CHARLEROI AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting of Tuesday, September 17, 2024
7:00 PM
Charleroi Area High School Community Room

MINUTES

Prior to the regular meeting, the Board met in Executive Session at 6:06 p.m. in the High School Community Room, 100 Fecsen Drive, Charleroi PA 15022 to discuss personnel matters. Persons present were: Mr. Caruso, Mrs. Hopkins, Mrs. Keranko, Mr. Nutting, Mrs. Pappasergi, Mrs. Pellegrini, Mrs. Pepper, and Mr. Yakich.

Mrs. Pepper, Board President, announced that the Board had been in executive session since 6:06 p.m. and then called the regular meeting of the Charleroi Area School District Board of School Directors to order at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Community Room, 100 Fecsen Drive, Charleroi PA 15022.

Upon roll call, members present were: Mr. Caruso, Mrs. Hopkins, Mrs. Keranko, Mr. Nutting, Mrs. Pappasergi, Mrs. Pellegrini, Mrs. Pepper, and Mr. Yakich.

Mrs. Pepper announced that Item 10.o – Approval of Refund for Overpayment of 2023 School Real Estate Taxes, has deleted from the agenda.

Upon motion of Mrs. Pappasergi, seconded by Mr. Yakich, it was resolved to approve the amendments to the agenda for the Regular Meeting of the Charleroi Area School District Board of School Directors for September 17, 2024. All were in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Upon motion of Mr. Yakich, seconded by Mr. Nutting, it was resolved to approve the agenda for the Regular Meeting of the Charleroi Area School District Board of School Directors for September 17, 2024.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

Student Representatives Jacob Corrin, Caden Carson, and Eva Matinko spoke with the Board about events in the high school.

ORGANIZATIONAL

a. Nominations for open position of Board Director: Mr. Nutting nominated Larry Hopkins Mr. Yakich made the motion to close nominations with a second by Mr. Nutting

Voice Vote: __7-0; Adele Hopkins abstained__

ROUTINE BUSINESS:

Upon motion of Mrs. Pappasergi, seconded by Mrs. Pellegrini, with all in favor, it was resolved to approve the following routine business items for the month of September 2024:

a. Approval of the Minutes for the Regular Meeting of August 20, 2024

CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was read at the meeting:

a. September Subsidies

The following Federal and State Funds have been or will be received for the month of September 2024:

FUNDING	AMOUNT
FEDERAL PROGRAMS	$693,100.49
PROPERTY TAX RELIEF	$487,501.00
SOCIAL SECURITY	$146,449.45
TRANSPORTATION	$51,500.00
BASIC EDUCATION FUNDING	$1,645,956.00
RETIREMENT	$717,430.06

EDUCATION AND CURRICULUM

Upon motion of Mr. Caruso, seconded by Mrs. Pellegrini, it was resolved to approve all EDUCATION AND CURRICULUM resolutions as presented by the Administration and subject to review by the District Solicitor as follows:

a. Approval for Athletic Director to Attend Pennsylvania State Athletic Director's Association Conference, March 18-21, 2025
b. Approval of 2024-2025 Elementary Schoolwide Title 1 School Plan

c. Approval of Wesley Schools Individual Student Enrollment Agreement, at a cost of $18,000.00 per semester
d. Approval of Children of Non-Resident Staff Member Application for Enrollment
e. Approval of PennWest Practicum Student, Bryce Manley
f. Name 2025 PSBA Officers: President-Elect – Sabrina Backer, Vice President – Matt Vannoy, Western Zone Representative Kristy Bolte, PSBA Insurance Trustees Nathan G. Mains, Richard Frerichs, and William S. LaCoff
g. Approval of Sunday Facility Request – 01 – Spring Musical Rehearsals and Set Construction, January 5 – March 2, 2025, 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., as needed
h. Approval of Sunday Facility Request – 02 – Spring Musical, March 9, 2025, 12:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:
Mr. Caruso Yes, Mrs. Hopkins Yes, Mrs. Keranko ___,
Mr. Nutting Yes, Mrs. Pappasergi Yes; Abstain from Item a, Mrs. Pellegrini Yes,
Mrs. Pepper Yes, Mr. Yakich Yes.

