

SCHUYLKILL VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT
929 Lakeshore Drive
Leesport, PA 19533-8631

MINUTES

May 28, 2024

1.0 The Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by the Board President, David E. Moll, in the Auxiliary Cafeteria of the Schuylkill Valley High School.

1.1 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

1.2 ROLL CALL

Members Present: Franklin M. Ammarell, Paul L. Bendigo, Nicoleen M. Kleffel, Linda R. Lash, David E. Moll, Bryan J. O'Donnell, Alfonso F. Rossi, Kelly J. Steinke, Daniel B. Weyandt

Secretary: Linda R. Lash

Recording Secretary: Susan A. Christman (absent)

Administrative Staff Present: Dr. Cathy Taschner, Dr. Melissa Brewer, Robin Brightbill, Dr. Jennifer Gabryluk, Kristin Holst, Dr. Shannon O'Donnell, Jenny Rexrode

Solicitor: John Miravich, Esq., Fox Rothschild LLP

1.3 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Linda Lash and seconded by Paul Bendigo to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of April 22, 2024, as presented.

Yeas: Ammarell, Bendigo, Kleffel, Lash, Moll, O'Donnell, Rossi, Steinke, Weyandt

Motion passed unanimously.

1.4 EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Moll reported that the Board met in executive session on April 22, 2024, immediately following the Board meeting for personnel and legal matters, and confidential student information, on May 20, 2024, immediately following the Committee meetings for personnel and legal matters, and confidential student information; and on May 28, 2024, prior to the Board meeting, for personnel and legal matters.

1.5 RECOGNITION

SV Special Track and Field Invitational

On Tuesday, May 7, 2024, Schuylkill Valley students participated in the 7th Annual Schuylkill Valley Special Track and Field Invitational along with students representing Antietam, BCIU - PAL Program, Brandywine Heights, Conrad Weiser, Oley Valley, and Reading's Amanda Stoudt Elementary, for a total of over 200 athletes. Mrs. Kristin Holst, Supervisor of Special Education, thanked Miss Dana Carter, middle school learning support teacher, for her dedication and tireless effort in organizing this county-wide event. Miss Carter recognized students who competed in the events and presented a slideshow with highlights of the day. She thanked the Schuylkill Valley community for their continued support of this yearly event and the parents of the student athletes who participated.

2.0 REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND BOARD REPRESENTATIVES

2.1 PRESIDENT – David E. Moll

Mr. Moll noted that the district is still waiting for information on the Berks County Residential Center. We are looking for a signed agreement between Berks County and SVSD as this goes into effect on July 1, 2024. The county has recognized that they have made a commitment to the district, however it is not in writing. Berks County has received approximately \$5.7 million in funding for start-up costs and some of that needs to be allocated to SVSD to offset the expenses that the district has incurred.

2.2 SECRETARY – Linda R. Lash

No report.

2.3 BERKS COUNTY I.U. BOARD – Linda R. Lash

Mrs. Lash reported that their last meeting was on May 16. The IU is closing their facility in Lower Alsace as they couldn't reach a tenant agreement, however by next fall they will have moved eight of their classrooms to an available elementary building in Pine Forge (Boyertown Area School District). The agreement between SVSD and the BCIU for educational services provided to students housed in the Berks County Jail System was passed by the IU Board. Mr. Russell Del Rosario, BCIU Safety and Security Program Administrator, provided a presentation on how the safety plan was developed and how it is being used at the BCIU and throughout the county.

2.4 BERKS CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER – David E. Moll

Mr. Moll reported that BCTC's Senior Recognition Night was held on May 28. The BCTC is working with NASA for the second year to machine a part for the space station. There is currently a wait list of 400 students for next year.

2.5 TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE – Nicoleen M. Kleffel

Mrs. Kleffel reported that their next meeting will be held on June 27.

