

**POTTSVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING
February 10, 2021
7:00 p.m.**

1. Opening and Pledge of Allegiance

Board President 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 and we will read comments consistent with all aspects of our public comment policy. With our meetings now being conducted virtually until further notice, you can submit comments via the Q & A feature.
- The School Board will strive to answer questions pertaining to the current agenda at the beginning of the school board meeting, in a conscious effort to maintain transparent practices. After the School Board agenda is posted online, questions may be emailed to plombel@pottsville.k12.pa.us by 2:00 PM the day of the meeting. Questions pertaining to the agenda posted online will be answered in the order received for a period not to exceed 30 minutes. If the questions are not able to be answered during the 30-minute period, the School Board will endeavor to answer the questions at the beginning of the next school board meeting. Questions pertaining to confidential personnel matters will not be addressed. Questions that require some research or further inquiry and might not be answered at the current school board meeting. **The question and answer period does not replace the public's current right to public comment.**

2. Public Comment - Are there any public comments at this time?

3. Presentations -

- Mr. Henry Sallusti, RBC Capital Markets -
General Obligation Bonds - Series of 2021

4. It is recommended that the Board approve the January 13, 2021 Board meeting minutes.
Motion to approve as recommended.

5. Financial Reports – Mrs. Corinne Mason, Interim Business Manager

Approval of Financial Reports as of February 10, 2021

1. Treasurer’s Report (All Funds)
2. General Fund Condensed Board Summary Revenue Report
3. General Fund Condensed Board Summary Expenditure Report
4. Cafeteria Condensed Board Summary Report
5. Payment Summary – General Fund, Food Service
6. Budget Transfers

Mrs. Mason would like a motion to approve as recommended.

6. Unfinished Business – Mrs. Corinne Mason – 2021-2022 Budget Update

7. Solicitor’s Report – Kevin Reid, Attorney at Law

8. Acting Superintendent’s Report – Dr. Jared Gerace

It is recommended by the Acting Superintendent that the Board approve the following items as listed:

ACTION

- It is recommended that the Superintendent’s preapproval of the credits indicated for the following professional employees be ratified in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the PASD and the PASDEA:

Kendra Boris	-	3 Credits
Kimberly Edling	-	6 Credits
Christopher Kovaleski	-	6 Credits
Peter McDonald	-	3 Credits

- It is recommended that the Superintendent’s preapproval of the credits indicated for the following Administrative Employee be ratified.

Tiffany Hummel	-	3 Credits
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- It is recommended that the following professional employees be reimbursed as indicated for the successful completion of preapproved credit courses in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the PASD and the PASDEA:

Jeremiah Lynn	-	\$1,548.00
Paula Jones	-	\$1,695.00
Jennifer Kepner	-	\$4,644.00 (9 Credits)
Neil Johnson	-	\$1,725.00

Motion to accept as recommended.

Facilities and Grounds- Mr. Jerome Urban

Transportation - Mrs. Ashley DeWitt

ACTION Finance - Dr. Ann Blankenhorn

It is recommended by the Finance Committee that the Board approve the following items as listed:

1. It is recommended that the Board approves to amend the motion for the settlement agreement between the Pottsville Area School District and the Parents, on behalf of student #211120, effective February 10, 2021.
2. It is recommended that the Board of Directors of the Pottsville Area School District approve the resolution calling for Charter School Funding Reform.

Motion to approve as recommended.

ACTION Personnel - Mrs. Ashley Dewitt

It is recommended by the Personnel Committee that the Board approve the following Personnel items as listed:

1. It is recommended that the Board approve the Family Medical Leave for employee #1107, effective January 29, 2021. All completed paperwork has been received by the District.
2. It is recommended that the Board approve the Family Medical Leave for employee #1025, effective January 18, 2021. All completed paperwork has been received by the District.
3. It is recommended that the Board approve the Family Medical Leave for employee #983, effective January 27, 2021. All completed paperwork has been received by the District.
4. It is recommended that the Board accept the resignation of Daniel Sestilio, bus driver for the Pottsville Area School District, effective January 15, 2021.
5. It is recommended that the Board approve the termination of employee # 1256, effective February 10, 2021. Notification was sent to employee.
6. It is recommended that the Board approve the termination of employee #11, effective February 10, 2021. Notification was sent to employee.
7. It is recommended that the Board approve the following Leave Without Pay as per School Board Policy(s): 334, 434 and 534:
 - o Employee #1537 - lunch aide - January 19, 29, 2021
 - o Employee #888 - cafeteria aide - January 7, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 2021
 - o Employee #1127- cafeteria aide - January 14, 2021
 - o Employee #1349 - lunch aide - January 8, 11, 12, 2021
 - o Employee #1228 - lunch aide - January 25, 2021
 - o Employee #302 - cafeteria aide - February 15, 16, 2021

Motion to approve as recommended.