POLICIES/ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS

Upon motion of Mrs. Keranko seconded by Mrs. Pellegrini, it was resolved to approve all POLICIES/ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS resolutions as presented by the Administration and subject to review by the District Solicitor as follows:

a. Approval of Revised Administrative Regulation – 104-AR-2 – Reasonable Break Time and Lactation Accommodations
b. Approval of Revised Administrative Regulation – 201-AR-01 – Admission of Students
c. Approval of Revised Administrative Regulation – 234-AR-0 – Students Experiencing Pregnancy/Pregnancy-Related Conditions or Parenting
d. Approval of Revised Administrative Regulation – 247-AR-0 - Hazing
e. Approval of Revised Administrative Regulation – 247-AR-2 – Notice to Complainant and/or Parents/Guardians of Complainant
f. Approval of Revised Administrative Regulation – 249-AR-0 – Bullying/Cyberbullying
g. Approval of Revised Administrative Regulation – 249-AR-2 – Notice to Complainant and/or Parents/Guardians of Complainant
h. Approval of Revised Administrative Regulation – 330-AR-4 – Reasonable Break Time and Lactation Accommodations
i. Approval of Revised Administrative Regulation – 801-AR-1 – Disclosure/Production of Certain Records
j. Approval of Revised Administrative Regulation – 803-AR-0 – School Calendar

k. Approval of Revised Administrative Regulation – 805.1-AR-0 – Incident Report – Immediate Notification
l. Approval of Revised Administrative Regulation – 805.1-AR-1 – Incident Report – Discretionary Notification
m. Approval of Revised Administrative Regulation – 805.1-AR-2 – Record of Law Enforcement Officers in School
n. First Reading of Revised Policy 103 – Discrimination/Harassment Affecting Students
o. First Reading of Revised Policy 103.1 – Nondiscrimination – Qualified Students with Disabilities
p. First Reading of Revised Policy104 – Discrimination/Harassment Affecting Staff
q. First Reading of Revised Policy 146.1 – Trauma-Informed Approach
r. First Reading of Revised Policy 218 – Student Discipline
s. First Reading of Revised Policy 218.1 - Weapons
t. First Reading of Revised Policy 218.2 – Terroristic Threats
u. First Reading of Revised Policy 234 – Pregnant/Parenting/Married Students
v. First Reading of Revised Policy 247 - Hazing
w. First Reading of Revised Policy 249 – Bullying/Cyberbullying
x. First Reading of Revised Policy 252 – Dating Violence
y. First Reading of Revised Policy 317.1 – Educator Misconduct
z. First Reading of Revised Policy – 336 -Personal Necessity Leave
aa. First Reading of Revised Policy 339 – Uncompensated Leave
bb. First Reading of Revised Policy 801 – Public Records
cc. First Reading of Revised Policy 803 – School Calendar
dd. First Reading of Revised Policy 805 – Emergency Preparedness and Response
ee. First Reading of Revised Policy 805.1 – Relations With Law Enforcement Agencies
ff. First Reading of Revised Policy 805.2 – School Security Personnel
gg. First Reading of Revised Policy 806 – Child Abuse
hh. First Reading of Revised Policy 807 – Opening Exercises/Moment of Silence/Flag Displays
ii. First Reading of Revised Policy 824 – Maintaining Professional Adult/Student Boundaries
jj. First Reading of Revised Policy – 904 – Public Attendance at School Events
kk. First Reading of Revised Policy 909 – Municipal Government Relations
ll. First Reading of Revised Policy 918 – Title I Parent and Family Engagement

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Hopkins __Yes__, Mrs. Keranko __Yes__, Mr. Nutting __Yes__,
Mrs. Pappasergi __Yes__, Mrs. Pellegrini __Yes__, Mrs. Pepper __Yes__,
Mr. Yakich __Yes__,Mr. Caruso __Yes__.

PERSONNEL

Upon motion of Mr. Yakich, seconded by Mrs. Pellegrini, it was resolved to approve all PERSONNEL resolutions as presented by the Administration and subject to review by the District Solicitor as follows:

