

Pine Grove Area School District



**Regular Board Meeting Minutes
January 16, 2025
Middle School Library**

**Mr. Dave Lukasewicz
Board President**

**Mr. Heath W. Renninger
Superintendent**

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Meeting was called to order by Board President Dave Lukasewicz at 6:30 pm.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. **ROLL CALL**

Donald E. Brown, Jr.	Amanda Daubert(by phone)	Dave Frew
J.T. Herber	Genavieve Moyer(by phone)	
Sascha Primeau(by Phone)	Lauren Potter	Randy Stump
Dave Lukasewicz		

Others in Attendance: Students of the month and parents, Heath Renninger, Jodie Dermo, Mike Janicelli, Rich Dunkelberger and Bill Kimber.

4. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Heath Renninger, Dave Lukasewicz, Mike Janicelli and Rich Dunkelberger honored: December Seniors of the Month – Gabby Kroh and Victoria Luckenbach
January Seniors of the Month – Claire Balmer and Jackson Ludwig
December 8th Graders of the Month – Holly Fisher and Joseph Matuella
January 8th Graders of the Month – Ava Behrent and Chase Moser

5. **BOARD BUSINESS**

- A. Heath presented a plaque of recognition to each board member and thanked them for their service.
- B. R. Stump made a motion, seconded by D. Brown to approve the 2025 Committees of the Pine Grove Area Board of Directors as found in the Board Packet. **Vote was Unanimous**
- C. R. Stump made a motion, seconded by D. Brown to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Pine Grove Area Education Association and Pine Grove Area School District for Payment of Credits. This MOU shall be in effect until June 30, 2025. **Vote was Unanimous with 1 abstention (Herber)**

INFORMATIONAL ITEM: The scheduled April 17, 2025 School Board Meeting will now be combined with the Committee of the Whole Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 15, 2025. The meeting will begin at 5:30 pm with the Cow Meeting and the Board Meeting to follow. The Board meeting will start no later than 6:30 pm.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Approval of the November 19, 2024 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes, November 21, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes and December 3, 2024 Reorganization/General Purposes Meeting.

8. BUILDINGS & GROUNDS – *Dave Frew, Chairperson*

On a motion by R. Stump, seconded by D. Brown, the Board approved Items A through C. **Vote was Unanimous**

- A. Approval to commit an additional \$850,000 of fund balance for the proposed project in the Public School Environmental Repairs Program grant application.
- B. Approval to contract services with Moyer Electronics Inc. to replace the elementary cafeteria/gym sound system. Moyer Electronics Inc. will also provide and install a sound acoustical treatment at a cost not to exceed \$98,400.00. This is a COSTAR contract 034-E24-219 purchase. The cost will be taken from the capital projects account.
- C. Approval to authorize the Administration to award to the lowest responsible bidder a contract for the High School Asbestos Abatement/Demolition portion of the Public School Environmental Repairs Program Grant Project. This award is subject to Solicitor review and board ratification at its next public full board meeting.

9. CURRICULUM – *Genavieve Moyer, Chairperson*

10. FINANCE/AUDIT – *Dave Frew, Chairperson*

On a motion by R. Stump, seconded by D. Brown, the Board approved Items A through D. **Vote was Unanimous**

- A. Approval of the bills for payment.
- B. Approval of the treasurer's report.
- C. Approval to adopt the resolution indicating the Board of School Directors will not raise the rate of any tax for the support of the public schools for the fiscal year 2025-2026 by more than its index as calculated by the Pennsylvania Department of Education.
- D. Approval to allow Portnoff Law Associates, LTD to move forward with the writs of execution for Parcels: 67-01-0033 and 67-01-0006.002

11. EXTRA-CURRICULAR – *Randy Stump, Chairperson*

On a motion by R. Stump, seconded by D. Brown the Board approved Item A. **Vote was Unanimous**

- A. Approval of the 2025 Fall Head Coaches:
Dave Shiffer, Football at a stipend of \$5,500

Marvin Weber, Boys' Soccer at a stipend of \$5,775
Andy Haas, Girls' Soccer at a stipend of \$5,500
Melissa Broy, Cheerleading at a stipend of \$5,500
Lynn Delinko, Cross County at a stipend of \$5,500
Josh Zelinsky, Golf at a stipend of \$3,300
David Mease, Archery at a stipend of \$2,090

12. PERSONNEL – Dave Lukasewicz, Chairperson

On a motion by J.T. Herber, seconded by R. Stump the Board approved Items A through J. **Vote was Unanimous**

- A. Approval to ratify hiring Brittney Harner as Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent. Brittney will begin on January 27, 2025 and will be paid \$53,500 pro-rated and receive any benefits as per the Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent Contract.
- B. Approval to ratify accepting the letter of resignation from Devon Smith from her position as English Teacher in the high school effective December 20, 2024.
- C. Approval to ratify accepting the letter of resignation from Dillon Kintzel from his position as Business/Tech Education Teacher in the high school effective December 20, 2024.
- D. Approval to ratify accepting the resignation of Patrick Huben from his position as Utility Worker effective Jan. 07, 2025.
- E. Approval to ratify hiring Craig Kramer as a Cleaning Person effective December 16, 2024. Craig will be paid \$13.00 per hour and receive all benefits in accordance with the AFSCME contract.
- F. Approval to ratify hiring the following staff for the Achieve Program/Cohort 12: Amber Holland, Renee Hughes, Donna Medieros, Faith Myers, Joelle Bretz, Cindy Moyer. Substitutes: Nikkole Brown, Shandra Allar, Melissa Masser, Christine VanTries.
- G. Approval to ratify adding Abe Hitz and Joanne Brindle to the list of game workers.
- H. Approve Lauren Thompson as the Pine Grove Area Medical Access Funds Coordinator at a stipend of \$2,500 per year. This will be paid with Medical Access Funds.
- I. Approval to grant Maternity Leave/FMLA Leave to Victoria Krumanacker beginning with Intermittent Leave for doctors' appointments when she has used all of her paid leave and then when she delivers until the end of the 2024-2025 school year.
- J. Approval of the following volunteer: Brooke Bowers

13. POLICY – J.T. Herber, Chairperson

14. **TRANSPORTATION** – *Lauren Potter, Chairperson*

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

A. D. Brown made a motion, seconded by J.T. Herber to file E-rate to upgrade our wireless controllers along with our wireless access points. The e-rate proposal will include replacing both ruckus controllers and 152 ruckus access points. Our e-rate discount is around 70% coverage. **Vote was Unanimous**

16. **STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE** – *Alexis Butler*

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

18. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

19. **ADJOURNMENT** – On a motion by R. Stump, seconded by D. Brown the Board adjourned at 7:05 pm.

Joanne Brindle
Board Secretary