

Conemaugh Valley School District
Board of School Directors
Committee and Regular Meeting
June 12, 2014

Committee Meeting

The regular monthly Committee Meeting of the Conemaugh Valley Board of School Directors was held on Thursday, June 12, 2014, in the library of the Conemaugh Valley High School. The meeting was called to order by President Mark Vibostok at 6:45 P.M. A prayer was offered by Donell Jacoby, followed by a flag salute lead by Dave Lehman. Roll call of members present: Larry Gossard, Donell Jacoby, Peter J. Knaze, Jennifer Reese(attended via speaker phone), Todd Roberts, David Rykala, Francis Truscello, Sr., and Mark Vibostok. Also present: David Lehman, Eric Miller, Shane Hazenstab, Lawra Stuart, William Kanich, and Attorney John Kuzmiak, Esq.

Speakers:

1. Mr. Rick Evans, Reynolds Energy Services, spoke about the new toilets which were put in at the high school. The new flush system upgrade had a pump problem. The problem has been addressed and Reynolds Energy Services feels a new pump system is not necessary. The school district should not proceed using a duplex system.
2. Tyler Thompson, Cambria Rowe Business College, spoke about a project-based learning environment for the High School student as a pilot program. Only cost would be a Mini-Mac. Textbooks are not necessary. This would be for grades 9 through 12.
3. Brian Hendren, Institutional Specialties, Inc., spoke about a new Marquee for the District Campus.
4. Kaitlyn Stiffler spoke about Student Council activities coming up in the fall.
5. Paula McCleester, Athletic Director, spoke about some athletic issues and the Athletic Budget for the 2014-2015 school year.
6. Wendy Konicky, Alumni Association, spoke about the 2014 Homecoming & Alumni Game Activities.

Executive Session

Motion by Mr. Gossard second by Mr. Rykala to enter into Executive Session for Legal & Personnel Purposes at 9:10 P.M.

All "Ayes" Motion Carried.

Executive
Session End

Motion by Mr. Gossard, second by Mr. Knaze to end Executive Session at 10:04 P.M.

All "Ayes" Motion Carried.

Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Gossard, second by Mr. Rykala to adjourn Committee Meeting at 10:05 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, June 12, 2014, in the library of the Conemaugh Valley High School. The meeting was called to order by President Mark Vibostok at 10:06 P.M. Roll call of members present: Larry Gossard, Donell Jacoby, Peter Knaze, Jennifer Reese (attended via speaker phone), Todd Roberts, David Rykala, Francis Truscello, Sr., and Mark Vibostok. Also present: David Lehman, Eric Miller, Shane Hazenstab, William Kanich, Lawra Stuart, and Attorney John Kuzmiak, Esq.

Minutes

Motion by Mr. Knaze, second by Mr. Roberts to accept and place on file the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of May 8, 2014.

Roll call vote: Five (5) yes, present at May meeting - Donell Jacoby, Peter Knaze, Todd Roberts, David Rykala, and Francis Truscello, Sr. Four (4) absent from May meeting - Larry Gossard, Jennifer Preuss, Jennifer Reese, and Mark Vibostok.

Motion carried.

Reports

Motion by Mr. Truscello, Sr., second by Mr. Rykala to accept and place on file the Payment of Bills Prior to Board Approval in the amount of \$267,039.02, Bills for Payment in the amount of \$230,805.94, Treasurer's Report for May; Budgetary Report; PLGT ARM Account of Bills Paid Prior to Board Approval in the amount of \$259,481.60 - Series 2013; Treasurer's Reports for Series 2011 and 2013.

Roll call vote: Eight (8) yes, Larry Gossard, Donell Jacoby, Peter Knaze, Jennifer Reese, Todd Roberts, David Rykala, Francis Truscello, Sr., and Mark Vibostok.

Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Rykala, second by Mrs. Jacoby to approve the following:

Appointment of
Board Treasurer

1. The appointment of Francis Truscello, Sr. as Board Treasurer from July 1, 2014, to June 30, 2015. The Stipend for this position is \$1,800.

Roll call vote: Six (6) yes, Larry Gossard, Donell Jacoby, Peter Knaze, Todd Roberts, David Rykala, and Mark Vibostok. One (1) no, Jennifer Reese. One (1) abstention, Francis Truscello, Sr.

Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Roberts, second by Mr. Gossard to approve the following:

Special Education
Coordinator

2. The hiring of John Lizik as Special Education Coordinator for the 2014-2015 school year at a salary of \$300 per day.

(Attachment A)

Policy Adoption
Board Policy-226.1
Use of Metal Detectors
at School Facilities

3. Board Policy 226.1 – Use of Metal Detectors at School Facilities.

(Attachment B)

SECOND READING
WAIVE READING

Dedication/Open
House Ceremony
Date

4. Set the New Construction Dedication/Open House date as Friday, August 1, 2014, from 4 P.M. to 8 P.M.

Letter of Agreement –
Goodwill Industries
of the Conemaugh
Valley, Inc.

