

BUCKS COUNTY TECHNICAL SCHOOL
JOINT BOARD COMMITTEE MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Bucks County Technical School Joint Board Committee was held on **Tuesday, May 19, 2020 by Electronic Communication** and called to order by President, Mr. John Ruszin at 7:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

	NAME	
	John Allen	Neshaminy
	John Ruszin	Bristol Borough
	Christian Schwartz	Pennsbury
	Kim Rivera	Bensalem
	Heather Nicholas	Bensalem
	Kellie Buchanan	Bristol Township
	Gallus Obert	Bristol Township
	Donna Getty	Morrisville
	Joseph Gilleo	Morrisville
	Cyndie Bowman	Neshaminy
	Gary Sanderson	Pennsbury

TOTAL MEMBERS PRESENT: 11

MEMBERS ABSENT: 1

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ALSO PRESENT:

	NAME	AFFILIATION
	Samuel Lee	Supt. of Record
	Leon Poeske	Admin Director
	Sharon Rendeiro	Bus Admin/Board Secretary
	Patricia Cumberland	Board Treasurer
	Ellis Katz	Solicitor
	Henry DeGeorge	Assistant Director
	John Haney	Supervisor of Information Technology
	Theresa Prato	BCTSEA President

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Mr. Ruzin welcomed the public.

John Allen entered the meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA A motion was made by Christian Schwartz, seconded by Joseph Gilleo, to approve the agenda as presented. Board members unanimously approved the agenda (11,0,0).

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT None

PROFESSIONAL COUNCIL REPORT Dr. Lee announced that a meeting of the Professional Council was held on Monday, May 18, 2020 through Zoom. The following members were in attendance: Samuel Lee (Bensalem School District), Rose Minniti (Bristol Borough School District), Melanie Gehrens (Bristol Township School District), Jason Harris (Morrisville School District), Joe Jones (Neshaminy School District), Rob McGee (incoming Neshaminy Superintendent), William Gretzula (Pennsbury School District) and Leon Poeske (BCTHS).

Discussed were the following:

- Plans for the upcoming virtual graduation on June 11th and possible in-person ceremony (if restrictions are lifted) on August 8th at Neshaminy.
- Schedule for seniors to get back in the building to return/pick up items.
- Summer staff protocols and protocols for staff coming into various district buildings and the safeguards that are being followed.
- Flexible Instruction Days – Dr. Poeske will be submitting an application for FIDs for 2019-2020 school year and two additional years.
- 21st Century Grant was discussed and their plans for Summer programming. The districts with the Grant are planning to hold virtual programs.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (Agenda Items) None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Christian Schwartz, seconded by Joseph Gilleo that the Board approve the Minutes of the April 27, 2020 meeting. Board members unanimously approved the motion. (11,0,0).

ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTORS REPORT

Student Accounting Dr. Leon Poeske, Administrative Director, referred to Student Accounting, the Bucks County Technical High School Newsletter and newspaper articles relative to the Technical School and upcoming events.

Dr. Poeske announced that BCTHS is proud to have been recognized as a National School of Character and thanked all those involved.

Dr. Poeske would like to have students working through the SLIP Grant on the 911 Memorial project. This project will be contingent on the Governor's orders.

Mr. DeGeorge discussed the two graduation ceremonies scheduled. The virtual graduation is scheduled for June 11, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. and the in-person ceremony is tentatively scheduled for August 3, 2020 at the Neshaminy School District stadium.

ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION

A motion was made by Christian Schwartz, seconded by Kellie Buchanan, that the Board approve the Financial Reports, subject to audit, as per pp. C1-C17. Board members unanimously approved the motion (11,0,0).

A motion was made by Christian Schwartz, seconded by Kellie Buchanan, that an order be drawn on the Treasurer for payment of the properly approved bills and electronic payments in the total amount of \$516,499.02 and release salaries, subject to audit, as per pp. D1-D24. Board members unanimously approved the motion. (11,0,0).

COMMITTEE REPORTS

P.I.A. Committee: Mr. Schwartz advised that PIA met this evening. Discussed were the following:

- Action items on for approval this evening
 - Teacher hires
 - PSBA Voting Delegate
 - 2020-21 Calendar
 - Flexible Instruction Days

- Discussion items
 - Summer protocols
 - Start up in the Fall
 - Graduation update

Nominating Committee:

- Recommend the Board approve the recommendation of the Joint Board Nominating Committee to nominate Samuel Lee, Bensalem School District, as Superintendent of Record for a term of one (1) year, effective July 1, 2020.

A motion was made by Gary Sanderson, seconded by Kellie Buchanan, that the Board approve Samuel Lee as Superintendent of Record, effective July 1, 2020. Board members unanimously approved the motion (11,0,0).

- Recommend the Board approve the recommendation of the Joint Board Nominating Committee to nominate Patricia Cumberland, as Treasurer to the Joint Board for a term of one (1) year, effective July 1, 2020.

A motion was made by Heather Nicholas, seconded by Kellie Buchanan, that the Board approve Patricia Cumberland as Treasurer effective July 1, 2020. Board members unanimously approved the motion (11,0,0).

