

CHARTIERS VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Minutes of the Reorganization and Workshop/Special Action Meeting
Of The Board of School Directors
High School – Commons Room
December 3, 2019

Meeting Opening

A) Call to Order

The Reorganization and Workshop/Special Action Meeting of the Chartiers Valley Board of School Directors was called to order at 6:35 p.m. by Kim Borza in the High School Commons Room.

B) Pledge of Allegiance

C) Roll Call

Present

Mr. Mark Kuczinski
Dr. Darren Mariano
Mr. Jeff Choura
Mr. Eric Kraemer
Mr. Robert Kearney
Mr. Brian Kopec
Mr. Tony Mazzarini
Mrs. Julie Murphy
Mrs. Sandy Zeleznik

Also Present

Dr. Johannah Vanatta, Superintendent
Mr. Scott Seltzer, Assistant Superintendent
Dr. Misty Slavic, Assistant Superintendent
Mr. Don Palmer, Solicitor
Ms. Mikaela Duckstein, Director of Communications
& Strategic Partnerships
Mrs. Emily Eckman, Director of Finance & Operations
Ms. Kim Borza, Board Secretary

1.1 Administration of Oath of Office was conducted by the Honorable Maureen McGraw-Desmet. Judge McGraw-Desmet swore in five Board Members: Mr. Jeff Choura, Mr. Robert Kearney, Mr. Mark Kuczinski, Dr. Darren Mariano and Mrs. Sandra Zeleznik.

1.2 Election of Temporary President

- Mr. Mazzarini was nominated and elected as Temporary President.

1.3 Review List of Board Members

- Mr. Palmer stated that the list of Board Members was attached to the agenda and asked if there were any questions. There were no questions or comments.

1.4 Nomination and Election of Board President

Mr. Mazzarini opened the floor for nominations for Board President.
Mr. Kraemer nominated Mr. Mark Kuczinski,
Mr. Mazzarini asked if there were any other nominations,
Motion to close the nomination,
Moved by Mr. Choura, seconded by Mr. Kraemer,
It was declared unanimously to elect Mr. Kuczinski as Board President.

1.5 Nomination and Election of Board Vice-President

Mr. Kuczinski opened the floor for nominations for Board Vice President,
Mr. Mazzarini nominated Mr. Kearney,
Mr. Choura nominated Dr. Mariano,

Mr. Kuczinski asked if there were any other nominations, Motion was made to close the nominations and voted on unanimously, It was decided that votes for Vice President will be taken as a roll call vote, On a roll call vote of 5-4, Mr. Kearney was elected as Vice President.

Vice President Roll Call Votes	
Name	Vote
Mr. Choura	Dr. Mariano
Mr. Kearney	Mr. Kearney
Mr. Kopec	Dr. Mariano
Mr. Kraemer	Mr. Kearney
Mr. Mazzarini	Mr. Kearney
Mrs. Murphy	Dr. Mariano
Mrs. Zeleznik	Mr. Kearney
Mr. Kuczinski	Mr. Kearney
Dr. Mariano	Dr. Mariano

1.6 Motion to approve Donald J. Palmer as Solicitor for the Chartiers Valley School District. Terms as stipulated in the engagement letter from District Solicitor, Donald J. Palmer of Goehring, Rutter, and Boehm dated August 23, 2012 and approved by the Chartiers Valley School Board on August 28, 2012 with an hourly rate of \$175 for partners, \$150 for associates and a monthly retainer of \$700.

**Motion to approve item 1.6 listed above,
Moved by Mr. Mazzarini, seconded by Mr. Kraemer,
On a voice vote, the motion passes unanimously.**

D) Executive Session

- Mr. Kuczinski stated that there was an executive session prior to our public meeting tonight to discuss personnel and legal matters.

E) Public Comments ~ Agenda Items

- There were no public comments on agenda items.

F) Recognitions

- District winter holiday card contest winners were recognized: first place winner was Grace Fisher, Grade 4; three finalists were: Keegan Gorrington, Grade 1; Emma Underwood, Grade 3; Nakshatra Dineshkaruna, Grade 6.

2.0 Board Comments/Discussion Items

- There were no additional Board comments or discussion items.
 - Mr. Kuczinski did make mention that at the last Board meeting there was an approval to a change order for the terrace at the Middle School. The amount was for \$15,000; IKM was going to pay \$5000, Mucci Construction was going to pay \$5000 which left \$5000 for the district to pay. After discussion over the weekend with PJ Dick, they have agreed to absorb the extra \$5000 which changed the total for the district to zero.

3.0 Superintendent's Report/Presentation

- Dr. Vanatta mentioned that there was a ribbon cutting ceremony before the Board meeting; the project had been in the works for a few months. She thanked everyone for attending and the reassuring words from Mr. Mazzarini and Mr. Kuczinski added to the ceremony. Dr. Vanatta also

thanked various community members for attending and stated that the dedication plaques were made by Mr. McAleer and his team.

4.0 Approve Minutes

4.1 The Superintendent recommends and I so move to approve the Board Meeting minutes for November 19, 2019.

Motion to approve item 4.1 listed above.

