

PEQUEA VALLEY SCHOOL BOARD
Committee Meeting
May 4, 2021

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, Jane Horst, Tim Malloy, and Steve Riehl. Mike Sage joined via Zoom at 7:06 p.m. and Steve Temple was absent. Also present were Erik Orndorff, John Bowden, Cathy Koenig, Ashley Rednak, Emily Ross, and Kerri Davis.

GSA – Cathy Koenig introduced Kerri Davis and Emily Ross who presented on GSA. GSA stands for Gay-Straight Alliance or Gender-Sexuality Alliance. A vote for approval of this new club will take place at the May 13, 2021, Board meeting.

School Board Policy #249 – Bullying/Cyberbullying Revision – Cathy Koenig presented the first reading of the revised Board Policy #249 Bullying/Cyberbullying. There will be a second reading at the June 1 Committee Meeting and a vote for approval on June 10, 2021.

Proposed Final General Fund Budget – John Bowden presented the Proposed Final General Fund Budget. He stated that a 1.78% millage increase would be needed to balance the budget. A 1.78% increase would result in a \$67 tax increase on the average assessed property.

Liaison Reports –

- Safety – Tim Malloy
- Budget & Finance – Steve Riehl
- Facilities & Grounds – Fred Hertzler
- 1st Choice Team – Mike Hartmann
- IU 13 Board of Directors – Christian Brackbill
- Extracurricular Activities – Jane Horst
- Superintendent’s Report – Erik Orndorff

The Board thanked Abbie Houck, the learning facilitators, and the association for all of their hard work this year.

Public Participation – Jesse Knaub thanked the Pequea Valley online facilitators who did a wonderful job. Christy Fieldsa commented on the GSA program and thinks it is a good thing for the district.

CHIEF OF FINANCE AND OPERATION’S RECOMMENDATIONS:

On a motion by Mr. Malloy and a second by Mr. Hertzler, approval was given for the following Consent Agenda Items A-C. (rc)

- A. The purchase of 12 new circulator pumps for PVIS, PVHS, and Salisbury Elementary School; new roof top units and rebuild internal units at Salisbury Elementary School, at a cost of \$803,316.16.
- B. The Proposed Final General Fund Budget for 2021-2022.
- C. Personnel

Appointments:

Kathryn Hahn, Kindergarten Learning Facilitator, Salisbury Elementary School, effective the beginning of the 2021-2022 school year. Salary: \$59,427, (B, Step 4)

Robert Peterson, Emotional Support Teacher, Paradise Elementary School, effective the beginning of the 2021-2022 school year. Salary: \$90,802, (M+30, Step 19)

Valerie Ruhl, 6th Grade Learning Facilitator, Paradise Elementary School, effective the beginning of the 2021-2022 school year. Salary: \$59,377, (B, Step 3)

Adrian Whitmore, 3rd Grade Learning Facilitator, Paradise Elementary School, effective the beginning of the 2021-2022 school year. Salary: \$62,027, (B+24, Step 4)

Motion carried: Voting yes: Brackbill, Ferris, Hartmann, Hertzler, Horst, Malloy, Riehl, Sage; No: 0; Absent: Temple.

Minutes/Financial Reports/Bills

On a motion by Mr. Hartmann and a second by Mr. Malloy, the Board approved the following minutes, financial reports, and bills. (rc)

- April 15, 2021, Regular Meeting
- The Financial Reports for March 2021, as appearing on pages 11337-11337I of the Treasurer’s Supplement.
- The March bills, as appearing in the Treasurer’s Supplement:
 - General Fund, totaling \$3,367,168.73 and appearing on pages 11314-11326
 - Capital Reserve, totaling \$289,250.36, and appearing on pages 11327-11328
 - Food Service, totaling \$14,432.68, and appearing on page 11329-11335
 - Student Activity Report, totaling \$51,985.23, and appearing on page 11336

No further information was presented and the meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Bryant J. Ferris
President

John A. Bowden
Secretary