2.6 PA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION LIAISON – Linda R. Lash

Mrs. Lash reported that PSBA sponsored an Educators Advocacy Day on April 30 in Harrisburg which was held jointly with PASA, PAIU, and the Pennsylvania Principals Association and was attended by individuals representing the BCIU and Berks County schools. The group was able to meet with Dr. Khalid Mumin, PDE Secretary of Education, and many of our state legislators to establish and strengthen relationships between school leaders and legislators.

2.7 SCHUYLKILL VALLEY EDUCATION FOUNDATION – Linda R. Lash

No report.

3.0 PERSONS WHO WISH TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Sherry Faust, Bern Township – SV Staff Impact/Staff Retirements
Louis Shucker, Bern Township – Nepotism Policy
George Mertz III, Bern Township – Appreciation of SV Administration/FFA Program
Beth Hoover, Bern Township – Special Education Concerns/Flexible Instructional Days
Holly Varner, Centre Township – ELA Curriculum/Summer Camp/Agenda Books/BCRC

4.0 BOARD

There were no items for Board approval.

4.1 SOLICITOR'S REPORT

No report.

5.0 SUPERINTENDENT

Monthly Reports

5.1 The following monthly reports have been provided to the Board:

- 5.1.1 Enrollment Year-To-Date
- 5.1.2 Principals' Dashboard Reports

Annie Sullivan Award Nominee

- 5.2 Dr. Shannon O'Donnell introduced Heather Weller, ES paraprofessional, who was the Annie Sullivan Award nominee for the district. The award ceremony was held on April 3 at the BCIU. Dr. O'Donnell shared the introduction for Heather that was read at the award ceremony. She is a remarkable individual who is a beacon of inspiration and service within our community. Heather is not simply a paraprofessional at SV Elementary School for the past 11 years, she is a dedicated community member and a fellow parent in the district. Her passion for empowering students and fostering their growth knows no bounds. Every day Heather approaches her work with a level of dedication and compassion that is truly unparalleled. One of her most admirable qualities is her ability to see the potential of every student she encounters. Her positivity and optimism serve as a guiding light for both students and colleagues alike. She takes the time to truly connect with each student, understanding their individual needs and tailoring her approach to ensure their success. Her genuine care leaves a lasting impact on those she serves. Earlier this year Heather volunteered to work with a new student who presented more needs than the student with whom she had been working for the past two years. She stated she was confident that the student she was moving away from was ready for the transition and the new student needed consistent support in order to thrive. Heather continues to check in with her former student and shares in the progress made while offering her gift of positivity and loving care for the next student. In a world often filled with challenges and uncertainties, Heather reminds us of the profound differences we can make when we approach life with compassion, determination and kindness. As we reflect on Heather's remarkable contributions, it's evident that she embodies the spirit of the Annie Sullivan Award. In recognition of Heather's extraordinary contributions to our school community and beyond, it was with great honor and privilege that she was nominated for this award on behalf of the district. Dr. O'Donnell, Dr. Taschner and Mr. Moll congratulated Heather on her nomination.

Superintendent's Update

- 5.3 Dr. Taschner provided highlights from recent student activities in May. The 2024 PIAA Track and Field Championships were held on May 25 with five SV student athletes qualifying for this event. Luke Martinez won the gold medal in 2A pole vault and tied the 15'6" school record set in 2018. John Kowalski finished 8th in the 2A 200. The boys volleyball team ended post-season 16-4 in the second round of District III playoffs. Athletic milestones included Reese Weddle who scored 200 points in girls lacrosse, Giana Kaylor had 200 draw controls in girls lacrosse, and Katelyn Raymond pitched 100 strikeouts in softball. The 2nd annual Performing Arts Cabaret was held on May 17. It was a great night with many talented students, and they were able to raise money for the SV Music League. PYEA raised over \$12,000 this school year for Four Diamonds with many events including the Powder Puff Football Game, Farm Show Milkshake Truck and the Mini Thon. Panthers Charlotte Wallace and Alexa Davis were at the milkshake truck performing their Berks County Dairy Princess duties. Schuylkill Valley FFA held its inaugural banquet on May 19. FFA participated in many events and competitions in it's first year which was extremely successful. Dr. Taschner thanked Mrs. Rexrode, HS Principal, and Mrs. Chillot, Agricultural Science Teacher, for a great start to the program. The high school named Madison Miller and Jenna Kirby as Students of the Year. SV students competed in Reading Olympics and all teams won blue ribbons with the 5th grade Rogue Readers earning third place overall. There were many wonderful spring concerts and art shows at the ES, MS and HS showcasing our talented students and Dr. Taschner thanked our music and art teachers for making these events so successful. Staff Appreciation Week was held the week of May 6 with a different event each day. Dr. Taschner thanked the Board for supporting this idea as it was well received by our entire staff.