5. Letter of Agreement between the Goodwill Industries of the Conemaugh Valley, Inc. and the Conemaugh Valley School District.

(Attachment C)

- Program Agreement
for ACRP Services 6. The ACRP Program Agreement for Alternative Education Services for
Alternative Education Services for the 2014-2015 school year.

(Attachment D)
- Letter of Agreement –
Learning Lamp AEDY
Program 7. The Letter of Agreement between the Learning Lamp and the
Conemaugh Valley School District to continue the AEDY Program
housed at the Admiral Peary Vocational Technical School.

(Attachment E)
- 2014-2015 Bid
Results 8. The Bid Results for the 2014-2015 school year.

(Attachment F)
- Conferences 9. The Board of Education and Administration to attend related workshops,
conferences, and conventions during the 2014-2015 school year.
- IU08 Teacher
Induction 10. The new and second year teachers to take part in the IU08 Teacher
Induction Program for the 2014-2015 school year.
- Article of
Agreement – IU08
ESL Consortium 11. Article of Agreement between the Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8
ESL Consortium and the Conemaugh Valley School District.

(Attachment G)
- Use of Facilities –
CV Youth
Football League 12. The CVYFL the use of the Football Field for the 2014-2015
school year.

(Attachment H)

Use of Facilities –
PTO Blood
Screening Event

13. The CV PTO the use of the New Elementary Gym, or the HS Gym as an alternate site, to hold a blood screening event on Oct. 4, 2014.

(Attachment I)

Policy 249.1 –
Bullying/Cyberbullying
Review

14. Review of Board Policy 249.1-Bullying/Cyberbullying, which was adopted on October 9, 2008, and to add this Review Date to the Caption section of the policy as per the Safe Schools Office of PA Department of Education.

(Attachment J)

Change of Address
with the PA Dept.
of Education

15. The change of address of the Conemaugh Valley School District and the Conemaugh Valley Elementary School to 1340 William Penn Ave., Johnstown, PA 15906 on the EdNA (Education Names and Addresses) site of the PA Dept. of Education, for release of the School Performance Profile.

(Attachment K)

Update the CVES
Principal Position
on EdNA

16. Update the CVES Principal position as VACANT on the EdNA (Education Names and Addresses) site of the PA Dept. of Ed., for the release of the School Performance Profile.

(Attachment L)

2014-2015 General
Fund Budget

17. Adoption of the General Fund Budget for the Conemaugh Valley School District.

A. Resolved that a budget for the Conemaugh Valley School District for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013 and ending June 30, 2015 be adopted as herein specified.

1. Anticipated Revenue to be **\$11,141,190.00**
2. Anticipated Opening Balance to be **\$3,570,000.00**
3. Anticipated Expenditures and Budgetary Reserve to be

\$14,711,190.00

- B. Resolved that real estate taxes in the Conemaugh Valley School District for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014 and ending June 30, 2015 be set at **57.7** mills per one dollar of assessed Valuation on **.0577** 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 2014-2015 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.

CVSD 2014 Homestead
Farmstead
Resolution

- 18. Conemaugh Valley School District 2014 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, 2014 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, 2014.
 - 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 **\$272,189.**
 - b. **Aggregate amount available.** The aggregate amount available during the school year for real estate tax reduction is **\$272,189.**
- 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 **2076**.

- b. **Farmstead property number.** The number of approved farmsteads within the School District is **4**.
 - c. **Homestead/Farmstead combined number.** Adding these numbers, the aggregate number of approved homesteads and farmsteads is **2080**.
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 **\$272,189** by the paragraph 2(c) aggregate number of approved homesteads and approved farmsteads of **2080** the maximum real estate tax reduction amount applicable to each approved homestead and to each approved farmstead is **\$130.86**.
 4. **Homestead exclusion calculation.** Dividing the paragraph 3 maximum real estate tax reduction amount of **\$130.86** School District real estate tax rate of **57.7** mills **.0577** be reflected on tax notices as a homestead exclusion for each approved homestead is **\$2,268** and the maximum real estate assessed value reduction to be reflected on tax notices as a farmstead exclusion for each approved farmstead is **\$2,268**.
 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 **\$2,268**. 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 **\$2,268**.

Insurance
Renewal

19. The renewal of the Workers' Compensation, General Liability Package, Auto, Umbrella, and Errors and Omissions Insurance Coverage for the 2014-2015 fiscal year as proposed by the Gleason Agency with a premium of \$82,711.00.

(Attachment M)

Student and Athletic

Insurance Renewal 20. The renewal of the student and athletic insurance coverage for the 2014-2015 school year as proposed by the Gleason Insurance Group with a premium of \$18,098.00.

