

PEQUEA VALLEY SCHOOL BOARD

Monthly Meeting September 14, 2023

The monthly meeting of the Pequea Valley School Board was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by President Bryant Ferris in the District Office Board Room. Members present were, Michael Fisher, Mike Hartmann, Freida Huyard, Ben Ingles, Casey Rohrer, and Steve Temple. Fred Hertzler and Steve Riehl were absent. Also present were Erik Orndorff, John Bowden, Rich Eby, Ashley Rednak, Cathy Koenig, Gavin Scalyer, Ellen Geisel, Marcella Peyre Ferry, Denise Miller, Tamara Wanner, Robert Laragione, Charlotte Lapp, Darlene Lapp, and Dan Sauder.

An Executive Session was held at 6:00 p.m. before the Board meeting for legal and safety issues.

School Board Recognition – Charolotte Lapp and Darlene Lapp were recognized for their exceptional work with the Pequea Valley Food Pack Program.

Participation by the Public – Denise Miller, Paradise – library books; Ellen Geisel; Honey Brook – safety grant; Tamara Wanner, Narvon – library books and she thanked the Board for being a good model in the community.

Liaison Reports

- Facilities & Grounds – Fred Hertzler
- IU 13 Board of Directors – Michael Fisher
- Music Department – Freida Huyard
- Athletics – Ben Ingles
- Technology & Curriculum – Steve Temple
- First Choice Team – Mike Hartmann
- Student Council
- Superintendent’s Report – Erik Orndorff

Approval of Minutes:

On a motion by Mrs. Huyard and a second by Mr. Ingles, the Board approved the September 5, 2023, Committee Meeting minutes with the following amendment/addition under School Board Policy Discussion: Rich Eby presented a plan to develop a library school board policy “and to update policies as it relates to curriculum and supporting educational resources”.

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

Chief Of Finance & Operations Recommendations:

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

- A. The Safety & Security Cohort Agreement with IU 13 at a cost of \$1,500 for the 2023-2024 school year.
- B. An Agreement with IU 13, ELD Services to CTC Students, at a cost of \$9,139.83 per student (full-day) for the 2023-2024 school year.
- C. An Agreement with Ion Wave Technologies to provide progress monitoring for IEP’s at a cost of \$2,955, September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024.
- D. The reimbursement to the PV Youth Soccer Association in the amount of \$6,280.67 for four soccer goals with nets.
- E. To accept the following grants from the Pennsylvania Commission of Crime and Delinquent Grant for Safety at a total of \$245,548.
- F. To accept the contract for BASE mindset assessment and curriculum for grades K-6 which replaces PASS at a cost of \$10,386.
- G. A Special Education contract with Lampeter-Strasburg School District for one life skills student for the 2023-2024 school year in the amount of \$18,250.
- H. To accept an agreement with Chester County Intermediate Unit to provide the following support:
 - CHAAMP Tuition and Behavior Mentor for one learner, \$135,373.53
 - Child Development Center Learning Support for one learner, \$36,575.49
 - Child Development Center Autistic support for one learner, \$46,184.29
 - Occupational Therapy for two learners, \$7,672.95
 - Speech Therapy for three learners, \$12,449.60

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

Superintendent’s Recommendations:

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

- A. Bus drivers for 2023-2024.
- B. Transportation schedules for 2023-2024.

C. Personnel.

Retirement:

Lisa VanArsdale, Kindergarten Learning Facilitator, Paradise Elementary School, 30 years at PV, effective the last day of the 2023-2024 school year, as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Elementary Building Academic/Recess/Cafeteria Assistants: \$13/hour, approximately 5-10 hours per week, effective September 18, 2023 through the end of the 2023-2024 school year.

- Peyton Henshaw
- Annika Hofstetter
- Aaron Kareha
- Trinity Rosa
- Isaiah Slabaugh
- Victoria Smoker
- Shania Stoltzfus

Extracurricular Change in Pay:

Jared Feister, Strength and Conditioning Coach, from \$10,900 per year to \$12,000 per year, effective for the 2023-2024 school year.

Extracurricular Appointments:

Alexandra Black, Junior High Assistant Girls' Soccer Coach, \$1,600, effective August 25, 2022.

Shannon Heverin, Stage 772 Assistant Director, \$1,500 effective for the 2023-2024 school year.

Danielle Hofstetter-Peifer, Stage 772 Co-Set Artistry & Props, \$500, effective for the 2023-2024 school year.

Andrea Kirk, Stage 772 Costumer, \$500, effective for the 2023-2024 school year & Stage 772 Co-Set Artistry & Props, \$500, effective for the 2023-2024 school year.

Amy Shay, 10th Grade Advisor, \$500, effective for the 2023-2024 school year.

Scott Stoltzfus, Stage 772 Set Construction, \$1,500, effective for the 2023-2024 school year.

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

Old Business

- Security Guard

New Business

A. Agenda Topics for the October 3, 2023, Committee meeting:

- Building Project Presentation
- General Fund Budget Update
- Capital Reserve Budget Update

No further business was presented, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Bryant J. Ferris
President

John A. Bowden
Secretary