

POTTSVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Directors
Regular Meeting
July 17, 2019
Academic Center
7:46 p.m.

Present: Atty. Rismiller, Mrs. Blankenhorn,
Dr. Cardamone, Dr. DiCello,
Mr. Moran, Mr. Quandel, Mr. Urban,
Dr. Zwiebel, Superintendent;
Mr. Manning, Business Manager;
Mrs. Lombel, Asst. Business Manager/
Board Secretary; Atty. Kevin Reid, Solicitor
Amy Marchiano, Republican Herald
Absent: Dr. Davidson, Mr. Stank

The meeting was called to order at 7:46 p.m. by President Atty. Rismiller.

Atty. Rismiller welcomed everyone in attendance and announced an executive session was held from 6:35 p.m. to 7:45 p.m.

Atty. Rismiller asked if anyone would like to address the Board. There were no public comments this evening.

On motion of Mr. Moran, seconded by Mrs. Blankenhorn, the Board dispensed with the reading of the minutes of the June 19, 2019 Board Meeting minutes. Since all members received copies, and there being no additions or corrections, the minutes were approved. Motion carried.

On motion of Mr. Urban, seconded by Mrs. Blankenhorn, the Board accepted the report of the Treasurer for the month of June 2019: Mid Penn Bank - \$1,909,576.37.
Motion carried.

On the recommendation of Mr. Manning, and on motion of Mr. Urban, seconded by Mr. Moran, the Board approved the Cafeteria Financial Report for June 2019. Motion carried.

A list of bills, as appended, was submitted for payment. (Copy to each Director.)

On motion of Mr. Quandel, seconded by Mr. Moran, vouchers were ordered drawn in payment of the bills listed or where vouchers had been drawn, such action was approved and the list of bills was ordered appended to the minutes. Motion carried.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, and on motion of Mrs. Blankenhorn, seconded by Mr. Urban, the Board authorized the Superintendent to approve conferences, field trips, and staff development activities for the 2019-2020 school year,

based on the recommendation of the building principals and the policies pertaining to conferences, field trips, and budget allocations. Motion carried.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, and on motion of Mrs. Blankenhorn, seconded by Mr. Urban, the Board preapproved the credits indicated for the following professional employees be ratified in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the PASD and the PASDEA:

Ashley Shappell	-	9 Credits
Michael Welsh	-	3 Credits

Motion carried.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, and on motion of Mrs. Blankenhorn, seconded by Mr. Urban, the Board approved for the 2019-2020 school year the dental examiners whose names appear on the list herewith submitted. It should be noted that the dental examiners are not limited to this list and additional applications for placement are welcome. (See office files.) Motion carried.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, and on motion of Mrs. Blankenhorn, seconded by Mr. Urban, the Board approved the reappointment of Dr. Matthew Sophy as physician in charge of certifying student's Individualized Educational Programs at a rate of \$3.00 per evaluation. Motion carried.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, and on motion of Mrs. Blankenhorn, seconded by Mr. Urban, the Board approved a contract with Daniel Slotterback to serve as an Athletic Trainer from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. Motion carried.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, and on motion of Mrs. Blankenhorn, seconded by Mr. Urban, the Board approved a contract with Donna Romano to serve as an Assistant Nurse at the John S. Clarke Elementary Center from August 21, 2019 through the last day of school for the 2019-2020 school year. Motion carried.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, and on motion of Mrs. Blankenhorn, seconded by Mr. Urban, the Board approved the contracts for the following Licensed Social Workers from August 21, 2019 through the last day of school for the 2019-2020 school year:

Jessica Coyle
Migdalia Gunoskey
Lara Swartz

Motion carried.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, and on motion of Mrs. Blankenhorn, seconded by Mr. Urban, the Board approved contracts for the following School Psychologists for the 2019-2020 school year:

Christina Connors - August 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020
Jocelyn Oakill - July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020