Dr. Taschner reviewed past topics that were posed to the Board. The HS stage had some work completed to have it in shape for the spring, but there is still work to be done for the next school year. The new HS kiln has been ordered and Dr. Taschner thanked Mrs. Steward, ES, and Mrs. Seymour, MS, for their assistance throughout the year with the HS pottery projects.

In regard to special education, our district advocates strongly for students with disabilities and we will continue to do so. We have a team of administrators who, every day, go above and beyond to support teachers and paraprofessionals. There was a corrective action plan on which the Board was copied and the Bureau of Special Education provides an audit so that schools can continue to make improvements in special education which the district appreciates and will continue to work on. Dr. Taschner thanked the building principals as they serve as the LEA for IEP's, they supervise special education teachers in their building, and they do it well. The Supervisor of Special Education provides support any time that a principal needs assistance. Everyone on the team works together to make sure that children with disabilities are getting the education that they deserve.

Dr. Taschner stated that flexible instructional days were approved by the SV Board in June 2023. If the district wants to have a FID day count as additional hours and use it as an opportunity to not make up a school day, then yes, you need to have a state application approved. We had 181 days in our instructional calendar last year, and we do have over 990 hours again this year. We try not to use the FID days because we believe that there is no substitute for students being face-to-face with our teachers, and we are committed to this and will remain committed.

6.0 POLICY, PERSONNEL AND PUBLIC RELATIONS

Summary of Committee Deliberations – Paul L. Bendigo

The Policy, Personnel and Public Relations Committee met at 7:22 p.m. on Monday, May 20, 2024, in the Auxiliary Cafeteria of the Schuylkill Valley High School. The next meeting of the Committee will be held on Monday, June 17, 2024.

Committee Recommendations for Board Consideration

Be It Resolved, That the Board of School Directors:

- 6.1 Approves the employment of the following (all elections are contingent upon receipt and district approval of all necessary pre-employment forms, certification, state-mandated physical examinations, clearances, etc.):
- 6.1.1 Approves Mr. Logan Borkey, Social Studies Long-Term Substitute Teacher, Bachelor's, Step 1, \$54,803 (prorated for actual days worked), effective for the 2024-25 school year, to fill the vacancy created by the sabbatical of Mrs. Dana Heins.
 - 6.1.2 Approves Mrs. Jenifer Brendel, Part-Time Special Education Paraprofessional, 6 hours per day at an hourly rate of pay of \$12.91, effective date to be determined, to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Ms. Julie Flowers.
 - 6.1.3 Approves Ms. Josha Danser, Part-Time Special Education Paraprofessional, 6 hours per day at an hourly rate of pay of \$12.91, effective date to be determined, to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Mrs. Tiffany Rollman.
 - 6.1.4 Approves Miss Megan DeAngelo, English 7-12 Teacher, Bachelor's, Step 1, \$54,803, effective with the start of the 2024-25 school year, to fill the vacancy created by the transfer of Ms. Jennifer Vroman.
 - 6.1.5 Approves Ms. Michelle Viera, Executive Secretary Human Resources, at an hourly rate of pay of \$24.05 effective May 13, 2024, to fill the vacancy created by the transfer of Mrs. Courtney Guinther.
 - 6.1.6 Approves the following co-curricular assignments for the 2023-24 school year:
 - Taylor Serafin - Elementary School Student Activities Director - \$1,080
 - Taylor Serafin - Elementary School PTO Representative - \$480

- 6.1.7 Approves the following substitutes for the 2023-24 school year:

Christine Wysocki - Instructor in the Home
Kimberly Yasenachak - Elementary Education PK-4

- 6.1.8 Approves the following volunteers for the 2023-24 school year:

Lauren Borrell - ES
Jaxon Kuehner - Tennis
Dana Lego - ES
Amanda Malone - ES/HS/MS
Nichole Moyer - ES/HS
Isabella Romig – Track

- 6.1.9 Approves Mrs. Kristen Wallace as Treasurer to the Board of School Directors for the 2024-25 school year.