a. Accept Resignation of Middle School Morning Cafeteria Duty, Tara McBride, effective immediately
b. Name Varsity Football Volunteer Coach, Aaron Kostelansky
c. Name Middle School Softball Volunteer Coach, Chris Sheppick
d. Name Middle School Softball Volunteer Coach, Jamie Pellegrini
e. Name 2024-2025 Winter Coaches:
Varsity Boys Basketball Assistant Coach, Jim Diaz, at a salary of $4,000.00, Middle School Boys Basketball Volunteer Coach, Katawna Fazenbaker, Girls Basketball Assistant Coach – Alvin Ross, at a salary of $4,120.00
f. Name Kindergarten Paraprofessional. Michelle Holmes, retroactive to August 26, 2024, salary per CESPA Bargaining Agreement
g. Name First Grade Paraprofessional, Shaana Vilchek, retroactive to August 26, 2024, salary per CESPA Bargaining Agreement
h. Name Full-Time Bus Driver, Frank Strangis, retroactive to September 4, 2024, salary per Bus Driver Bargaining Agreement
i. Name Health Services Aide, Jennifer Weld, per individual contract
j. Name Cook's Helper, Sashua Robbins, retroactive to September 3, 2024, salary per CESPA Bargaining Agreement
k. Name Elementary After School Detention Duty, Rachel Devenney, salary per Extra Duty Pay Scale
l. Name Elementary Center Cafeteria Duty, 2 days per week, Linda Filby, salary per Extra Duty Pay Scale
m. Name Elementary Center Cafeteria Duty, 3 days per week, Kris Vatter, salary per Extra Duty Pay Scale
n. Name Middle School Breakfast Duty, Chad Pappasergi, Wil Berkovitz, Angela Bench, Diana Byham, salary per Extra Duty Pay Scale, prorated
o. Name Freshman Class Sponsor, Kim Palonder, at a salary of $1,500.00
p. Name Substitute Teachers: Alyssa O'Neil (Emergency Permit) and Kelsie Rohrbough (Emergency Permit), salary per CAEA Bargaining Agreement
q. Name Substitute Support: Martha Bennett (Bus Driver and Van Driver), Sashua Robbins (Cafeteria), retroactive to August 23, 2024, Margaret Krill (Cafeteria), retroactive to August 27, 2024, Acner Pierre (Van Driver), retroactive to September 16, 2024, and William Williams (Van Driver), salary per CESPA Bargaining Agreement

ROLL CALL:
Mrs. Keranko Yes; No to Item i , Mr. Nutting Yes; No to Item i ,
Mrs. Pappasergi Yes; No to Item i; Abstain from Item n ,
Mrs. Pellegrini Yes; Abstain from Item d; No to Item i , Mrs. Pepper Yes; No to Item i,
Mr. Yakich Yes; No to Item i , Mr. Caruso Yes; No to Item i , Mrs. Hopkins Yes; No to Item i .

FINANCE AND SUPPORT AREAS

Upon motion of Mrs. Keranko, seconded Mrs. Pappasergi, it was resolved to approve all FINANCE AND SUPPORT AREA RESOLUTIONS as presented by the Administration and subject to review by the District Solicitor as follows:

a. Approval of Monthly Secretary Treasurer Reports for the Month of August 2024 as follows: General Fund, Restricted Savings Fund, Digital Revenue Fund, Payroll, Food Service Fund, and Capital Projects Fund
b. Approval of General Fund and Athletic Fund Bill Lists for the Month of September 2024
c. Approval of Interim Bill List for August 2024/September 2024
d. Approval of High School, Middle School, Elementary Center and Athletic Activity Account Reports for August 2024
e. Approval of the Tax Collection Report for the Month of August 2024
f. Approval of the Monthly Revenues and Expenditures Report for August 2024
g. Approval of Extra Duty Time Reports for August 2024
h. Approval of Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust Certificate of Deposit Placement Program Application and Investment Advisory Agreement
i. Approval of Settlement Agreement, in the amount of $147,022.58, for the eminent domain takings action filed at Civil Docket Number 2022-1072
j. Approval of Release From Liability, K2 Engineering, releasing them from liability for the negligent and/or improper installation of a retention pond in exchange for certain non-monetary services
k. Permission to Dispose of District Vehicles
l. Approval to Donate Capital Assets, choral risers, to St. Andrew Church
m. Approval of Intermediate Unit 13 Subrecipient Letter of Agreement
n. Approval of Disabled Veterans Real Property Tax Exemption
~~o. Approval of Refund for Overpayment of 2023 School Real Estate Taxes, in the amount of $110.10 for parcel number 250-002-003-0010-00~~
p. Approval of Refund for Overpayment of 2023 School Real Estate Taxes, in the amount of $91.43 for parcel number 630-007-00-00-0001-01

ROLL CALL:
Mr. Nutting Yes , Mrs. Pappasergi Yes , Mrs. Pellegrini Yes , Mrs. Pepper Yes ,
Mr. Yakich Yes , Mr. Caruso Yes , Mrs. Hopkins Yes , Mrs. Keranko Yes .

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Dr. Zelich shared with the Board that the water was tested for lead and THM and the results showed that all sites were below the action limit.

Dr. Zelich shared with the Board that the District will host a Farmer's Market that is sponsored by Highmark. This event will take place on September 26, 2024, from 2L00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. at Dee's Event Center and is open to all Charleroi District families.

Dr. Zelich shared that the Southwest Regional Director from the Office of the Governor, Laura Ainsman Sohinki, visited our District to see our ELL student population, what our needs are, and also where there are gaps. Dr. Zelich also announced the Senator Camera Bartolotta will be visiting the District next week.

Dr. Zelich shared with the Board that the District received a check in the amount of $30,000 from an anonymous donor.

Upon motion of Mr. Caruso, seconded by Mr. Yakich, the meeting was adjourned at 7:38 p.m.