

Pine Grove Area School District



Board of School Directors Public Meeting Thursday, March 18, 2021, 5:30 PM
Committee of the Whole Meeting, 6:30 PM Regular Board Meeting.

The Regular Board Meeting will begin no later than 10 minutes beyond the close of the Committee of the Whole Meeting and not before 6:30 pm

Mr. Dave Lukasewicz
Board President

Mr. Heath W. Renninger
Superintendent

Dave Lukasewicz called the Committee of the Whole Meeting to order at 5:30 pm. In attendance were Dave Lukasewicz, Dave Frew, Genavieve Moyer, Randy Stump, Donald E. Brown, Jr., Steve Brill, Heath Renninger, Bernie Kelly, Vince Hoover, Joanne Brindle, Jodie Dermo, Melissa Mekosh, Henry Snyder, Mike Janicelli, Jill Hlavaty, Amanda Daubert, Andy Diehl, Sandy Burns, Rich Dunkelberger, J.T. Herber.

On a motion by D. Brown, seconded by G. Moyer the Board appointed Amanda Daubert to the open at-large seat on the board. **Vote was Unanimous**

COVID 19 – Update. Heath updated the board on the recent numbers which are going down. We are moving from substantial to moderate. All elementary students and middle school students are back in full time. High School Students are still blended except for Fridays. On March 26th K thru 12 students will all be back in school. Heath explained the vaccine process that all staff including bus drivers and cafeteria workers who were interested were able to sign up and be vaccinated or are on the next list to be vaccinated at the end of the month.

Jodie Dermo asked the Board if they would consider a motion at the next meeting to accept payment in lieu of taxes from Swatara State Park in the amount of \$6,263.13, this is something we do every year. This will be added to the agenda under Finance.

ITAC Update – Andy talked about the last ITAC meeting that was held. Faculty member in High School did an overview of a new software. Tested out some new head phones to purchase. Starting on Chromebook procedures for upcoming school year. Need to decide if students can take Chromebooks home over the summer.

Office 365 – Andy gave an update on Office 365 to update the email server. It will be on tonight's agenda for approval. It will be funded through the ESSRS 1 Grant.

Scott Dimon (Virtually) gave an update on how the winter sports ended and how the spring sports are doing. He is in support of the Spring Sports Plan and approving the new Head Golf Coach.

The meeting adjourned at 6:20 PM

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Dave Lukasewicz called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm and announced that the March 18, 2021 School Board Meeting is physically closed to the public due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The meeting is being held virtually by using the ZOOM Webinar platform. The public is invited to attend this virtual meeting by going to www.pgasd.com and following the directions under the School Board Meeting Alert heading. Public comment on the agenda will be accepted by email up to 10 minutes before the official start of the meeting.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

Steve Brill	Donald E. Brown, Jr.	Amanda Daubert	Dave Frew
J.T. Herber	Genavieve Moyer	Wes Ney	Randy Stump
Dave Lukasewicz	Jade Shollenberger, Student Rep.		

In attendance were Heath Renninger, Bernie Kelly, Vince Hoover, Joanne Brindle, Jodie Dermo, Melissa Mekosh, Henry Snyder, Mike Janicelli, Jill Hlavaty, Andy Diehl, Sandy Burns, Rich Dunkelberger.

4. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mike Janicelli read a statement about the March Seniors of the Month – Kira Shollenberger and Damion Williams

Melissa Mekosh read a statement about the March 8th graders of the Month – Sophie Harris and Logan Wamsley

5. **INVITATION TO SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEMS:** During this time, written public comment on agenda items will be accepted electronically via email at public_comment@pgasd.com. All public comments must be posted no later than ten minutes prior to the official start of the meeting on the day of the meeting. Dave Lukasewicz, Board President asked Joanne Brindle Board Secretary if there have been any public comments.