Other Committees: None

OLD BUSINESS None

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Christian Schwartz, seconded by Kim Rivera, to combine the motions and approve the following recommendations A-O pp. F1- F4:

- A. Accept the resignation of Security Monitor/Driver, Christopher Sarver, effective April 30, 2020.
- B. Approve the transfer of Michael Bachmayer from temporary Security Monitor/Driver to permanent Security Monitor/Driver to replace Christopher Sarver effective May 20, 2020.
- C. Approve the employment of Kenneth Sperling as a Science teacher to replace William Dintinger, on Column B/Step Entry at an annual salary of \$51,107 effective with the start of the 2020-2021 school year, pending PDE certification and completion of new hire paperwork. (Addendum #1)

Approve the employment of Christopher Panzitta as a Welding and Fabrication Technology teacher to replace Chuck Kochersperger, on Column A/Step 2 at an annual salary of \$51,576 effective with the start of the 2020-2021 school year, pending completion of new hire paperwork. (Addendum #2)

Approve the employment of Cooperative Education student, Patrick Heasley, as an information Technology Assistant, at the approved Technology I student rate of \$9.25/hour, effective May 20, 2020, pending completion of criminal background checks.

- D. Approve the continued employment of Cooperative Education student, Dylan Patel, as an Information Technology Assistant at the approved Technology II student rate of \$9.50/hour, effective July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.
- E. Approve the end of assignment for long term substitute, Guidance Counselor, Kaitlyn Fala, effective June 16, 2020.

- F. Approve the summer employment of guidance counselors, not to exceed eight (8) days each, for child accounting, closing our records, summer support and fall scheduling, at their per diem rate, effective June 17, 2020.

Approve the summer employment of school nurses, not to exceed eight (8) days each, for updating student records, at their per diem rate, effective June 17, 2020.

Approve the summer employment of school-to-career coordinators, not to exceed eight (8) days each, for the supervision of cooperative education students, at their per diem rate, effective June 17, 2020.

Approve the summer employment of the school psychologists, not to exceed (8) days, to review ninth grade files and prepare special education evaluations, at the per diem rate, effective June 17, 2020.

Approve the summer employment of Management Assistants, not to exceed sixty (60) hours each, to prepare new student identification badges, probation agreements, behavior packets, inventory/clean out evidence and confiscated items cabinet, inventory/order clothing/supplies, update discipline stats and student records, at their regular hour rate, effective July 1, 2020.

- G. Rescind the stipend in the amount of \$550.00 for Amanda Bucantis, Key Club Co-Advisor, for the 2019-2020 school year.

Rescind the stipend in the amount of \$550.00 for Katelyn Hyland, Key Club Co-Advisor, for the 2019-2020 school year.

- H. Approve a stipend for the Superintendent of Record in the amount of \$3,000 per fiscal year for the 2020-2021 school year.

Approve a stipend for the Treasurer in the amount of \$1,000 per fiscal year for the 2020-2021 school year.

Approve a stipend in the amount of \$1,100 for Katelyn Hyland, Key Club Advisor, for the 2019-2020 school year.

Approve Automotive Technology teacher, Byron Cesari, to conduct AYES site visits to review student workbooks not to exceed 5 days, at a stipend of \$125 per day to be completed by August 28, 2020.

- I. Approve Bucks County Technical High School apply for and submit plans for Flexible Instructional Days (FIDs) beginning in the 2019-2020 school year, plus two additional years, to the Pennsylvania Department of Education.
- J. Appoint Christian Schwartz as the Bucks County Technical High School Voting Delegate to the PSBA Delegate Assembly Meeting.
- K. Approve Bundle: The American Pageant, AP Edition, 17 Student Edition + MindTap (6 year access), Kennedy/Kennedy 17th Edition, ISBN#9781337975049.
- L. Approve the agreement between the Bucks County Intermediate Unit #22 (BCIU) and Bucks County Technical High School for the consortium purchasing of Technology Legal Services Consultation through Sweet, Stevens, Katz & Williams, LLP for a fee of \$807.53 for the 2020-2021 school term. (Addendum #3)
- M. Approve the Legal Services Consultation Agreement between Sweet, Stevens, Katz & Williams LLP and Bucks County Technical High School per the attached Pool Counsel Agreement during the 2020-21 school year for a fee of \$5,500 (Addendum #4)
- N. Approve the 2020-2021 BCTHS Calendar. (Addendum #5)
- O. Approve the budgetary transfers for the 2019-2020 budget in the amount of \$30,789 for the 2019-2020 school year. (Addendum #6)

The Board unanimously approved the motion (11,0,0).

CORRESPONDENCE None

OTHER BUSINESS None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (Non-Agenda Items) None

NEXT MEETING Monday, June 22, 2020 at 7:30p.m.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

A motion was made by Christian Schwartz, seconded by Kellie Buchanan, that the meeting be adjourned at 7:58 p.m. Board members unanimously approved the motion (11,0,0).