Motion carried.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, and on motion of Mrs. Blankenhorn, seconded by Mr. Urban, the Board approved a contract with Jessica Jansson to serve as an Occupational Therapist from August 21, 2019 through the last day of school for the 2019-2020 school year. Motion carried.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, and on motion of Mrs. Blankenhorn, seconded by Mr. Urban, the Board accepted the resignation of Tracy James, PAHS English Teacher, in accordance with her email submitted July 12, 2019. Motion carried.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, and on motion of Mrs. Blankenhorn, seconded by Mr. Urban, the Board accepted the resignation of Lucas McMurtrie, DHHL Mathematics Teacher, in accordance with his letter submitted June 27, 2019. Motion carried.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, and on motion of Mrs. Blankenhorn, seconded by Mr. Urban, the Board rescinded the motion passed at the June 19, 2019 for Crystal Hallick, Special Education Life Skills Support Teacher. Motion carried.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, and on motion of Mrs. Blankenhorn, seconded by Mr. Urban, the Board accepted the letter of resignation dated July 17, 2019 from Jennifer Buggy, John S. Clarke Elementary Center Teacher. Motion carried.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, and on motion of Mrs. Blankenhorn, seconded by Mr. Urban, the Board approved the following Professional Employee be elected subject to the assignment of the Superintendent and set his salary effective August 21, 2019 pending the submission of all appropriate paperwork:

Philip Tenaglia - DHHL Mathematics Teacher - Bachelor's +15 – Step 3 - \$48,100.00
Motion carried.

Dr. Zwiebel thanked Amy Marchiano and the Republican Herald for the article on Mr. Portland and the 50th Anniversary of Man on the Moon. Mr. Portland, high school science teacher, said there will be activities on Saturday, July 20, 2019 in honor of the 50th Anniversary of the Man on the Moon behind the football stadium near the press

box. Mr. Roger Wehbe, owner of Martian Materials, Pottsville, will also be available. Mr. Wehbe was a sponsor of some of the activities.

Dr. Zwiebel also congratulated Mrs. Patricia Zimmerman, a DHH Lengel Middle School teacher. Mrs. Zimmerman was chosen as 2019 Teacher of the Year by the PA Farm Bureau.

Dr Zwiebel asked everyone to look at the new mural on the side of the Natatorium. An artist-in-residence at the Walk-In-Art Center, Schuylkill Haven, PA, designed the mural. Students from the district had the opportunity to paint some of the pictures that are on the mural.

On the recommendation of the Committee on Athletics and Extracurricular Activities and on motion of Mrs. Blankenhorn, seconded by Dr. DiCello, the Board approved the following fall coaches for the 2019-2020 school year:

FOOTBALL

Tom McGeoy, Head Coach	\$6,250.00
Jake Wartella, Assistant	\$4,000.00
Jamie O'Brien, Assistant	\$3,400.00
Pete McDonald, Assistant	\$3,600.00
Rob Shaffer, Assistant	\$3,800.00
Rusty Yost, Assistant	\$3,000.00

Freshmen

Charles Schuster, Head Coach	\$6,713.00
Pete Kalinich, Assistant	\$4,200.00
Kurt Eroh, Assistant	\$3,600.00
Bill Messaros, Assistant	\$2,800.00

Junior High-8th Grade

Mark Laubenstine, Head Coach	\$3,000.00
Lucas Bricker, Assistant	\$2,600.00

FOOTBALL EQUIPMENT MANAGER

Cody Blankenhorn	\$2,600.00
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CROSS COUNTRY

Kelly Lombel, Head Coach	\$3,000.00
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GOLF

Michael Anthony, Head Coach	\$2,600.00
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GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL
 Maria Sherakas, Head Coach \$4,361.00
 Krista Varano, Assistant \$2,000.00

BOYS' SOCCER
 David Newton, Head Coach \$5,300.00
 Matthew Newton, Head Jr. Varsity \$3,400.00

GIRLS' SOCCER
 Robert Stock, Head Coach \$5,300.00
 Robert Evans, Assistant \$2,200.00

GIRLS' TENNIS
 Adrian Portland, Head Coach \$2,600.00

GIRLS' BASKETBALL
 Phil Tenaglia 8th Grade Head \$2,400.00
 Steve Ennis 7th Grade Head \$2,400.00

