



Antietam School District
Minutes of the Hybrid Board Meeting
Monday, January 22, 2024, 7:00 p.m.

The Antietam School District Board met in person and virtually in a Teams meeting for their voting meeting on Monday, January 22, 2024. Mr. Roberts, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:54 pm. Mr. Roberts noted that the board would meet in executive session regarding personnel at the conclusion of the voting meeting today, January 22, 2024, they will not reconvene. Mr. Roberts asked if there if there were any corrections to the agenda, none were noted.

Present:

Rebecca DiSarro	Amanda Stief
Jennifer Miller	Lorraine Storms
Wayne Modeste	Michael Roberts
David Okonski	Charles Wedele Via Teams
Kyla Ramsey	

Also Present

Dr. Heidi Rochlin	Superintendent
Tracy Detwiler	Director of Finance & Business
Ken Bonkoski	Supervisor of Maintenance and Facilities
Anthony DiSarro	Supervisor of Technology and Security Coordinator via Teams
Becky Kohr	Director of Student Services
Staci Fink	Supervisor of Special Ed
Dr. Felice Stern	Principal, Antietam Middle Senior High School
Zachary Williams	Assistant Principal, Antietam Middle Senior High School
Kelly Landherr	Principal, Mt. Penn Elementary Center
Nicole Schieck	Principal, Mt. Penn Primary Center
Amanda Munson	MTSS Coordinator, Assistant Principal, Mt. Penn Elementary Center
Brian F. Boland	Kozloff and Stoudt
Jennifer Reeves	Board Secretary

Mr. Roberts noted the minutes of the meeting had been distributed and asked if there were any corrections. None were noted. A poll by a voice vote resulted in the minutes being approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Wedele reported Revenue Year to Date \$21,048,935.00 Expenditures Year to Date (\$10,209,534.31) Fund Balance (Unaudited) December 31, 2023 \$19,850,803.54, Cash and Investments as of December 31, 2023 - \$19,658,221,90.

Ms. Ramsey moved, seconded by Mrs. Storms, to approve the Treasurer's Report, cash and investments as of December 31, 2023 and approval of bills as presented.

A poll of the Board resulted in the following vote:

Yes: 9 **Mmes. DiSarro Miller, Ramsey, Stief, Storms; Messrs. Modeste, Okonski, Roberts and Weldele**

Motion carried.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Ms. Ramsey moved seconded by Mrs. Storms to Exonerate Fulton Bank from collecting 2023 Real Estate Tax Payments and 2022 Interim Real Estate Tax Payments, effective January 1, 2024.

Ratify the Antietam School District’s submittal of the unpaid 2023 Real Estate Tax bills and 2022 Interim Real Estate Tax bills to Berks County Tax Claim Bureau for collection.

Ratify the agreement between Antietam School District and Douglas A. Haring, MAI. SRA, AI-GRS for Professional Real Estate Appraisal of 705 Friedensburg Road, Lower Alsace Township for the all inclusive fee of \$2,750.00. to estimate the real market value of the property as of the date of inspection to determine a purchase price for the forementioned property.

Ratify The Tuition contract for Weiser "Decisions" School at a rate of \$250.93 per day, for one 9th grade student for the remainder of the 2023-2024 school year or until the student is withdrawn, prior to the end of the school year.

Ratify the services agreement between the Antietam School District and Language Learning Network for onsite instructional services, consisting of one teacher to teach Spanish at the Antietam Middle-Senior High School for the remainder of the 2023-2024 school year at a cost of \$39,900.

Accept the \$2,500.00 donation from AEM Associates funds to be used as the district wishes.

Approve the Water Treatment By Design Contract as presented pending final review by the District Solicitor.

<u>System Location</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Mount Penn Elementary 2310 Cumberland Ave Reading, PA 19606	(1) Hot Water Closed Loop (1) Chilled Water Closed Loop	Quarterly Quarterly
Mount Penn Primary 201 North 25 th St Reading, PA 19606	(1) Hot Water Closed Loop	Quarterly

As part of this agreement, Water Treatment by Design, LLC. shall provide the following chemicals necessary to maintain appropriate levels for the contract period:

<u>Chemical Provided</u>	<u>Chemical Function</u>
Formula 6204	Closed Loop Corrosion
Chemical Not Included on Contract:	Inhibitor

- Any glycol required for the Elementary chill water loop will be quoted on an as-needed basis.

