

Conemaugh Valley School District
Board of School Directors
Committee and Regular Meeting
August 12, 2021

Committee Meeting

The regular monthly Committee Meeting of the Conemaugh Valley Board of School Directors was held on Thursday, August 12, 2021, in the Art Room of the Conemaugh Valley Elementary School. The meeting was called to order by President, Todd Roberts at 6:32 P.M. A moment of silence was observed. A flag salute was led by Hannah Ribblett. Roll call of members present: Donell Jacoby, Daniel Markiewicz, Hannah Ribblett, Heather Richards, Todd Roberts, Melissa Ross, David Rykala(arrived at 6:34 P.M.), and Francis Truscello, Sr. Also present: Rebecca Castiglione, Shane Hazenstab, Mandy Livai, Attorney Brian Litzinger, Eric Miller, and Jeffrey Miller. Absent: James Stiffler, Jr.

Speakers

1. Jim Dorofey – concerned parent, had questions about the Pre-K Program.
2. Todd Smith & Paul Gustkey – spoke about the District’s continued support of the CV Hockey Program.
3. Eric Miller, Business Manager – gave a facilities update and spoke about a Threat Assessment Meeting.
4. Jeff Miller, H.S. Principal - spoke about the WestPAC sports update with Mrs. Paula McCleester - Athletic Director, adding comments.

Communications

None

Executive Session

Motion by Mr. Rykala, second by Mr. Truscello, Sr. to enter into Executive Session for Personnel Issues at 7:48 P.M.

All “Ayes”. Motion Carried.

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Executive
Session End

Motion by Mr. Truscello, Sr., second by Mrs. Richards to end Executive Session at 8:47 P.M.

All "Ayes". Motion Carried.

Adjournment

Motion by Mrs. Richards, second by Miss Ribblett to adjourn the Committee Meeting at 8:50 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, August 12, 2021, in the Art Room of the Conemaugh Valley Elementary School. The meeting was called to order by President, Todd Roberts at 8:51 P.M. Roll call of members present: Donell Jacoby, Daniel Markiewicz, Hannah Ribblett, Heather Richards, Todd Roberts, Melissa Ross, David Rykala, and Francis Truscello, Sr. Also present: Rebecca Castiglione, Shane Hazenstab, Mandy Livai, Attorney Brian Litzinger, Eric Miller, and Jeffrey Miller. Absent: James Stiffler, Jr.

Minutes

Motion by Miss Ribblett, second by Mrs. Ross to accept and place on file the minutes from the Special Board Meeting from July 26, 2021.

Roll call vote: Seven (7) yes, Donell Jacoby, Daniel Markiewicz, Hannah Ribblett, Heather Richards, Melissa Ross, David Rykala, and Francis Truscello, Sr. Abstention: One (1) Todd Roberts. Absent: One (1) James Stiffler, Jr.

Motion Carried.

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Bills & Reports Motion by Mr. Truscello, Sr., second by Mr. Markiewicz to accept and place on file the Payment of Bills Prior to Board approval in the amount of \$399,227.78; Cafeteria Bills for July 2021 in the amount of \$305.91; the Treasurer’s Report for July 2021 in the amount of \$4,202,611.84; the Condensed Expenditure Summary Report for July 2021; the Condensed Revenue Summary Report for July 2021; PLGIT Investment Holdings Account for July 2021; Athletic Account Reconciliation-No Activity.

All “Ayes”. Motion Carried.

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

Transportation/
Bus Schedules

1. The student transportation/bus schedules for the 2021-2022 school year as submitted.

(Handout)

Transportation/
Contracted Drivers/
Transportation
Aides

2. The transportation drivers and aides for the 2021-2022 school year as submitted.

(Handout)

Professional
Substitutes
Through Ignite
Education Solutions

3. The attached slate of professional substitutes as provided by Ignite Education Solutions.

(Attachment A)

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

Motion Carried.

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Hire – Professional
Employee

4. Motion by Mrs. Jacoby, second by Miss Ribblett to approve the hiring of Taylor O’Hara as a professional employee, Elementary Health & Physical Education Teacher, at a salary of \$29,000.00 and benefits as per the collective bargaining agreement. This salary includes an extra \$1,000.00 for a Master’s Certificate. Note: This hire is pending receipt of all necessary clearances and paperwork and will begin with the 2021-2022 school year.

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

Motion Carried.

Hire – Professional
Employee

5. Motion by Mrs. Ross, second by Miss Ribblett to approve the hiring of Kaylee Moyer 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 and will begin with the 2021-2022 school year.

