

## PEN ARGYL AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

January 18, 2022

A meeting of the Pen Argyl Area School Board was held in the Wind Gap Middle School, Russell H. Roper Auditorium at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday January 18, 2022 with Mrs. Lisa Hackman, President, presiding.

Roll Call - Those present were: Mrs. Christine Albanese, Mr. John Dally, Jr., Mr. Darrin Evans, Mr. Ethan Habrial, Mrs. Lisa Hackman, Mrs. Heather Hahn, Mr. Jason Keenhold, and Mr. Jeff Moyer. Absent was Mrs. Megan Pultz. Also present were: Student Representative Graham Rose, Student Representative Hannah Bonanducci, Mr. Walter Schlegel, Jr., Mrs. Jamie Achenbach and Mr. Alan McFall.

Student Representatives, Graham Rose and Hannah Bonanducci, updated the Board on activities at the High School including the Prom being scheduled for April 30, 2022, the winter semiformal, a new sign for the High School and the Senior Dinner Dance. They also shared that Senior Day is January 19, 2022 for wrestling and cheerleading, that the cheerleaders placed first in districts and Senior Day is February 3, 2022 for swimming. They also included that marking period 2 ends on January 19, 2022.

2020/21 Technology Year End Report – Mr. Dave Ifkovits shared the 20/21 technology year end report with the Board.

2022/23 Act I Budget Resolution – Mrs. Jamie Achenbach explained that the Administration is recommending staying within our Act 1 Index and therefore would need to pass a Resolution stating as such.

EBTEP Audit Report – Mrs. Achenbach presented the Audit Report to the Board.

COVID 19 Case Update – Mr. Schlegel updated the Board on cases at each building. It is likely that Plainfield Elementary will need to extend their masking requirement. He also shared that a joint meeting was held with IU#20 Superintendents and Doctors from St. Luke's. In that meeting, St. Luke's shared with the group that they felt under current conditions, contract tracing was not recommended. St. Luke's also provided the opinion that schools should not close, students need to be in school and, in the end, we are going to have to live with this situation.

Approval of Minutes – Mrs. Hahn moved, seconded by Mr. Keenhold and unanimously carried to approve the Board Minutes of November 16, 2021 and December 7, 2021.

Treasurer's Report – Mr. Evans moved, seconded by Mr. Moyer and unanimously carried to approve the Treasurer's Report of January 12, 2022.

Budget Report – The report of the General Fund showing revenues received, expenditures, encumbrances and balances as of January 12, 2022 was presented to the Board.

Cafeteria Reports – The Cafeteria Reports for the months of October 2021 and November 2021 were presented to the Board.

Student Activity Fund Report – The report of the Student Activity Fund showing balances, revenues and expenditures for the period of July 1, 2021 to January 1, 2022 was presented to the Board.

Approval of Payment of Bills – Mr. Dally moved, seconded by Mrs. Hahn and carried to approve the payment of bills for January 2022.

The motion carried with one nay vote for payment of checks 79977 and 79979 (Habrial).

Buildings and Grounds Committee – Mr. Dally updated the Board on items discussed at the January 12, 2022 meeting including the HVAC punch list, no bids were received for the cupola project and it went out to rebid, the track project timeline has been reviewed and revised, and a storage building at the middle school. The next meeting is scheduled for February 9, 2022 at 6:45 p.m. at Plainfield Elementary.

Athletic Committee – Mr. Evans shared with the Board that the next meeting is scheduled for February 9, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at Plainfield Elementary.

Technology Committee – Mr. Habrial shared with the Board that the next meeting is scheduled for January 20, 2022 at the Wind Gap Middle School Home-Ec room.

Curriculum Committee – Mr. Moyer shared with the Board that the next meeting is scheduled for March 3, 2022 at 3:30 p.m.

Public Comment – There was no public comment.

Salary Classification Changes – Mr. Evans moved, seconded by Mr. Habrial and unanimously carried to approve the following changes in salary classification:

| <u>Name</u>        | <u>From Class</u> | <u>Step</u> | <u>To Class</u> | <u>Salary</u>       | <u>Effective</u> |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------------|-----------------|---------------------|------------------|
| Jennifer Eppley    | 2                 | 3           | 3               | \$52,025 (prorated) | 12/14/21         |
| Madeline Henderson | 2                 | 3           | 3               | \$52,025 (prorated) | 12/20/21         |
| Kristy Harrison    | 2                 | 4           | 3               | \$52,425 (prorated) | 12/20/21         |

Request for Family Medical Leave – Mr. Evans moved, seconded by Mr. Habrial and unanimously carried to approve the following request for Family Medical Leave:

| <u>Name</u>     | <u>Position</u> | <u>Effective</u> |
|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Breelyn Shugars | Teacher - WGMS  | 5/17/22-5/17/23  |

Resignation – Mr. Evans moved, seconded by Mr. Habrial and unanimously carried to approve the following resignation:

| <u>Name</u>    | <u>Position</u>  | <u>Effective</u> |
|----------------|------------------|------------------|
| Glenn Chromiak | District Courier | 01/17/22         |

Change of Classification – Mr. Evans moved, seconded by Mr. Habrial and unanimously carried to approve the following change of classification:

| <u>Name</u>    | <u>Position</u>   | <u>Replacing</u> | <u>Salary</u> | <u>Effective</u> |
|----------------|---|------------------|---------------|------------------|
| Glenn Chromiak | PT Night Custodian/<br>Van Driver to<br>FT Night Custodian/<br>Van Driver | Jared Alfred     | \$25.68/hr    | 01/18/22         |

Approval of 2022/23 Act 1 Budget Resolution – Mr. Dally moved, seconded by Mr. Keenhold and unanimously carried to approve the attached 2022/23 Act 1 Budget Resolution.

Approval of Staff/Coaching Van Drivers – Mr. Dally moved, seconded by Mr. Keenhold and unanimously carried to approve the following staff/coaching van drivers for the 2021/22 school year:

Thomas Mertz  
Gary Rute  
Bryan Eckhart

Request for Conference Approval – Mr. Habrial moved, seconded by Mrs. Hahn and unanimously carried that approval be granted for interested Board members and administrators to attend the 2022 Pennsylvania School Board Academy.

Adoption of 2022/23 School Calendar - Included with this agenda is the 2022/23 School Calendar. It allows five (5) remote learning days (Flexible Instructional Days). The following calendar adjustments may be made on an as-needed basis:

Any days not utilized as remote learning days or exceeding the five (5) day limit will be added to the end of the school year.

Mr. Evans moved, seconded by Mr. Moyer and unanimously carried to approve to adopt the 2022/23 School Calendar.

Administrative/Board Comments – Mrs. Albanese provided a CIT update.

Mr. Schlegel thanked the Board for their service. He stated that January is Board Recognition Month and that each Board Member had a plaque at their seat recognizing their service to our District.

Adjournment - Mrs. Hackman declared the meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.