

Conemaugh Valley School District
Board of School Directors
Committee and Regular Meeting
January 9, 2014

Committee Meeting

The regular monthly Committee Meeting of the Conemaugh Valley Board of School Directors was held on Thursday, January 9, 2014, in the library of the Conemaugh Valley Elementary School. The meeting was called to order by Vice President Todd Roberts at 6:34 P.M. A prayer was offered by Donell Jacoby, followed by a flag salute lead by Larry Gossard. Roll call of members present: Larry Gossard, Donell Jacoby, Peter J. Knaze, Jennifer Preuss, Jennifer Reese, Todd Roberts, David Rykala, and Francis Truscello, Sr. Also present: David Lehman, Eric Miller, Shane Hazenstab, William Kanich, and Attorney John Kuzmiak. Absent: Mark Vibostok and Lawra Stuart.

Speakers:

1. Samantha Rodgers, new Family and Consumer Science Teacher, introduced herself to the Board.
2. Mrs. McGuire, School Psychologist, Mrs. Brenda Ambrisco, School Guidance Counselor, and Mr. John Lizik, Special Education Coordinator, spoke about the gifted students' program.
3. B. K. Horner, Foreman Construction, spoke about the Elementary Building Project.
4. Rob Pillar, Stantec Architects, spoke about the Elementary Building Project. He also spoke about the outside lighting.
5. Mrs. Leah Spangler and Mr. James Dobrick from the Learning Lamp spoke about a substitute assignment program and assistance with Public Relations.
6. Kaitlyn Stiffler, student representative, spoke about the student activities.
7. Karen McGowan, Citizen's Committee, stated her appreciation to the Board for working with the Citizen's Committee.
8. Don Neisner, Citizen's Committee, also spoke about a possible recreational park in Conemaugh Township.
9. Mr. Eugene Kist, resident, spoke about the Conemaugh Township school property.
10. Mr. Bob Beiter, High School Baseball Coach, requested to play the Senior Day game at the Point Stadium.

Executive Session Motion by Mr. Knaze, second by Mr. Rykala to enter into Executive Session for Negotiations & Personnel Issues at 8:51 P.M.

All “Ayes” Motion Carried.

Executive Session End Motion by Mr. Gossard, second by Mr. Truscello, Sr. to end Executive Session at 9:16 P.M.

All “Ayes” Motion Carried.

Adjournment Motion by Mr. Truscello, second by Mr. Gossard to adjourn Committee Meeting at 9:17 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, January 9, 2014, in the library of the Conemaugh Valley Elementary School. The meeting was called to order by Vice President Todd Roberts at 9:18 P.M. Roll call of members present: Larry Gossard, Donell Jacoby, Peter J. Knaze, Jennifer Preuss, Jennifer Reese, Todd Roberts, David Rykala, and Francis Truscello, Sr. Also present: David Lehman, Eric Miller, Shane Hazenstab, William Kanich, and Attorney John Kuzmiak. Absent: Mark Vibostok and Lawra Stewart.

Minutes Motion by Mr. Truscello, second by Mr. Gossard to accept and place on file the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting and Re-organization Meeting of December 5, 2013; Treasurer’s Report for December 2013; Payment of Bills Prior to Board Approval in the amount of \$485,200.08; Bills for Payment in the amount of \$181,309.85; Budgetary Report; PLGIT ARM Account of Bills Paid Prior to Board Approval in the amount of \$353,715.30 - Series 2011; PLGIT Treasurer’s Report Series 2011 and Series 2013.

Roll call vote: Eight (8) yes, Larry Gossard, Donell Jacoby, Peter J. Knaze, Jennifer Preuss, Jennifer Reese, Todd Roberts, David Rykala, Francis Truscello, Sr. Absent: One (1) Mark Vibostok.

Motion carried.

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

Policy Adoption –
Policy 223.1 – Student
Driving and Parking
Privileges

1. Policy Adoption – Policy 223.1 – Student Driving and Parking Privileges.

(Attachment A)

FIRST READING
WAIVE READING

Roll call vote: Eight (8) yes, Larry Gossard, Donell Jacoby, Peter J. Knaze, Jennifer Preuss, Jennifer Reese, Todd Roberts, David Rykala, Francis Truscello, Sr. Absent: One (1) Mark Vibostok.

Motion carried.

Support Staff
Transfer

2. Motion made by Mr. Knaze, second by Mrs. Reese to approve the transfer of Mrs. Chris Miller from Special Education Secretary to the position of Secretary to the Superintendent. This transfer to occur January 10, 2014 at a salary of \$12.05 per hour and benefits as per the support staff contract.

Note: Transfer from a 10-month position to a 12-month confidential secretary position. Mrs. Miller's current salary-\$10.05 per hour.

