

Conemaugh Valley School District
Board of School Directors
Committee and Regular Meeting
June 11, 2019

Committee
Meeting

The regular monthly Committee Meeting of the Conemaugh Valley Board of School Directors was held on Tuesday, June 11, 2019, in the Art/ Music room of the Conemaugh Valley Elementary School. The meeting was called to order by Vice President Mark Vibostok at 6:34 P.M. A moment of silence was observed. A flag salute was led by Mrs. Jacoby. Roll call of members present: Donell Jacoby, Peter Knaze, Heather Richards, James Stiffler, Jr., Francis Truscello, Sr., and Mark Vibostok. Also present: Shane Hazenstab, Eric Miller, and Jeffrey Miller. Absent: Todd Roberts, Melissa Ross, David Rykala, Rebecca Castiglione, and Attorney John Kuzmiak.

Speakers

There were no speakers.

Executive
Session

Motion by Mr. Truscello, Sr., second by Mrs. Richards to enter into Executive Session for Personnel Issues at 7:06 P.M.

All "Ayes". Motion Carried.

Executive
Session End

Motion by Mr. Truscello, Sr., second by Mr. Stiffler, Jr. to end Executive Session at 8:05 P.M.

All "Ayes". Motion Carried.

Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Truscello, Sr., second by Mrs. Richards to adjourn the Committee Meeting at 8:05 P.M.

All "Ayes". Motion Carried

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Communications

There were no communications.

Prior
Minutes

Motion by Mrs. Richards, second by Mr. Truscello, Sr. to accept and place on file the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting from May 14, 2019.

Roll call vote: Five (5) yes, Donell Jacoby, Heather Richards, James Stiffler, Jr., Francis Truscello, Sr., and Mark Vibostok. Three (3) absent, Todd Roberts, Melissa Ross, and David Rykala. One (1) abstention, Peter Knaze.

Motion Carried.

Bills &
Reports

Motion by Mr. Stiffler, Jr., second by Mrs. Richards to accept and place on file the Treasurer's Report for May 2019 in the amount of \$4,503,266.50; payment of Bills Prior to Board approval in the of \$575,289.36; Cafeteria Bills for Payment in the amount of \$69,632.17; Condensed Expenditure Summary Report for May 2019; Condensed Revenue Summary Report for May 2019; PLGIT Investment Holdings Account for May 2019.

Roll call vote: Six (6) yes, Donell Jacoby, Peter Knaze, Heather Richards, James Stiffler, Jr., Francis Truscello, Sr., and Mark Vibostok. Three (3) absent, Todd Roberts, Melissa Ross, and David Rykala.

Motion Carried.

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Hire – Professional
Employee

1. Motion by Mrs. Richards, second by Mr. Truscello, Sr. to approve the hiring of Caitlin Gutilla as a Professional Employee, Secondary Science Teacher, at a salary of \$27,000.00 and benefits as per the collective bargaining agreement, effective August 19, 2019. Note: This hire is pending receipt of all necessary clearances and paperwork.

Roll call vote: Six (6) yes, Donell Jacoby, Peter Knaze, Heather Richards, James Stiffler, Jr., Francis Truscello, Sr., and Mark Vibostok. Three (3) absent, Todd Roberts, Melissa Ross, and David Rykala.

Motion Carried.

Motion by Mr. Truscello, Sr., second by Mrs. Richards to approve the following:

Elementary
Orientations

2. The following dates and times for Elementary Orientations:

Kindergarten	August 15, 2019	9:00 a.m.
Pre-K	August 15, 2019	11:00 a.m.

Grade 7 and
New Student
Orientation

3. The Grade 7 and new student orientation at the Conemaugh Valley Jr./Sr. High School for August 7, 2019 from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Hire – Special
Education
Coordinator

4. The hiring of Michael Chappie as the contracted Special Education Coordinator at a salary of \$325.00 per day for the 2019-2020 school year.

Note: The number of days will be established at the discretion of the Superintendent.

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Conferences 5. For members of the Board of Education and Administration to attend related workshops, conferences, and conventions during the 2019-2020 school year.