(Attachment N)

High School
Roofing

21. Energy Saving Roofing to install a HydroStop Premium Coat roofing system on the roof over the main high school gym at a price of \$74,166.00.

Note: This product is priced through a national co-op bid.

Roll call vote: Eight (8) yes, Larry Gossard, Donell Jacoby, Peter Knaze, Jennifer Reese, Todd Roberts, David Rykala, Francis Truscello, Sr., and Mark Vibostok.

Motion carried.

Motion made by Mr. Roberts, second by Mr. Rykala to approve the following:

Salary
Adjustments

22. Salary adjustments for non-instructional employees not covered under the collective bargaining agreement. Adjustments are listed below and effective July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2019.

	<u>2014-2015</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>	<u>2018-2019</u>
Supervisors: Buildings & Grounds	\$.55	\$.55	\$.55	\$.55	\$.55
Food Service Director	\$.55	\$.55	\$.55	\$.55	\$.55
Superintendent Secretary	\$.55	\$.55	\$.55	\$.55	\$.55
Accts Rec/Payable/ Benefits Clerk	\$.55	\$.55	\$.55	\$.55	\$.55
Child Accounting/PIMS Coordinator	\$.55	\$.55	\$.55	\$.55	\$.55
Payroll/Retirement Clerk	\$.55	\$.55	\$.55	\$.55	\$.55
Head Cooks	\$.55	\$.55	\$.55	\$.55	\$.55
LPNs	\$.55	\$.55	\$.55	\$.55	\$.55

Cleaner/Custodian
Substitutes

23. The following as substitute cleaners/custodians for the summer at \$7.25/hr as per the contract:

Dalton Ashcom	Kayla Byers	Patricia Dorofey
Kerry Horner	Bertha Owens	Mary Peruso
Mark Roberts	Tammy Smith	Michelle Sodano
Zackery Spisak	Karen Sumrada	Apryl Toth

Roll call vote: Eight (8) yes, Larry Gossard, Donell Jacoby, Peter Knaze, Jennifer Reese, Todd Roberts, David Rykala, Francis Truscello, Sr., and Mark Vibostok.

Motion carried.

Motion made by Todd Roberts, second by Francis Truscello, Sr. to approve the following:

Support Staff
Hire

24. The hiring of Kevin Durst as a part-time custodian for the CVSD effective July 1, 2014. Salary for the 2014-2015 school year is \$7.25 per hour.

Roll call vote: Eight (8) yes, Larry Gossard, Donell Jacoby, Peter Knaze, Jennifer Reese, Todd Roberts, David Rykala, Francis Truscello, Sr., and Mark Vibostok.

Motion carried.

Motion made by Todd Roberts, second by Francis Truscello, Sr. to approve the following:

Support Staff
Hire

25. The hiring of Jamie Keim as a part-time cleaner for the CVSD effective July 1, 2014. Salary for the 2014-2015 school year is \$7.25 per hour.

Roll call vote: Eight (8) yes, Larry Gossard, Donell Jacoby, Peter Knaze, Jennifer Reese, Todd Roberts, David Rykala, Francis Truscello, Sr., and Mark Vibostok.

Motion carried.

Motion made by Francis Truscello, Sr., second by David Rykala to approve the following:

Suspend July
Board Meeting

26. The suspension of the July Board Meeting.

Extra-Curricular
Resignation

27. The resignation of Mark Berkey, Assistant Varsity Baseball Coach, effective immediately.

(Attachment O)

Extra-Curricular
Resignation

28. The resignation of Denise Reynolds, Junior High Cheerleading Coach, effective immediately.

(Attachment P)

Marquee Purchase for
New Elementary

29. The purchase and installation of a marquee sign for the new CV Elementary Building from Institutional Specialties, Inc. at a cost **not** to exceed \$35,000.00.

(Attachment Q)

Elementary
Playground

30. The purchase of playground equipment, and installation of Pre-K equipment, from Jeffrey Associates at a cost not to exceed \$60,000.00.

(Attachment R)

Note: The Pre-K equipment has already been purchased through a grant.

Water Pump –
Reynolds

31. The proposal from Reynolds to install a water pump at the CV High School at no cost to the district.

(Attachment S)

Change Order

GC-032 – Revised Bulkhead Painting 32. The Change Order GC-032 – Revised Bulkhead Painting at a cost of \$414.23.

(Attachment - Contingency Log)

Change Order CF-002 – Remove VCT & Glue Reinstall 33. The Change Order CF-002 – Remove VCT & Glue-Reinstall at a cost of \$281.68.

(Attachment – Contingency Log)

Change Order CC-003 – Additional Casework – PR-37 34. The Change Order CC-003 – Additional Casework – PR-37 at a cost of \$950.00.

