Pine Grove Area School District



Regular Board Meeting Agenda Thursday, August 21, 2025 @ 6:30pm Middle School Library

Mr. Dave Lukasewicz Board President Mr. Heath W. Renninger Superintendent

1. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u> - President Dave Lukasewicz called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

Donald E. Brown, Jr. Amanda Daubert — Dave Frew J.T. Herber Genavieve Moyer Sascha Primeau Lauren Potter Randy Stump Dave Lukasewicz Zofia Fegley, Student Representative

Others in Attendance: Heath Renninger, Brittney Harner, Corey Mentzer, Todd Lengle, Mary Jo Nabholz, Kim Pribilla, Kyler Burke, Shannon Shughart

4. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Renninger thanked all staff for the last three days of in-service. They were extremely busy days. The participation and involvement were amazing. There were a lot of positive comments. The staff seemed ready and eager for the new school year. Kids return on Monday, August 25th to start the 25/26 school year.

- 5. BOARD BUSINESS
- 6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. A. Daubert made a motion, seconded by G. Moyer to approve the June 17, 2025 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes, the June 19, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes, and the May 8, 2025 Finance Committee Meeting Minutes.

Vote was Unanimous.

- 8. BUILDINGS & GROUNDS Dave Frew, Chairperson
 - D. Brown made a motion, seconded by A. Daubert to approve items A through D.
 - A. A motion is requested to approve contracting with Hummer Turfgrass Systems, Inc. to renovate the baseball infield on High Street at a cost not to exceed \$58,985.00. This cost will be taken from the Capital Projects Fund and is a Costars #403821 Contract.

- B. A motion is requested to make the final payment for the Elementary School Gym/Café Painting Project to D'S Painting Services in the amount of \$3,364.00. All work has been completed and this will close out the project.
- C. A motion is requested to ratify the purchase of one new district radio from Green's Communications at a cost of \$3,325.45 which includes reprogramming the existing 51 radios. The additional radio will be assigned to the new Health Room Assistant and funds will be taken from the Capital Projects Account.
- D. A motion is requested to make the final payment for the High School Auditorium Aisle Light CO in the amount of \$2,122.42. All aisle light work has been completed.

Vote was Unanimous.

- **9. CURRICULUM** *Genavieve Moyer, Chairperson*
 - G. Moyer made a motion, seconded by A. Daubert to approve Items A-C, E and F.
 - A. A motion is requested to approve the Pennsylvania Pre-K Counts and Head Start State Supplemental Program Emergency Instructional Plan.
 - B. A motion is requested to approve the Dual Enrollment Agreement with East Stroudsburg University of Pennsylvania.
 - C. A motion in requested to approve the PGA Language Instruction Education Program for the 2025-2026 School year.
 - D. G. Moyer made a motion, seconded by A. Daubert to approve the PGA ES Title I School Plan for the 2025-2026 School Year.

Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No

- E. A motion is requested to approve the Curriculum Facilitators for the 2025-2026 School Year.
- F. A motion is requested to approve the 2025-2026 Elementary School Student Handbook, the 2025-2026 Middle School Student Handbook and the 2025-2026 High School Student Handbook.

Vote was Unanimous.

10. FINANCE/AUDIT - Dave Frew, Chairperson

J.T. Herber made a motion, seconded by A. Daubert to approve Items A through C.

- A. Approval of the bills for payment.
- B. Approval of the treasurer's reports for June and July.
- C. A motion is requested to approve the Disposition of Assets as found in the Board Packet and to dispose of them as per Board Policy.

Vote was Unanimous.

- 11. EXTRA-CURRICULAR Randy Stump, Chairperson
 - R. Stump made a motion, seconded by A. Daubert to approve Items A through L.
 - A. Approval of the 2025-2026 Admission Prices, as found in the Board Packet.
 - B. Approval to rescind Frank Drozal as Football Assistant for the 2025-2026 school year.
 - C. Approval to hire Josh Gibson as Football Assistant for the 2025-2026 school year at a stipend of \$3,300.
 - D. Approval for the following Football volunteers for the 2025-2026 school year: Zane Ingram
 - E. Approval to hire the following coaches for the Boys' Soccer team for the 2025-2026 school year:

Trey Kolb, assistant, at a stipend of \$3,300.

