

PEQUEA VALLEY SCHOOL BOARD
Special Board Meeting
July 9, 2020

Due to the current disaster emergency declared by Governor Wolf by Proclamation dated March 16, 2020, and in consideration of the health and safety of the school community, a meeting of the Pequea Valley Board of School Directors of the Pequea Valley School District convened virtually on Thursday, July 9, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by President Bryant Ferris at 7:00 p.m. Members present were: Mike Hartmann, Fred Hertzler, Jane Horst, Tim Malloy, Steve Riehl, and Mike Sage. Christian Brackbill arrived at 7:12 and Steve Temple was absent. Also present were Erik Orndorff, John Bowden, Rich Eby, and Cathy Koenig, as well as facilitators and community members via the virtual link.

2020-2021 Continuity of Education Plan Update – Rich Eby stated that the goal of the plan is to provide high quality learning opportunities and a consistent learning management uniform platform. The plan will prepare for learners to return in-person, engage in the PV Online Learning option, or enroll in our Pequea Valley Virtual School. Teachers are in the process of going through a Facilitating Online Learning course to increase the skill set to delivery education in a virtual way. Administrators are striving to know exactly what parents desire as far as schooling for the 2020-21 school year and planning accordingly.

Health & Safety Plan for 2020-2021 – Cathy Koenig shared a presentation on the Health and Safety Plan which included symptom screening, education with staff and learners, social distancing, masks, disinfecting and cleaning, and transportation.

Participation by the Public –

- Celeste Nazario, Paradise, commented on face masks, face shields, and asked about STS staff returning.
- Melanie Infantolino, Paradise, had questions regarding the flexibility of the online learning and brick and mortar and also asked about quarantining.
- Christy Fieldsa, Paradise, had questions on what PVV is, drop-off and pick-up at Paradise, what do we do if a student tests positive and how to quarantine, and parent work exposure and students quarantining.

Approval of Minutes:

On a motion by Mr. Sage and a second by Mr. Hartmann, the Board approved the June 11, 2020, regular meeting minutes.

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

Chief of Finance and Operation's Recommendations:

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

- A. A renewal contract with Blackboard, Inc. for the website and content management system software from July 1, 2020, to June 30, 2021, at a cost of \$9,270.
- B. An agreement for a student to attend the Janus School for the 2020-2021 school year at a maximum cost of \$16,100.
- C. Three-year contract with PTS Pediatric Therapeutic Services for the following services:
 - 2020-2021 at the following rates: \$73 per hour for Speech; \$69.50 per hour for Occupational and Physical Therapy; \$55.50 per hour for COTA
 - 2021-2022 at the following rates: \$73.50 per hour for Speech; \$70 per hour for Occupational and Physical Therapy; \$56 per hour for COTA
 - 2022-2023 at the following rates: \$73.50 per hour for Speech; \$70 per hour for Occupational and Physical Therapy; \$56 per hour for COTA

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

Superintendent's Recommendations:

A. Health and Safety Plan

On a motion by Mr. Malloy and a second by Mr. Sage, the Board approved the Health and Safety Plan for the beginning of the 2020-2021 school year.

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

B. PVSD Extracurricular Sports & Activities Guideline

On a motion by Mrs. Horst and a second by Mr. Hartmann, the Board approved the updated Pequea Valley School District Extracurricular Sports and Activities Guideline permitting all sports to operate during the COVID-19 Disaster Emergency while ensuring the safety and health of employees, athletes, and the public.

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

Old Business: None

New Business:

A. Agenda Topics for August 4, 2020, committee meeting

- Update on Health & Safety Plan
- Update on PIAA Plan
- Attendance
- Charter School Reform

No further business was presented, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Bryant J. Ferris
President

John A. Bowden
Secretary