Promotion, Public Relations & Social Media – Ms. Linda Wytovich

- Congratulations to the following for being named February Rotary Students of the Month: Payton Kleckner and Daniel Braun

ACTION Technology – Mr. Jerome Urban

- It is recommended that the Board accept and award the 2 GB Bundled Internet Services bid from Comcast Business effective July 1, 2021. Monthly amount will total \$2,505.00. Cost to district after 80% eRate discount: \$501.00.

Motion to accept and award as recommended.

Curriculum – Dr. Michael Cardamone

Policy and Procedure – Dr. Christina DiCello

Food Services – Dr. Michael Cardamone

ACTION Labor Relations – Mr. Jerome Urban

1. It is recommended that the Board approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Pottsville Area School District Education Association and the Pottsville Area School District to enter into the following agreement for the Health Savings Account Contributions:
 - 1) 1. Employees who sever their employment prior to any semi-annual District HSA payment will have it pro-rated accordingly.
 - 2) Newly hired Bargaining Unit Employees shall receive the full contractual District HSA contribution regardless of their date of hire.
 - 3) This agreement shall become part and parcel of the collective Bargaining Agreement between the Parties.
2. It is recommended that the Board approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Pottsville Area School District Education Association and the Pottsville Area School District to enter into the following agreement for President’s Day Holiday 2021:
 - 1) The Association shall permit the District to utilize Monday, February 15, 2021 as a make-up instructional day for students.
 - 2) All Bargaining Unit Members in the Pottsville Area School District Education Association Bargaining Unit shall work or utilize appropriate leave on Monday, February 15, 2021.
 - 3) All Bargaining Unit Members who are guaranteed a paid holiday on Monday, February 15, 2021 shall receive a paid floating holiday to be use prior to April 30, 2021.

3. It is recommended that the Board approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Pottsville Area Educational Support Personnel Association and the Pottsville Area School District to enter into the following agreement for President's Day Holiday 2021:
 - 1) The Association shall permit the District to utilize Monday, February 15, 2021 as a make-up instructional day for students.
 - 2) All Bargaining Unit Members in the Pottsville Area Educational Support Personnel Association Bargaining Unit shall work or utilize appropriate leave on Monday, February 15, 2021.
 - 3) All Bargaining Unit Members who are guaranteed a paid holiday on Monday, February 15, 2021 shall receive a paid floating holiday to be use prior to April 30, 2021.
4. It is recommended that the Board approve the Vision Agreement between the Pottsville Area School District and the PSEA Health and Welfare Fund, effective March 1, 2021. Term of agreement is 16 months with a renewal date of July 1, 2022. Monthly contribution: Single \$3.37, Family \$7.97.

Motion to approve as recommended.

10. Information Board Member Reports
 1. Legislation – Mr. Patrick Moran
 2. IU 29 Representative – Dr. Michael Cardamone
 3. St. Clair Committee – Dr. Michael Cardamone
 4. PSBA Representative – Dr. Ann Blankenhorn

11. New Business

1. It is recommended that the Board approve the following Use of Facilities:

HS

1- High School Little Theater

Drama Club Rehearsal

2:45-4:30 on the following dates:

1/25/21, 2/1/21, 2/8/21, 2/18/21, 2/22/21, 3/1/21

3/11/21, 3/15/21, 3/22/21

2 - High School Wachter Auditorium

Drama Club Rehearsal

2:45-4:30 on the following dates:

2/2/2021, 2/4/2021, 2/9/2021, 2/11/2021, 2/16/2021, 2/23/2021, 2/25/2021,

3/4/2021, 3/9/2021

3/11/2021, 3/16/2021, 3/18/2021, 3/22/2021, 3/23/2021, 3/25/2021, 3/29/2021

5:45-8:00 on the following date:

3/8/2021

3 - High School Wachter Auditorium

PAHS Winter Concert (Choir and Band)
3:00-8:00 on the following dates:
1/27/21 & 1/28/21

4- High School Track & Surrounding Grounds

American Cancer Society Relay for Life

Friday July 30, 2021 12:00-10:00PM

Motion to approve as recommended.

12. Announcement of Executive Session
13. Adjournment - **Motion to adjourn as recommended.**