Jarrod Newswanger, assistant, at a stipend of \$3,300.

Volunteer: Kale Lengle, Damon Sieverling

F. Approval to hire the following coaches for the Girls' Soccer team for the 2025-2026 school year:

Danielle Readinger, assistant, at a stipend of \$3,300.

Steph Aungst, assistant, at a stipend of \$3,300.

Josh Ott, assistant, at a stipend of \$1,650.

Samantha Fisher, assistant, at a stipend of \$1,650.

Andy Lesh, Jr. High, at a stipend of \$3,300.

Kristen Owens, Jr. High, at a stipend of \$3,300.

Volunteers: Dave Lukasewicz.

G. Approval to hire the following coaches for the Golf team for the 2025-2026 school year:

Suzanne Dubbs, assistant, at a stipend of \$1,650.

H. Approval to hire the following coaches for the Cross-Country team for the 2025-2026 school year:

Jamie Hitz, assistant, at a stipend of \$2,200.

Volunteers: Jamie Aungst, Kristina Wilde

I. Approval to hire the following coaches for the Boys' Basketball team for the 2025-2026 school year:

Dawson Ibarra, assistant, at a stipend of \$3,300.

J. Approval to hire the following coaches for the Girls' Basketball team for the 2025-2026 school year:

Lacie Sampson, assistant, at a stipend of \$3,300.

Faith Shiffer, assistant, at a stipend of \$3,300.

Janelle Nelson, assistant, at a stipend of \$3,300.

Theresa Leffler, assistant, at a stipend of \$3,300.

K. Approval to hire the following coaches for Cheerleading for the 2025-2026 school year, pending clearances:

Lisa Wagner, at a stipend of \$3,300. Jaclinn Wagner, at a stipend of \$3,300.

L. A motion is requested to approve hiring Steve Zimmerman, Jr. as Head Baseball Coach for the 2025-2026 school year at a stipend of \$5,500.

Vote was Unanimous.

INFORMATIONAL: If the curtailment of a Junior Varsity/Junior High program during the 2025-2026 season occurs, the Board may be required to adjust the number of paid positions for the season.

- 12. PERSONNEL Dave Lukasewicz, Chairperson
 - A. Daubert made a motion, seconded by G. Moyer to approve Items A through W.
 - A. A motion is requested to ratify approving the Letter of Resignation from Susan Fenstermaker from her position as Elementary Music Teacher effective June 25, 2025.
 - B. A motion is requested to ratify approving the Letter of Resignation from Sandra Burns from her position as Elementary School Principal effective August 15, 2025.
 - C. A motion is requested to retroactively approve Corey Mentzer as the Acting Elementary School Principal effective August 4, 2025 at \$50.00 per day on top of his current salary.
 - D. A motion is requested to approve Corey Mentzer as Elementary Principal. Corey will be paid \$90,000 per year and receive all benefits in accordance with the Act 93 agreement. Corey officially begins as Elementary Principal on Friday, August 22, 2025. The job vacancy posting for MS Assistant Principal will immediately be posted as Assistant Principal K-8.
 - E. A motion is requested to approve the Letter of Resignation from Jodie Dermo from her position has Business Administrator, with her last day being October 10, 2025.
 - F. A motion is requested to approve the Letter of Intent to Retire from Cindy Aungst as Cleaning Person, with her last day being September 2, 2025.
 - G. A motion is requested to approve the revised contract between Matthew Farson, JROTC and the Pine Grove Area School District to move from a 10-month employee to an 11-month employee.
 - H. A motion in requested to approve rescinding the offer of employment to Jenny Lyons as Health Room Tech.
 - I. A motion is requested to approve hiring Kelly Wolfe as Health Room Tech. Kelly will be paid \$21.75 per hour and receive all benefits in accordance to the current AFSCME contract. Kelly's start date is tentatively set for September 8, 2025.