6. BOARD BUSINESS

- A. R. Stump made a motion, seconded by D. Brown to adopt the PSBA Resolution Calling for Charter School Funding Reform. **Vote was Unanimous**
- B. G. Moyer made a motion, seconded by R. Stump to approve the Spring Sports Spectator Plan to follow the health and safety protocols set forth by the Lehigh Valley Health Network and the PIAA in coordination with the Pennsylvania Department of Health, amending #8 to state "concessions are permitted with pre-packaged Items." **Vote was Unanimous**

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. G. Moyer made a motion, seconded by R. Stump for approval of the February 18, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes. **Vote was Unanimous**
- B. D. Brown made a motion, seconded by G. Moyer for approval of the March 11, 2021 Curriculum Committee Meeting Minutes. **Vote was Unanimous**

8. BUILDINGS & GROUNDS *(Dave Frew, Chairperson)*

Informational Item – A Building & Grounds meeting will be held on Thursday, April 8th at 5:30pm. Location to be determined.

Heath announced that Randy Stump and Stump Family would like to purchase and donate to the school district land located above the baseball field. Mr. Stump would like the district to install permanent bathrooms there possibly within a year. After much discussion the land is zoned residential and will need to be rezoned. Randy will try to get the option for right of first refusal if another person puts a bid in on the property to give the Board some time to look into things.

9. CURRICULUM *(Dave Lukasewicz, Chairperson)*

- A. J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by G. Moyer to approve of the Pine Grove Area School District 2021/2022 Calendar. **Vote was Unanimous**

- B. J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by G. Moyer to approve a request for homebound instruction for an elementary student for 5 hours a week beginning as soon as possible and continuing until the end of the school year. **Vote was Unanimous**
 - C. G. Moyer made a motion, seconded by D. Brown for approval of the 2021-2022 High School Course of Study Guide. **Vote was Unanimous**
- G. Moyer asked that core requirements and how students are advised on how to choose their curriculum is reviewed and recommendations made.

10. FINANCE/AUDIT (*Dave Frew– Chairperson*)

- A. D. Frew made a motion, seconded by D. Brown to approve the bills for payment. **Vote was Unanimous**
- B. D. Frew made a motion, seconded by R. Stump to approve the Treasurers' Report. **Vote was Unanimous**
- C. D. Frew made a motion, seconded by G. Moyer to approve the donation from Capital BlueCross in the amount of \$1,500 to be used for health and wellness, supporting distance learning or assisting students and families with social, emotional and academic needs. **Vote was Unanimous**
- D. D. Frew made a motion, seconded by D. Brown to approve the Schuylkill Intermediate Unit 29 Administrative and Program Budget for 2021/2022. **Roll Call Vote 7 yes, 0 no, 1 abstained (Daubert)**
- E. D. Frew made a motion, seconded by G. Moyer to ratify the contract with Dr. Walter Setlock. Dr. Setlock will provide the required medical review of PCA services of individualized education programs (IEP) of students, he will receive ten dollars (\$10.00) for each IEP that he reviews and signs. The contract runs from July 1, 2020 until June 30, 2021. **Vote was Unanimous**
- F. D. Frew made a motion, seconded by G. Moyer to ratify the contract with Margaret Swanson, CRNP. Ms. Swanson will provide the required medical review of PCA services of individualized education programs (IEP) of students, she will receive ten dollars (\$10.00) for each IEP that she reviews and signs. The contract runs from July 1, 2020 until June 30, 2021. **Vote was Unanimous**
- G. D. Frew made a motion, seconded by J.T. Herber to request for Disposition of Assets as found in the Board Packet. The assets will be disposed of as per Board Policy. **Vote was Unanimous**
- H. D. Frew made a motion, seconded by R. Stump to accept payment in lieu of taxes from Swatara State Park in the amount of \$6,263.13. **Vote was Unanimous**

11. EXTRA-CURRICULAR (*Wes Ney, Chairperson*)

- A. J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by R. Stump to approve the following Baseball Coaches for the 2021 season: **Vote was Unanimous**
 - Keith Lehman, Head Coach at a stipend of \$4,207.50
 - Joe Drumheller, Assistant at a split stipend of \$1,350.00
 - Steve Zimmerman, Jr. Assistant at a split stipend of \$1,350.00
 - Jason Gerber, Assistant at a stipend of \$1,800.00
 - Jacob Leininger, Volunteer

