that are going to retire and stated he was sorry to see them to.

Motion by Ms. Whitfield and seconded by Mr. Rowley that based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Directors hereby approves the following conference requests:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Conference</b>	<b>Dates</b>
McCloskey, Yolande BMHS	1. Approval to attend the Pennsylvania School Librarian Association's annual conference in Hershey. Total cost to the district will be \$876 (\$145 registration; \$211 travel; \$70 meals; \$150 substitutes; \$300 lodging).	4/13-14/07
Zetts, Mary Jo SMHS	2. Approval to attend to PA Music Educators Association State In-Service Conference in Hershey. Total cost to the district will be \$225 for substitutes).	4/18-20/07
Lutton, Debbie BMS	3. Approval to attend the annual PAEOP conference at Penn State. Total cost to the district will be \$765 (\$365 registration; \$150 travel; \$25 meals; \$225 lodging).	4/18-20/07

Rowley, Alexander, LaMantia, Smith, Brown, Whitfield, Bell voting yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ms. Whitfield and seconded by Mr. Rowley that based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Directors hereby approves the following school trip requests:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Dates</b>
Baker, Lori SMHS	1. Approval to accompany sophomore students to a leadership conference at Chestnut Ridge Inn in Blairsville. Total cost to the district will be \$124 for transportation to be shared with Blairsville.	4/11/07
DelVecchio, Frank Rovison, John SMHS	2. Approval to accompany students to the Annual Drafting Contest and Technology Fair at Butler County Community College. Total cost to the district will be \$150 for substitutes, plus transportation costs.	4/18/07
Muir, Kathy SMHS	3. Approval to accompany students to the Indiana Regional Safe Driving Competition at IUP. Total cost to the district will be \$75 for a substitute, plus transportation costs.	
Stefanelli, Joanne Johns, Chris Foust, Jane Canzano, Tony BES	4. Approval to accompany 5 <sup>th</sup> grade students to Lutherlyn Environmental Center. Total cost to the district will be \$3390 (\$3240 transportation; \$150 for a substitute school nurse).	4/26-27/07
Bowen, Donna	5. Approval to accompany students to the annual Try Math A	5/2/07

Buckles, Jim BMS	Lot competition at UPJ. Total cost to the district will be \$320 (\$170 transportation; \$150 substitutes).	
Chapla, Linda Kaylor, Trisha BHS	6. Approval to accompany students to the Frank Lloyd Wright's Fallingwater in Mill Run. Total cost to the district will be \$350 (\$200 transportation; \$150 substitutes).	5/4/07
Ferencz, Joanna Orvosh, James Sisitki, Michele Ruff, Susan BES	7. Approval to accompany the 4 <sup>th</sup> grade students to the Children's Theater Festival at Cresson Lake Playhouse. Total cost to the district will be \$75 for a nurse substitute.	5/4/07
Zerfoss, Mark Rovison, Brenda Bowen, Donna Stuchal, Scott Popp, Fred Joyce, Kim BMS	8. Approval to accompany 6 <sup>th</sup> grade students to the ICTC. Total cost to the district will be \$238.50 (\$200 transportation; \$38.50 ½ day substitute).	5/17/07
Muir, Kathy SMHS	9. Approval to accompany the senior class to Hershey Park All Nighter. There will be no cost to the district.	5/18/07
Frassenei, Tim Bole, Heather Murphy, Janet SES	10. Approval to accompany the 6 <sup>th</sup> grade students to Tour Ed Mine and Museum in Tarentum. There will be no cost to the district.	5/18/07
Milanak, Melissa Richards, Tracy SMHS	11. Approval to accompany selected students to the Second Annual Student Government Seminar at IUP. Total cost to the district will be \$258 (\$108 transportation; \$150 substitutes).	5/24/07
Scardina, Jessica Bucco, Linda Lasher, Brandy SES	12. Approval to accompany kindergarten students to the Pittsburgh Children's Museum. There will be no cost to the district.	5/25/07
Slezak, Susan Dunlap, Susan Kokolis, Jane Lukacs, Janet BES	13. Approval to accompany the 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade students to Blairsville Historical district. Total cost to the district will be \$75 for a substitute nurse.	5/29/07

Rowley, Alexander, LaMantia, Smith, Brown, Whitfield, Bell voting yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ms. Whitfield and seconded by Mr. Rowley that based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Directors hereby approves the following as professional substitutes for the 2006-2007 school year:

	Name	Residence	Certification
1.	Brick, Kelly	Smicksburg	Elementary, Special Education
2.	Magalich, Karen	Avonmore	Social Studies
3.	Reed, Kimberly	Blairsville	Elementary

Rowley, Alexander, LaMantia, Smith, Brown, Whitfield, Bell voting yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ms. Whitfield and seconded by Mr. Rowley that based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and the transportation coordinator, the Board of Directors hereby approves the following as spare bus drivers for Blairsville-Saltsburg School District as an employee of Smith Bus Company for the 2006-2007 school year and contingent upon receipt of all required documentation according to Board Policy #817:

