

PEQUEA VALLEY SCHOOL BOARD
Committee Meeting
August 30, 2022

The monthly Committee meeting of the Pequea Valley School Board was called to order by President Bryant Ferris at 7:00 p.m. Members present were Christian Brackbill, Mike Hartmann, Fred Hertzler, Freida Huyard, Steve Riehl, Casey Rohrer, and Steve Temple. Ben Ingles was absent. Also present were John Bowden, Rich Eby, Gavin Scalyer, Cathy Koenig, Ashley Rednak, Seth Wentz, Tamara Wanner and Ellen Geisel.

Construction Update – Seth Wentz from Crabtree Rohrbaugh Architects updated the Board on the progress of the new Middle/High School construction project and presented a virtual tour of the new building. John Bowden requested that the Board give the Chief of Finance and Operations permission to approve change orders in the amount of \$20,000 or less. Mr. Bowden will keep the Board up-to-date on change orders through the weekly Board Update.

Union Community Update – Cathy Koenig presented information on Union Community care that is located at the Intermediate School.

Start of School Update – Rich Eby shared the current staffing vacancies for the beginning of the school year. He also commented on the capacity of the Early Childhood Center.

Food Service Purchasing Guidelines – Gavin Scalyer presented the Food Service Purchasing Guidelines. PDE requires Board approval of these guidelines and they will be included for a vote at the September 8, 2022, Board meeting.

Board Policy 339.1, Childrearing Leave – John Bowden explained possible changes to the current childrearing leave policy. These changes will allow for more flexibility with getting staff back to work. A second reading will take place at the October 4 Committee Meeting with a vote on October 13, 2022.

Quizzing Tournament – John Bowden presented a request for facility use from AMEC Bible Quizzing for a bible quizzing tournament to be held on Sunday, March 19, 2023. Mr. Bowden suggested charging a reduced cost of \$3,000 in order to cover the cost of our staff. Mr. Hartmann cautioned the Board that this may cause precedence with other religious organizations.

Public Participation – Ellen Geisel, Honey Brook, and Tamara Wanner, Narvon, commented on the Union Community Health Services.

Approval of Minutes/Financial Reports/Bills

On a motion by Mr. Hertzler and a second by Mr. Temple, the Board approved the following minutes, financial reports, and bills. (rc)

- August 11, 2022, Regular Meeting
- The Financial Reports for July 2022, as appearing on pages 11767-11767I of the Treasurer's Supplement.
- The July bills, as appearing in the Treasurer's Supplement:
 - General Fund, totaling \$1,561,276.05 and appearing on pages 11750-11763
 - Capital Reserve, totaling \$0, and appearing on pages 11764
 - Food Service, totaling \$0, and appearing on page 11765
 - Student Activity Report, totaling \$59,217.84, and appearing on page 11766

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

No further information was presented and the meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Bryant Ferris
President

John A. Bowden
Secretary