

PEQUEA VALLEY SCHOOL BOARD
Committee Meeting
October 4, 2022

The monthly Committee meeting of the Pequea Valley School Board was called to order by President Bryant Ferris at 7:00 p.m. Members present were Christian Brackbill, Mike Hartmann, Fred Hertzler, Freida Huyard, Ben Ingles, Steve Riehl, Casey Rohrer, and Steve Temple. Also present were John Bowden, Rich Eby, Gavin Scalyer, Cathy Koenig, Ashley Rednak, John Trovato, Deb Smoker, Jason Myer, Dan Sauder, Tamara Wanner, and Ellen Geisel.

Building Project Update – John Bowden presented an update on the building project. He stated that permits should be wrapped up in the next two weeks. A desktop notice to proceed was given to all contractors, and they have been actively submitting procurement items. Once all permits are approved, a formal Notice to Proceed will be given in which contractors will have 734 calendar days to complete work. On-site earth movement is expected by the end of the month. The water and sewer project pipe has been ordered and is expected for a February delivery.

Union Community Care Update – Erik Orndorff and Cathy Koenig presented an update on the Union Community Care facility and the need for the services in the district. Dr. Orndorff presented the philosophy of the school district and partnering with outside entities to better our community. Cathy Koenig read two letters from our social workers and nurses to the Board expressing the need for these services for our students. Several Board members expressed concerns regarding the center being located at the district. The concerns were the services they would provide, security for the building, medications that would be stored on-site, and if this was in the mission of our school.

School Board Policy Updates – John Bowden provided a second reading of Board Policy 339.1 Childrearing Leave, and expects a formal approval at the October 13, 2022 Board meeting.

Rich Eby shared a first reading of changes to Board Policy 122.1 Extracurricular Code of Conduct. A second reading will take place at the November 1, 2022 Committee meeting.

Baseball Field Fence – Gavin Scalyer presented the proposed upgrades to the Junior Varsity Baseball field and updated the Board on the fencing and the infield. He asked that this item be placed on the October 13, 2022, Board agenda for approval.

General Fund/Capital Reserve Budget Updates – John Bowden shared the tentative schedule for the budget process. The General Fund Budget will be presented beginning with the November Board meeting. Gavin Scalyer and John Bowden presented the first draft of the 2023 Capital Reserve Budget.

Public Participation – Ellen Geisel, Honey Brook, Tamara Wanner, Narvon, and Jason Myer, Gordonville, commented on Union Community Care.

CHIEF OF FINANCE & OPERATIONS RECOMMENDATIONS:

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

- A. Approval of a resolution authorizing the waiver of additional charges for the late payment of real estate taxes in certain circumstances to comply with Act 57 of 2022.
- B. Approval of Minutes, Financial Reports, and Bills as follows:
 - September 8, 2022, Regular Meeting
 - The Financial Reports for August 2022, as appearing on pages 11789-11789I of the Treasurer's Supplement.
 - The August bills, as appearing in the Treasurer's Supplement:
 - General Fund, totaling \$1,672,144.31 and appearing on pages 11768-11782
 - Capital Reserve, totaling \$762,740.60, and appearing on pages 11783-11785
 - Food Service, totaling \$660.00, and appearing on page 11786-11787
 - Student Activity Report, totaling \$56,212.84, and appearing on page 11788

Motion carried: Voting yes: Brackbill, Ferris, Hartmann, Hertzler, Huyard, Ingles, Riehl, Rohrer, Temple; No: 0; Absent: 0

No further information was presented and the meeting was adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

Bryant Ferris
President

John A. Bowden
Secretary