

Pine Grove Area School District



Regular Board Meeting Agenda

Thursday, January 19, 2023

6:30 PM

Middle School Library

Mr. Dave Lukasewicz
Board President

Mr. Heath W. Renninger
Superintendent

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

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	Mason Kroh, Student Rep.		

Others in attendance: Heath Renninger, Joanne Brindle, Mike Janicelli, Bill Kimber, Melissa Mekosh, Ashton Owns and mother, Todd Lenge, Attorney Nick Quinn, Rachael Eidem with parents, Autumn Gantz with parents, Kyra Troutman with grandparents, Mason Kroh with parents, Kaya Wagner with parents, Scout Frantz with parents and sister, Andrew Fehr with parents, Cheyenne Rossi with parents and sisters.

4. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Mike Janicelli, Heath Renninger and Dave Lukasewicz honored:

October Senior of the Month – Ashton Owens

November Senior of the Month – Rachael Eidem

December Seniors of the Month – Autumn Gantz and Kyra Troutman

January Seniors of the Month – Mason Kroh and Kaya Wagner

Melissa Mekosh, Heath Renninger and Dave Lukasewicz honored:

December 8th Graders of the Month – Scout Frantz and Emerson Haas

January 8th Graders of the Month – Andrew Fehr and Cheyenne Rossi

5. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

6. **BOARD BUSINESS**

Heath Renninger honored the Board Members for their continued work on the school board and provided each with a framed certificate.

- A. Motion by J.T. Herber, seconded by R. Stump to approve the 2023 Committees of the Pine Grove Area Board of Directors as found in the Board Packet. **Vote was Unanimous**

7. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- A. Motion by G. Moyer, seconded by A. Daubert to approve the November 15, 2022 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes, November 17, 2022 Regular Board Meeting Minutes and December 5, 2022 Reorganization/General Purposes Meeting Minutes. **Vote was Unanimous**

8. **BUILDING & GROUNDS**- (*Dave, Frew, Chairperson*)

- A. Motion by D. Brown, seconded by A. Daubert to contract with Tyndale Flag Service to install a new 30' flagpole at the Athletic Stadium at a cost not to exceed \$6,770.0. Work will commence during the summer of 2023 and cost will be taken from the Capital Projects Fund. **Vote was Unanimous**

9. **CURRICULUM** - (*Dave Lukasewicz, Chairperson*)

- Motion by J.T. Herber, seconded by D. Brown to approve Items A and B.
Vote was Unanimous

- A. Approval of the Pine Grove Area School District Induction Program Plan for the 2024-2025 school year.
- B. Approval to ratify the Weekender Site Agreement with Helping Harvest Fresh Food Bank to distribute food to middle school students that qualify for the program.

10. **FINANCE/AUDIT** - (*Dave Frew, Chairperson*)

- Motion by J.T. Herber, seconded by D. Brown to approve Items A through F.
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 2023-2024 by more than its index as calculated by the Pennsylvania Department of Education.
- D. Approval to accept the Private Sale of Parcel nos. 67-3-30, 67-4-128, and 67-4-165. These parcels are located in the Borough of Tremont.
- E. Approval to ratify authorizing Attorney Quinn to proceed with securing and appraisal for parcel no. 21-9-169(5).
- F. Approval of the Transportation Contract between Pine Grove Area School District and Theresa Marchiano.

11. **EXTRA-CURRICULAR** - (*Randy Stump, Chairperson*)

- Motion by R. Stump, seconded by G. Moyer to approve Items A through C.
Vote was Unanimous

- A. Approval to ratify hiring Eric Kurtz for the open .30 wrestling assistant spot at a stipend of \$1,365.
- B. Approval to ratify adding Timothy Bast and Liam Flynn to the list of volunteers for the wrestling team.
- C. Approval to ratify changing Misty Maidenford from a volunteer cheerleading coach to a paid cheerleading coach for the winter season. She will replace Baylie Schneck who will become a volunteer. Misty will receive a stipend of \$455.

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

Motion by G. Moyer, seconded by A. Daubert to approve Items A through K.

Vote was Unanimous

- A. Approval to accept the resignation of Michelle Ulsh from her position as 2nd grade teacher in the Pine Grove Area Elementary School effective January 12, 2023.
- B. Approval to ratify appointing Mrs. Mary Jo Nabholz as Interim Special Education Director beginning on Friday, January 13, 2023 through the new Director of Special Education's first official day which is yet to be determined. She will be paid an additional \$50.00 per day during this period.
- C. Approval to ratify hiring William Kimber as Director of Special Education for the Pine Grove Area School District. Bill will be paid a salary of \$87,000 pro-rated and receive all benefits in accordance with the Act 93 Contract. He will begin when he is released from his current employment.
- D. Approval to ratify hiring Sarah Fisher as a Paraprofessional in the Elementary School. She will be hired as a temporary paraprofessional using the ESSER III Learning Loss Money until it is depleted. Sarah will be paid \$12.35 per hour. She started on December 12, 2022.
- E. Approval to ratify hiring Alice Felty as a Paraprofessional in the elementary school. She will be hired as a temporary paraprofessional using the ESSER III Learning Loss Money until it is depleted. Alice will be paid \$12.35 per hour. She started on December 20, 2022.
- F. Approval to ratify hiring Tiffany Kohr as a Paraprofessional in the elementary school. She will be paid \$12.35 per hour and receive any benefits as per the AFSCME contract. She started on January 3, 2023.
- G. Approval to grant a Professional Development Leave Sabbatical for Melissa Yourey, Science Teacher in the High School. She will be taking off the first semester of the 2023/2024 school year.
- H. Approval to ratify granting FMLA Intermittent Leave to employee #90452 from January 1, 2023 through June 2, 2023.

I. Approval to ratify granting FMLA Intermittent Leave to employee #92336 from December 2022 through December 2023.

J. Approval to add Lindsay Fake to the volunteer list.

K. Approval to add Sarah Fisher to the substitute nurse list.

13. **POLICY**- (*J.T. Herber, Chairperson*)

14. **TRANSPORTATION** – (*Dave Lukasewicz, Chairperson*)

A. Motion by A. Daubert, seconded by G. Moyer to ratify hiring Kira Marko as a substitute van driver beginning on January 5, 2023. **Vote was Unanimous**

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

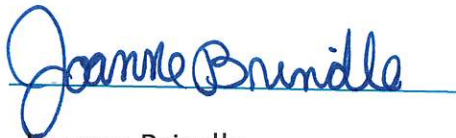
16. **STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE** - (*Mason Kroh*)

Mason gave his report on the events in all three schools.

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

18. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

19. **ADJOURNMENT** – Meeting adjourned at 7:02 pm on a motion by G. Moyer, seconded by R. Stump.



Joanne Brindle
Board Secretary