	Name	Residence
1.	Lamb, Clayton	Homer City
2.	McAfoose, Shelley	Blairsville

Rowley, Alexander, LaMantia, Smith, Brown, Whitfield, Bell voting yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ms. Whitfield and seconded by Mr. Rowley that the Board of Directors hereby approves the hiring of *Lisa Cunliffe* as a noon-hour supervisor at Saltsburg Middle/High School at \$6.50 per hour and an effective hire date of March 12, 2007 and contingent upon receipt of all necessary clearances. Rowley, Alexander, LaMantia, Smith, Brown, Whitfield, Bell voting yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ms. Whitfield and seconded by Mr. Rowley that the Board of Directors hereby approves the resignation request, due to retirement, of *James Pietrala*, English teacher at Saltsburg Middle/High School, effective when all accumulated sick leave is used, tentatively April 20, 2007. Mr. Pietrala has been a teacher with the district since September 1981. Rowley, Alexander, LaMantia, Smith, Brown, Whitfield, Bell voting yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ms. Whitfield and seconded by Mr. Rowley that the Board of Directors hereby approves the resignation request, due to retirement, of *Carol S. Buterbaugh*, English teacher at Saltsburg Middle/High School, effective June 9, 2007. Ms. Buterbaugh has been a teacher with the district since August 1978. Rowley, Alexander, LaMantia, Smith, Brown, Whitfield, Bell voting yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ms. Whitfield and seconded by Mr. Rowley that the Board of Directors hereby approves the resignation request, due to retirement, of *Anthony J. Canzano*, elementary teacher at Blairsville Elementary School, effective June 9, 2007. Mr. Canzano has been a teacher with the district since September 1972. Rowley, Alexander, LaMantia, Smith, Brown, Whitfield, Bell voting yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ms. Whitfield and seconded by Mr. Rowley that the Board of Directors hereby approves the resignation request, due to retirement, of *Mary Ann Frantz*, elementary teacher at Blairsville Elementary School, effective June 9, 2007. Ms. Frantz has been a teacher with the district since August 1983. Rowley, Alexander, LaMantia, Smith, Brown, Whitfield, Bell voting yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ms. Whitfield and seconded by Mr. Rowley that the Board of Directors hereby approves the resignation request, due to retirement, of *Christine S. Johns*, elementary teacher at Blairsville Elementary School, effective June 9, 2007. Ms. Johns has been a teacher with the district since January 1975. Rowley, Alexander, LaMantia, Smith, Brown, Whitfield, Bell voting yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ms. Whitfield and seconded by Mr. Rowley that the Board of Directors hereby approves the resignation request, due to retirement, of *James K. Yohe*, social studies teacher at Blairsville High School, effective June 9, 2007. Mr. Yohe has been a teacher with the district since August 1974. Rowley, Alexander, LaMantia, Smith, Brown, Whitfield, Bell voting yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ms. Whitfield and seconded by Mr. Rowley that the Board of Directors hereby approves the request for *Stacy Holderbaum* to serve as a volunteer assistant coach for the BMS volleyball program for the 2006-2007 school year. It is understood that all appropriate clearance will be on file in the administration office before Ms. Holderbaum can begin coaching. Rowley, Alexander, LaMantia, Smith, Brown, Whitfield, Bell voting yes. Motion carried.

## **POLICY**

Mr. Alexander thanked Mr. Saffron for the attention he gave to the following policies and for catching a few things that helped to refine these policies.

Motion by Mr. Alexander and seconded by Ms. Whitfield that based upon the recommendation of the Policy Committee, the Board of Directors hereby approves the adoption/revision of the following policies as presented:

- 317 Employees Charged with or Convicted of a Crime – Administrative Employees
- 428 Employees Charged with or Convicted of a Crime – Professional Employees
- 524 Employees Charged with or Convicted of a Crime – Classified Employees
- 817 School Bus Driver/School Bus Aide Hiring Guidelines
- 818 Contracted Services

Rowley, Alexander, LaMantia, Smith, Brown, Whitfield, Bell voting yes. Motion carried.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Ms. Brown asked Mr. Saffron if Mr. McGinnis could be appointed to serve on the Board. Mr. Saffron's response was that if he was appointed to the Board he would in essence be suing himself which you are not allowed to do. He stated that Mr. McGinnis would have to excuse himself each time there was any discussion regarding the lawsuit.

Ms. Whitfield stated she would like to nominate Mr. Speal to serve on the Board. Ms. Brown stated that she does not feel that Mr. Speal should be on the Board for this time period since he is running in the election.

