

Conemaugh Valley School District  
Board of School Directors  
Committee and Regular Meeting  
November 10, 2021

Committee  
Meeting

The regular monthly Committee Meeting of the Conemaugh Valley Board of School Directors was held on Wednesday, November 10, 2021, in the Music Room of the Conemaugh Valley Elementary School. The meeting was called to order by President, Todd Roberts at 6:30 P.M. A moment of silence was observed. A flag salute was led by James Stiffler, Jr. Roll call of members present: Donell Jacoby, Daniel Markiewicz, Hannah Ribblett, Heather Richards, Todd Roberts, Melissa Ross, James Stiffler, Jr., and Francis Truscello, Sr. Also present: Shane Hazenstab, Michelle LaRose, Attorney Brian Litzinger, Mandy Livai, Eric Miller, and Jeffrey Miller. Absent: David Rykala.

Speakers

1. Shane Hazenstab, Superintendent, introduced Mr. James Carr, a retired principal, who is assisting the Elementary Administration with transition. He is very pleased to be at Conemaugh Valley and appreciates the opportunity.
2. Mrs. Dawn Thompson, PTO President, discussed reviving the field trips at the Elementary. Potentially eliminating the carnival and adding education field trips.
3. Attorney Alex Svirsko, Franklin Borough's Attorney, spoke about the LERTA (Local Economic Revitalization Tax Assistance) Ordinance. Franklin Borough is an ACT 47 borough and has been for some time.
4. Mrs. Melissa Uzelac, concerned parent, asked about the mask policy.
5. Melissa Ross, Chair of the Buildings & Grounds Sub-Committee, spoke about the HVAC Proposals. Three companies will speak to the Board next month to discuss their proposals. Minutes of this Sub-Committee are attached.
6. Mandy Livai, Director of Student Services, spoke about the audit that is currently on-going within our special education department.

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Executive Session      Motion by Mrs. Ross, second by Mrs. Richards to enter into Executive Session for Legal & Personnel Issues at 7:06 P.M.

All "Ayes". Motion Carried.

Executive  
Session End

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

All "Ayes". Motion Carried.

Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Markiewicz, second by Mrs. Ross to adjourn the Committee Meeting at 8:23 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 Wednesday, November 10, 2021, in the Music Room of the Conemaugh Valley Elementary School. The meeting was called to order by President, Todd Roberts at 8:24 P.M. Roll call of members present: Donell Jacoby, Daniel Markiewicz, Hannah Ribblett, Heather Richards, Todd Roberts, Melissa Ross, James Stiffler, Jr., and Francis Truscello, Sr. Also present: Shane Hazenstab, Michelle LaRose, Attorney Brian Litzinger, Mandy Livai, Eric Miller, and Jeffrey Miller. Absent: David Rykala.

Communications

Letter from PSBA Insurance Trust regarding additional 24-hour insurance.

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Bills &  
Reports

Motion by Mr. Markiewicz, second by Mr. Stiffler, Jr. to accept and place on file the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting from October 14, 2021; the Payment of Bills Prior to Board approval in the amount of \$313,700.33; Cafeteria Receipts Ledger for September 2021; Athletic Account Reconciliation for October 2021; the Treasurer's Report for October 2021 in the amount of \$5,294,299.60; the Condensed Board Summary Report for October 2021; PLGIT Investment Holdings Account for October 2021.

All "Ayes". Motion Carried.

Hire-Elementary  
Principal

1. Motion by Mrs. Jacoby, second by Miss Ribblett to approve the hiring of Michelle LaRose as the Elementary School Principal at a salary of \$80,000.00, effective as of Monday, August 16, 2021. This is an Act 93 position and is pending receipt of all necessary clearances and paperwork.

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

Motion Carried.

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

CVHS  
Attendance at  
APAVTS for  
3 Year Program

2. CVHS students to attend Admiral Peary Area Vocational Technical School for 3 years, instead of 2, beginning in the 10<sup>th</sup> grade. Note: This will begin with the 2022-2023 school year.

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Posting for  
Elementary  
Dean of Students

3. The posting of the Elementary Dean of Students position.

Rescind Job  
Offer

4. The rescinding of the job offer of Full-Time Custodian to Ibn Henderson. Note: This individual was hired on October 14, 2021 and has not reported to work.

Franklin Borough  
LERTA Ordinance

5. The Franklin Borough LERTA Ordinance granting a tax exemption from school real estate taxes for the assessed valuation of improvements to deteriorated properties and the assessed valuation of new construction within Franklin Borough.

(Attachment A)

Professional  
Substitutes  
Through Ignite  
Education Solutions

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

(Attachment B)

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Student Activity  
Account Report

7. The Student Activity Account Report for October 2021.

(Handout)

Hire – Extra-  
Curricular –  
Jr. High Head  
Girls Basketball  
Coach

8. The hiring of Paula McCleester as the Jr. High Head Girls Basketball Coach at a salary of \$2,500.00. 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.

(Attachment C)

Hire – Extra-  
Curricular –  
Jr. High Asst.  
Girls Basketball  
Coach

9. The hiring of Brooke McCleester as the Jr. High Asst. Girls Basketball 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.

(Attachment C)

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Volunteer  
Coaches –  
Basketball

10. The following as volunteer coaches for the Varsity Girls and Boys Basketball programs for the 2021-2022 season:

Casey Cruse, Denny Cruse, Melissa Lint, James Preuss

(Attachment D)

CV Student to  
Compete with  
Westmont Swim  
Team

11. CV student, Reagan Chase, to compete with the Westmont Hilltop Swim Team for the 2021-2022 season, upon approval from the Westmont School Board.

Volunteer Swim  
Coaches

12. Garth Chase and Dawn Chase to serve as volunteer swim coaches for Reagan Chase for the 2021-2022 season. These approvals are pending receipt of all necessary clearances and paperwork.

(Attachment D)

Agreement with  
Impact Counseling  
Services, LLC

13. The agreement with Impact Counseling Services, LLC to work with Conemaugh Valley School District students that are referred through the Student Assistance Program. Note: There is no cost to the District for these services.

(Attachment E)

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Board Policy  
Manual Revisions-  
Section 000-Local  
Board Procedures

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

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

(Attachment F)

SECOND READING  
WAIVE READING

Resignation/  
Professional  
Employee

15. The resignation of Katie Wise, Elementary Teacher, effective immediately, with permission to post this position.

(Attachment AA)

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Minutes from  
B&G Committee  
Meeting

16. The minutes of the Buildings & Grounds Committee Meeting held on November 8, 2021.

(Attachment AB)

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

Motion Carried.

Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Markiewicz, second by Mrs. Ross to adjourn the meeting at 8:32 P.M.

All "Ayes". Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Donell Jacoby*

Donell Jacoby  
Board Secretary

DJ/cm