- J. A motion is requested to approve rescinding the offer of employment to Sierra Coleman as English Teacher for the High School.
- K. A motion is requested to approve rescinding the offer for employment to Joshua Tuite as Special Education Teacher.
- L. A motion is requested to ratify moving Alisha Hikes from Paraprofessional to Data Entry/Child Accounts Secretary effective August 4, 2025.
- M. A motion is requested to approve hiring Karen Quiroz as Paraprofessional I. Karen will be paid \$12.35 per hour and receive all benefits in accordance to the current AFSCME contract.
- N. A motion is requested to approve hiring Darlene DiStefano as Paraprofessional I. Darlene will be paid \$12.35 per hour and receive all benefits in accordance to the current AFSCME contract.
- O. A motion is requested to approve hiring Katie Cawthern as a Professional Employee starting the 2025/2026 school year. Katie will be paid Master's Step 12 for a salary of \$60,775 and receive all benefits in accordance with the professional staff contract. She will teach 3rd Grade and be assigned to the Elementary School.
- P. A motion is requested to approve hiring Alexa Devitt as a Temporary Professional starting the 2025/2026 school year. Alexa will be paid Bachelor's Step 1 for a salary of \$49, 590 and receive all benefits in accordance with the professional staff contract. She will be assigned to the Elementary School.
- Q. A motion is requested to approve hiring Brian Umbel as a Temporary Professional starting the 2025/2026 school year. Brian will be paid Master's Step 3 for a salary of \$53,715 and receive all benefits in accordance with the professional staff contract. He will teach Social Studies and be assigned to the High School.
- R. A motion is requested to approve hiring Lisa De La Ronde as a Professional Employee. Lisa will be paid Bachelors+15, Step 7, for a salary of \$\$54,590 and receive all benefits in accordance with the professional staff contract. She will teach Music and be assigned to the Middle School. Start date to be determined.
- S. A motion is requested to approve hiring Aaron Miller as a Temporary Professional starting the 2025/2026 school year. Aaron will be paid Master's Step 1 for a salary of \$52,715 and receive all benefits in accordance with the professional staff contract. He will teach English and be assigned to the High School.
- T. A motion is requested to approve hiring Dawn Tucker as a Professional Employee starting the 2025/2026 school year. Dawn will be paid Bachelors+15, Step 4 for a salary of \$53,090 and receive all benefits in accordance with the professional staff contract. She will teach English and be assigned to the Middle School.

U. A motion is requested to approve the following people as mentors for new employees, each mentor will receive a stipend of \$400:

Katie Wolfgang for Brooklyn Kellagher Myranda Aponte for Talya Breisch Amy Harrison for Kaitlyn Ruhl Katie Wolfgang for Kamryn Stine Dawn Reiter for Alexa Devitt Megan Schwartz for Katie Cawthern Brittney Shelton for Brian Umbel Jennifer Heming for Aaron Miller

- V. A motion is requested to add Nicole Neidlinger to the substitute Custodial/Cleaning list. Nicole's clearances are on file.
- W. Approval of the following volunteers: Kim Pribilla Vote was Unanimous.
- 13. POLICY J.T. Herber, Chairperson
- 14. TRANSPORTATION Lauren Potter, Chairperson
 - A. L. Potter made a motion, seconded by D. Brown to approve the 2025-2026 Drivers List.

Vote was Unanimous.

- **15. TECHNOLOGY** Donald E. Brown, Jr., Chairperson
- **16. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE** Zofia Fegley

Zofia went over what is happening within the High School, Middle School and Elementary school to start off the new school year, and also talked about what is currently happening with sports to start of the Fall season.

- 17. SCHUYLKILL INTERMEDIATE UNIT REPORT Dave Frew, Representative
- **18. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Kyler Burke, who is part of the Pine Grove Education Association, spoke with the Board about sending out an email with a questionnaire attached. It will be an optional questionnaire regarding candidates for the upcoming election. He also mentioned that they are looking into advisory committees for each building as well.

19. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u> - R. Stump made a motion, seconded by A. Daubert to adjourn the meeting at 6:55pm. No Executive Session.

Brittney Harner
Brittney Harner, Board Secretary