

POTTSVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Directors
Committee Meeting
August 9, 2023
Academic Center Board Room
6:00 PM

Present: Dr. Blankenhorn, Mrs. Buchanan,
Dr. Cardamone, Mr. Ciavarella,
Mr. Shields, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Urban,
Ms. Wytovich, Dr. Yoder, Superintendent:
Mrs. Stair, Business Manager; Mrs. Lombel,
Asst. Business Manager/Board Secretary
Absent: Mrs. Dewitt

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by President Michael Cardamone.

Dr. Cardamone - Board Statement

- A reminder to the public that the public comment period is not a question and answer period, but rather the opportunity for the public to submit comments to the Board. Public comments will follow our public comment procedures which require members of the public to identify themselves by indicating name and address. If members of the public wish to make public comments, then they must do so in person.

Roll Call –8 members present; 1 member absent (Mrs. Dewitt).

There were no public comments.

Recommendations by the Superintendent for approval at the August 16, 2023, Board Meeting.

1. Approval of Credits

Emily Earley - 3 Credits
Brent Hinkle - 6 Credits
Tiffany Hummel - 3 Credits

2. Credit Reimbursements

Erin Blozusky - \$600.00
Natasha Bubnis - \$300.00
Gregory Hoak - \$4,494.00
Mary McGinley - \$900.00
John Pettit - \$4,644.00
Amy Rubinkam - \$900.00

Recommendations by the Athletics and Extracurricular Activities Committee for approval at the August 16, 2023 Board Meeting:

1. Agreement with Pottsville Zone to provide all concessions for the home varsity football contests and any additional football events including playoff games for the Fall Football Season 2023. Pottsville Zone will share 10% of their profit from each of the football contests and any playoff contests.
2. Agreement with CFG McGinty LLC to provide ice cream for sale for the home varsity football contests and any additional football events including playoff games for the Fall Football Season 2023. CFG McGinty LLC will share 10% of their profit from each of the football contests and any playoff contests.
3. Aquatics Director - Resignation from Greg Schuettler and Recommendation for John Matulevich - September 1, 2023
4. Volunteer Coach for Varsity Boys' Soccer - Brendan Smith

Recommendations by the Facilities and Grounds Committee for approval at the August 16, 2023 Board Meeting:

1. Change order #2 on paving from Lehigh Asphalt in the amount of \$21,460. This
2. Ondeck -Repair high school front sidewalks at the top of the new stairs.
3. Victor Muncy - Doors for DHH Lengel and JSC.
4. Use of Facilities – will be on for approval at the August 16, 2023 Board meeting

Informational Items

1. Spitz -Work on the Planetarium started August 1. Will continue until completed. It was reported that the old dome is down, the framework is going up and completion date is September 17, 2023.
2. ESCO Project – Ameresco – Representatives from Ameresco reviewed the systems in all of the buildings. They will report the results to Mr. Ditzler.
3. Updated on paving – All inlet work is done. Next week the painting and line work should be completed
4. Mr. Urban reported the following
 - o There will be roof repairs on the bathrooms at Veteran's Stadium
 - o Quotes needed from PAPCO for fuel

- Schuylkill Masonry is working on the wall at 16th for better drainage
- Galvanized repair on railing (part of new steps); the District is working through the contractor for repairs
- The old sign at Martz Hall is scheduled to come down on August 18, 2023.

Mr. Urban thanked everyone who did the walkthrough inside all of the buildings and walked around the exterior buildings. Mr. Urban said this will help the Board strategize in the long term.

Recommendations by the Finance Committee for approval at the August 16, 2023 Board Meeting:

1. Comparison reports - Expense and Revenue/Summary

- Revenue decreased \$700,037. As of July 31, 2023 revenues were down compared to the same time frame last year. This is due to the budget impasse and the state not sending out state and federal subsidies.
- Expenses increased \$656,347. As of July 31, 2023 expenditures have increased over the same period as last year. This increase is due to more projects being done throughout the District. 4.05% of expenditure budget has been spent compared to 2.41% for July 2022.

2. Treasurer's Report

3. Repository Sale for Parcel No. 68-06-0149.000 located at 415 North Street Pottsville City. Repository Price - \$1,216.00.

4. 2023-2024 LIEP Service Agreement with the Schuylkill IU 29 payable in two scheduled installments:

-October 1, 2023 - \$7,869.83

-February 3, 2024 - \$7,869.83

5. Pennsylvania Counseling Services (PCS) Agreement to provide mental health and drug and alcohol treatment services.

6. Annual Athletic Sponsorship Agreement with Universal Forest Products Industries. Electronic Advertising, Crimson Level - \$1,000.00.

7. Annual Athletic Sponsorship Agreement with Weiner Iron and Metal Corp - Electronic Advertising, Crimson Level - \$1,000.00

8. Edulink software agreement annual licensing fees for differentiated supervision module and for SPM/SLO/IEP Module - \$3,306.00.

****A request from Mrs. Stair, Business Manager, to invest in T-bills that have matured. Mrs. Stair would like to invest \$1,750,000 into three (3) different T-bills. The Board were in agreement.**

- \$500,000 5.30% maturing in December 2023
- \$750,000 5.34% maturing in February 2024
- \$500,000 5.17% maturing in August 2024

Recommendation by the Technology Committee for approval at the July 19, 2023 Board Meeting:

1. Recommendation to hire 4 current interns as part-time workers up to an average of 12 hours per week for the technology department (1 subsidized by PSU Schuylkill).

Recommendation by the Curriculum Committee for approval at the August 16, 2023 Board Meeting:

1. PASD Language Instruction Education Program (LIEP) for the 2023-2024 school year.
2. DHH Lengel Middle School's 2023-2024 A-TSI Title I School Plan and JSC Elementary Center's 2023 - 2024 TSI Title I School Plan.

Recommendation by the Food Services Committee for approval at the July 19, 2023 Board Meeting:

1. Suppliers for Pottsville Area School District for 2023-2024 school year:
Guers Dairy - Milk, 100% orange juice, iced tea, 20% orange drink, lemonade, and spring water
Bedway - Fresh Fruit and Vegetables
Hershey's - Ice Cream
Varano - Meat and Cheese
Moribito Baking Co - Bread and Baked Goods
2. Breakfast, lunch, and milk prices for students and adults for the 2023-2024 school year. **Breakfast is at no cost to all students.** An additional breakfast will cost \$1.90/\$2.05.

	<u>Lunch Prices:</u>	<u>Breakfast Prices:</u>
Elementary Student	\$2.90 (increase from \$2.80)	\$1.90 (increase from \$1.80)
Secondary Student	\$3.05 (increase from \$2.95)	\$2.05 (increase from \$1.95)
Adult	\$4.25	\$2.80

Extra Milk	\$.70	\$.70
Reduced **	\$.40	\$.00

** Pricing of meals are mandated by the Equity in School Meal Pricing set by the USDA.
Reduced meal prices are set by the government. Adult prices are set by PDE.

An Executive Session was held 6:33 pm to 7:53 pm to discuss personnel matters.

There being no further new business, the meeting adjourned at 6:31 pm.

Patricia A. Lombel 9/20/2023
Patricia A. Lombel (Date)
Board Secretary