

Conemaugh Valley School District
Board of School Directors
Committee and Regular Meeting
October 14, 2021

Committee
Meeting

The regular monthly Committee Meeting of the Conemaugh Valley Board of School Directors was held on Thursday, October 14, 2021, in the Music Room of the Conemaugh Valley Elementary School. The meeting was called to order by President, Todd Roberts at 6:31 P.M. A moment of silence was observed. A flag salute was led by Francis Truscello, Sr. Roll call of members present: Donell Jacoby, Daniel Markiewicz, Hannah Ribblett, Heather Richards, Todd Roberts, Melissa Ross, David Rykala, James Stiffler, Jr., and Francis Truscello, Sr. Also present: Shane Hazenstab, Michelle LaRose, Attorney Brian Litzinger, Mandy Livai, Eric Miller, and Jeffrey Miller.

Speakers

1. Andrea Christoff, PSBA Representative, presented honors to the following for their years of service to the school district:
 - a. Donell Jacoby – 28 years of service
 - b. Todd Roberts – 16 years of service
2. Mr. Andrew Lydic, Franklin Boro Council, made a presentation about LERTA (tax abatement): Franklin Ball Field, Wheel Plant area, and some residential areas. The outcome would be growth in the Franklin area for possible businesses and home improvement.
3. Mrs. Melissa Uzelac, concerned citizen, spoke about masks, testing, and the agenda.
4. Mr. Shane Hazenstab, Superintendent, spoke about the testing program from Gingko Bioworks for self-swabbing of students.
5. Mr. Jeffrey Miller, HS Principal, spoke about the Valley Newspaper, Admiral Peary Vo-Tech information, PIAA update for football, and no update on District 6.
6. Mrs. Mandy Livai, Director of Student Services, spoke about the State's audit on our Special Education Program.

Communications

None

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Executive Session Motion by Mr. Stiffler, Jr., second by Mrs. Ross to enter into Executive Session for Legal & Personnel Issues at 8:15 P.M.

All "Ayes". Motion Carried.

Executive
Session End

Motion by Mr. Rykala, second by Mr. Markiewicz to end Executive Session at 8:45 P.M.

All "Ayes". Motion Carried.

Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Rykala, second by Miss Ribblett to adjourn the Committee Meeting at 8:47 P.M.

All "Ayes". Motion Carried.

Regular Board
Meeting

The regular monthly Board Meeting of the Conemaugh Valley Board of School Directors was held on Thursday, October 14, 2021, in the Music Room of the Conemaugh Valley Elementary School. The meeting was called to order by President, Todd Roberts at 8:47 P.M. Roll call of members present: Donell Jacoby, Daniel Markiewicz, Hannah Ribblett, Heather Richards, Todd Roberts, Melissa Ross, David Rykala, James Stiffler, Jr., and Francis Truscello, Sr. Also present: Shane Hazenstab, Michelle LaRose, Mandy Livai, Attorney Brian Litzinger, Eric Miller, and Jeffrey Miller.

Minutes

Motion by Mr. Truscello, Sr., second by Mr. Markiewicz to accept and place on file the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting from September 9, 2021.

Roll call vote: Nine (9) yes, Donell Jacoby, Daniel Markiewicz, Hannah Ribblett, Heather Richards, Todd Roberts, Melissa Ross, David Rykala, James Stiffler, Jr., and Francis Truscello, Sr.

Motion Carried.

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Special Board
Minutes

Motion by Mr. Stiffler, Jr., second by Mr. Markiewicz to accept and place on file the minutes from the Special Board Meeting from September 23, 2021.

Roll call vote: Five (5) yes, Donell Jacoby, Daniel Markiewicz, Todd Roberts, James Stiffler, Jr., and Francis Truscello, Sr. Abstention: Four (4) Hannah Ribblett, Heather Richards, Melissa Ross, and David Rykala.

Motion Carried.