CHEERLEADER ADVISORS
 Melissa Recla, Head Varsity \$2,850.00
 Jody Rutherford, Assistant \$2,000.00
 Christine Matz, Head Jr. High \$1,600.00

WEIGHT ROOM SUPERVISORS
 Peter McDonald \$1,666.67
 James Lord \$1,666.67
 Dan Slotterback \$1,666.67

Motion carried by roll call vote: Dr. Cardamone, Dr. DiCello, Mr. Moran, Mr. Quandel, Mr. Urban and Atty. Rismiller, Aye. Dr. Davidson, Mr. Stank, Absent. Mrs. Blankenhorn, Abstain.

On the recommendation of the Committee on Athletics and Extracurricular Activities and on motion of Mrs. Blankenhorn, seconded by Dr. DiCello, the Board approved the following volunteer fall coaches for the 2019-2020 school year:

FOOTBALL
 Tony Barone
 Daniel Doyle
 Tyler Heffner
 John Toomey
 Butch Vandermeer

EQUIPMENT MANAGER
Charles Rinaldo

GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL
Mike Puzauskie
Kendra Boris

BOYS' SOCCER
Christian Newton

GIRLS' SOCCER
Jennifer Brindle
Eric Lord
Brian Spotts

JR. HIGH HEAD CROSS COUNTRY
Jennifer Brindle

GOLF
Derek Dumboski

CHEERLEADING
Crystal Reedy

Motion carried.

On the recommendation of the Committee on Athletics and Extracurricular Activities and on motion of Mrs. Blankenhorn, seconded by Dr. DiCello, the Board approved the replacement of the PAHS football stadium scoreboard with a purchase under PA Costars # 014-084 through Nevco, Inc. totaling \$42,036.60. Note: Replacement of the board (including installation) is fully funded by an athletic department sports sponsorship agreement. No district funds are being spent on this initiative. Motion carried.

On the recommendation of the Committee on Athletics and Extracurricular Activities and on motion of Mrs. Blankenhorn, seconded by Dr. DiCello, the Board approved KC Sign & Awnings, Aston, PA to install new scoreboard and remove/dispose of the existing scoreboard in the amount of \$6,400.00. Motion carried.

On the recommendation of the Committee on Athletics and Extracurricular Activities and on motion of Mrs. Blankenhorn, seconded by Dr. DiCello, the Board approved the athletic event game workers for the 2019-2020 school year. (See office files.) Motion carried.

On the recommendation of the Committee on Athletics and Extracurricular Activities and on motion of Mrs. Blankenhorn, seconded by Dr. DiCello, the Board approved the game worker stipends for the 2019-2020 school year. (See office files.) Motion carried.

On the recommendation of the Committee on Athletics and Extracurricular Activities and on motion of Mrs. Blankenhorn, seconded by Dr. DiCello, the Board approved the following sponsorship prices and ticket prices for the 2019-2020 and the 2020-2021 school years:

	<u>2019-2020</u>	<u>2020-2021</u>
Roll Tide Level	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Crimson Level	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Tide Level	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
White Level	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
All Sports Season Ticket	\$ 60.00	\$ 70.00
Football Reserved Seat 6 games	\$ 39.00	xxxxxx
Football Reserved Seat 5 games	xxxxxx	\$ 32.50
Student Season Ticket	\$ 30.00	\$ 35.00
(4) Pack – 2 adults/2 students	\$ 140.00	\$ 160.00

Gate and Door Prices

Football		
Adult	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00
Students	\$ 3.00	\$ 3.00
Reserved	\$ 7.00	\$ 7.00

All Other Varsity Sports

Adults	\$ 5.00	\$ 6.00
Students	\$ 3.00	\$ 3.00

All Jr. High, Freshman, JV Events

Adults	\$ 3.00	\$ 3.00
Students	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00

No Admission Charge for Cross Country, Golf, Girls Tennis, Baseball, Softball and Boys Tennis.