Water Treatment By Design agrees to provide these services for the sum of \$2500.00 per year, billed quarterly in advance at a rate of \$625.00 per quarter. Total invoiced amount under this contract will be \$3750.00. This contract is subject to an inflationary increase of

3.0% per year over the course of this contract at the discretion of Water Treatment By Design.

Approve the Pediatric Therapeutic Services, LLC Therapy Services Agreement for the school years terms from 8/2024 - 6/2027.

Therapy Services	2024-2025 School Year	2025- 2026 School Year	2026-2027 School Year
Occupational Therapist	\$74.99	\$75.99	\$75.99
Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant	\$62.99	\$63.99	\$63.99
Physical Therapist	\$85.00	\$99.99	\$99.99
Physical Therapist Assistant	\$65.99	\$66.99	\$66.99
Speech Therapist	\$85.00	\$100.99	\$100.99
School Psychologist	\$91.99	\$92.99	\$92.99
Bi-Lingual School Psychologist	\$99.49	\$104.99	\$104.99
Board Certified Behavior Analyst	\$89.99	\$90.99	\$90.99
Registered Behavior Technician	\$58.99	\$59.99	\$59.99
Behavior Technician	\$40.99	\$41.99	\$41.99
Social Worker	\$75.99	\$75.99	\$75.99
Licensed Practical Nurse	\$53.99	\$54.99	\$54.99

Approve the Title I Letter of Agreement between the Antietam School District and the Berks County Intermediate Unit effective January 22, 2024, through June 30, 2024, for nonpublic schools Title I Equitable Services, at the following costs:

- o \$16,427 – as required by the Title I equitable services calculation and subject to change after final allocations are released by the Division of Federal Programs in the Spring 2024. To be paid from Title I funds
- o \$657.08 – 4% BCIU Administrative fee

A poll of the Board resulted in the following vote:

Yes: 9 Mmes. DiSarro Miller, Ramsey, Stief, Storms; Messrs. Modeste, Okonski, Roberts and Weldele

Motion carried.

Ms. Ramsey moved, Mrs. Storms seconded to Approve the administration to engage with Trapani Communications for hourly public relations services (proposal attached), billed at \$150/hour, with a not to exceed cost of 100 hours, pending Solicitor review of contract.

A poll of the Board resulted in the following vote:

Yes: 6 Mmes. Miller, Ramsey, Storms; Messrs. Modeste, Roberts and Weldele

No: 3 Mmes. DiSarro, Stief; Messrs. Okonski

Motion carried.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Mrs. Storms moved seconded by Ms. Ramsey to ratify the application for the variance and special exception to the zoning ordinance for the Mount Penn Elementary Center located at 2310 Cumberland Ave.; \$1,000 filing fee.

Approve the application for the variance and special exception to the zoning ordinance for the Mount Penn Primary Center, location at 201 N 25th St.; \$1,000 filing fee. (don't have this yet - should be filed on Friday

Accept the donation of materials from Donor's Choose for the Project "Floor Seating Furniture for Communication and Collaboration".

A poll of the Board resulted in the following vote:

Yes: 9 Mmes. DiSarro Miller, Ramsey, Stief, Storms; Messrs. Modeste, Okonski, Roberts and Weldele

Motion carried.

POLICY COMMITTEE

Mr. Modeste moved seconded by Ms. Ramsey to approve the District Calendar for the 2024-2025 School year.

Ratify the addition of two privately tutored student grades 2 and 4 to the homeschool list for the remainder of the 2023-2024 school year.

Approve the new residency affidavit for one 1st grade student for the remainder of the 2023-2024 school year.

First review of School Board Policy 815.2 Use of Social Media by Board Members.

First review of School Board Policy 815.3 Social Media Blocking and Comment Deletion.

A poll of the Board resulted in the following vote:

Yes: 9 Mmes. DiSarro Miller, Ramsey, Stief, Storms; Messrs. Modeste, Okonski, Roberts and Weldele

Motion carried.

