

Conemaugh Valley School District  
Board of School Directors  
Committee and Regular Meeting  
March 11, 2021

Committee Meeting

The regular monthly Committee Meeting of the Conemaugh Valley Board of School Directors was held on Thursday, March 11, 2021, in the Art room of the Conemaugh Valley Elementary School and on Zoom. The meeting was called to order by Board President, Todd Roberts at 6:30 P.M. A moment of silence was observed. A flag salute was led by Daniel Markiewicz. Roll call of members present: Donell Jacoby, Daniel Markiewicz, Hannah Ribblett, Todd Roberts, Melissa Ross, David Rykala, James Stiffler, Jr., and Francis Truscello, Sr. Also present: Rebecca Castiglione, Shane Hazenstab, Mandy Livai, Eric Miller, and Jeffrey Miller. Absent: Heather Richards.

Speakers

1. Allen Bixel, Choral/Band Director – Spring Concert Overview
2. Eric Miller, Business Manager – Budget Overview

Communications

1. IU08 – 2021/2022 General Fund Operating Budget
2. Thank You from Mrs. Kuzmiak for the Memorial for John Kuzmiak.

Executive Session

Motion by Mrs. Ross, second by Mr. Markiewicz to enter into Executive Session for Personnel Issues at 7:44 P.M.

All “Ayes”. Motion Carried.

Executive Session End

Motion by Mr. Truscello, Sr., second by Miss Ribblett to end Executive Session at 7:53 P.M.

All “Ayes”. Motion Carried.

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Adjournment                      Motion by Mr. Truscello, Sr., second by Mr. Markiewicz to adjourn the Committee Meeting at 7:58 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, March 11, 2021, in the Art room of the Conemaugh Valley Elementary School and on Zoom. The meeting was called to order by Board President, Todd Roberts at 7:58 P.M. Roll call of members present: Donell Jacoby, Daniel Markiewicz, Hannah Ribblett, Todd Roberts, Melissa Ross, David Rykala, James Stiffler, Jr., and Francis Truscello, Sr. Also present: Rebecca Castiglione, Shane Hazenstab, Mandy Livai, Eric Miller, and Jeffrey Miller. Absent: Heather Richards.

Special Board Minutes

Motion by Mr. Markiewicz, second by Mr. Truscello, Sr. to approve the minutes of the February 3, 2021 Special Board Meeting.

All "Ayes". Motion Carried.

Board Minutes

Motion by Mr. Truscello, Sr., second by Mrs. Ross to approve the minutes of the February 11, 2021 Regular Board Meeting.

All "Ayes". Motion Carried.

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Bills &  
Reports

Motion by Miss Ribblett, second by Mr. Stiffler, Jr. to accept and place on file the Payment of Bills Prior to Board approval in the amount of \$700,957.71; Cafeteria Bills for Payment in the amount of \$32,038.31; The Hot Lunch Receipt Ledger for February 2021; the Athletic Account Reconciliation Report for February 2021; the Treasurer's Report for February 2021 in the amount of \$4,698,872.22; Condensed Expenditure Summary Reports for February 2021; Condensed Revenue Summary Reports for February 2021; PLGIT Investment Holdings Account for February 2021.

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

Motion Carried.

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

2021-2022  
School  
Calendar

1. The school calendar for the 2021-2022 school year.

(Attachment A)

Professional  
Substitutes  
With Ignite  
Education  
Solutions

2. The attached list of professional substitutes through Ignite Education Solutions.

(Attachment B)

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Textbook  
Review and  
Replacement  
Cycle

3. The attached planned cycle of textbook review and replacement in accordance with District Policy #108 – Adoption of Textbooks.

(Attachment C)

Student Activity  
Account  
Report

4. The Student Activity Account Report for February 2021.

(Attachment D)

Job Description-  
Compensatory  
Education  
Tutor

5. The attached job description for Compensatory Education Tutor for students impacted by the COVID-19 Pandemic.

(Attachment E)

Hire – Compensatory  
Education  
Tutors

6. The following as Compensatory Education Tutors at a salary of \$22.50 per hour:

Heather Bark – Jessica Barrick – Jennifer Byers – Margaret Conners – Caitlin Gutilla – Ashley Hott – Megan Lasut – Michelle Locher-Miller – Nicole Mash – Beth Moore – Ashley Plummer – Sherry Ream – Carey Stiffler – Katie Torres – Laura Troy – Carly Turgeon

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

Motion Carried.