(Attachment – Contingency Log)

Change Order CC-004 – Sink Door Room 206 35. The Change Order CC-004 – Sink Door-Room 206 at a cost of \$250.00.

(Attachment – Contingency Log)

Grade 7 and New Student Orientation 36. The Grade 7 and New Student Orientation date for August 13, 2014 at 10:00 A.M.

Elementary Orientations 37. The following dates and times for the Elementary Orientations:

August 12, 2014 - Kindergarten - 9:00 A.M.
August 14, 2014 - Pre-K Counts - 9:00 A.M.

(Attachment A-A)

Volunteers for Band
Front Line

38. The following volunteers as Front Line Advisors for the 2014-2015 school year:

Erin McDonald

Annette Rigby

(Attachment A-B)

Extracurricular
Resignation

39. The resignation of Pat Gruss as Jr. High Girls Basketball Coach effective immediately.

(Attachment A-C)

Substitute Teacher
Agreement

40. To renew the substitute teacher agreement between the Learning Lamp and the CVSD for the 2014-2015 school year.

(Attachment A-D)

Athletic Budget

41. To approve the Athletic Budget for the 2014-2015 school year.

(Attachment A-E)

Roll call vote: Eight (8) yes, Larry Gossard, Donell Jacoby, Peter Knaze, Jennifer Reese, Todd Roberts, David Rykala, Francis Truscello, Sr., and Mark Vibostok.

Motion carried.

Appoint Candidate
To Board Vacancy

42. Motion made by Donell Jacoby to nominate Melissa Ross for the Board Vacancy position.

Motion made by Jennifer Reese to nominate James Stiffler for the Board Vacancy position.

Motion made by Donell Jacoby, second by Francis Truscello, Sr. to close the nominations for the Board Vacancy position.

All "Ayes" Motion Carried.

Roll Call Vote:

Mark Vibostok:	James Stiffler
Larry Gossard:	James Stiffler
Donell Jacoby:	Melissa Ross
Peter Knaze:	James Stiffler
Jennifer Reese:	James Stiffler
Todd Roberts:	James Stiffler
David Rykala:	James Stiffler
Francis Truscello, Sr:	James Stiffler

Mr. Stiffler was appointed to fill the Board Vacancy by a vote of 7-1.

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

Superintendent
Contract

43. The attached contract for the Conemaugh Valley School District Superintendent.

(Attachment A-F)

Roll call vote: Eight (8) yes, Larry Gossard, Donell Jacoby, Peter Knaze, Jennifer Reese, Todd Roberts, David Rykala, Francis Truscello, Sr., and Mark Vibostok.

Motion carried.

Motion made by Todd Roberts, second by Francis Truscello, Sr. to approve the following:

Letter of
Agreement for
Homelessness
Program

44. The Letter of Agreement with ARIN IU28 for the Homelessness Program.

(Attachment A-G)

- Extra-Curricular
Resignation 45. The resignation of LeeAnn Haynal as Assistant Junior High Cheerleading Coach, effective immediately.

(Attachment A-H)
- Homecoming
2014 46. The date of the Homecoming game as October 3, 2014 @ 7:00 P.M.
- Football
Chain Crew 47. The payment to the football chain crew at \$25 per person per game.
- Assistant
Golf Coach 48. The creation of an Assistant Golf Coach at a salary of \$500.00.
- Home Golf
Course 49. North Fork as the home golf course at a cost of \$1,700 per year.
- Track Co-Op 50. Forest Hills for the Track Co-op School.
- Assistant
Football Coach 51. The addition of an assistant football coach to the roster.
- CV Alumni Game 52. The CV Alumni Game to be held on Sat., October 11, 2014 and the CV Youth Football game to be held Sun., October 12, 2014.
- Special Board
Meeting 53. A Special Board Meeting for General Purposes on Tuesday, June 24, 2014 at 6 P.M. at the Jr./Sr. High School Library.

Roll call vote: Eight (8) yes, Larry Gossard, Donell Jacoby, Peter Knaze, Jennifer Reese, Todd Roberts, David Rykala, Francis Truscello, Sr., and Mark Vibostok.

Motion carried.

Freshmen Athletes
to Varsity Level

54. Motion made by Todd Roberts, second by Larry Gossard to approve the move of all 9th grade athletes to the Varsity Level based upon the recommendation of the coaches and parents. The Board will be notified prior to this happening.

Roll call vote: Eight (8) yes, Larry Gossard, Donell Jacoby, Peter Knaze, Jennifer Reese, Todd Roberts, David Rykala, Francis Truscello, Sr., and Mark Vibostok.

Motion carried.

Motion made by Francis Truscello, Sr., second by Larry Gossard to adjourn at 10:38 P.M.

All "Ayes". Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donell Jacoby
Secretary

DJ/cm

