

The Business Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Saucon Valley School District was held on Tuesday, May 28, 2024, in the High School Audion. Present were Directors William Broun, Donald Carpenter, John Conte, Vivian Demko, Cedric Dettmar, Dr. Laurel Erickson-Parsons, Tracy Magnotta (online), Dr. Shamim Pakzad, and Jay Santos. Judith Riegel, Board Secretary; Mark Fitzgerald, District Solicitor; and Jaime Vlasaty, Superintendent.

- I. **Call to the Order** – 7:01 pm - *Dr. Shamim Pakzad, President, presiding*
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. **Recording of Attendance** – *Judith Riegel, Board Secretary*
9-present, 0-absent
- IV. **Motion to Approve Agenda** – Director Conte, seconded by Director Carpenter, moved to approve the Agenda. Vote:9-yes, 0-no
- V. **Announcement of Executive Session** – Personnel & Legal Issues
- VI. **Approval of Minutes** – Director Dettmar, seconded by Director Conte, moved to approve the minutes of May 14, 2024. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no
- VII. **Recognition** – None
- VIII. **Presentation** – Dr. Lensi Nikolov, Middle School Math Program
- IX. **Superintendent's Report** – *Jaime Vlasaty, Superintendent*
Superintendent Vlasaty reported that the District will start summer hours on June 11th and that there will be school counselors available all summer.
- X. **Courtesy of the Floor to Visitors – Agenda Items Only**
K. Nepomuceno – Commented on Policy 218.1
M. Reid – Commented on Policy 218.1
- XI. **Presentation of Bills** – *David Bonenberger*
 - A. General Expenditures – \$373,230.38
 - B. Cafeteria Expenditures – \$19,009.95
 - C. Health Benefits – \$234,658.21
 - D. Capital Projects – None
 1. Approve the above Presentation of Bills.
Director Conte, seconded by Director Campbell, moved to approve the Presentation of the Bills. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no
- XII. **Treasurer's Report** – *Donald Carpenter/David Bonenberger*
 - A. Cash Investment and Bond Activity
 - B. Condensed Board Summary Report
 - C. Budget Transfers – \$11,532.00
 - D. Middle School Activity Report – None
 - E. High School Activity Report – None

- 1. Approve the above Treasurer’s Report.

Director Dettmar, seconded by Director Conte, moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no

XIII. AGENDA ITEMS

A. Education

- A. Academic & Personnel Committee Meeting Summary – 5/15/2024

- 1. Approve the first reading of the following policies:

Policy 204 - Attendance

Policy 218.1 - Weapons

Policy 913 - Non-School Organizations/Groups/Individuals

Public Comment

M. Reid – Commented that things need to be added to the Weapons policy, especially for Elementary school students; they should not be punished so harshly. Asking for what the standards are for discipline.

Director Dettmar, seconded by Director Conte, moved to approve Education Item #1. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no

- 2. Approve the adoption of Reveal as the Middle School Core Math Program and Number World as the Intervention Program.

Director Dettmar, seconded by Director Carpenter, moved to approve Education Item #2 for a 5-year contract at \$104,210.71, \$130/student. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no

B. Personnel

- 1. Approve the resignation of Megan Filchner, middle school administrative assistant; her last day will be June 7, 2024.

Director Santos, seconded by Director Conte moved to approve Personnel Item #1. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no

- 2. Approve the following individuals for Summer IEP writing at \$45/hour:

Megan Bath

Jenn Domcheck

Dave Michalyira

Sara Fritz

Jessica Schmidt

Jessica Johnston

Tammy Miller

- 3. Approve the following Winter Athletic Head Coaches for the 2024-2025 school year:

Basketball-Boys

Brett Snyder

\$8,300.00

Basketball-MS-Boys

Mike Snyder

\$3,000.00

Basketball-Girls

Mike Petruny

\$7,500.00

Basketball-MS-Girls	Richard Glover	\$3,000.00
Wrestling-Varsity	Chad Shirk	\$8,000.00
Swimming – Boys/Girls	Sean Fenoff	\$6,000.00
Indoor Track	Robert Davis	\$1,000.00

Director Dettmar, seconded by Director Erickson-Parsons, moved to approve Personnel Items #2-3. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no

C. Facilities

1. Approve waiving all required School District personnel fees associated with Saucon Valley Youth Football Facility Rental for the November 2024 Youth League “Super Bowl”.

Director Santos, seconded by Director Erickson-Parsons, moved to approve Facilities Item #1. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no

D. Finance

2023-2024 Budget Timeline for the 2024-2025 School Year

May 31, 2024 - *District Deadline* to adopt the 2024-2025 proposed final budget and upload the signed Certification of Use of PDE-2028 into the Consolidated Financial Reporting System application.

June 10, 2024 (20 days prior to final budget adoption deadline) – *District Deadline* to make the 2024-2025 Proposed Final Budget available for public inspection on PDE-2028.

June 20, 2024 (10 days prior to final budget adoption deadline) – *District Deadline* to offer public notice of its intent to adopt the 2024-2025 final budget.

1. Approve the attached placement agreement with Melmark, Inc. for student # 6986867298 for the 2024-2025 school year.
2. Approve the staffing agreement with GHR Education from July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2024.
3. Approve the contract with Illuminated Integration for a sound system for the digital scoreboard. The total amount is \$47,392.82.

Director Conte, seconded by Director Erickson-Parsons, moved to approve Finance Items #1-3. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no

E. Community Updates

- **Hellertown/Lower Saucon Chamber of Commerce** – *John Conte* – No Report

Director Magnotta left the meeting.

- **Saucon Valley Foundation for Educational Innovation** – *Tracy Magnotta*

F. Northampton Community College – *Susan Baxter* – No Report

G. Bethlehem Area Vo-Tech School – Vivian Demko & Cedric Dettmar - No report

H. Colonial Intermediate Unit – Dr. Shamim Pakzad – Graduation 5/17 & Family Fun Day is 5/30.

- 1. Approve the candidates for the Colonial Intermediate Unit 20 Board of School Directors, with a term of July 1, 2024-June 30, 2027, per board ballots.

Director Dettmar, seconded by Director Conte, moved to approve the CIU20 Board ballots. Vote 8-yes, 0-no, 1-absent (Magnotta)

I. PSBA Representative – Donald Carpenter

Director Pakzad nominated Donald Carpenter and Vivian Demko as delegates to the 2024 PSBA Delegate Assembly on November 2, 2024. Vote:8-yes, 0-no, 1-absent (Magnotta)

J. New Business - None

K. Old Business - None

XIV. Citizens’ Inquiries and Comments –

K. Nepomuceno – Commented on the offer her family received. She withdrew her child instead of taking a chance with a hearing and possible expulsion. She felt she had no option.

A. Kichline – Thanked the Board for approving the waiver of facilities fees. She would also like to see a way for Scouts to be able to send information electronically through the District..

M. Reid – Asked what is the best forum to have a discussion with the Board.

XV. Announcements

Future Meetings ~

June 11, 2024 – 7 pm – Business Meeting – High School Audion

June 25, 2024 – 7 pm – Business Meeting – High School Audion

XVI. Motion to Adjourn Meeting

Director Conte, seconded by Director Dettmar, moved to adjourn.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 1-absent (Magnotta)

Time: 10:35

ATTEST _____

Secretary

President