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Hire – Professional  
Employee –  
Elementary  
Teacher

7. Motion by Mrs. Ross, second by Miss Ribblett to approve the hiring of Madison Huzsek as a Professional Employee at a salary of \$27,500.00 and benefits as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Note: This hire is pending receipt of all necessary clearances and paperwork.

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

Motion Carried.

Hire – Support  
Staff- Full Time  
School Aide

8. Motion by Mr. Stiffler, Jr., second by Miss Ribblett to approve the hiring of Alicia Gibson as a Full-Time School Aide at a salary of \$8.25 per hour with benefits as per the collective bargaining agreement. Note: This hire is pending receipt of all necessary clearances and paperwork.

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

Motion Carried.

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Motion by Miss Ribblett, second by Mr. Stiffler, Jr. to approve the following:

Extra-Curricular  
Payment – Varsity  
Boys Basketball  
Coach

9. The payment of \$2,500.00 to Matthew Kent for his help in coaching the Varsity Boys Basketball team due to challenges created by COVID-19.

Volunteers –  
Jr. High Baseball  
Program

10. The following as volunteers for the CVSD Jr. High Baseball Program. These approvals are pending receipt of all necessary clearances and paperwork:

Kevin Heinlein and Matthew Percinsky

(Attachment F)

MOU – CV  
Education  
Association –  
Prep Time

11. The Memorandum of Understanding with the CV Education Association regarding the use of teachers' preparation time for class coverage through the end of the 2020-2021 school year.

(Attachment G)

Agreement –  
Peerstar

12. The agreement with Peerstar to provide Peer Support Services to students 18 years of age or older in an effort to provide a continuum of care on an as-needed basis with no cost to the district.

(Attachment H)

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Letter of  
Agreement  
With The  
Meadows

13. The two (2) year agreement between CVSD and The Meadows Psychiatric Center for educational services, if needed, for the 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 school years. Note: The cost of this service will be \$67.00/day for educational services. This cost has remained the same since 2019.

(Attachment I)

2021  
Graduation  
Date

14. The date of June 4, 2021 as the graduation date for the 2020-2021 school year.

Board Meeting  
Date Change –  
November  
2021

15. The changing of the Board Meeting date from Thursday, November 11, 2021 to Wednesday, November 10, 2021 due to November 11<sup>th</sup> being the Veteran's Day Holiday.

Appalachia IU08  
Budget

16. The Appalachia Intermediate Unit 08 budget for the 2021-2022 school year.

(Attachment J)

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Board Policy  
 Manual Revisions-  
 Section 100-  
 Programs

17. 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:

Policy Number & Name	Policy Number & Name
113.4-Confidentiality of Special Education Student Information	126-Class Size
114-Gifted Education	127-Assessment System
115-Career and Technical Education	130-Homework
116-Tutoring	137-Home Education Programs
117-Homebound Instruction	137.1-Extracurricular Participation by Home Education Students
118-Independent Study	138-Language Instruction Educational Program for English Learners
119-Current Events	140-Charter Schools
<del>120-Human Development Program</del> <b>DELETE</b>	140.1-Extracurricular Participation by Charter/Cyber Charter Students
121-Field Trips	142-Migrant Students
122-Extracurricular Activities	143-Standards for Persistently Dangerous Schools
123-Interscholastic Athletics	144-Standards for Victims of Violent Crimes
123.1-Concussion Management	146-Student Services
123.2-Sudden Cardiac Arrest	146.1-Trauma-Informed Approach
124-Alternative Instruction	150.1-Title I-Comparability of Services
125-Adult Education	

(Attachment K)

FIRST READING  
 WAIVE READING

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



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Resignation –  
Support Staff  
Employee

18. The resignation of Stephanie Hritz, Support Staff Employee, effective immediately.

(Attachment A-A)

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

Motion Carried.

Adjournment

Motion by Miss Ribblett, second by Mrs. Ross to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 P.M.

All “Ayes”. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Donell Jacoby*

Donell Jacoby  
Board Secretary

DJ/cm