

ANTIETAM SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE HYBRID BOARD MEETING ON JANUARY 24, 2022

The Antietam School District Board met in person and virtually in a Zoom meeting for their January 24, 2022, meeting. Mr. James Glendening, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. Mr. Glendening announced that the Board met in executive session after the special board meeting on December 13, 2022, to discuss a Litigation matter they did not reconvene. Mr. Glendening asked if there were any corrections to the agenda. None were noted.

The following members were present:

Kimberly Alarcon	Geneia Kromer via Zoom
Rebecca DiSarro	Kyla Ramsey via Zoom
Chris Faro	Mike Roberts
Michael Gierula	Charles Weldele
James Glendening	

Also Present:

Dr. Heidi Rochlin	Superintendent
Tracy Detwiler	Director of Finance & Business
Becky Kohr	Director of Special Ed.
Dr. Felice Stern	Principal, Antietam Middle Senior High School via Zoom
Tim Matlack	K-6 Assistant Principal/K-12 Curriculum Supervisor via Zoom
Anthony DiSarro	Supervisor of Technology
Staci Fink	Supervisor of Special Ed. via Zoom
Brian Boland	Solicitor, Kozloff Stoudt
Jennifer Reeves	Board Secretary

Dr. Rochlin acknowledged that January is “School Director Recognition Month” and that there was a gift and card as a small token of the district’s appreciation. She went on to say, that she appreciates the Directors for all that they do for the school district and for taking on this responsibility. She included a quick update on Covid in Berks County and explained that we have been monitoring attendance and staffing and so far, have been able to stay open. She hopes we continue to be fortunate, and we can keep our doors open.

Dr. Rochlin gave some updates in Sports. The boys basketball team and our boys and girls bowling teams are all in first place. All the teams have been having very successful seasons, make sure you go out and see them play and show them your support.

In the Arts, Mackenzie Sipple was featured in the BCIU Art Showcase, the theme was “architecture in your community”, her artwork will be displayed in the BCIU Boardroom for the next year. Two of Antietam’s seniors: Ryan Stoudt and Abby Rochlin had auditioned and were chosen to take part in the Seniors County Choir performances over the weekend which was hosted by Kutztown University. Also, in the Arts; rehearsals are in full swing for the Music Man, get out and see that production the 2nd week in March.

Dr. Rochlin and Tracy Detwiler made a presentation on the ESSER Act. ESSER is the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Act. What are ESSER Funds, there are three phases, and each phase has restrictions on the funds you can use them towards, and the funds also need to be used by a certain date. A breakdown of the funds and where they were used or will be used can be found on the website in the presentation slides.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Mr. Weldele reported year to date revenue \$14,208,997.53; year to date expenditures (\$ 8,950,483.91) leaving a balance(unaudited) \$ 11,316,843.88. Cash and Investments as of December 31, 2021 - \$11,689,256.45.

Mr. Weldele moved, seconded by Mr. Faro, to approve the Treasurer's Report, petty cash activity reports, Cash and Investments for December 2021, and payment of bills for January 2022, as presented.

A poll of the Board resulted in the following vote:

Yes 9 Mmes. Alarcon, DiSarro, Kromer, and Ramsey; Messrs. Faro, Gierula, Glendening, Roberts and Weldele

Motion carried.

Mr. Weldele moved, seconded by Mr. Faro, to approve Addendum #1 between the Antietam School District and School Operation Services Group Inc., as presented.

Exonerate Fulton Bank from collecting 2021 real estate taxes from Lower Alsace Township and Mt. Penn Borough and ratify the district's submittal of these taxes to Berks County Tax Claim Bureau for collection.

Approve the Linkage Agreement Letter between Antietam School District and SAM for the Blended Case Management and Forensic Peer Support Services in Berks County from December 15, 2021, through December 14, 2022.

A poll of the Board resulted in the following vote:

Yes 9 Mmes. Alarcon, DiSarro, Kromer, and Ramsey; Messrs. Faro, Gierula, Glendening, Roberts and Weldele

Motion carried.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Mr. Roberts moved, seconded by Mr. Faro, to accept the proposal from Spotts, Stevens and McCoy to perform an Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) 6-month Surveillance Inspection, as presented.