Bills &
Reports

Motion by Mrs. Richards, second by Mr. Truscello, Sr. to accept and place on file the Payment of Bills Prior to Board approval in the amount of \$619,562.35; Cafeteria Bills for September 2021 in the amount of \$38,496.07; The Hot Lunch Receipt Ledger for September 2021-No Activity; the Treasurer's Report for August 2021 - \$4,335,340.29 and September 2021 - \$3,935,060.94; the Condensed Expenditure Summary Report for August and September 2021; the Condensed Revenue Summary Report for August and September 2021; PLGIT Investment Holdings Account for August and September 2021; Athletic Account Reconciliation for July, August, and September 2021.

Roll call vote: Nine (9) yes, Donell Jacoby, Daniel Markiewicz, Hannah Ribblett, Heather Richards, Todd Roberts, Melissa Ross, David Rykala, James Stiffler, Jr., and Francis Truscello, Sr.

Motion Carried.

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

Hire – Professional
Employee

1. The hiring of Jenna Frampton as a professional employee, Elementary Teacher, at a salary of \$28,000.00 and benefits as per the collective bargaining agreement. Note: This hire is pending receipt of all necessary clearances and paperwork.

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Hire – Support
Staff-Custodian

2. The hiring of Richard Clawson as a Full-Time Custodian at a salary of \$8.30 per hour and benefits as per the collective bargaining agreement. Note: This hire is pending receipt of all necessary clearances and paper-work.

Hire – Support
Staff-Custodian

3. The hiring of Ibn Henderson as a Full-Time Custodian at a salary of \$8.30 per hour and benefits as per the collective bargaining agreement. Note: This hire is pending receipt of all necessary clearances and paper-work.

Hire – Support
Staff Substitutes

4. The hiring of the following as Support Staff Substitutes at a salary of \$8.30 per hour.

Ben Boring and Francisco Martinez

Note: These hires are pending receipt of all necessary clearances and paper-work.

Roll call vote: Nine (9) yes, Donell Jacoby, Daniel Markiewicz, Hannah Ribblett, Heather Richards, Todd Roberts, Melissa Ross, David Rykala, James Stiffler, Jr., and Francis Truscello, Sr.

Motion Carried.

Hire – Federal
Programs
Co-Coordinator

5. Motion by Mrs. Ross, second by Mr. Markiewicz to approve the hiring of Jennifer Stiffler and Mandy Livai as Federal Programs Co-Coordinator for the Conemaugh Valley School District at a salary of \$3,000.00 each.

Roll call vote: Eight (8) yes, Donell Jacoby, Daniel Markiewicz, Hannah Ribblett, Heather Richards, Todd Roberts, Melissa Ross, David Rykala, and Francis Truscello, Sr. One (1) Abstention, James Stiffler, Jr.

Motion Carried.

Motion by Mr. Truscello, Sr., second by Miss Ribblett to approve the following:

Extra-Curricular Hire
Elementary SWPBS
Team Member 6. The hiring of Carrie Stiffler as Elementary SWPBS Team Member at a salary of \$300.00. This hire will be for the 2021-2022 school year only as this is the last year of the 3-year extra-curricular contract.

Extra-Curricular Hire
Elementary Student
Council Co-Advisor 7. The hiring of Laura Troy as Elementary Student Council Co-Advisor at a salary of \$350.00. This hire will be for the 2021-2022 school year only as this is the last year of the 3-year extra-curricular contract.

Agreement with
Ignite Education
Solutions-LPN Aide 8. The agreement between Ignite Education Solutions and CVSD to provide LPN's as Personal Care Aides, on an as-needed basis, at a cost of \$125.00 per day plus administrative costs.

(Attachment A)

Agreement with
Ignite Education
Solutions-Interim
Elementary
Principal 9. The agreement between Ignite Education Solutions and CVSD to provide an Interim Elementary Principal, on an as-needed basis, at a cost of \$200.00 per day plus administrative costs.

(Attachment B)

Professional
Substitutes
Through Ignite
Education Solutions 10. The attached slate of professional substitutes as provided by Ignite Education Solutions.