Motion by Ms. Whitfield and seconded by Mr. LaMantia to amend the *Other Business* section of the agenda to include the following:

- Add George Rowley as the ARIN representative
- Add Lance Alexander as the alternate ICTC representative
- Add Dan Speal to fill the vacancy as a member of the Board of School Directors

Rowley, LaMantia, Smith, Whitfield, Bell voting yes. Alexander and Brown voting no. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Rowley and seconded by Mr. Alexander that the Board of Directors hereby approves the appointment of *George Rowley* to serve as representative to the ARIN Intermediate Unit 28 for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2007 and ending June 30, 2010. Rowley, Alexander, LaMantia, Smith, Brown, Whitfield, Bell voting yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Rowley and seconded by Mr. Alexander that the Board of Directors hereby approves the appointment of *Lance Alexander* to serve as an alternative representative to the Indiana County Technology Center to fulfill the term vacated by Mr. Dan McGregor. Rowley, Alexander, LaMantia, Smith, Brown, Whitfield, Bell voting yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Rowley and seconded by Mr. Alexander that the Board of Directors hereby approves the 2006-2007 school calendar changes as presented, to compensate for the additional snow closure day. (Attachment #2) Rowley, Alexander, LaMantia, Smith, Brown, Whitfield, Bell voting yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Rowley and seconded by Mr. Alexander that the Board of Directors hereby approves the 2007-2008 school calendar as attached. (Attachment #3) Rowley, Alexander, LaMantia, Smith, Brown, Whitfield, Bell voting yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Rowley and seconded by Mr. Alexander that the Board of Directors in accordance with the provisions of the Public School Code of 1949, as amended, 24 P. S. §3-315, hereby appoints *Dan Speal* as a member of the Board of School Directors to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of former board member F. Daniel McGregor. The director hereby appointed shall hold office until the first Monday of December 2007 as provided for in the Public School Code. Rowley, LaMantia, Smith, Whitfield, Bell voting yes. Alexander and Brown voting no. Motion carried.

Mr. Saffron reminded Mr. Speal he had 10 days to receive the Oath of Office from the Magistrate or Judge.

Motion by Mr. Rowley and seconded by Mr. Alexander that based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and the Business Manager, the Board of School Directors hereby adopts the following Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of School Directors of the Blairsville-Saltsburg School District accepts the Building Program scope regarding renovations to the current Saltsburg Middle/High School to an elementary school and additions, alterations and renovations to the current Blairsville Middle/High School to a Blairsville-Saltsburg Junior/Senior High School for the School District as presented by HHSDR Architects/Engineers on March 15, 2007. Rowley, Alexander, LaMantia, Smith, Brown, Whitfield, Bell voting yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Rowley and seconded by Mr. Alexander that based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and the Business Manager, the Board of School Directors hereby adopts the following Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, the Blairsville-Saltsburg Board of School Directors upon consideration of the information presented to it on March 15, 2007 by HHSDR Architects/Engineers hereby approves initiating the planning of the proposed alterations, renovations and additions to the proposed Blairsville-Saltsburg Junior/Senior High School (currently the Blairsville Middle/Senior High School) located in Burrell Township, Indiana County, Pennsylvania, and further hereby authorizes the administration and architect, HHSDR Architects/Engineers, to

prepare schematic design drawings and submit Plancon Part A, *Project Justification*, and schematic drawings to the Pennsylvania Department of Education for review and approval; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the officers of the Board of School Directors are hereby authorized to sign all documents on behalf of the Blairsville-Saltsburg School District necessary to carry out this Resolution. Rowley, Alexander, LaMantia, Smith, Brown, Whitfield, Bell voting yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Rowley and seconded by Mr. Alexander that based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and the Business Manager, the Board of School Directors hereby adopts the following Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, the Blairsville-Saltsburg Board of School Directors upon consideration of the information presented to it on March 15, 2007, by HHSDR Architects/Engineers hereby approves initiating the planning of the proposed alterations and renovations to the proposed Saltsburg Elementary School (currently the Saltsburg Middle/High School) located in Conemaugh Township, Indiana County, Pennsylvania, and further hereby authorizes the administration and architect, HHSDR Architects/Engineers, to prepare schematic drawings and submit Plancon Part A, *Project Justification*, and schematic drawings to the Pennsylvania Department of Education for review and approval; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the officers of the Board of School Directors are hereby authorized to sign all documents on behalf of the Blairsville-Saltsburg School District necessary to carry out this Resolution. Rowley, Alexander, LaMantia, Smith, Brown, Whitfield, Bell voting yes. Motion carried.

**Report of the Superintendent** – Mr. Nadonley announced there would be an executive session immediately following the meeting to discuss legal and personnel matters and student discipline. Invited the Board to a luncheon with the auditors. March 26<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am the auditors will hold the exit conference in the administration office.

**Report of the Solicitor** – No report.

Mrs. Hanley alerted the Board that we are working on the Strategic Plan and need to have a comprehensive committee. The Board needs to recommend two community members, two business people, two parents and two board members to serve on the committee. The Board will need to approve in April.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:19 pm.

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Paul A. Bell, Board President

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Leigh A. Free, Board Secretary