

# *Pine Grove Area School District*



## **Regular Board Meeting Minutes February 20, 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 6:30pm.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. **ROLL CALL**

Donald E. Brown, Jr.	Amanda Daubert	<del>Dave Frew</del>	J.T. Herber
Genavieve Moyer	Sascha Primeau	Lauren Potter (6:38)	Randy Stump
Dave Lukasewicz	Alexis Butler, Student Rep		

Others in Attendance: Heath Renninger, Jodie Dermo, Brittney Harner, Sandy Burns, Mike Janicelli, Rich Dunkelberger, Corey Mentzer, Bill Kimber, Scott Dimon, Joshua Lisi, Keith Lehman, Allison Fisher and her Mom, Dad, and sister, Eve Kurtz and her Mom, Coaches, friends/teammates, and Ashley Wamsley and her Mom., Shane Hall and his parents.

4. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Dave Lukasewicz, Mike Janicelli, and Heath Renninger honored November Senior of the month, Shane Hall, and February Seniors of the Month – Allison Fisher and Eve Kurtz

Dave Lukasewicz, Rich Dunkelberger, and Heath Renninger honored February 8<sup>th</sup> Graders of the Month – Alexander Kelley (not present) and Ashley Wamsley

Heath gave an update on flexible instruction days. We are allowed five flexible instruction days. We have used four of those five so far, we are eligible for one more. Any days beyond that will be make-up days.

5. **BOARD BUSINESS**

**Motion was made by D. Brown, seconded by L. Potter to go into Executive Session to discuss Personnel at 6:41pm. The meeting resumed at 7:15pm.**

6. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

7. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. G. Moyer made a motion, seconded by A. Daubert to approve the January 14, 2025 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes, the January 16, 2025 Board

**Vote was Unanimous**

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

- A. D. Brown made a motion, seconded by A. Daubert to approve contracting D's Painting Services to provide labor and materials to paint the ceiling and select areas of the Elementary School Gym/Cafeteria for a cost not to exceed \$16,940.00. This work will be completed prior to the ceiling acoustical sound treatment and the cost will be taken from the Capital Projects Fund.

**Vote was Unanimous**

**9. CURRICULUM – Genavieve Moyer, Chairperson**

- G. Moyer made a motion, seconded by S. Primeau to approve items A through D.

**Vote was Unanimous**

- A. A motion is requested to approve the revised 2024/2025 School District Calendar.
- B. A motion is requested to approve the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade Middle School Band and Musical students to attend a field trip in New York City on March 26, 2025.
- C. A motion is requested to approve the High School Travel Club members trip to Lewes, Delaware from Friday, April 4, 2025 to Saturday, April 5, 2025 for the purpose of whale watching.
- D. A motion is requested to approve the High School Course of Studies Guide for the 2025-2026 school year.

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

- J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by G. Moyer to approve items A through C.

**Vote was Unanimous**

- A. Approval of the bills for payment.
- B. Approval of the treasurer's report.
- C. Approval of the Application for Payment in Lieu of Taxes for the Swatara Gap State Park.

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

- R. Stump made a motion, seconded by D. Brown to approve items A through F.

**Vote was Unanimous**

- A. A motion is requested to approve the purchase of a Fully Automated Timing System, bronze package, from Lynx Finishing Systems, Haverhill MA at a cost of \$12,655. This cost is being funded through the 2024-2025 approved budget for athletics.

- B. A motion is requested to approve the purchase of a new Flex 3 – Resi-Lock Mat from Resilite Sports Products, Inc, Northumberland PA at a cost of \$13,340.84. This cost will be funded through the 2025-2026 approved budget for athletics.
- C. A motion is requested to approve a \$6,500 donation from The Pine Grove Area Wrestling Booster Club to be used towards the purchase of a new Wrestling mat.
- D. Approval of the following softball assistants for the 2025 season:
  - Edward Kreiser at a stipend of \$3,465
  - Scott Delinko at a split stipend of \$1,650
  - Trish Kopinetz at a split stipend of \$1,650
  - Joe Barra at a split stipend of \$1,100
  - Selina Daubert at a split stipend of \$1,100
- E. Approval of the following baseball assistants for the 2025 season:
  - Joe Drumheller at a split stipend of \$1,650
  - Todd Lengle at a split stipend of \$1,1650
  - Bob McDonald at a split stipend of \$1,650
  - Hunter Heim at a split stipend of \$1,650
  - Jordan Lehman at a stipend of \$2,200
  - Volunteers: Steve Zimmerman, Jr., Jeff Miller, and Jacob Leininger
- F. Approval of the following track and field assistants for the 2025 season:
  - Jarrod Sprecher at a stipend of \$3,300
  - Jacob Herring at a split stipend of \$1,650
  - Gerald Salen at a split stipend of \$1,732.50
  - Volunteer: Kris Wilde

President Dave Lukasewicz made a comment that all coaches are put on yearly contracts. The Boys Basketball program completed their season and the coaches were paid. The decision was made to post the position, and all coaches have the right to reapply for the next season.

**12. PERSONNEL – Dave Lukasewicz, Chairperson**

- R. Stump made a motion, seconded by G. Moyer to approve items A through G.  
**Vote was Unanimous**

- A. A motion is requested to ratify the hiring of Julianne Vuksta for the position of Special Education Teacher. Julianne will be placed at Masters, Step 20 - \$68,335, and be assigned to the Elementary School. Her start date was Monday, February 10, 2025.
- B. A motion is requested to ratify the hiring of Kaelen Wessner for the position of Utility Worker. Kaelen will be paid \$15.00 per hour and receive all benefits in accordance to the current AFSCME contract. Kaelen's start date was Monday, January 27, 2025.
- C. A motion is requested to hire Kristian Plazola for the position of Custodian. Kristian will be paid \$15.00 per hour and receive all benefits in accordance to the current AFSCME contract. Kristian's start date is pending clearances.

- D. A motion is requested to hire Amber Kreis for the position of Paraprofessional I. Amber will be paid \$12.35 per hour and receive all benefits in accordance to the current AFSCME contract.
- E. A motion is requested to hire Caitlin Seiverling for the position of Paraprofessional I. Caitlin will be paid \$12.35 per hour and receive all benefits in accordance to the current AFSCME contract.
- F. A motion is requested to hire Megan Rissler for the position of Paraprofessional I. Megan will be paid \$12.35 per hour and receive all benefits in accordance to the current AFSCME contract.
- G. Approval of the following volunteers: Kaylee Bender, Nicole Daub, Mary Quinlan, Angela Lengle, Heather Pritiskutch, Jaclinn Wagner, Jessica Brase and Beverly Spittler

13. **POLICY** – *J.T. Herber, Chairperson*

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

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


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

Alexis gave a PowerPoint presentation on what is happening within the Elementary, Middle and High Schools.

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

18. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** – Wyatt Snyder of Pine Grove, who is a current student and Keith Lehman of Pine Grove both voiced comments and concerns of the happenings of the High School Boys Basketball program.

19. **ADJOURNMENT** – On a motion by G. Moyer, seconded by R. Stump the Board adjourned the meeting at 7:52pm.

  
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Brittney Harner, Board Secretary