

PEQUEA VALLEY SCHOOL BOARD
Monthly Meeting
August 14, 2025

The monthly meeting of the Pequea Valley School Board was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by President Bryant Ferris in the District Office Board Room. Members present were Mike Hartmann, Fred Hertzler, Freida Huyard, Ben Ingles, Steve Riehl, Casey Rohrer, and Steve Temple. Absent: Michael Fisher. Also, present were Erik Orndorff, Rich Eby, John Bowden, Cathy Koenig, John Trovato, Ashley Bottiglieri, Dustin Russum, Dan Sauder, Marcella Peyre-Ferry, Ellen Geisel, Vicki Hoover, and Dawn Twardowski.

School Board Recognition – Recognition of Vicki Hoover for 24 years of service at Pequea Valley.

Participation by the Public – Dan Sauder expressed to the Board his excitement for his children to attend the new Secondary School.

Liaison Reports

- Curriculum and Instruction – Steve Temple
- Facilities and Grounds – Fred Hertzler
- First Choice – Mike Hartmann
- IU 13 Board of Directors – Mike Fisher
- Superintendent – Erik Orndorff

Approval of Minutes:

On a motion by Mrs. Rohrer and a second by Mr. Temple, the Board approved the August 5, 2025, Committee Meeting minutes.

Motion carried: Voting yes: Ferris, Hartmann, Hertzler, Huyard, Ingles, Riehl, Rohrer, Temple; No: 0; Absent: Fisher.

Chief Of Finance & Operations Recommendations:

On a motion by Mr. Riehl and a second by Mr. Hartmann, the Board approved the following Consent Agenda Items A-D. (rc)

- A. A Special Education contract with Lampeter-Strasburg School District for one life skills student for the 2025-2026 school year in the amount of \$18,150.
- B. An agreement with Soliant Health, LLC to provide Social Worker Services 2-3 days a week for the 2025-2026 school year at a cost of \$85.00 per hour for a minimum of 22.5 hours per week, to be paid through the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD) grant.
- C. A contract with Siemens Industry, Inc. to provide automation services district-wide from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026, at a cost of \$83,600.
- D. Memorandums of Understanding between PVSD and The Factory Ministries, July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026, for the following shared positions:
 - Full-time Director of Early Learning, Family Outreach Advocate and programming, not to exceed \$113,497 funded through the Ready to Learn grant.
 - Director of Elementary Advocacy, not to exceed \$15,000, funded through Title IV.
 - Adult Advocate, not to exceed \$25,000, funded through Title I.

Superintendent Recommendations:

On a motion by Mr. Riehl and a second by Mrs. Huyard, approval was given for the following Consent Agenda Items A-B. (rc)

- A. Approval of the following Board Policy:

- 237 Electronic Devices

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B. Personnel.

Elementary Building Academic/Recess/Cafeteria/Assistants and School Nurse Assistant:

- Isabella Biddle
- Madelyn Kauffman
- David Nazario
- Leyah Ray
- Abigail Ritter
- Danielle Sensenig
- Megan Wenger
- Jonah Zink

Extracurricular Resignations:

Michael Eckersley, Marching Band Assistant Director, effective July 21, 2025.

Extracurricular Appointment:

Raymond Lucera, Marching Band Assistant Director, \$2,250, effective for the 2025-26 school year.

Catherine Hackett, Girls' Junior Varsity Head Soccer Coach, \$1,125, effective for the 2025-26 school year.

Motion carried: Voting yes: Ferris, Hartmann, Hertzler, Huyard, Ingles, Riehl, Rohrer, Temple; No: 0; Absent: Fisher.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. John Bowden updated the Board on the 2021 and 2022 bond issue; there will be approximately six million dollars left to use for Phase II of the project.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Agenda topics for September 2, 2025, Committee meeting
- Phase II Building Project Update
 - Current Kindergarten Enrollment
 - Start of School Year Update

ADJOURNMENT

No further business was presented, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

Bryant Ferris
President

John A. Bowden
Secretary