

**PEQUEA VALLEY SCHOOL BOARD**  
**Monthly Meeting**  
**August 13, 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 School District School Board convened virtually for community members on Thursday, August 13, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Christian Brackbill at 7:00 p.m. Members present were: Mike Hartmann, Fred Hertzler, Jane Horst, Tim Malloy, Steve Riehl, and Steve Temple. Bryant Ferris and Mike Sage were absent. Also present were Erik Orndorff, John Bowden, Rich Eby, Ashley Rednak, and Cathy Koenig, as well as numerous facilitators and community members via the virtual link.

**Participation by the Public –**

Jesse Knaub, Gordonville, Ellen Geisel, Honey Brook, Melanie Infantolino, Paradise, and Christy Fieldsa, Paradise: Concerns about tuition reduction for Pequea Valley staff 's children if they live outside of PVSD.

**Liaison Reports –**

- Safety – Tim Malloy
- Technology & Curriculum – Steve Temple
- Facilities & Grounds – Fred Hertzler
- IU 13 Board of Directors – Christian Brackbill
- Superintendent's Report – Erik Orndorff

**Approval of Minutes:**

On a motion by Mr. Sage and a second by Mr. Riehl, the Board approved the August 4, 2020, Committee Meeting minutes.

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

**Chief of Finance and Operation's Recommendations:**

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

- A. To purchase a Safe Schools Online Staff Training System from Vector Solutions, at a cost of \$2,072.35.
- B. A contract with Lampeter-Strasburg School District for Pequea Valley learners to receive special education services in the Life Skills Program, at a cost of \$17,320 per learner for the 2020-2021 school year.
- C. The PDE Flexible Instruction Day Program (FID).
- D. A Resolution calling for Charter School Funding Reform.
- E. A Memorandum of Understanding between PVSD and Pennsylvania College of Art & Design to provide high school juniors and seniors the opportunity to enroll in credit course offerings. Students may take up to six credits per term or 12 per year.
- F. The Instructional Hours Plan Resolution to create and implement temporary instruction plans.
- G. A contract with STS, Inc. to provide teacher substitutes, instructional aides, and food service staff, effective July 1, 2020, through June 30, 2025.
- H. A contract with Delta-T Group, Inc. for a social worker at an estimated cost of \$64,800 for the 2020-2021 school year.
- I. For EHC, Inc. to repair four additional air handler units at a cost of \$14,850, to be paid out of Capital Reserve.
- J. Approval of updated Board Policy #222 – Tobacco and Vaping Products.

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

Attendance Policy

On a motion by Mr. Hartmann and a second by Mr. Sage, approval was given to update Board Policy #204, Attendance.

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

**Superintendent's Recommendations:**

On a motion by Mr. Hartmann and a second by Mr. Riehl, approval was given for the following Consent Agenda Item A. (rc)

- A. Personnel.

**Retirement:**

Tammy Andrew, Grade 4 Learning Facilitator, Paradise Elementary School, 18 years at PV, effective August 7, 2020, as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

**Resignation:**

GeriAnn Lambert, Assistant to the Principal, Paradise Elementary School, effective July 6, 2020.

**Appointments:**

Kathryn Hahn, Long-term Substitute, Kindergarten Learning Facilitator, Salisbury Elementary School, effective August 18, 2020, through the end of the 2020-2021 school year. Salary: 2019-2020 Bachelor, Step 1 per diem rate, \$299.83.

Valerie Ruhl, Long-term Substitute, Grade 6 Learning Facilitator, Paradise Elementary School, effective August 18, 2020, through the end of the 2020-2021 school year. Salary: 2019-2020 Bachelor, Step 1 per diem rate, \$299.83

Holly Lerch, District-wide Floating Substitute, effective August 18, 2020. Salary: \$150/day.

**Childrearing Leave:**

Lisa Heim, following the conclusion of 12-week FMLA, childrearing leave, first semester of the 2020-2021 school year.

**ESY (Extended School Year) Appointments:** \$35/hour, effective July 1, 2020 through July 31, 2020.

Angela DeBalko, 3 hours/week

Heather Lutz, 3 hours/week

Victoria Johnson, 25 hours/week

**Extracurricular Appointments:**

Tony Beals, Assistant Junior High Football Coach, \$1,500, effective August 1, 2020.

Bliss Strauss, Assistant Cross-Country Coach, \$1,500, effective beginning with the 2020-2021 school year.

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

**Old Business:**

A. Reduced Student Tuition for Staff

**New Business:**

A. Extend Base Period of Taxes

B. Agenda Topics for September 1, 2020, Committee meeting

- Summary of 2020-2021 School Reopening
- Tax Break
- Building Project
- Procedure for In-Person Board Meetings

No further business was presented, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Christian Brackbill  
Vice-President

John A. Bowden  
Secretary