Moved by Mr. Kearney, seconded by Mr. Kopec.

On a voice vote, the motion passes unanimously.

5.0 Consent Agenda

5.1 The Superintendent recommends and I so move to approve the Human Resources report for December 3, 2019.

5.2 The Superintendent recommends and I so move to approve the AIU Alternative Education Program for 2019-2020 school year.

5.3 The Superintendent recommends and I so move to approve the donation of basketball uniforms from the Boys Basketball Boosters.

5.4 The Superintendent recommends and I so move to approve the First Reading of Policy #708 - Lending of Equipment and Educational Materials.

5.5 The Superintendent recommends and I so move to approve to retire Policy #710 - Use of Facilities by Staff.

Motion to approve items 5.1 through 5.5 listed above,

Moved by Mr. Mazzarini, seconded by Mr. Choura,

On a voice vote, the motion passes unanimously.

6.0 Action/Discussion

6.1 The Superintendent recommends and I so move to approve the National Math + Science Initiative in the amount of \$13,450.05 for November 2019 to July 2020.

Motion to approve item 6.1 listed above,

Moved by Mrs. Murphy, seconded by Mrs. Zeleznik

On a voice vote, the motion passes unanimously.

6.2 The Superintendent recommends and I so move to approve the Joint Purchasing with the Allegheny County Intermediate Unit, and to appoint Emily Eckman as the primary representative, and Jennifer Sheridan as the alternate.

Motion to approve item 6.2 listed above,

Moved by Mr. Choura, seconded by Mrs. Zeleznik,

On a voice vote, the motion passes unanimously.

6.3 Monthly Construction Report (*informational only*)

6.4 The Superintendent recommends and I so move to approve the Pay Apps for November 2019.

Motion to approve item 6.4 listed above,

Moved by Mr. Kearney, seconded by Mrs. Zeleznik,

On a voice vote, the motion passes unanimously.

7.0 Public Comments ~ Non-Agenda Items

- There were no public comments on non-agenda items.

8.0 Adjournment

**Motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 7:26 p.m.,
Moved by Mr. Choura, seconded by Mr. Kraemer,
On a voice vote, the motion passes unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kim Borza", written over a circular stamp or seal.

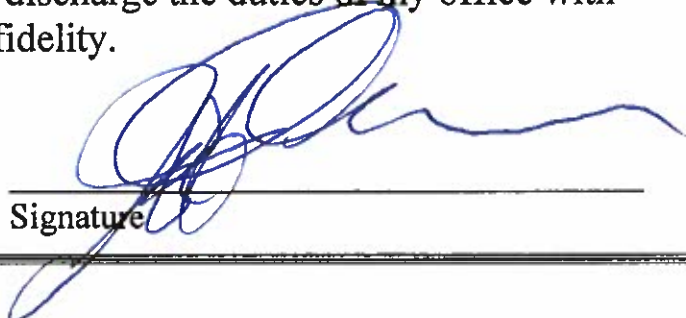
Kim Borza
Board Secretary

**BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
OF THE
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SCHOOL DISTRICT**

OATH OF OFFICE AS SCHOOL DIRECTOR

I, Jeff Choura, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support, obey and defend the Constitution of the United States and Constitution of this Commonwealth, and that I will discharge the duties of my office with fidelity.

Date: December 3, 2019

Signature 

**Certificate of Temporary President or other authorized official administering the oath
(Revised Uniform Law on Notarial Acts 57 Pa.C.S. § 315)**

State of Pennsylvania }
County of Allegheny }

**MAUREEN MCGRAW-DESMET,
MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE
MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT 05-2-21
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES ON THE
FIRST MONDAY IN JANUARY, 2022**

On this date, December 3, 2019, in accordance with Section 321 of the Public School Code of 1949, I administered the foregoing oath of office to the person whose name and signature appear above, who appeared before me in person, who was known to me (or satisfactorily proven) to be such person, and whose signature subscribing to this oath I witnessed, all immediately preceding the issuance of this certificate.

Name of Person Administering Oath (print): Maureen McGraw-Desmet

Title: Magisterial District Judge

Signature of Person Administering Oath: Maureen McGraw-Desmet

My commission expires: 1/2022

[Expiration date of commission is required only if the oath was administered by a notary public]

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I, Robert Kearney, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support, obey and defend the Constitution of the United States and Constitution of this Commonwealth, and that I will discharge the duties of my office with fidelity.

Date: December 3, 2019

Robert Kearney
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I, Mark Kuczinski, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support, obey and defend the Constitution of the United States and Constitution of this Commonwealth, and that I will discharge the duties of my office with fidelity.

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I, Darren Mariano, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support, obey and defend the Constitution of the United States and Constitution of this Commonwealth, and that I will discharge the duties of my office with fidelity.

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I, Sandra Zeleznik, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support, obey and defend the Constitution of the United States and Constitution of this Commonwealth, and that I will discharge the duties of my office with fidelity.

Date: December 3, 2019

Sandra Zeleznik
Signature

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