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

Motion Carried.

Hire – Professional
Employee

6. Motion by Mr. Rykala, second by Mr. Truscello, Sr. to approve the hiring of Megan Kundrod as a professional employee, Elementary Teacher, at a salary of \$29,000.00 and benefits as per the collective bargaining agreement. This salary includes an extra \$1,000.00 for a Master’s Certificate. Note: This hire is pending receipt of all necessary clearances and paperwork and will begin with the 2021-2022 school year.

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

Motion Carried.

Hire – Professional
Employee

7. Motion by Mrs. Ross, second by Miss Ribblett to approve the hiring of Jenna Danchanko as a professional employee, Elementary Teacher, at a salary of \$29,000.00 and benefits as per the collective bargaining agreement. This salary includes an extra \$1,000.00 for a Master's Certificate. Note: This hire is pending receipt of all necessary clearances and paperwork and will begin with the 2021-2022 school year.

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

Motion Carried.

Hire – Professional
Employee

8. Motion by Mr. Rykala, second by Miss Ribblett to approve the hiring of Alyssa Klein 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 and will begin with the 2021-2022 school year.

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

Motion Carried.

Hire – Professional
Employee

9. Motion by Miss Ribblett, second by Mr. Truscello, Sr. to approve the hiring of Elizabeth Thomas as a professional employee, Elementary Teacher, at a salary of \$36,750.00 and benefits as per the collective bargaining agreement. Note: This hire is pending receipt of all necessary clearances and paperwork and will begin with the 2021-2022 school year.

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

Motion Carried.

Hire – Professional
Employee

10. Motion by Miss Ribblett, second by Mrs. Richards to approve the hiring of Ashley Fritch as a professional employee, Secondary 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 and will begin with the 2021-2022 school year.

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

Motion Carried.

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

Hire – Extra-
Curricular –
Jr. High Head
Volleyball
Coach

11. The hiring of Derek Horner as the Jr. High Head Volleyball Coach at a salary of \$1,500.00. This hire will be for the 2021-2022 school year as this is the last year of the 3-year extra-curricular contract. Note: This hire is pending receipt of all necessary clearances and paperwork.

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

12. The hiring of Jodi Reynolds as the Jr. High Asst. Volleyball Coach at a salary of \$800.00. This hire will be for the 2021-2022 school year as this is the last year of the 3-year extra-curricular contract. Note: This hire is pending receipt of all necessary clearances and paperwork.

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Retirement –
Support Staff

13. The retirement of Support Staff Employee, John Rosiek, effective September 7, 2021; with permission to post this position.

(Attachment B)

Resignation –
Support Staff

14. The resignation of Support Staff Employee, Aleia Jurich, effective immediately; with permission to post this position.

(Attachment C)

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

15. The resignation of Shaun Schellhammer, Jr. High Asst. Baseball Coach, effective immediately; with permission to post this position.

(Attachment D)

Resignation –
Extra-Curricular –
Jr. High Asst.
Football and
Basketball Coach

16. The resignation of Isaac Levis, Jr. High Asst. Football and Basketball Coach, effective immediately; with permission to post these positions.

(Attachment E)

Agreement with
Goodwill Industries

17. The agreement between CVSD and Goodwill Industries of the Conemaugh Valley to provide School to Work Transition Services for the 2021-2022 school year.

(Attachment F)

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Agreement with
Ignite Education
Solutions – Behavior
Intervention
Classroom

18. The agreement between CVSD and Ignite Education Solutions to provide Elementary Behavior Intervention Services at a cost not to exceed \$11,169.37. Note: The classroom is located at the Forest Hills Elementary School.

(Attachment G)

Open Campus
Agreement with
Appalachia IU08

19. The agreement between CVSD and Appalachia IU08 for Open Campus enrollment for Spanish III and French III at a cost not to exceed \$455.00 per student per semester for the 2021-2022 SY. This is for Option #2 on the attachment which includes Live Instruction Sessions 2 times per week.

(Attachment H)

College in High
School Agreement
With St. Francis
University

20. The agreement between CVSD and St. Francis University for College in High School courses provided to students at the Conemaugh Valley High School, at the expense of the student, for the 2021-2022 school year.

(Attachment I)

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

Motion Carried.

