CHARLEROI AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting of Tuesday, September 19, 2023
7:00 PM
Charleroi Area High School Community Room

MINUTES

Prior to the regular meeting, the Board met in Executive Session at 6:17 p.m. in the High School Community Room, 100 Fecsen Drive, Charleroi PA 15022 to discuss personnel matters. Persons present were: Mr. Caruso, Mrs. Hopkins, Mrs. Keranko, Mr. Nutting, Mrs. Pappasergi, Mrs. Pellegrini, Mrs. Pepper, Mr. Wiltz, and Mr. Yakich.

Mr. Wiltz, Board President, announced that the Board had been in executive session since 6:17 p.m. and then called the regular meeting of the Charleroi Area School District Board of School Directors to order at 7:01 p.m. in the High School Community Room, 100 Fecsen Drive, Charleroi PA 15022.

Upon roll call, members present were: Mr. Caruso, Mrs. Hopkins, Mrs. Keranko, Mr. Nutting, Mrs. Pappasergi, Mrs. Pellegrini, Mrs. Pepper, Mr. Wiltz, and Mr. Yakich.

Mr. Wiltz announced that Item 8.m – Approval of Revised Coaching Salary Adjustments, has been tabled, and Item 8.x – Accept Resignation of Cook's Helper, 3 hours per day, effective immediately, has been added to the agenda.

Upon motion of Mrs. Pepper, seconded by Mr. Yakich, it was resolved to approve the amendments to the agenda for the Regular Meeting of the Charleroi Area School District Board of School Directors for September 19, 2023. All were in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Upon motion of Mrs. Pappasergi, seconded by Mrs. Pellegrini, it was resolved to approve the agenda for the Regular Meeting of the Charleroi Area School District Board of School Directors for September 19, 2023.

Mr. Yakich excused himself from the meeting due to an emergency.

PUBLIC RECOGNITION

Lena Hannah from PSBA honored our Board members for their many years of service.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

Student Representatives Bella Carroto and Jacob Corrin spoke with the Board about events in the high school.

ROUTINE BUSINESS:

Upon motion of Mrs. Keranko, seconded by Mrs. Pappasergi, with all in favor, it was resolved to approve the following routine business items for the month of September 2023:

a. Approval of the Minutes for the Regular Meeting of August 15, 2023

CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was read at the meeting:

a. September Subsidies

The following Federal and State Funds have been or will be received for the month of September 2023:

FUNDING	AMOUNT
SPECIAL EDUCATION	$225,287.00
NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM	$15,096.75
PROPERTY TAX RELIEF	$405,799.00
TRANSPORTATION	$43,361.50
SOCIAL SECURITY	$136,185.47
BASIC EDUCATION	$1,607,514.00

EDUCATION AND CURRICULUM

Upon motion of Mr. Nutting, seconded by Mrs. Hopkins, it was resolved to approve all EDUCATION AND CURRICULUM resolutions as presented by the Administration and subject to review by the District Solicitor as follows:

a. Approval of 2023-2024 Schoolwide Title 1 School Plan

b. Approval of 2023-2024 Southwest Behavioral Care, Inc. Outreach Coordinator/Family Advocate Agreement, in the amount of $57,000.00 for the middle school/high school and $56,575.00 for the elementary center
c. Approval of Therapy Dogs International Memorandum of Understanding, retroactive to August 25, 2023
d. Approval of The University of Pittsburgh at Greensburg Articulation Agreement, at no cost to the District
e. Approval of Children of Non-Resident Staff Member Application for Enrollment
f. Approval of Non-Resident Student Tuition Agreement
g. Name 2024 PSBA Officers: President-Elect – Allison Mathis, Vice President – Sabrina Backer, Treasurer Karen Beck Pooley, Western Zone Representative Marsha Pleta, Section W3 Advisor Erik Meredith, PSBA Insurance Trustees Marianne Neel and Michael Faccinetto
h. Approval of Sunday Facility Request 01 – High School Softball Boosters, October 1, 2023 with October 8, 2023 as a rain date, 12:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
i. Approval of Sunday Facility Request 02 – Mon Valley Academy for the Arts, November 5, 2023, 2:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
j. Approval of Sunday Facility Request – 03 – Spring Musical Rehearsals and Set Building, January 6-February 29, 2024, 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m., as needed
k. Approval of Sunday Facility Request – 04 – CAEC PTA Car Show, October 29, 2023, 12:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
l. Approval of Sunday Facility Request – 05 – Private Birthday Party, November 26, 2023, 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
m. Approval for Athletic Director to Attend Pennsylvania State Athletic Director's Association Conference, March 19-23, 2024