- B. J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by D. Frew to approve the following Softball Coaches for the 2021 season: **Vote was Unanimous**
 - Ryan Leffler, Head Coach at a stipend of \$4,016.00
 - Ed Kreiser, Assistant at a stipend of \$2,700.00
 - Katie Deegan, Assistant at a split stipend of \$900.00
 - Joe Barra, Assistant at a split stipend of \$900.00
 - Volunteers: Keandra Koons, Jena Merwine, Morgan Auchenbach, Mark Hindman, pending receipt of all clearances.
- C. J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by R. Stump to approve the following Track & Field Coaches for the 2021 season: **Vote was Unanimous**
 - Emily Daubert, Head Coach at a stipend of \$3,825.00
 - John Gradwell, Assistant at a stipend of \$2,700.00
 - Gerald Salen, Assistant at a split stipend of \$1,350.00
 - Jacob Herring, Assistant at a split stipend of \$1,350.00
 - Volunteers: Brittney Shelton, Jamie Hitz, Kyler Burke, Kris Wilde, Logan Lyons, Michael Elo, Marcus Hughes and Eric Kurtz, pending receipt of all clearances.
- D. J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by D. Frew to hire Chris Coombe as the head golf coach for the 2021 season at a stipend of \$2,700. **Vote was Unanimous**

12. **PERSONNEL** (*David Lukasewicz, Chairperson*)

- A. D. Frew made a motion, seconded by R. Stump to approve the intent to retire from Dale Kintzel from his position as Cleaning Person effective June 11, 2021. **Vote was Unanimous**
- B. D. Brown made a motion, seconded by G. Moyer to accept the letter of resignation from Eric Cofield from his position as custodian effective March 28, 2021. **Vote was Unanimous**
- C. G. Moyer made a motion, seconded by R. Stump to accept the letter of intent to retire from Kenneth Moyer from his position as custodian effective April 30, 2021. **Vote was Unanimous**
- D. S. Brill made a motion, seconded by G. Moyer to add Brandon Strouphauer to the school volunteer list. **Vote was Unanimous**
- E. G. Moyer made a motion, seconded by R. Stump to add Lois Whittemore to the paraprofessional substitute list. **Vote was Unanimous**

13. **POLICY-** (*J.T. Herber, Chairperson*)

- A. J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by R. Stump of the first reading of Policy 103 "Discrimination/Title IX Sexual Harassment Affecting Students." **Vote was Unanimous**
- B. J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by G. Moyer of the first reading of Policy 218.3 "Discipline of Student Convicted/Adjudicated of Sexual Assault." **Vote was Unanimous**
- C. J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by G. Moyer of the first reading of Policy 252 "Dating Violence." **Vote was Unanimous**
- D. J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by R. Stump of the first reading of Policy 113.1 "Discipline of Students with Disabilities." **Vote was Unanimous**
- E. J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by R. Stump of the first reading of Policy 113.2 "Behavior Support." **Vote was Unanimous**
- F. J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by G. Moyer of the first reading of Policy 113.4 "Confidentiality of Special Education Student Information." **Vote was Unanimous**

G. J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by R. Stump of the first reading of Policy 123.2 "Sudden Cardiac Arrest." **Vote was Unanimous**

14. **TRANSPORTATION-** *(Dave Lukasewicz, Chairperson)*

15. **TECHNOLOGY –** *(Donald E. Brown, Jr., Chairperson)*

A. D. Brown made a motion, seconded by G. Moyer to approve the Office 365 Migration Proposal from Global Data Consultants (GDC), Harrisburg with a not to exceed amount of \$15,000. This project will be funded through the CARES Act Grant funding. **Vote was Unanimous**

16. **STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE –** *(Jade Shollenberger, Student Rep.)*

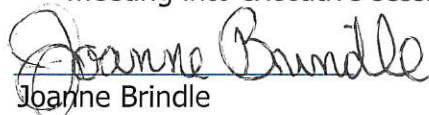
Heath Renninger read Jade's report in her absence.

17. **SCHUYLKILL INTERMEDIATE UNIT REPORT –** *(Dave Frew, Representative)*

Attended the meeting virtually, budget presentation was a big part of it.

18. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** The board is not accepting public comments at this time on non-agenda items. All comments of this nature should be directed to the Superintendent.

19. **ADJOURNMENT –** On a motion by J.T. Herber seconded by R. Stump the Board adjourned the meeting into executive session for a legal matter at 8:25 pm.



Joanne Brindle
Board Secretary