- 6.2 Approves the appointment of Mrs. Linda Lash, current PSBA liaison, as the PSBA Delegate Assembly participant representing the school District on November 2, 2024.

NOTE: The annual PASA-PSBA School Leadership Conference will be held October 6-8, 2024, and the PSBA Delegate Assembly will be held on November 2, 2024.

- 6.3 Acknowledges the following Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) leave of absence:

Miss Stephanie Deibler, Athletic Director, effective March 15, 2024, through a half day on May 28, 2024.

- 6.4 Approves the following personal leave of absence:

Miss Stephanie Deibler, Athletic Director, effective with a half day on May 28, 2024, through June 14, 2024.

- 6.5 Approves accepting the following donations for the Annual Retiree and Service Awards Dinner:

EI Associates, Inc. - \$1,500
J. Martin & Associates, LLC - \$200
Kades Margolis - \$200
Morabito - Dinner Rolls
Myco Mechanical, Inc. - \$500
Robert Half - Desserts
Singer Elverson - Cups and Napkins

- 6.6 Approves the revisions to Policy 237: Electronic Devices.

- 6.7 Approves the review and revisions to Policy 249: Bullying/Cyberbullying. A review is required every 3 years.

- 6.8 Approves the revisions to Policy 918: Title I Parent and Family Engagement. The revisions are recommended and required for Federal Monitoring.

Board Action: Moved by Paul Bendigo and seconded by Bryan O'Donnell to approve the employment in Items 6.1.1 through and including 6.1.9, as presented; and to approve the appointment of Mrs. Linda Lash, current PSBA liaison, as the PSBA Delegate Assembly participant representing the school District on November 2, 2024; and to acknowledge the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) leave of absence in Item 6.3, as presented; and to

approve personal leave of absence in Item 6.4, as presented; and to approve accepting the donations for the Annual Retiree and Service Awards Dinner in Item 6.5, as presented; and to approve the revisions to Policy 237: Electronic Devices; and to approve the review and revisions to Policy 249: Bullying/Cyberbullying (a review is required every 3 years); and to approve the revisions to Policy 918: Title I Parent and Family Engagement. The revisions are recommended and required for Federal Monitoring.

Yeas: Ammarell, Bendigo, Kleffel, Lash, Moll, O'Donnell, Rossi, Steinke, Weyandt

Motion passed unanimously.

7.0 CURRICULUM AND TECHNOLOGY

Summary of Committee Deliberations – Linda R. Lash

The Curriculum and Technology Committee met at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, May 20, 2024, in the Auxiliary Cafeteria of the Schuylkill Valley High School. The next meeting of the Committee will be held on Monday, June 17, 2024.

Committee Recommendations for Board Consideration

Be It Resolved, That the Board of School Directors:

- 7.1 Approves district participation in the Berks County Safety and Security Consortium for the 2024-25 school year, at a cost of \$6,000.00.
- 7.2 Approves the K-12 English Language Arts Curriculum.
- 7.3 Approves the English & Language Arts Books, Materials and Resources, as presented.

Board Action: Moved by Alfonso Rossi and seconded by Kelly Steinke to approve district participation in the Berks County Safety and Security Consortium for the 2024-25 school year, at a cost of \$6,000.00; and to approve the K-12 English Language Arts Curriculum; and to approve the English & Language Arts Books, Materials and Resources, as presented.

