

BERMUDIAN SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT
York Springs, Pennsylvania 17372-8807

The regular meeting of the Bermudian Springs School Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 12, 2024, in the Administration Board Room and via remote connection. President Daniel S. Chubb presided.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL - Members Present: Daniel S. Chubb, Jennifer Goldhahn, Ruth E. Griffie, Mary R. Kemper, Travis G. Mathna, Chad M. Mowery, Matthew P. Nelson, and Neil R. Tate

Members Absent: Brian A. Davis

Administration: Michael C. Brooks, Mark R. Fleming, Shane D. Hotchkiss, Matthew A. Jenkins, Ryan J. Murphy, Shannon L. Myers, Justin W. Peart, Brooke A. Shaffer, Jennifer T. Shelley, and Jon DeFoe

Others: Leigh Dalton, Solicitor; Dana Nelson, to speak; and Jesse Parker, tablets

PUBLIC COMMENT

Dana Nelson spoke regarding the PSERS Resolution. She is not in favor and is concerned about the message it may send to teachers. She asked the Board to change some of the language. Dana also spoke regarding Policy No. 109 and the lack of trust it puts on our professional staff.

Jesse Parker spoke regarding tablets. He shared concerns regarding excessive iPad use and the impact it is having on our children.

CONSENT AGENDA

Upon the motion of Mary Kemper, seconded by Ruth Griffie, the following items were approved under the Consent Agenda:

Approval of Minutes

February 12, 2024 – Work/Study Session
February 13, 2024 – Regular Meeting

Financial Reports

General Fund
Cafeteria Fund
Capital Reserve Fund
Scholarship Fund

Personnel

The Board accepted the following resignations:

1. From Bryce Eckenrode, Middle School Grade 8 Math Teacher, effective June 29, 2024.
2. From Marah Hernandez, Elementary School Kindergarten Teacher, effective June 29, 2024.
3. From Mackenzie Murtoff, Elementary School Instructional Aide, effective February 23, 2024.
4. From Jacob Slagle, High School Business Education/Diversified Occupations Teacher and Fall Game Manager, effective April 12, 2024, unless a suitable replacement is found sooner.
5. From Michelle Zimmerman, High School Geometry Teacher, due to her retirement, effective May 31, 2024.

Revised Board Policies

The Board approved to adopt, as a first read, the following set of revised board policies. Copies of these policies are attached to these minutes.

1. Policy No. 109 – Resource Materials
2. Policy No. 137 – Home Education Program
3. Policy No. 249 – Bullying/Cyberbullying

New Board Policies

The Board approved to adopt, as a first read, the following set of new board policies. Copies of these policies are attached to these minutes.

1. Policy No. 137.1 – Extracurricular Activity and Interscholastic Athletic Participation by Home School Education Students
2. Policy No. 137.2 – Participation in Co-Curricular Activities and Academic Courses by Home Education Students
3. Policy No. 137.3 – Participation in Career and Technical Education Programs by Home Education Students

Roll call vote: Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORTS -

General Fund bills in the amount of \$1,171,618.64 (copy attached) were approved for payment following a motion by Neil Tate, seconded by Mary Kemper. Roll call vote: Motion carried.

Cafeteria Fund bills in the amount of \$133,761.72 (copy attached) were approved for payment following a motion by Ruth Griffie, seconded by Matt Nelson. Roll call vote: Motion carried.

Capital Reserve Fund bills in the amount of \$40,106.00 (copy attached) were approved for payment following a motion by Travis Mathna, seconded by Mary Kemper. Roll call vote: Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESSPersonnel

The Board, on a Travis Mathna, Neil Tate motion, approved the termination of employment for Aaron Huber, Middle School Food Service Employee, effective February 27, 2024. Roll call vote: Motion carried.

The Board, on a Ruth Griffie, Mary Kemper motion, approved the following Administrators.

1. Dr. Danielle Curzi, 13 Jennifer Lane, Dillsburg, PA, in the capacity of Elementary School Principal, replacing Jennifer Eley who resigned. Dr. Curzi will be placed under the Act 93 Agreement working a 260-day contract, receiving an annual salary of \$100,000.00, effective date is to be determined.
2. Transfer Ryan Murphy, from Acting Elementary Assistant Principal and Grade 7 Math Teacher to Elementary School Assistant Principal, replacing Ethan Sentz who resigned. Mr. Murphy will be placed under the Act 93 Agreement working 260-day contract, receiving an annual salary of \$81,000.00, effective March 13, 2024.

Roll call vote: Motion carried.

The Board, on a Mary Kemper, Chad Mowery motion approved Sheila Myers, 100 Walnut St, East Berlin, PA, in the capacity of a High School Evening Custodian, replacing Arthur Huntsberger who was terminated. Mrs. Myers will work 260 days at eight (8) hours per day at an hourly rate of \$15.00, effective March 25, 2024. Roll call vote: Motion carried.

The Board, on a Ruth Griffie, Travis Mathna motion approved Kara McCauslin to enter into a contract with the District, serving as PAR Director for Summer Camp 2024 with a stipend of \$2,000.00. Roll call vote: Motion Carried.

The Board, on a Mary Kemper, Matt Nelson motion approved to rescind the extracurricular contract for Dylan Fissel, Jr. High Assistant Boys Soccer Coach, for the 2023-2024 school year. Roll call vote. Motion carried.

The Board, on a Travis Mathna, Mary Kemper motion approved the following extracurricular contracts for the 2023-2024 school year pending receipt of all necessary clearances and employment background checks.

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| 1. | Emma Patton, Jr. High Assistant Boys Soccer Coach | \$2,000.00 |
| 2. | Natalie Patton, Varsity Assistant Softball Coach | \$2,350.00 |

Roll call vote. Motion carried.

The Board, on a Matt Nelson, Travis Mathna motion, approved the 2024-2025 General Operating Budget for the York Adams Academy. The basic membership fee for the 2024-2025 school year will remain at \$4,650.00 per seat. A copy of this budget is attached to these minutes. Roll call vote. Motion carried.

The Board, on a Mary Kemper, Ruth Griffie motion approved a girl's wrestling team to be started at Bermudian Springs. Both a junior high and varsity team are recommended for the start of the 2024-2025 school year. Roll call vote. Motioned carried.

The Board, on a Ruth Griffie, Neil Tate motion approved the PSERS Resolution which asks that the burden of contributing to PSERS should no longer be required by our LEA, and the obligation should be returned to the state. A copy of this resolution is attached to these minutes. Roll call vote: Matt Nelson voted Nay. Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS - None

ADJOURNMENT - The meeting was adjourned by the President at 7:27 p.m.

Secretary