

**PEQUEA VALLEY SCHOOL BOARD**

**Monthly Meeting**

**January 12, 2023**

The monthly 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 Mike Hartmann, Fred Hertzler, Freida Huyard, Ben Ingles, Steve Riehl and Steve Temple. Casey Rohrer was absent. Also present were Michael Fisher, Erik Orndorff, John Bowden, Rich Eby, Cathy Koenig, Ashley Rednak, Gavin Scalyer, John Trovato, Ellen Geisel, Tamara Wanner, Robert Laragione.

**School Board Item –**

On a motion by Mr. Riehl and a second by Mr. Ingles, the Board approved the appointment of new Pequea Valley School Board Member, Michael Fisher, through December 2023. Mr. Fisher is filling the vacancy of Christian Brackbill.

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

**School Board Presentation –** John Bowden presented the General Fund Budget.

**Participation by the Public –** Ellen Geisel, Honey Brook, commented on the Compass Mark and SWAN programs. Tamara Wanner, Narvon, asked questions about Chapter 339.

**Liaison Reports**

- Athletics – Ben Ingles
- Music – Freida Huyard
- 1<sup>st</sup> Choice Team – Mike Hartmann
- Technology & Curriculum – Steve Temple
- Budget & Finance – Steve Riehl
- Superintendent’s Report – Erik Orndorff

**Approval of Minutes:**

On a motion by Mr. Temple and a second by Mrs. Huyard, the Board approved the January 3, 2023, Committee Meeting minutes.

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

**Chief Of Finance & Operations Recommendations:**

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

- A. A resolution to certify that the District will remain within the Act 1 inflation index for the 2023-2024 fiscal year.
- B. To accept ARP IDEA-B grant funds from IU 13 in the amount of \$87,693.
  - \$19,569 direct pass-through
  - \$68,124 provided on the district’s behalf
- C. To assign \$4,000,000 of General Fund Balance for future capital projects, effective June 30, 2022.
- D. To move \$4,000,000 of the assigned General Fund Balance for future capital projects to be committed for future capital projects, effective June 30, 2023.
- E. The Chapter 339 Counseling Plan.
- F. CSIU as our eRate consultant agency for the 2023-2024 funding year, in the amount of \$6,400.
- G. The Audit Report for the 2021-2022 fiscal year.
- H. A contract with Quality Assurance Plus to provide third-party inspection, testing and commissioning for the middle/high school construction project, at a cost of \$439,384.
- I. Additional Capital Reserve Items:
  - Roof Coating at Salisbury Elementary School from Tecta America, at a cost of \$139,973.
- J. The 2023-2024 Lancaster County CTC Budget.
- K. A Memorandum of Understanding with SWAN to provide after-school music lessons, ensemble training, performance opportunities and mentoring specifically for children affected by parental incarceration, at no cost to the district.

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

L. Compass Mark

On a motion by Mr. Riehl and a second by Mr. Hartmann, the Board approved a Memorandum of Understanding with Compass Mark to implement school-based drug and alcohol prevention services for Salisbury Elementary School (\$480), Pequea Valley Intermediate School (\$120), and Pequea Valley High School (\$120) at a total cost of \$720, effective through May 2023.

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

**Superintendent's Recommendations:**

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

- A. For the district to continue using Lancaster Newspapers as its public newspaper of general circulation.
- B. To enter into an independent contract with the following pit orchestra participants at a cost of \$420 each, to be paid out of the proceeds from the 2022-2023 Spring Musical:
- Michael Eckersley
  - Andrew Gossert
  - Nathan Heverin
  - Kathy Horein
  - Mindy Lapp
  - Annelise Lorentzen
  - Renee Mendenhall
  - Diana Palade
  - Megan Sadowitz
  - Phoebe Slingerland
  - John Spade
- C. Approval of the Emergency Instructional Time and Template for the 2022-2023 school year.
- D. Personnel.

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

**Old Business - None**

**New Business**

- A. 2023-2024 School Calendar – Rich Eby presented the 2023-2024 School Calendar. This will be included on the February 7 Committee meeting agenda for discussion.
- B. Agenda Topics for the February 7, 2023, Committee meeting:
- Preliminary General Budget
  - Building Project Update
  - Employee Medical Concierge Program
  - Secondary 2023-2024 Course Selection Update
  - 2023-2024 School Calendar
- C. Jack Snyder, Salisbury Township, asked about PV athletes who would like to participate in track and field.

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

Bryant J. Ferris  
President

John A. Bowden  
Secretary