Dr. Taschner stated that the cost of the kindergarten to grade 10 ELA Books, Materials and Resources, which includes Tier 1 and Tier 2, is \$499,860. There will be over 800 books for each classroom (with books for independent reading) and this will give teachers the resources for students who are below grade level, on grade level, and above grade level. It will allow us to ensure that students, regardless of where they're at, will receive their education in language arts. Electronic resources are included for assessments, elementary and secondary tool kits which include video instructions, digital access to the frameworks to writing, and text recordings for all books in their database.

Yeas: Ammarell, Bendigo, Kleffel, Lash, Moll, O'Donnell, Rossi, Steinke, Weyandt

Motion passed unanimously.

- 7.4 Approves the use of Flexible Instructional Days for the 2024-2027 school years.

Board Action: Moved by Paul Bendigo and seconded by Nicoleen Kleffel to approve the use of Flexible Instructional Days for the 2024 -2027 school years.

Yeas: Ammarell, Bendigo, Kleffel, Lash, Moll, O'Donnell, Rossi, Steinke, Weyandt

Motion passed unanimously.

8.0 BUDGET AND FINANCE

Summary of Committee Deliberations – Nicoleen M. Kleffel

The Budget and Finance Committee met at 8:05 p.m. on Monday, May 20, 2024, in the Auxiliary Cafeteria of the Schuylkill Valley High School. The next meeting of the Committee will be held on Monday, June 17, 2024.

Committee Recommendations for Board Consideration

Be It Resolved, That the Board of School Directors:

- 8.1** Approves/ratifies the payment of bills in the following amounts from April 8, 2024, to May 28, 2024, as presented.

GENERAL FUND	\$1,736,926.57
CAFETERIA FUND	\$34,890.92
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS FUND	\$423,558.50
MS/HS ACTIVITY FUND	\$44,684.39
GRAND TOTAL	\$2,240,060.38

- 8.2** Approves the adoption of the Berks County Intermediate Unit's policies and procedures under the federal requirements of 34 CFR PART 300. The IU-adopted policies are implemented to fulfill the requirements of 22 PA Code Chapter 14 and the regulatory requirements under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act - Part B.

- 8.3** Approves the 2024-2025 Cafeteria Meal Prices:

Lunch

- \$3.00 Elementary School
- \$3.10 Middle School
- \$3.10 High School

NOTE: PA Universal Free Breakfast will still be in place for all students as well as PA Universal Free Lunch for families who qualify for reduced price meals. The paid lunch meal prices are not being increased from the 2023-2024 School Year.

- 8.4** Approves adopting a resolution authorizing Homestead and Farmstead real estate tax assessment reductions for the upcoming 2024-25 tax year, as presented.

Board Action: Moved by Linda Lash and seconded by Nicoleen Kleffel to approve/ratify the payment of bills in Item 8.1 from April 8, 2024, to May 28, 2024, as presented; and to approve the adoption of the Berks County Intermediate Unit's policies and procedures under the federal requirements of 34 CFR PART 300. The IU-adopted policies are implemented to fulfill the requirements of 22 PA Code Chapter 14 and the regulatory requirements under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act - Part B; and to approve the 2024-2025 Cafeteria Meal Prices, as presented; and to approve adopting a resolution authorizing Homestead and Farmstead real estate tax assessment reductions for the upcoming 2024-25 tax year, as presented.

Yeas: Ammarell, Bendigo, Kleffel, Lash, Moll, O'Donnell, Rossi, Steinke, Weyandt

Motion passed unanimously.

THE FOLLOWING ITEM WAS APPROVED AT THE MAY 20, 2024, BOARD MEETING:

- 8.5 Approves adoption of the 2024-2025 Proposed General Fund Budget in the amount of \$47,551,026. The Proposed General Fund Budget is recommended with a .35 millage increase that would raise the tax rate from 27.82 to 28.17 which is a 1.26% increase.

Board Action: Moved by Alfonso Rossi and seconded by David Moll to approve adoption of the 2024-25 Proposed General Fund Budget in the amount of \$47,551,026. The Proposed General Fund Budget is recommended with a .35 millage increase that would raise our tax rate from 27.82 to 28.17 which is a 1.26% increase.