IU08 Teacher Induction Program 6. The new and second year teachers to take part in the IU08 Teacher Induction Program for the 2019-2020 school year. The cost will be \$150.00 for new teachers and \$50 for second year teachers.

Letter of Agreement-Goodwill Industries 7. The attached Letter of Agreement between CVSD and Goodwill Industries of the Conemaugh Valley, Inc. to provide School to Work Transition Services for the 2019-2020 school year.

(Attachment A)

Social Worker Agreement with Ignite Education Solutions 8. The attached Social Worker Agreement with Ignite Education Solutions to provide a Social Worker for the district 3 days a week for the 2019-2020 school year at a cost not to exceed \$40,461.30 for the year.

(Attachment B)

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2019-2020 General
Fund Budget

9. The 2019-2020 General Fund Budget for the Conemaugh Valley School District.

Adoption of General Fund Budget

- A. Resolved that a budget for the Conemaugh Valley School District for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020 be adopted as herein specified.
 1. Anticipated Revenue to be **\$12,727,100**
 2. Anticipated Opening Balance to be **\$6,407,172**
 3. Anticipated Expenditures and Budgetary Reserve to be **\$19,134,272**
- B. Resolved that real estate taxes in the Conemaugh Valley School District for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020 be set at **59.7772** mills per one dollar of assessed Valuation on **.0597772** per \$100 of assessed valuation.
- C. Resolved that taxes under the local Tax Enabling Act (Act 511) for the Conemaugh Valley School District be enacted for the 2019-2020 fiscal year as follows:
 1. Earned Income Tax at one-half of one percent.
 2. Occupational Privilege Tax of \$5.00 per taxable.
 3. Real Estate Transfer Tax at one percent.

(Attachment C)

2019 CVSD
Homestead and
Farmstead
Exclusion
Resolution

10. Conemaugh Valley School District 2019 Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion Resolution.

RESOLVED, by the Board of School Directors of the Conemaugh Valley School District, that homestead and farmstead exclusion real estate tax assessment reductions are authorized for the school year beginning July 1, 2019 under the provisions of the Homestead Property Exclusion Program Act (part of Act 50 of 1998) and the Taxpayer Relief Act (Act 1 of 2006), as follows:

1. **Aggregate amount available for homestead and farmstead real estate tax reduction.** The following amounts are available for homestead and farmstead real estate tax reduction for the school year beginning July 1, 2019.
 - a. **Gambling tax funds.** The Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) has notified the School District that PDE will pay to the School District during the school year pursuant to Act 1, 53, P.S. § 6926.505(b), as a property tax reduction allocation funded by gambling tax funds, the amount of **\$272,167**.
 - b. **Aggregate amount available.** The aggregate amount available during the school year for real estate tax reduction is **\$272,167**.

2. **Homestead/Farmstead numbers.** Pursuant to Act 50, 54 Pa C.S. § 8584(i), and Act 1, 53 P.S. § 6926.341(g)(3), the County has provided the School District with a certified report listing approved homesteads and approved farmsteads as follows:
 - a. **Homestead property number.** The number of approved homesteads within the School District is **1974**.
 - b. **Farmstead property number.** The number of approved farmsteads within the School District is **3**.
 - c. **Homestead/Farmstead combined number.** Adding these numbers, the aggregate number of approved homesteads and farmsteads is **1977**.

3. **Real estate tax reduction calculation.** The school board has decided that the homestead exclusion amount and farmstead exclusion amount shall be equal. Dividing the paragraph 1(b) aggregate amount available during the school year for real estate tax reduction of **\$272,167** by the paragraph 2(c) aggregate number of approved homesteads and approved farmsteads of **1977** the maximum real estate tax reduction amount applicable to each approved homestead and to each approved farmstead is **\$137.67**.

4. **Homestead exclusion calculation.** Dividing the paragraph 3 maximum real estate tax reduction amount of **\$137.67** School District real estate tax rate of **59.7772** mills **.0597772** be reflected on tax notices as a homestead exclusion for each approved homestead is **\$2,303** and the maximum real estate assessed value reduction to be reflected on tax notices as a farmstead exclusion for each approved farmstead is **\$2,303**.