ROLL CALL:
Mr. Caruso Yes, Mrs. Hopkins Yes, Mrs. Keranko Yes,
Mr. Nutting Yes, Mrs. Pappasergi Yes, Mrs. Pellegrini Yes,
Mrs. Pepper Yes, Mr. Yakich Absent, Mr. Wiltz Yes.

POLICIES/ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS

a. First Reading of Revised Policy 006 – Meetings
b. First Reading of Policy 216.1 – Supplemental Discipline Records
c. First Reading of Revised Policy 251 – Students Experiencing Homelessness, Foster Care and Other Educational Instability

PERSONNEL

Upon motion of Mrs. Pepper, seconded by Mr. Nutting, it was resolved to approve all PERSONNEL resolutions as presented by the Administration and subject to review by the District Solicitor as follows:

a. Accept Retirement of Bus Driver, Eva Harris, effective December 31, 2023
b. Accept Resignation of Middle School STEAM Teacher, Anne Gavorcik, retroactive to August 4, 2023
c. Accept Resignation of Varsity Cheer Head Coach, Emma Weiser, retroactive to August 29, 2023
d. Accept Resignation of Varsity Cheer Assistant Coach, Christie Bavuso, retroactive to August 29, 2023
e. Name Varsity Cheer Head Coach, Becky Kline, retroactive to September 1, 2023
f. Name Varsity Cheer Assistant Coach, Christine Gialames, retroactive to September 1, 2023
g. Name Varsity Cheer Volunteer Coach, Antonia Pellegrini, retroactive to September 1, 2023
h. Name Middle School Soccer Assistant Coach, Matt Pringle, at a salary of $1,545.00, retroactive to August 21, 2023
i. Name Middle School Soccer Volunteer Coach, Eric Childs, retroactive to August 21, 2023
j. Name Varsity Golf Volunteer Coach, Benjamin Lion, retroactive to August 25, 2023
k. Name Volunteer Medical Staff, Andy Temoshenka
l. Name 2023-2024 Winter Coaches:
   Middle School Boys Basketball Head – Ramont Small, at a salary of $2,250.00; Middle School Boys Basketball Assistant Coach – Tony Bristol, at a salary of $1,550.00
~~m. Approval of Revised Coaching Salary Adjustments~~
n. Name Middle School STEAM/Makerspace Teacher, Denise Gross
o. Name 6th Grade ELA Teacher, Abby Slavick
p. Name Middle School Special Education ELA Teacher, Joy Daviduk
q. Name Title I Reading Specialist, Katherine Johnson, Step 3, Master's +20, retroactive to September 5, 2023
r. Name Middle School STEM Club Sponsor, Denise Gross, at an annual stipend of $1,000.00
s. Approval of 2023-2024 Extra Duty Assignments: Natalie Waggoner – Metal Detector/Security, at an annual stipend of $900.00, prorated, Danielle Patterson – Metal Detector/Security, at an annual stipend of $900.00, prorated, Kristopher Vatter – Breakfast Duty, 5 days, at an annual stipend of $284.00, Kate Johnson – Cafeteria Duty, 3 days, at an annual stipend of $649.00, Kate Johnson – Breakfast Duty, 5 days, at an annual stipend of $284.00, Kate Johnson – Bus Duty, 5 days, at an annual stipend of $900.00, prorated
t. Name Full-Time Bus Driver, Bryan Clutter, salary per Bus Driver Bargaining Agreement
u. Name 2023-2024 Drama Club and Spring Musical Volunteers: Donna Angelo, Erica Angelo, Gina Bittner, Paula French, Melissa Lancy, and Madison Piecknick, pending receipt of all clearances

