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May 15, 2017

9:30 a.m. - Baierl Center

## **MEETING MINUTES**

### **Welcome:**

Jacki Herring welcomed everyone and all those who were present introduced themselves.

Jacki asked all building representatives to decide if they would be continuing in their role as they move on to a new building.

Handouts from previous meetings and gifted literature were on the table at the entrance for anyone to take for their review.

The event for mothers and their high school aged daughters was postponed and will be rescheduled.

### **Guest Speaker**

Mrs. Stackhouse, GOAL teacher at NAI presented information on the programs and activities for GOAL students at NASH. At NAI, students are encouraged to explore a passion. There are over 100 programs offered at NAI and the 4 GOAL teachers are divided by strengths (this will drop to 3 teachers in the 17-18 academic year.) Students are encouraged to participate in their GIEP meeting and it is recommended they select 4 activities in the year to enrich an academic strength.

GIEP conferences take place in September and October so that there is an opportunity to become familiar with the student before the conferences. There are as many as 280 GOAL students in the building.

Parents will soon be able to sign up for the REMIND system and will be able to see information on Blackboard.

Students are expected to attend the GOAL meetings which take place on the last Friday of the month in the GOAL room, next to the cafeteria.

A sampling of programs includes:

- Allegheny Intermediate Unit (AIU) apprenticeship program – students in grades 10-12 leave 6-8 times during the year for the experience. A student can participate in as many as they like. Parents are responsible for transportation.
- Educational Travel/Independent Option/Summer Internships

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Students are provided with a hard copy of the Program of Studies during 8<sup>th</sup> grade. The document includes the course requirements for graduation, the course selection process, and a Plan Ahead Sheet, a planning tool designed to help create an academic program that will help meet a student's college and career goals.

### **Announcements**

Sharon Kroll, is retiring at the end of the school year. Shari Schlosser, will fill the role as master teacher for gifted support and will be based out of Peebles Elementary.

Parents were encouraged to complete the survey available online. Results will be presented in aggregate form and shared at the beginning of the next school year.

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## Mission Statement:

NAPAGE is a parent support/advocacy group. We are the North Allegheny chapter of the Pennsylvania Association for Gifted Education (PAGE). PAGE is a nonprofit advocacy group dedicated to helping gifted learners, parents and educators. You can visit their website at [www.giftedpage.org](http://www.giftedpage.org) for more information.

NAPAGE’s mission is to advocate for and support gifted children and their families in the North Allegheny School District. We accomplish this by:

- Providing parent representation to NA’s Gifted Advisory Committee (GAC and SEAC)
- Sharing experiences, concerns and successes
- Proactively addressing issues that arise
- Encouraging the use of best practices in gifted education

## NAPAGE Officers 2016-2017 School Year:

President	Jacki Herring	412-952-1096
Vice President	Elinor Avigad	724-934-4334
Treasurer & Membership	Rebecca Hufnagle	412-367-4695
Secretary	Amy Franz	412-952-5597
Website	Jen Husek	412-512-5430

## Administration:

Supervisor of Special Education and Pupil Services	Gwynn Maximo
Gifted Support Master Teacher	Sharon Kroll

## Building Representatives to the Gifted Advisory Council 2016-2017 School Year:

Elementary		High School	
Bradford Woods	Anne Yatchenko	NAI	Mary Lee Majewski
Franklin	Anisha Shah		Lingga Herman
Hosack	Kathy Dwyer	NASH	Yanbing Ye
Ingomar Elementary	Anne Paczula		Suzanne Bridges
Marshall Elementary	Dilhari DeAlmeida		
Peebles	Elizabeth Warner		
Middle School			
Carson Middle	Sue Gaertner		
	Melissa Tabbarah		
Ingomar Middle	Joe Greenberg		
	Mary Wolfe		
Marshall Middle	Julie Evanish		
	Harkirat Dhingra		