

PEQUEA VALLEY SCHOOL BOARD
Committee Meeting
April 4, 2023

The monthly Committee meeting of the Pequea Valley School Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Bryant Ferris in the District Office Board Room. Members present were Michael Fisher, Mike Hartmann, Fred Hertzler, Freida Huyard, Ben Ingles, Steve Riehl, and Casey Rohrer. Steve Temple was absent. Also present were Erik Orndorff, John Bowden, Rich Eby, Cathy Koenig, Ashley Rednak, Fred Kendall, Gavin Scalyer, John Tovato, and Ellen Geisel.

Building Project Update –Fred Kendall of Abacus Construction Management, presented on the progress of the new middle/high school. He stated that the project is about 17% complete and provided pictures of the site. Additionally, John Bowden and Mr. Kendall spoke on potential change orders in the amount of \$650,000 with \$425,000 of that in roof insulation. Mr. Bowden stated that the architects will be at the next Committee meeting to discuss the change orders.

Preliminary General Fund Budget Update – John Bowden presented an update on the 2023-2024 General Fund Budget. He explained that to balance the budget presently, it would require a 3.70% millage increase. Mr. Bowden stated that the budget should be refined and a lower millage rate increase of 1.3% is expected in the next month. The preliminary prepared final budget must be approved at the May Board meeting with final approval at the June Board meeting.

Salisbury VAV Replacement Project – Gavin Scalyer presented information regarding the VAV Replacement project. He stated that he had two vendors send quotes for the project. This item will be included for approval on the April 13, 2023 Board meeting agenda.

IU 13 Budget 2023-2024 – Michael Fisher presented the 2023-2024 IU 13 CORE and Instructional Services Budget which will be included for approval on the April 13, 2023 Board meeting agenda.

Civil Discourse – Rich Eby and John Trovato shared how civil discourse is taught in the Pequea Valley classrooms.

Public Participation – None

Chief of Finance and Operation's Recommendations:

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

- A. Approval for Michael Fisher to represent the Pequea Valley School Board on the IU 13 Board of Directors for a three-year term, July 2023 through June 2026 (pending election in November).
- B. Approval of Minutes/Financial Reports/Bills
 - March 16, 2023, Board Meeting
 - The Financial Reports for February 2023, as appearing on pages 11967-11967J of the Treasurer's Supplement.
 - The February bills, as appearing in the Treasurer's Supplement:
 - General Fund, totaling \$2,365,677.30 and appearing on pages 11938-11953
 - Capital Reserve, totaling \$2,165,861.38, and appearing on pages 11954-11957
 - Food Service, totaling \$36,456.63, and appearing on page 11958-11965
 - Student Activity Report, totaling \$40,236.05, and appearing on page 11966

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

No further information was presented and the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Bryant J. Ferris
President

John A. Bowden
Secretary