Roll Call Vote

Yeas: Ammarell, Kleffel, Lash, Moll, O'Donnell, Rossi, Steinke, Weyandt

Nays: Bendigo

Motion carried.

8.6 **Other (Old/New Business)**

Mr. Bendigo stated that in reference to the Berks County Residential Center, the Board feels that the county is taking over a very good project and that the Board does respect the program and want to provide that service for the children. He has attended many of the meetings held by the county and the information that the district has received has come from the county. The county has said that the students would reside in the center for 30-60 days and we would still be responsible for transportation of the student even if they attend a different school district than Schuylkill Valley. Eight days ago, SV presented a preliminary budget for the 2024-2025 school year, and we identified all the costs that we anticipate for the program. The county is dragging their feet and still has not reached out to SV for a meeting on those items that were identified in our budget. We have a little over three weeks until the SV Board votes on whether or not to have a tax increase for everyone in the district and it's unfortunate that the county (since this is a county program) will be selling bed space to adjacent counties but they have not stepped up and accepted their responsibility to provide the monetary amount needed by SV to provide this service to the children. Mr. Bendigo recommended contacting our county commissioners, who are full-time elected representatives, and ask them why they feel the SV taxpayers should pick up this burden instead of it being spread across the county program and the adjacent counties that are going to be purchasing bed space in this facility.

Dr. Taschner noted that Mr. Medaglia had reached out to her and they did have a discussion. Mr. Bendigo replied that he understood, but they did not talk about individual numbers which the district identified to the county. Our administrators and teachers are the experts in education in this area and can identify everything that was put into our 2024-2025 preliminary budget and the county should be coming to us to get these items clarified. We can justify everything that was placed in the preliminary budget and the county has a responsibility to try and understand what they're taking on as a project and what Schuylkill Valley is willing to provide to them.

9.0 **BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS**

Summary of Committee Deliberations – Bryan J. O'Donnell

The Buildings and Grounds Committee met at 7:32 p.m. on Monday, May 20, 2024, in the Auxiliary Cafeteria of the Schuylkill Valley High School. The next meeting of the Committee will be held on Monday, June 17, 2024.

Committee Recommendations for Board Consideration

Be It Resolved, That the Board of School Directors:

- 9.1 Approves the service agreement renewal with Reading Elevator Service, Inc., for quarterly elevator maintenance at the high school, middle school and elementary school in the amount of \$540.00 per building, per quarter, with a term beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025.

- 9.2 Approves the service agreement renewal with Reading Elevator Service, Inc. for annual Wheel-A-Vator Chairlift maintenance at the middle school in the amount of \$142.00 with a term beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025.
- 9.3 Approves Change Order #1 from A.N. Lynch for an electrical feed to the boiler room jockey pumps as part of the high school HVAC upgrade project, in the amount of \$4,053.00.
- 9.4 Approves Change Order #2 from A.N. Lynch for a credit in the amount of \$840.91 for damages associated with a short circuit in the fire alarm system due to construction as part of the high school HVAC upgrade project. The costs associated with repairing the alarm system are being split between the three contractors who were onsite at the time of the damage.
- 9.5 Approves Change Order #1 from SB Conrad for a credit in the amount of \$840.91 for damages associated with a short circuit in the fire alarm system due to construction as part of the high school HVAC upgrade project. The costs associated with repairing the alarm system are being split between the three contractors who were onsite at the time of the damage.
- 9.6 Approves Change Order #3 from Myco Mechanical Inc. in the amount of \$237.49 as a credit for damages caused by a water leak from a temporary unit in Classroom A62 on 11/17/2023.
- 9.7 Approves Change Order #4 from Myco Mechanical Inc. for a credit in the amount of \$840.91 for damages associated with a short circuit in the fire alarm system due to construction as part of the high school HVAC upgrade project. The costs associated with repairing the alarm system are being split between the three contractors who were onsite at the time of the damage.
- 9.8 Approves listing 240 assorted boxes of tiles on Municibid which were left over from the 2009 High School renovation project. The Director of Buildings & Grounds will list the materials with a minimum bid of 50% of current costs for similar materials.