5. **Homestead/Farmstead exclusion authorization – July 1 tax bills.** The tax notice issued to the owner of each approved homestead within the School District shall reflect a homestead exclusion real estate assessed value reduction equal to the lesser of: (a) the County-established assessed value of the homestead, or (b) the paragraph 4 maximum real estate assessed value reduction of **\$2,303**. The tax notice issued to the owner of each approved farmstead exclusion real estate assessed value reduction equal to the lesser of: (a) the County-established assessed value of the farmstead, or (b) the paragraph 4 maximum real estate assessed value reduction of **\$2,303**.

Community Eligibility
Provision Pilot
Program

11. The District's participation in the Community Eligibility Provision Pilot Program for the 2019-2020 school year. Note: This is a continuation of a pilot program and may not be available beyond the 2019-2020 school year.

Adult Meal
Costs

12. The raising of the price of an adult lunch .05 to \$3.65. The cost of an adult breakfast will also be raised .05 to \$1.90.

Penn Highlands
ACE Program

13. The attached School Partnership Agreement between Penn Highlands Community College and the Conemaugh Valley SD for the 2019-2020 school year.

(Attachment D)

Roll call vote: Six (6) yes, Donell Jacoby, Peter Knaze, Heather Richards, James Stiffler, Jr., Francis Truscello, Sr., and Mark Vibostok. Three (3) absent, Todd Roberts, Melissa Ross, and David Rykala.

Motion Carried.

Motion by Mr. Truscello, Sr., second by Mrs. Richards to approve the following:

Volunteer
Coaches

14. The following as volunteer coaches for the 2019-2020 school year:

Varsity Volleyball – Lana Lee & Elaine Smith

Varsity Football - Dan Markiewicz & Bob McNulty

Jr. High Football – Kevin Heinlein, Bill Fisher, Matt Owens

Boys Basketball Program – James Preuss, Dante Gunby, Joey Graham,
and Isaac Levis

Note: These approvals are pending receipt of all necessary clearances and paperwork, including a health report and TB shot.

(Attachment E)

Extra-Curricular
Hire – Safety
Committee

15. The hiring of Jenna Russell and Brenda Rozum as Safety Committee members. These hires will begin with the 19-20 school year and continue through the 21-22 SY with a 3% increase in salary each year.

Extra-Curricular
Hire – Varsity
Cheerleading
Advisors

16. The hiring of the following Advisors for the Varsity Cheerleading program at a salary of \$2,500.00 each for the year:

Monica Kent and Jessica Johnson

These hires will begin with the 19-20 school year and continue through the 21-22 SY with a 3% increase in salary each year. Note: These hires are pending receipt of all necessary clearances and paperwork including health report and TB shot.

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Extra-Curricular
Hire – Assistant
Strength and
Conditioning Coach

17. The hiring of Cynthia Ferguson as an Assistant Strength and Conditioning Coach at a salary of \$1,000.00 for the year. This hire will begin with the 19-20 school year and continue through the 21-22 SY with a 3% increase in salary each year and is pending receipt of all necessary clearances and paperwork including health report and TB shot.

Extra-Curricular
Hire – Jr. High Head
Softball Coach

18. The hiring of Quenna Kist as Jr. High Head Softball Coach at a salary of \$1,030 for the year. This hire will begin with the 19-20 school year and will continue through the 21-22 SY with a 3% increase in salary each year. Note: This hire is pending receipt of all necessary clearances and paperwork including a health report and TB shot.

Extra-Curricular
Hire – Jr. High Asst.
Softball Coach

19. The hiring of Leigh Ann Dunn as Jr. High Asst. Softball Coach at a salary of \$515 for the year. This hire will begin with the 19-20 school year and will continue through the 21-22 SY with a 3% increase in salary each year. Note: This hire is pending receipt of all necessary clearances and paperwork including a health report and TB shot.