Motion carried.

On the recommendation of the Committee on Building, Real Estate and Transportation and on motion of Mr. Quandel, seconded by Mr. Moran, the Board authorized the Administration to enter into a contract with Heim Company for the replacement of the Middle School Music Room RTU. The work will be completed on a time-and-material basis not-to-exceed Twenty-two Thousand Dollars (\$22,000.00). Terms of the contract are subject to review and approval of the Solicitor. Motion carried.

On the recommendation of the Committee on Finance and on motion of Mrs. Blankenhorn, seconded by Dr. DiCello, the Board approved the Repository Sale for Parcel No: 20-4-12 located at 27 Mamies Avenue, Norwegian Twp. Amount of sale - \$903.00. Motion carried.

On the recommendation of the Committee on Finance and on motion of Mrs. Blankenhorn, seconded by Dr. DiCello, the Board approved the lease agreement in the amount of \$283,000.00 with Santander Bank for the 2019-2020 school year. Due date for initial payment is July 25, 2019. Motion carried.

On the recommendation of the Committee on Finance and on motion of Mrs. Blankenhorn, seconded by Dr. DiCello, the Board approved an agreement with PSBA Insurance Trust for enrollment in Better Unemployment Compensation System (BUCS) Basic Program at a rate of \$2.92 per employee for the 2019-2020 school year. Note: Previously we participated in the BUCS Comprehensive Program. This switch in programming will save approximately \$12,000.00 annually. Motion carried.

On the recommendation of the Committee on Finance and on motion of Mrs. Blankenhorn, seconded by Dr. DiCello, the Board approved the "Agreement for Participation in the Child Nutrition Program" between the Pottsville Area School District and the Schuylkill Intermediate Unit 29 and Schuylkill County AVTS Operating Agency, effective July 1, 2019. Motion carried.

On the recommendation of the Committee on Finance and on motion of Mrs. Blankenhorn, seconded by Dr. DiCello, the Board approved the partnership with Justice Works Youthcare's Compass Academy for the 2019-2020 school year at a daily rate of \$85.00 for a regular education student and \$95.00 for a special education student. Motion carried.

On the recommendation of the Committee on Finance and on motion of Mrs. Blankenhorn, seconded by Dr. DiCello, the Board approved the increase in breakfast and lunch prices for student and adults. Milk prices will stay the same for the 2019-2020 school year:

	Lunch Prices:	Breakfast Prices
Elementary Student	\$2.60 (from \$2.50)	\$1.60 (from \$1.55)
Secondary Student	\$2.65 (from \$2.55)	\$1.65 (from \$1.60)
Adult	\$3.90 (from \$3.80)	\$2.75 (from \$2.65)
Extra Milk	\$0.70	\$0.70
Reduced**	\$0.40	\$0.30

*Increase of lunches mandated by the Equity in School Meal Pricing set by the USDA

**Reduced meal prices are set by the government

Motion carried.

On the recommendation of Committee on Personnel, and on motion of Dr. DiCello, seconded by Mr. Urban, the Board approved the following Leave Without Pay as per School Board Policy(s): 334, 434, and 534:

- o Employee #70 – paraprofessional - May 6, June 6 ,7, 2019
- o Employee #1209 – paraprofessional– June 3, 2019
- o Employee #119 – A/P Manager – June 18, 2019

Motion carried.

On the recommendation of Committee on Personnel, and on motion of Dr. DiCello, seconded by Mr. Urban, the Board approved the following part-time paraprofessionals at an hourly rate of \$11.25, effective 2019-2020 school year contingent upon receipt of satisfactory clearances:

- o Jocelyn Gonzalez
- o Kayla Murrell
- o Victoria Rivera
- o Angelique Schultz
- o Hannah Sponenburg
- o James Thomas
- o Loretta Wonchalk

Motion carried.

On the recommendation of Committee on Personnel, and on motion of Dr. DiCello, seconded by Mr. Urban, the Board accepted the resignation of Danielle Detweiler, paraprofessional at the Pottsville Area School District, effective July 11, 2019. Motion carried.

