

PEQUEA VALLEY SCHOOL BOARD

Monthly Meeting November 11, 2021

The monthly meeting of the Pequea Valley School Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Bryant Ferris in the District Office Board Room. Members present were Christian Brackbill, Mike Hartmann, Fred Hertzler, Jane Horst, Ben Ingles, Tim Malloy, Steve Riehl, and Steve Temple. Also present were Erik Orndorff, Rich Eby, John Bowden, Derek Sweigart, Cathy Koenig, Gavin Scalyer, John Trovato, Amy Koberstein, Christy Collins, Sheri McGowan, Rick Esche, Micah Byler, Rob Fischer, Shana Stoltzfus, Marlin and Freida Huyard, Angie and Peyton Haley, Jason Myer, Kevin Buzzard, Glenda Byler, Dan Sauder, Robyn Spirito, Kim Stoltzfus, Jen and Liana Rogers, Gary and Melissa Warmiak, Elizabeth Good, Terry Martin, Twila Gehman, Jenny Hough, Brandon Wise, Arlan, Dana and Breanne Beiler, Marcella Peyre Ferry, Evan and Samantha Hoover, Jamiel and Natalie Smoker, Mandee Culp, Deb Smoker, Angie Martin, Jeff Hoover, Lisa Myer, Sharon and Joe Williams, Christy Fieldsa, Heather Zynn, Amy Waters, Danielle Andrew, Dennis and Jackie Donohue, and Rosetta Petersheim.

An Executive Session was held before the November 11, 2021, Board meeting for personnel issues.

School Board Recognition – The softball team was recognized as Section and District III Champs. The gold team, girls' soccer team, and boys' soccer team were recognized as Section Champs.

Participation by the Public – The following people addressed the Board regarding the mask and/or vaccine mandates: Rob Fischer, Narvon; Gary Warmiak, Paradise; Elizabeth Good, Gap; Brandon Wise, Kinzers; Jamiel Smoker, Gap; Mandee Culp, Gap; Angie Martin, New Holland; Heather Zynn, Narvon; Amy Waters, Intercourse; Danielle Andrew, Kinzers. Christy Fieldsa spoke about the mask and vaccine mandats and Board emails. Jason Myer spoke about First Choice and the vaccine mandate.

Liaison Reports –

- Facilities & Grounds – Fred Hertzler
- First Choice Team / 339 Plan – Mike Hartmann
- IU 13 Board of Directors – Christian Brackbill
- Extracurricular Activities – Jane Horst
- Lancaster County CTC – Tim Malloy
- Technology & Curriculum – Steve Temple
- Superintendent's Report – Erik Orndorff

Approval of Minutes:

On a motion by Mr. Malloy and a second by Mr. Hertzler, the Board approved the November 2, 2021, Committee Meeting minutes.

Motion carried: Voting yes: Brackbill, Ferris, Hartmann, Hertzler, Horst, Ingles, Malloy, Riehl, Temple; No: 0; Absent: 0.

Chief of Finance and Operations:

On a motion by Mr. Brackbill and a second by Mr. Hartmann, approval was given to pull out the motion for the Geothermal design as an alternate.

Motion carried: Voting yes: Brackbill, Ferris, Hartmann, Hertzler, Horst, Ingles, Malloy, Riehl, Temple; No: 0; Absent: 0.

On a motion by Mr. Malloy and a second by Mr. Riehl, approval was given to amend the geothermal design motion and only approve the Test Bore Investigation (Reith Geothermal Energy) to include architectural fees of \$608.00 and consultant fees of \$55,330. (rc)

Motion carried: Voting yes: Brackbill, Ferris, Hartmann, Hertzler, Horst, Ingles, Malloy, Riehl, Temple; No: 0; Absent: 0.

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

- Approval of the Central Penn College Articulation Agreement, effective September 2021 through September 2023.
- Approval to add on the recruiting and hiring module to our existing Frontline agreement, at a cost as follows:
 - Initial Cost \$8,322.37
 - Recurring Cost \$6,820.80
- A community sale of out-of-service and expired warranty technology equipment that is no longer in use.
- To extend the contract with Navigate360 Emergency Management Suite for three years, at a total cost of \$25,850, funded through the ESSER III grant.
- To commit \$5,300,000 to future capital projects.

Superintendent Recommendations:

On a motion by Mr. Temple and a second by Mr. Hartmann, approval was given for the following Consent Agenda Item A. (rc)

- Personnel.

Resignation:

Kati Pusey, School Psychologist, effective December 17, 2021 (resignation date was October 20, 2021, but district will hold for 60 days).

Change in Position:

Katie Fritz, from School Counselor at PVIS to School Psychologist, effective date to be determined based on hiring of counselor position.

Motion carried: Voting yes: Brackbill, Ferris, Hartmann, Hertzler, Horst, Ingles, Malloy, Riehl, Temple; No: 0; Absent: 0.

Old Business

A. Vaccine Resolution

On a motion by Mr. Hartmann and a second by Mr. Malloy, the Board voted to amend the proposed vaccine resolution.

Motion carried: Voting yes: Brackbill, Ferris, Hartmann, Hertzler, Horst, Ingles, Malloy, Riehl, Temple; No: 0; Absent: 0.

On a motion by Mr. Ingles and a second by Mr. Riehl, approval was given to adopt the amended vaccine resolution.

Motion carried: Voting yes: Brackbill, Ferris, Hartmann, Hertzler, Horst, Ingles, Malloy, Riehl, Temple; No: 0; Absent: 0.

New Business

A. Mr. Malloy stated how honored he was to serve as a School Board member.

B. Mr. Temple spoke in appreciation of Mr. Malloy and thanked him for his service.

C. Mr. Hertzler asked a question regarding STEM.

D. Agenda Topics for the December 7, 2021, Committee meeting:

- General Fund / Capital Reserve Budget Updates
- Building Update
- AP Government Course Presentation
- Mask Resolution

No further business was presented, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:44 p.m.

Bryant Ferris
President

John A. Bowden
Secretary