Roll call vote: Six (6) yes, Donell Jacoby, Peter Knaze, Heather Richards, James Stiffler, Jr., Francis Truscello, Sr., and Mark Vibostok. Three (3) absent, Todd Roberts, Melissa Ross, and David Rykala.

Motion Carried.

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Extra-Curricular
Hire – Head Varsity
Softball Coach

20. Motion by Mr. Stiffler, Jr., second by Mrs. Richards to approve the hiring of Paula McCleester as Head Varsity Softball Coach at a salary of \$4,740 for the year. This hire will begin with the 19-20 school year and will continue through the 21-22 SY with a 3% increase in salary each year. Note: This hire is pending receipt of all necessary clearances and paperwork including a health report and TB shot.

Roll call vote: Five (5) yes, Donell Jacoby, Heather Richards, James Stiffler, Jr., Francis Truscello, Sr., and Mark Vibostok. Three (3) absent, Todd Roberts, Melissa Ross, and David Rykala. One (1) Abstention, Peter Knaze.

Motion Carried.

Motion by Mr. Truscello, Sr., second by Mr. Stiffler, Jr. to approve the following:

Extra-Curricular
Hire – Asst. Varsity
Softball Coach

21. The hiring of Vicki Markiewicz as Assistant Varsity Softball Coach at a salary of \$2,615 for the year. This hire will begin with the 19-20 school year and will continue through the 21-22 SY with a 3% increase in salary each year. Note: This hire is pending receipt of all necessary clearances and paperwork including a health report and TB shot.

Extra-Curricular
Hire – Head Varsity
Baseball Coach

22. The hiring of David Piszczek as Head Varsity Baseball Coach at a salary of \$2,971 for the year. This hire will begin with the 19-20 school year and will continue through the 21-22 SY with a 3% increase in salary each year. Note: This hire is pending receipt of all necessary clearances and paperwork including a health report and TB shot.

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Extra-Curricular
Hire – Jr. High Head
Baseball Coach

23. The hiring of Brian Hody as Jr. High Head Baseball Coach at a salary of \$1,030 for the year. This hire will begin with the 19-20 school year and will continue through the 21-22 SY with a 3% increase in salary each year. Note: This hire is pending receipt of all necessary clearances and paperwork including a health report and TB shot.

Extra-Curricular
Hire – Jr. High Asst.
Baseball Coach

24. The hiring of Shaun Schellhammer as Jr. High Asst. Baseball Coach at a salary of \$515 for the year. This hire will begin with the 19-20 school year and will continue through the 21-22 SY with a 3% increase in salary each year. Note: This hire is pending receipt of all necessary clearances and paperwork including a health report and TB shot.

Suspend July
Board Meeting

25. The suspension of the Tuesday, July 9, 2019, Board of School Directors meeting.

Resignation
Approval

26. The Superintendent to post open positions prior to the August Board of School Directors meeting. Note: The Board of School Directors will officially approve all resignations at the August Board of School Directors meeting.

Student Activity
Account Report

27. The Student Activity Account Report for May 2019.

(Handout)

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Real Life 101 –
Pilot Program

28. The Real Life 101 pilot course for all 12th grade students which includes 10 hours of approved community service and a successful high school exit interview. Note: The course will meet twice per week and students will earn .4 credits upon completion.

Athletic Trainer
Services

29. The agreement with Chan Soon-Siong Medical Center to provide Athletic Trainer Services to the District at a cost not to exceed the following amounts for the following years:

2019-2020	\$ 15,000.00
2020-2021	\$ 17,500.00
2021-2022	\$ 20,000.00

(Attached Contract)

Roll call vote: Six (6) yes, Donell Jacoby, Peter Knaze, Heather Richards, James Stiffler, Jr., Francis Truscello, Sr., and Mark Vibostok. Three (3) absent, Todd Roberts, Melissa Ross, and David Rykala.

Motion Carried.

Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Truscello, Sr., second by Mrs. Richards to adjourn meeting at 8:22 P.M.

All “Ayes”. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donell Jacoby

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Board Secretary