ATHLETIC/ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

Mrs. Stief moved, seconded by Ms. Ramsey to approve the overnight field trip, January 25, 2024, through January 26, 2024, with Caleb Deutsch for students in District Chorus, Alan Rochlin, Ellen Rochlin and Angel Bueno-Cruz at Jim Thorpe High School at cost to the district \$515.06

Approve the overnight field trip, February 22, 2024 through February 24, 2024, with Will Wagner for student; Alan Rochlin, for a regional band competition at Eastern York High School in Wrightsville PA. at a cost to the district \$292.00.

Approve the Senior class trip 2025 to Virginia Beach, Virginia to depart May 15, 2025 - May 18, 2025. Students will experience sights, history, ecology and culture. Each student will pay 640.00, which includes Accommodations, Meals, Busch Gardens entry and Transportation costs as outlined.

A poll of the Board resulted in the following vote:

Yes: 9 Mmes. DiSarro Miller, Ramsey, Stief, Storms; Messrs. Modeste, Okonski, Roberts and Weldele

Motion carried.

CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

Mrs. DiSarro moved; Ms. Ramsey seconded to approve the ATSI plan for the 2023-2024 school year.

A poll of the Board resulted in the following vote:

Yes: 9 Mmes. DiSarro Miller, Ramsey, Stief, Storms; Messrs. Modeste, Okonski, Roberts and Weldele

Motion carried.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Ms. Ramsey moved, Mrs. Storms seconded to request to authorize the Superintendent to make employment commitments to qualified applicants for the purpose of filling vacancies that occur after the January 22, 2024 Board meeting with action to be ratified by the School Board at the next official meeting for the remainder of the 2023-24 school year.

Approve Catherine Hartman as a Substitute Accountant for the Food Service Fund at a rate of \$35.48 per hour, effective February 5, 2024.

Ratify a pro-rated stipend of \$1,488.89 for Elizabeth Faust-Shucker for teaching an additional class in the first semester of the 2023-2024 school year, effective September 25, 2023 through January 10, 2024.

Ratify a pro-rated stipend of \$244.44 for Mitizene Lindo-Blake for teaching an additional class in the first semester of the 2023-2024 school year, effective December 18, 2023 through January 10, 2024.

Ratify the addition of Savannah Bowers to the Antietam Sub/Guest teacher list for the remainder of the 2023-2024 School year.

Ratify the addition of Abigail Rochlin to the act 91 sub list

Ratify Wendy Goldman, 6th grade teacher, Master's Step 3, \$54,450.00 with benefits effective January 8, 2024,

Approve Jennifer McCready as mentor to Wendy Goldman for 1/2 year at \$250.00

Accept the letter of resignation from Ashley Brown, 7-12 School Counselor effective December 22, 2023.

Approve Mark Carvalho as 7-12 School Counselor, Master's Step 1 \$51,650.00 with benefits effective January 15, 2024

Approve an additional \$164.00 to Stephanie Scheirer to mentor Mark Carvalho for the additional time for a complete year .

Approve Stephanie Hartman and Danielle Bastain as mentors for Savannah Bowers, KU Reading intern, \$125.00 each for 1/2 year

Approve the unpaid dates for the following staff members:

- o Donna Nuding, full day, 1/5/2024.
- o Chelsea Boudreau, full day, January 26, 2024.

Approve a stipend of \$1,000 for Stephanie Scheirer, MPEC school counselor, to act as PSSA coordinator for grades 4-6 for the 2024 test administration and planning.

Approve a stipend of \$5,000, pro-rotated to days worked with an effective date of February 1st, 2024, for Nicole Schieck for the position of Federal Programs Coordinator for the 2023-2024 school year.

A poll of the Board resulted in the following vote:

Yes: 9 Mmes. DiSarro Miller, Ramsey, Stief, Storms; Messrs. Modeste, Okonski, Roberts and Weldele

Motion carried.

With no further business to discuss Mr. Roberts stated he would entertain a motion to adjourn the meeting Ms. Storms moved Ms. Ramsey seconded, the meeting adjourned at 8:06 pm. Mr. Roberts announced the Board would now go into executive session and they will not reconvene..

Submitted by:



Jennifer Reeves
Board Secretary