(Attachment C)

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Policy Maintenance
Agreement with
PSBA

11. The attached Policy Maintenance Agreement with PSBA for the 2021-2022 school year.

(Attachment D)

Board Policy
Manual Revisions-
Section 200-
Pupils

12. The attached Policy Manual Revisions for the following Board Policies in which the revisions were provided by PSBA and reviewed by the School Board Policy Committee:

229 – Student Fundraising	239 – Foreign Exchange Students
230 – Public Performances by Students	240 – Student Contests/Awards DELETE
231 – Social Events and Class Trips	241 – Early College Participation DELETE
232 – Student Involvement in Decision-Making	246 – School Wellness
233- Suspension and Expulsion	247 - Hazing
234 – Pregnant/Parenting/Married Students	248 – Sexual Harassment DELETE
235 – Student Rights and Responsibilities	249 – Bullying/Cyberbullying
235.1 - Surveys	250 – Student Recruitment
236 – Student Assistance Program	251 – Homeless Students
236.1 – Threat Assessment	252 – Dating Violence
237 – Electronic Devices	255 – Educational Stability for Children in Foster Care

(Attachment E)

FIRST READING
WAIVE READING

Note: The revisions were provided by the Pennsylvania School Board Association.

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Agreement with
ACRP – Continuum
of Care

13. The agreement with ACRP to provide the continuum of care for students referred to their programs by the school district.

(Attachment F)

Contract Addendum
with Pressley Ridge

14. The addendum to the original contract of July 1, 2017 with Pressley Ridge. This contract runs through the 2021-2022 school year with no cost change from last year.

(Attachment G)

Roll call vote: Nine (9) yes, Donell Jacoby, Daniel Markiewicz, Hannah Ribblett, Heather Richards, Todd Roberts, Melissa Ross, David Rykala, James Stiffler, Jr., and Francis Truscello, Sr.

Motion Carried.

Cleaning
Services

15. Recommendation to approve Kat's Perfection Cleaning Services, LLC, to provide cleaning services to the district has died for lack of a motion.

(Attachment H)

HVAC
Evaluation

16. Motion by Mr. Rykala, second by Mr. Stiffler, Jr. to recommend obtaining proposals from two or more entities, in addition to HF Lenz, to conduct an evaluation of the HVAC system in the Jr./Sr. High School and provide recommendations on upgrading the system.

Roll call vote: Nine (9) yes, Donell Jacoby, Daniel Markiewicz, Hannah Ribblett, Heather Richards, Todd Roberts, Melissa Ross, David Rykala, James Stiffler, Jr., and Francis Truscello, Sr.

Motion Carried.

Motion by Mr. Markiewicz, second by Mrs. Ross to approve the following:

Real-Estate Property
Tax Exemption

17. The tax exemption status for Robert Kopsic of East Taylor Twp. as per the tax exemption approval from the PA Dept of Military and Veteran Affairs for real estate property taxes due during the 2021 tax year.

(Attachment J)

High School
Overnight Band
Trip

18. The overnight field trip for the High School Marching Band, to Harrisburg and Hershey PA, for May 6 & 7, 2022. There is no cost to the District for this trip.

(Attachment K)

Student Activity
Account Report

19. The Student Activity Account Reports for July, August, and September 2021.

(Attachments L)

Resignation/
Extra-Curricular –
Jr. High Baseball
Coach

20. The resignation of Brian Hody, Jr. High Baseball Coach, effective immediately, with permission to post this position.

(Attachment M)

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Overnight Field
Trip – CVHS
Student Council

21. The overnight field trip for the CVHS Student Council, to attend the PA Association of Student Councils State Conference from November 5-6, 2021 at Mount Lebanon High School, Pittsburgh, PA. The only cost to the District will be the transportation - \$600.00.

(Attachment AA)

Roll call vote: Nine (9) yes, Donell Jacoby, Daniel Markiewicz, Hannah Ribblett, Heather Richards, Todd Roberts, Melissa Ross, David Rykala, James Stiffler, Jr., and Francis Truscello, Sr.

Motion Carried.

Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Markiewicz, second by Mr. Truscello, Sr., to adjourn meeting at 8:59 P.M.

All "Ayes". Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donell Jacoby

Donell Jacoby
Board Secretary

DJ/cm