

May 6, 2024
District Office

The Committee of the Whole of the Board of School Directors of the Conewago Valley School District was called to order in the District Office at 7:05 p.m. by President, Mr. Jeff Kindschuh. The following members were present: Mr. Eric Flickinger, Mrs. Melanie Sauter, Mr. Michael Buckley, Mrs. Meredith Miller, Mr. David Meckley, Mrs. April Swope, Ms. Lindsay Krug and Mr. William Getz. Also present were Superintendent Dr. Sharon Perry and Assistant Superintendent Dr. Brad Sterner.

An executive session was called to discuss personnel matters prior to the meeting.

The following items, as listed on the attached list, the Superintendent recommends at the Committee of the Whole meeting were discussed: Items 1-6.

The Superintendent reported on the Final Budget for the 2024-2025 school year and the Board Livestream and Recording Retention to remain at 30 days retention.

The Assistant Superintendent reported on Dual Credit Affiliation Agreement – Cedar Crest College, Dual Credit Affiliation Agreement – Delaware Valley University and Eureka Math Squared the new math curriculum.

Mr. David Bowman, teacher, presented his doctoral research proposal to the Board.

Mr. Jeff Null, resident, commented on the importance of extracurricular activities.

Mr. and Mrs. Snyder, residents, commented on the shooting range area at the gun club near Conewago Valley Intermediate School.

Mr. Jaime Fitzpatrick, resident, commented on the budget and future items, such as the construction/renovation and the teachers' contract.

Ms. Danielle Smith, resident, commented on video recording retention in the District.

Online public comments are attached.

By common consent and action, Mr. Kindschuh adjourned the meeting at 10:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Lori A. Duncan
Secretary

Timestamp	Email Address	First and Last Name	Are you a resident of the Conewago Valley School District?	Please list your address	Please submit your statement or question you may have on a board agenda item	Please submit your statement or question you may have on a non-board board agenda item
4/8/2024 21:56:33	allotbv@outlook.com	Valerie Elliott	Yes			<p>Thank you for addressing my questions about the Comprehensive Planning Steering Committee during the board meeting (April 8, 2024). I believe a board idea of the committee was given; however, I'm hoping you could give me more specifics on the member selection process.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Are stakeholders selected, or do they sign-up to be a part of the committee? If selected, who selects the members of the committee? If it is volunteer-based, when and how do stakeholders sign-up? What standards needed to be a part of the committee? Will you accept any more stakeholders to the committee at this time, or on a future date?
4/12/2024 21:59:16	Talblackwifow@gmail.com	Linda Green	Yes		<p>I'm a school bus driver and would like to know why our hours were cut and how the days of this school year and upcoming school year the days are being depleted. We also have families to take care of and our job as a bus driver is just as important as the other jobs. I feel that the school are sharing. I feel that we were not get our full 6 hours a day should be given back to even out the days that were taken from us</p>	<p>Days in school are being depleted I am opposing the tax hike. I have no children in school when I did I sent them to private n payed my share.</p>
4/15/2024 14:50:16	rtop2@yahoo.com	Rebecca Kopf	Yes		Taxes	

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5/6/2024 16:25:22	crabille@gmail.com	Luke Crabill	Yes		<p>Please submit your statement or question you may have on a board agenda item.</p> <p>Code of Ethics referring to the previous school board meeting. I believe that the board members have an agenda in mind and there is no place for that on a school board. Your number one priority is the students, our future. Taking away from the students should be the last thing that we do or outside the classroom. The last thing that we should have been frustrating to listen to as a taxpayer and parent. Some of the recent votes and the recent suggestion of taking funding away from student activities is NOT the answer! Keep in mind that we have a lot of student groups like National Honor Society, Student Council, Marching Band, and many more along with the athletic teams. These very activities that some board members are choosing to be unresponsive of extend the structure and cost of the school district. Look at the students that have been completed that show how student involvement has a huge positive impact on their future life by lessons taught (team work, character, discipline, respect, resiliency to come a team). Mr. Crabill, I am disappointed in cutting that funding and possibly putting it on the parents/guardians.... which also includes the same lower income households that were referenced before, is not the answer. The board members that are responsible for the answer for our district's demographics, challenge you to take the personal emotion out of it really think about what is at stake. It's no different than voting against a field trip just because of personal belief, the field trip was for the students and it was a great experience for you... You're there for the whole student body, the whole district and your constituents.... not for a single group or community.... it's about the WHOLE Colonial Community.</p> <p>Don't look at taking away opportunities that our students currently have to thrive and be involved with.... inside and outside of the classroom! Again, I challenge you to really think about how the decisions affect the students as a whole... not just your own personal perspective.</p>	<p>When questioning current expenses, does asking to add online storage to keep board meetings for 7+ years make sense? Absolutely not, it only adds unnecessary costs to the district's budget. That's why there are meeting minutes!</p>
5/6/2024 16:37:11	crabille@gmail.com	Jameson (Jame) Fitzpatrick	Yes			
5/6/2024 17:57:40	Jamesonfitz@Comcast.net	Jameson (Jame) Fitzpatrick	Yes			I would like to make a few comments on the Budget