Board Action: Moved by Kelly Steinke and seconded by Bryan O'Donnell to approve the service agreement renewal with Reading Elevator Service, Inc., for quarterly elevator maintenance at the high school, middle school and elementary school in the amount of \$540.00 per building, per quarter, with a term beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025; and to approve the service agreement renewal with Reading Elevator Service, Inc. for annual Wheel-A-Vator Chairlift maintenance at the middle school in the amount of \$142.00 with a term beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025; and to approve Change Order #1 from A.N. Lynch for an electrical feed to the boiler room jockey pumps as part of the high school HVAC upgrade project, in the amount of \$4,053.00; and to approve Change Order #2 from A.N. Lynch for a credit in the amount of \$840.91 for damages associated with a short circuit in the fire alarm system due to construction as part of the high school HVAC upgrade project. The costs associated with repairing the alarm system are being split between the three contractors who were onsite at the time of the damage; and to approve Change Order #1 from SB Conrad for a credit in the amount of \$840.91 for damages associated with a short circuit in the fire alarm system due to construction as part of the high school HVAC upgrade project. The costs associated with repairing the alarm system are being split between the three contractors who were onsite at the time of the damage; and to approve Change Order #3 from Myco Mechanical Inc. in the amount of \$237.49 as a credit for damages caused by a water leak from a temporary unit in Classroom A62 on 11/17/2023; and to approve Change Order #4 from Myco Mechanical Inc. for a credit in the amount of \$840.91 for damages associated with a short circuit in the fire alarm system due to construction as part of the high school HVAC upgrade project. The costs associated with repairing the alarm system are being split between the three contractors who were onsite at the time of the damage; and to approve listing 240 assorted boxes of tiles on Municibid which were left over from the 2009 High School renovation project. The Director of Buildings & Grounds will list the materials with a minimum bid of 50% of current costs for similar materials.

Yeas: Ammarell, Bendigo, Kleffel, Lash, Moll, O'Donnell, Rossi, Steinke, Weyandt

Motion passed unanimously.

10.0 STUDENT SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

Summary of Committee Deliberations – Alfonso F. Rossi

The Student Services and Activities Committee met at 8:03 p.m. on Monday, May 20, 2024, in the Auxiliary Cafeteria of the Schuylkill Valley High School. The next meeting of the Committee will be held on Monday, June 17, 2024.

Committee Recommendations for Board Consideration

Be It Resolved, That the Board of School Directors:

- 10.1** Approves the contract with School Datebooks for the 2024-25 Middle School Agenda Books which contain the student code of conduct.
- 10.1** Approves the contract with School Datebooks for the 2024-25 Elementary School Agenda Books which contain the student code of conduct.

Board Action: Moved by Alfonso Rossi and seconded by Nicoleen Kleffel to approve the contract with School Datebooks for the 2024-25 Middle School Agenda Books which contain the student code of conduct; and to approve the contract with School Datebooks for the 2024-25 Elementary School Agenda Books which contain the student code of conduct.

Yeas: Ammarell, Bendigo, Kleffel, Lash, Moll, O'Donnell, Rossi, Steinke, Weyandt

Motion passed unanimously.

10.2 Other (Old/New Business)

Mr. Rossi reminded everyone that Pride of Schuylkill Valley nominations are due by May 1 and the nomination form is on the Pride of Schuylkill Valley section of the district website. Mrs. Lash asked the principals to thank their students who were buddies to the SV Track and Field Invitational participants. She is also proud of FFA for having a very successful first year. Mrs. Kleffel noted that May 31 is Drive Your Tractor to School Day.

11.0 OTHER BUSINESS/GOOD OF THE ORDER

12.0 ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Nicoleen Kleffel and seconded by Bryan O'Donnell, there being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting be adjourned.

Yeas: Ammarell, Bendigo, Kleffel, Lash, Moll, O'Donnell, Rossi, Steinke, Weyandt

Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:16 p.m.

Linda R. Lash, Secretary
Board of School Directors