Pine Grove Area School Districz



Board of School Directors Public Meeting
Thursday, April 11, 2019
5:30 PM Committee of the Whole Meeting
6:30 PM Regular Board Meeting
Pine Grove Area Middle School
Pine Grove, PA 17963

Dr. Evelyn Wassel Mr. Heath W. Renninger Board President Superintendent

CALL TO ORDER – E. Wassel called the Committee of the Whole Meeting to order at 5:35 pm.

In attendance: Heath Renninger, Joanne Brindle, Jodie Dermo, Michael Janicelli, Melissa Mekosh, Sandra. Burns, Pamela Watts, Henry Snyder, Andrea Hatter, Kim Pribilla, Jodie Dermo, Scott Dimon, Steve Brill, Bernie Kelly, J.T. Herber, Dave Frew, Evelyn Wassel, Dave Lukasewicz, Alethea Wessner, Randy Stump, Brodie Lyons, Judy Kielobowski.

Heath introduced Brodie Lyons, a Boy Scout who will be writing a report on the meeting to help earn a badge.

Evelyn talked about the resolution the Board will be voting on tonight on Statewide Cyber Charter School Funding Reform.

Dishwasher Replacement – Henry explained that the dishwasher is from 1969 in the middle school and needs replaced. Dave Frew asked if they tried looking at leasing or other cheaper options. The motions will be taken off and researched more.

Municipal Revenue Services Non -Renewal - after some discussion Dave Frew made a motion, seconded by Dave Lukasewicz to put a motion on the board agenda to cease services. Vote was Unanimous

A+ Teachers Renewal Agreement – A+ is willing to give us the same rate that we are currently paying for the next two years. Dave Frew made a motion, seconded by J.T. Herber to put this motion on the board agenda to approve.

Vote was Unanimous

Revised Budget Calendar – Jodie revised the calendar for one more finance meeting, then preliminary adoption and final adoption in June. Dave Frew thanked everyone who attends the finance meeting and talked about possibly adding the assistant high school position in the budget. Heath Renninger said tonight we will ask the Board for permission to create the position. The Board had a bit of discussion on the need for the assistant principal.

Meeting adjourned at 6:16 pm.

1. CALL TO ORDER - Evelyn Wassel Board President called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

Steve Brill Donald E. Brown, Jr. (Absent)

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Dave Frew

Dave Lukasewicz

Wes Ney (Absent)

J.T. Herber Dave Lukasewicz Wes Ney (Abse Randy Stump Alethea Wessner Evelyn Wassel

Hannah Reiter, Student Representative

Others in Attendance: Heath Renninger, Jodie Dermo, Joanne Brindle, Dawson Ibarra with parents, grandparents, siblings and aunts and uncles, Brianna Betz with parents, aunts and uncles, friends, Joshua Mumma with mom, Heath Renninger, Joanne Brindle, Jodie Dermo, Michael Janicelli, Melissa Mekosh, Sandra Burns, Pamela Watts, Henry Snyder, Andrea Hatter, Kim Pribilla, Tom Pribilla, Scott Dimon, Bernie Kelly, Brodie Lyons, Judy Kielobowski, Melissa Kimmel, Mary Jo Nabholz and students.

4. GUESTS

Mike Janicelli, Heath Renninger and Evelyn Wassel honored April Seniors of the Month – Dawson Ibarra & Brianna Betz

Melissa Mekosh, Heath Renninger and Evelyn Wassel honored April 8th Grader of the Month – Joshua Mumma,

5. BOARD BUSINESS

D. Lukasewicz made a motion to Adoption of the resolution supporting Statewide Cyber Charter School Funding Reform, seconded by D. Frew. Vote was Unanimous

Board President Evelyn Wassel announced that she will be resigning from her position on the school board effective 4/12/19. An ad will be placed on Monday looking for someone interested in the community from Region I to replace her. The Board thanked her for her service.

6. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Middle School Life Skills Therapy Dog Carly - Mrs. Nabholz gave a presentation on the use of the dog in the life skills classroom with students Angel, Shon and Breanna and aides Melissa Kimmel and Judy Kielbowski.