Accept the donation of supplies for the following projects from Donors Choose: "Students GoPro in STEM", "Lets Fill Some Bellies!", "Learning Through Manipulative and Senses", "Freshen Up Our Daily 5", "Fill My Belly", "Flex-Space Comfy Floor Seats for Social Distancing", "Collaboration Station for STEM

Small Group Learning”, “Coding and Beyond with SPHERO”, “Can You Hear The Audio, Now?”, “Heading into The Future with Amazing Resources”, and “Movable Seating”.

Accept the donation of a drum kit to the elementary instrumental music program from Mr. and Mrs. DiSarro.

A poll of the Board resulted in the following vote:

Yes 9 Mmes. Alarcon, DiSarro, Kromer, and Ramsey; Messrs. Faro, Gierula, Glendening, Roberts and Weldele

Motion carried.

POLICY COMMITTEE

Ms. Alarcon moved, seconded by Mr. Faro to approve the following new residency affidavits for the remainder of the 2021-2022 School year: one student in kindergarten, two students in 1st grade, one student in 7th grade and one student in 9th grade.

Approve the following new residency affidavits, for the following students, for the remainder of the 2021-2022 school year: one student in 12th grade, one student in 11th grade and one student in 8th grade.

Approve the new guardianship affidavit for a student in 2nd grade for the remainder of the 2021-2022 school year as presented.

Approve the District calendar for the 2022-2023 school year

Approve the reduction of the community service graduation requirement to 15 hours for Seniors for the 2021-2022 school year.

Approve the 3rd reading of Policy 700: Memorials

A poll of the Board resulted in the following vote:

Yes 9 Mmes. Alarcon, DiSarro, Kromer, and Ramsey; Messrs. Faro, Gierula, Glendening, Roberts and Weldele

Motion carried.

CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

Mr. Faro moved and Mr. Weldele seconded to approve the rescheduling of the April 13th Curriculum Committee meeting from April 13, 2022, to April 20, 2022 at 6:00 pm.

A poll of the Board resulted in the following vote:

Yes 9 Mmes. Alarcon, DiSarro, Kromer, and Ramsey; Messrs. Faro, Gierula, Glendening, Roberts and Weldele

Motion carried.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Mr. Weldele moved, seconded by Mr. Faro, to accept the letter of resignation from Jennifer Rodriguez, Paraprofessional at the Mt Penn Primary Center effective January 13, 2022.

Amend Daniel Alper's Athletic Director resignation date from January 11, 2022, to January 2, 2022.

Amend the effective date of Michael Esterly as Athletic Director from January 12, 2022, to January 3, 2022.

Approve an adjustment to Daniel Alper's Athletic Director Stipend from \$4,123 to \$3,665, due to the change in his resignation date.

Approve an adjustment to Michael Esterly's Athletic Director stipend from \$5,040 to \$5,498, due to the change in his effective date.

Approve the following addition to the Antietam School District Act 86 - College Student Substitute List: Jordan Rigg – early education student @ Alvernia University, to work at the Mt. Penn Primary Center and Mt. Penn Elementary Center.

Approve the following addition to the Antietam School District Substitute List for the 2021-2022 school year

Morgan Long - Teacher

Accept the letter of resignation from Vashti Emerich, Van Driver effective December 7, 2021.

Ratify Morgan Long as the part-time long term substitute Secondary Health and PE teacher grades 7-12, Bachelors Step 1 with single benefits (\$11,752.00) effective January 6, 2022, through the end of the 2021-2022 school year.

Amend Missy Oswald as mentor to Morgan Long, replacement for Daniel Alper, Part time Health and PE, for the remainder of the 2021-2022 school year \$250.00.

Approve the FMLA request from Danielle DiMartini, Elementary Special Ed Teacher, effective February 9, 2022, through February 18, 2022.

Ratify the transfer of Linda Gantert to the Antietam Middle Senior High School 2nd shift custodial position at \$16.22/hour, effective Monday, January 10, 2022, with benefits.

A poll of the Board resulted in the following vote:

Yes 9 Mmes. Alarcon, DiSarro, Kromer, and Ramsey; Messrs. Faro, Gierula, Glendening, Roberts and Weldele

Motion carried.

As there was no further business to discuss, Mr. Glendening adjourned the meeting at 7:38 p.m. He noted that the Board would be going into an executive session to discuss Personnel, and they would not re-convene.

Submitted by,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jennifer L. Reeves". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Jennifer L Reeves, Board Secretary