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Agreement with
DLP/Conemaugh
for District
Physician Services

21. Motion by Miss Ribblett, second by Mr. Markiewicz to approve the agreement between CVSD and Duke Life Point/Conemaugh, for the 2021-2022 school year, to provide physical examinations to District Students on as as-needed basis at a cost not to exceed \$15.00 per examination. The District will assume this cost.

Roll call vote: Five (5) yes, Donell Jacoby, Daniel Markiewicz, Hannah Ribblett, Todd Roberts, and Francis Truscello, Sr. Abstentions: Three (3) Heather Richards, Melissa Ross, and David Rykala, Absent: One (1) James Stiffler, Jr.

Motion Carried.

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

Student Activity
Account Report

22. The Student Activity Account Report for June 2021.

(Attachment K)

High School
Auxiliary Gym
Lockers

23. The purchase and installation of Lockers and Benches for the High School Auxiliary Locker Room as quoted by Avail Business Systems at a price not to exceed \$19,687.00. Note: This pricing is per Hertz Furniture State Contract #440001659.

(Attachment L)

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Board Policy
Manual Revisions-
Section 200-
Pupils

24. 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
212 – Reporting Student Progress Reporting Pupil Progress	219 – Student Complaint Process
213 – Assessment of Student Progress – DELETE	220 – Student Expression/Distribution and Posting of Materials
214 – Class Rank	221 – Dress and Grooming
215 – Promotion and Retention	222 – Tobacco and Vaping Products
216 – Student Records	223 – Use of Bicycles/Motor Vehicles Use of Skateboards, Bicycles and Motor Vehicles
216.1 – Supplemental Discipline Records – ON HOLD	223.1 – Student Driving & Parking Lot Privileges DELETE
217 – Graduation Requirements	224 – Care of School Property
218 – Student Discipline	225 – Students and the Police DELETE
218.1 – Weapons Firearms/Weapons	226 - Searches
218.2 – Terroristic Threats	227 – Controlled Substances/Paraphernalia Drug Awareness
218.3 – Discipline of Student Convicted/ Adjudicated of Sexual Assault	228 – Student Government

(Attachment M)

FIRST READING
WAIVE READING

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

Support Staff
Substitutes

25. The following Support Staff Substitutes for the 2021-2022 school year:

Richard Clawson Bonnie Dietz Dorothy Truscott

Note: These approvals are pending receipt of all necessary clearances and paperwork.

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Volunteer
Coaches

26. The following as volunteer coaches for the 2021-2022 school year:

JH Football & Basketball:	Isaac Levis
JH Cheerleading:	Cassidie Shultz
Football:	George Weimer

Adult Meal Costs

27. To raise the price of an adult lunch .15 to \$3.90 for the 2021-2022 school year. The cost of an adult breakfast will remain at \$1.95.

Tenured
Professional Staff

28. The tenure of the following professional employees:

Heather Bark - Leigh Ann Dunn - Rebekah Isenberg -
Santino Jaber - Brian Sherwood - Cortney Tyger

Agreement with
Ignite Education for
Title I Services

29. The agreement with Ignite Education Solutions to provide Title I services to district students at Johnstown Christian School.

(Attachment AA)

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

Motion Carried.

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CV Hockey
Booster Support
from CVSD

30. Motion by Mrs. Jacoby, second by Mr. Truscello, Sr. to approve \$10,000.00 in support of CV Hockey Program for the 2021-2022 season.

(Handout)

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

Motion Carried.

Creation of a
K-12 Operations
Principal Position

31. Motion by Miss Ribblett, second by Mr. Truscello, Sr. to approve the creation of a K-12 Operations Principal position. Note: This is a 12-month, Act 93 position. The compensation and benefits of this position will be the same as the elementary principal position.

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

Motion Carried.

Job Description-
K-12 Operations
Principal

32. Motion by Miss Ribblett, second by Mrs. Richards to approve the job description for the K-12 Operations Principal position.

(Handout)

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

Motion Carried.

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Elementary
Principal
Reassignment

33. Motion by Mrs. Richards, second by Miss Ribblett to reassign Elementary Principal, Rebecca Castiglione, to K-12 Operations Principal position with duties to be effective immediately.

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

Motion Carried.

Posting of
Elementary
Principal
Position

34. Motion by Mrs. Richards, second by Miss Ribblett to approve the posting of the Elementary Principal position.

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

Motion Carried.

Adjournment

Motion by Miss Ribblett, second by Mr. Truscello, Sr., to adjourn meeting at 9:09 P.M.

All "Ayes". Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donell Jacoby

Donell Jacoby
Board Secretary