

**PEQUEA VALLEY SCHOOL BOARD**

**Monthly Meeting**

**February 16, 2023**

The monthly meeting of the Pequea Valley School Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Bryant Ferris in the District Office Board Room. Members present were Michael Fisher, Mike Hartmann, Fred Hertzler, Freida Huyard, Steve Riehl, and Casey Rohrer. Ben Ingles and Steve Temple were absent. Also present were Erik Orndorff, John Bowden, Rich Eby, Cathy Koenig, Ashley Rednak, Ellen Geisel, Tamara Wanner, Debbie Fisher, and Dan Sauder.

**School Board Recognition** – 7<sup>th</sup> grade learner, Jaina Poirer, and 6<sup>th</sup> grade learner, Evan Johnston, were recognized for becoming published authors.

**Participation by the Public** – Tamara Wanner, Narvon, Healthcare Concierge.

**Liaison Reports**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Choice Team – Mike Hartmann
- Athletics – Ben Ingles (online report)
- Budget & Finance – Steve Riehl
- IU 13 Board of Directors – Michael Fisher
- Music – Freida Huyard
- Technology & Curriculum – Steve Temple (online report)
- Safety – Ben Ingles (online report)
- Superintendent’s Report – Erik Orndorff

**Approval of Minutes:**

On a motion by Mr. Riehl and a second by Mr. Hertzler, the Board approved the February 7, 2023, Committee Meeting minutes.

Motion carried: Voting yes: Ferris, Fisher, Hartmann, Hertzler, Huyard, Riehl, and Rohrer; No-0; Absent: Ingles, Temple.

**Chief Of Finance & Operations Recommendations:**

On a motion by Mr. Riehl and a second by Mr. Hertzler, the Board approved the following Consent Agenda Items A-H. (rc)

- A. New School Board Policy #620, Fund Balance.
- B. BBD as Auditors for the fiscal years ending in 2023, 2024, and 2025 at a fee of \$35,000 per year.
- C. Capital Reserve Items:
  - Boiler for Salisbury Elementary School from HB McClure, at a cost of \$28,440.
  - Public address system (Carehawk System) for the high school from B&B Integrations, at a cost of \$19,889.
- D. A contract with ESCO Security to provide cameras and a security system for the new middle/high school, in the amount of \$239,883, to be paid out of the Construction Fund.
- E. A two-year agreement with Penn Medicine Health Works to provide an employee medical concierge program beginning April 1, 2023.
- F. A contract with Lampeter-Strasburg School District for two Pequea Valley learners to receive special education services in the life skills program, at a cost of \$14,390 for student A and \$16,690 for student B for the 2022-2023 school year.
- G. An agreement with The Meadows Psychiatric Center to provide educational services in the event that a learner is hospitalized at The Meadows, at a cost of \$70 per day for the 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 school years.
- H. Three-year contract with PTS Pediatric Therapeutic Services for the following services:
  - 2023-2024 at the following rates: \$73.99 per hour for Speech; \$70.49 per hour for Occupational and Physical Therapy; \$56.49 per hour for Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant
  - 2024-2025 at the following rates: \$74.99 per hour for Speech; \$71.49 per hour for Occupational and Physical Therapy; \$56.99 per hour for Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant
  - 2025-2026 at the following rates: \$75.99 per hour for Speech; \$72.49 per hour for Occupational and Physical Therapy; \$57.99 per hour for Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant

Motion carried: Voting yes: Ferris, Fisher, Hartmann, Hertzler, Huyard, Riehl, and Rohrer; No-0; Absent: Ingles, Temple.

*February 16, 2023 minutes, continued ...*

**Superintendent's Recommendations:**

On a motion by Mr. Hartmann and a second by Mrs. Rohrer, the Board approved the following Consent Agenda Items A-C. (rc)

- A. The Pequea Valley School District Calendar for the 2023-2024 school year, as shown on page 3.
- B. The Course Selection Guide for the 2023-2024 school year.
- C. Personnel, page 4.

Motion carried: Voting yes: Ferris, Fisher, Hartmann, Hertzler, Huyard, Riehl, and Rohrer; No-0; Absent: Ingles, Temple.

**Old Business - None**

**New Business**

A. Agenda Topics for the March 7, 2023, Committee meeting:

- Preliminary General Budget
- Building Project Update
- Food Service Update

No further business was presented, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Bryant J. Ferris  
President

John A. Bowden  
Secretary