7. INVITATION TO SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEMS

8. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

D. Lukasewicz made a motion, seconded by J.T. Herber to approve the minutes as listed: March 21, 2019 COW/Board Meeting Minutes

April 4, 2019 Finance Committee Meeting Minutes

Vote was Unanimous

9. BUILDINGS & GROUNDS (Dave Frew, Chairperson)

D. Frew made a motion to approve Items A and B. There being no second the motion is dropped and removed from the agenda.

- A. Approval to purchase a Dishwasher Conveyor Type from Singer Equipment Company of Elverson, PA at a total price with installation of not to exceed \$34,790.96, PA State Contract #4400019499. This money will come out of the cafeteria fund. This will replace the dishwasher currently in the middle school cafeteria.
- B. Approval for ancillary materials and services to install the MS dishwasher not to exceed \$4,000. These funds will be taken from the cafeteria fund.

10. CURRICULUM (Evelyn Wassel, Chairperson)

- A. D. Lukasewicz made a motion to approve the following teachers to run the STEM Camp for students July 8th thru 11th they will be paid the contracted rate per the negotiated contract. Brad Fessler, Samantha Kemmerling, Jamie Hitz, Glen Gray and Abe Hitz, seconded by D. Frew. Vote was Unanimous
- B. D. Lukasewicz made a motion to approve the Pine Grove Area High School Curriculum Course Guide, seconded by R. Stump. Vote was Unanimous
- C. D. Lukasewicz made Approval of the JROTC Sophomores/Juniors field trip to Independence Seaport Museum on April 25, 2019 and the Battleship NJ in Camden, New Jersey, seconded by D. Lukasewicz. Vote was Unanimous

11. FINANCE/AUDIT (Dave Frew-Chairperson)

- A. D. Frew made a motion for approval of bills for payment, seconded by D. Lukasewicz. Vote was Unanimous
- B. D. Frew made a motion for approval of the Treasurer's Report, seconded by D. Lukasewicz. Vote was Unanimous
- C. D. Frew made a motion to renew the contract between Pine Grove Area School District and Metz Culinary Management, Inc. for the 2019–2020 school year seconded by D. Lukasewicz. Vote was Unanimous
- D. D. Frew made a motion to create a new position "Assistant High School Principal", seconded by D. Lukasewicz. Vote was Unanimous
- E. D. Frew made a motion to enter into a renewal agreement with A+ Teachers to provide faculty substitutes for the 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 school years at the same current billing rate of \$129.50 per day or \$64.75 per half day, seconded by D. Lukasewicz. Vote was Unanimous
- F. D. Frew made a motion to authorize the Business Administrator to withdraw from Municipal Revenue Services and to sign the necessary documentation, seconded by D. Lukasewicz. Vote was Unanimous

12. EXTRA-CURRICULAR (Wes Ney, Chairperson)

INFORMATIONAL: Jack Drey has submitted his letter of resignation as head wrestling coach. Scott Dimon will advertise for the position.

- 13. PERSONNEL (David Lukasewicz, Chairperson)
 - A. D. Lukasewicz made a motion to hire Nina Volz as a Paraprofessional II. Nina will be paid \$12.80 per hour and receive all applicable benefits as per the AFSCME contract, seconded by R. Stump. Vote was Unanimous
 - B. D. Lukasewicz made a motion to add Tiffany Swingle to the approved list of substitute Paraprofessionals, seconded by R. Stump. Vote was Unanimous
 - C. D. Lukasewicz made a motion to ratify the following school volunteers: Thomas Brixius, Aaron Kassab, John Gehres, Wendy Delp, Kristina Wilde (ratified from 03/19/19), seconded by R. Stump. Vote was Unanimous
- 14. POLICY- (J.T. Herber, Chairperson)
 - A. J.T. Herber made a motion to approve the second reading and final adoption of Policy 247 Hazing, seconded R. Stump. Vote was Unanimous
- 15. TRANSPORTATION- (Dave Lukasewicz, Chairperson)
- 16. TECHNOLOGY (Donald E. Brown, Jr., Chairperson)
- 17. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE (Hannah Reiter)
 - Hannah gave a report on the happenings in the elementary, middle and high school.
- 18. SCHUYLKILL INTERMEDIATE UNIT REPORT (Dave Frew, Representative)
 - Hannah was recognized by the Vo-Tech for her academic achievement in her program.
 - The roof project is complete and came in \$900,000 under budget.
 - Trade School is moving the heavy equipment to the North Campus.
 - The budget was voted on with no dissention in the whole county.
 - Diane Best left to become the Superintendent of Williams Valley.
 - Lynn Wiscount has retired and has been replaced.
- 19. PUBLIC COMMENTS
- 20. ADJOURNMENT On a motion by D. Lukasewicz, seconded by R. Stump to adjourned the meeting into an executive session for personnel at 8:20 pm.

Johnne Brindle

Board Secretary