On the recommendation of Committee on Personnel, and on motion of Dr. DiCello, seconded by Mr. Urban, the Board accepted the letter of resignation from Joseph Shaw, Outside Maintenance/Bus Driver, effective July 18, 2019. Motion carried.

On the recommendation of the Technology Committee, and on motion of Mr. Urban, seconded by Mr. Moran, the Board authorized the Administration to enter into a lease agreement with Dell Financial Services for the replacement of desktop computers as approved in the 2019-2020 budget. Lease agreement subject to the approval of Administration & Solicitor. Motion carried.

On the recommendation of the Curriculum Committee, and on motion of Dr. Cardamone, seconded by Mrs. Blankenhorn, the Board approved the English as a Second Language (ESL) Services agreement between the Pottsville Area School District and Saint Clair Area School District. Saint Clair Area School District agrees to provide services for the English as a Second Language (ESL) to Pottsville Area School District on an as-needed basis at an hourly rate of \$35.00 and mileage reimbursement for travel, effective August 14, 2019. Motion carried.

On the recommendation of the Curriculum Committee, and on motion of Dr. Cardamone, seconded by Mrs. Blankenhorn, the Board approved the letter of agreement between the Pottsville Area School District and the Safety Net Counseling, Inc., Mount Carmel, PA in order to serve children with emotional difficulties, effective July 1, 2019. Motion carried.

Under Policy and Procedure Review, Mr. Moran noted that all district policies are being reviewed and will be completed at the end of the year.

Under Legislation, Mr. Moran noted that the Cyber Snow Days were signed into law; the district is awaiting direction from PDE.

On the recommendation of Mr. Manning and on motion of Mr. Urban, seconded by Mrs. Blankenhorn, the Board approved the Revenue Report for June 2019, which included local, state and federal sources. (Local Sources - \$1,741,678.24; State Sources - \$116,160.11; Federal/Other Sources - \$311,809.52 Total - \$2,169,647.87). Mr. Manning also reported expenses for salaries and benefits (See office files). Motion carried by roll call vote: Mrs. Blankenhorn, Dr. Cardamone, Dr. DiCello, Mr. Moran, Mr. Quandel, Mr. Urban and Atty. Rismiller, Aye. Dr. Davidson, Mr. Stank, Absent.

Under New Business:

On recommendation of Mr. Manning, and on motion of Mr. Moran, seconded by Mr. Quandel, the Board approved the following Use of Facilities:

PAHS

1. Pottsville Girls Volleyball, Open Gym, July 15, 2019, 5:00 – 8:30 pm, July 22 – Aug. 5, 2019, 5:00 – 8:00 pm (M-THU), HS Boys Gym.
2. Mother's Football Boosters, Pep Rally, August 22, 2019, 7:00 pm, HS Stadium.

CACL Complex

3. PSU Schuylkill Baseball, Baseball Practice, Sept. 3, 2019 – Oct. 15, 2019, 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm, (Tue/Thu/Sun), Baseball Field.

DHHL Middle School

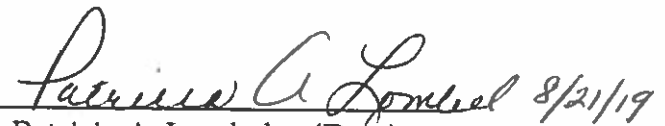
4. Title 1, Title 1 Parent and Family Engagement Event-The Brain Show, Sept. 26, 2019, 3:45 – 8:15 pm, MS Aud/Caf.

Motion carried.

On the recommendation of Mr. Manning, and on motion of Dr. Davidson, seconded by Mr. Urban, the Board approved the 2019-2020 Operating Hours calendar for all 12 month personnel. Motion carried.

Mr. Manning asked if any Board member would like to attend the PSBA Conference in October at the Hershey Lodge to please see him.

There being no further new business, on motion of Dr. DiCello, seconded by Mr. Urban, the meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.


Patricia A. Lombel (Date) 8/21/19
Board Secretary