v. Name Substitute Teachers: Courtney Koontz (Emergency Permit), Kelly Fields (Emergency Permit), and Sarah Kondratik (Emergency Permit), salary per CAEA Bargaining Agreement
w. Name Substitute Support: Paul Yurkovich (Van Driver and Van Monitor) and Michael Arrigo (Van Monitor), salary per CESPA Bargaining Agreement
x. Accept Resignation of Cook's Helper, 3 hours per day, Cheryl Konek, effective immediately

ROLL CALL:
Mrs. Hopkins Yes, Mrs. Keranko Yes, Mr. Nutting Yes,
Mrs. Pappasergi Yes, Mrs. Pellegrini Yes; abstain from g,
Mrs. Pepper Yes; abstain from s, Mr. Yakich Absent, Mr. Wiltz Yes, Mr. Caruso Yes.

FINANCE AND SUPPORT AREAS

Upon motion of Mrs. Pappasergi, seconded Mrs. Keranko, it was resolved to approve all FINANCE AND SUPPORT AREA RESOLUTIONS as presented by the Administration and subject to review by the District Solicitor as follows:

a. Approval of Monthly Secretary Treasurer Reports for the Month of August 2023 as follows: General Fund, Restricted Savings Fund, Digital Revenue, Payroll, Food Service Fund, and Capital Projects Fund 39
b. Approval of General Fund, Food Service Fund, and Athletic Fund Bill Lists for the Month of September 2023
c. Approval of Interim Bill List for August 2023/September 2023
d. Approval of High School, Middle School, Elementary Center and Athletic Activity Account Reports for August 2023
e. Approval of the Tax Collection Report for the Month of August 2023
f. Approval of the Monthly Revenues and Expenditures Report for August 2023
g. Approval of Extra Duty Time Reports for August 2023
h. Approval of Assist Services, LLC
i. Approval of 2023-2024 Mlaker Student Transportation Agreement
j. Approval of Transfinder Routing System Proficiency Course Training Quote, in the amount of $4,625.00
k. Approval of ABM Buildings Solutions High School/Middle School Cooler/Freezer Maintenance Agreement, in the amount of $3,780.00

ROLL CALL:
Mrs. Keranko Yes, Mr. Nutting Yes, Mrs. Pappasergi Yes,
Mrs. Pellegrini Yes, Mrs. Pepper Yes, Mr. Yakich Absent,
Mr. Wiltz Yes, Mr. Caruso Yes, Mrs. Hopkins Yes.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Dr. Zelich shared with the Board that the annual Stuff the Bus event was a success. Mr. Nutting thanked Solicitor Rebecca Hall and her firm for their generous monetary donation to the event. Dr. Zelich informed the Board that Dr. Carrie Rowe, Deputy Secretary of OESE of PDE will be visiting our campus on Thursday, October 12, 2023, to discuss if PDE can help with funding and supports for our District's challenges for our influx of immigrants.

Dr. Zelich shared with the Board that an outside company will be on campus September 20, 2023, to conduct lead testing in our water.

Dr. Zelich announced that there will be a two-hour late start tomorrow, September 20, 2023, for students, for a scheduled professional development training for our teachers and staff.

Dr. Zelich shared with the Board that there have been several "swatting" incidents within area school districts the past couple of weeks. Swatting is an action of making hoax phone calls to school's to report bomb threats, active shooters, etc. Dr. Zelich reassured the Board that the safety of our students and staff is our first priority.

Upon motion of Mrs. Pellegrini, seconded by Mrs. Keranko, the meeting was adjourned at 7:57 p.m.