Roll call vote: Eight (8) yes, Larry Gossard, Donell Jacoby, Peter J. Knaze, Jennifer Preuss, Jennifer Reese, Todd Roberts, David Rykala, Francis Truscello, Sr. Absent: One (1) Mark Vibostok.

Motion carried.

Support Staff
Transfer

3. Motion made by Mr. Truscello, Sr., second by Mr. Rykala to approve the transfer of Mrs. Stacey Bailey from School Aide to Special Education Secretary. This transfer to occur January 10, 2014 at a salary of \$11.05 per hour and benefits as per the support staff contract.

Note: Transfer from School Aide for special education student to 10-month position of Special Education Secretary. Mrs. Bailey's current salary-\$10.05 per hour.

Roll call vote: Six (6) yes, Donell Jacoby, Peter J. Knaze, Jennifer Preuss, Todd Roberts, David Rykala, Francis Truscello, Sr. Two (2) no, Larry Gossard, Jennifer Reese. Absent: One (1) Mark Vibostok.

Motion carried.

School Aide
Transfer

4. Motion made by Mr. Rykala, second by Mr. Truscello, Sr. to approve the transfer of Mrs. Davina Ashcom as School Aide positioned at the high school to School Aide positioned at the Forest Hills Middle School.

Note: Transfer to occur January 10, 2014.

Roll call vote: Seven (7) yes, Larry Gossard, Donell Jacoby, Peter J. Knaze, Jennifer Preuss, Todd Roberts, David Rykala, Francis Truscello, Sr. One (1) no, Jennifer Reese. Absent: One (1) Mark Vibostok.

Motion carried.

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

School Aide
Transfer

5. The transfer of Brenda Poborski, as School Aide positioned in the CVE classrooms to the MDS classroom located within the CVE campus.

Note: Assignment transfer was to originally occur on January 2, 2014.

(Attachment B)

Field Trip
Request

6. The Field Trip Request of the French and Spanish foreign Language Club to New York City, April 4, 2014 to April 6, 2014.

Note: Request is in compliance with policy requirements.

(Attachment C)

Professional
Substitute

7. Leanna Bird as a professional substitute for the CVSD for the 2013-2014 school year pending all clearances and health report. Ms. Bird holds a PA certification in English 7-12.

IU-08 Substitute

8. Shannon Weaver as a substitute through the IU-08 Substitute Program.

Support Staff
Substitute

9. Patricia Piszczek as a support staff substitute in the area of office/secretarial and cafeteria positions for the 2013-2014 school year pending all clearances and health report.

Roll call vote: Eight (8) yes, Larry Gossard, Donell Jacoby, Peter J. Knaze, Jennifer Preuss, Jennifer Reese, Todd Roberts, David Rykala, Francis Truscello, Sr. Absent: One (1) Mark Vibostok.

Motion carried.

IU-08 Board
Representative

10. Motion made by Mr. Rykala, second by Mrs. Jacoby to appoint Francis Truscello, Sr. as the IU-08 Board Representative serving Region VII.

Note: Term will run from July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2017.

(Attachment D)

Roll call vote: Eight (8) yes, Larry Gossard, Donell Jacoby, Peter J. Knaze, Jennifer Preuss, Jennifer Reese, Todd Roberts, David Rykala, Francis Truscello, Sr. Absent: One (1) Mark Vibostok.

Motion carried.

Motion made by Mr. Gossard, second by Mrs. Reese to approve the following:

Change Order –
EC-005 – Score
Board

11. Change Order – EC-005 relocation of existing score board and the addition of a score board at a cost of \$11,316.18.

(Attachment – Contingency Log)

Note: Supporting documentation for motions 11 and 12 are within the attached contingency log.

Change Order –
GC-032 Locker
Room Tile Credit

12. Change Order – GC-032 – Locker Room Tile Credit at a credit of \$30,585.

(Attachment – Contingency Log)

Change Order –
EC-004 – Add
Electric Circuits
For Units

13. Change Order – EC-004 – Add Electric Circuit for Units at a cost of \$1,730.85.

(Attachment – Contingency Log)

Roll call vote: Eight (8) yes, Larry Gossard, Donell Jacoby, Peter J. Knaze, Jennifer Preuss, Jennifer Reese, Todd Roberts, David Rykala, Francis Truscello, Sr. Absent: One (1) Mark Vibostok.

Motion carried.

Motion made by Mr. Gossard, second by Mrs. Reese to approve the following:

Extra-Curricular Hire -
Jr. High Assistant
Baseball Coach

14. Grant Gourley as the Jr. High Assistant Baseball Coach for the CVSD for the 2013-2014 school year at a salary of \$500.00. All clearances and health report are on file.

(Attachment A-A)

Extra-Curricular
Volunteer

15. Eric Faint as a volunteer for the CVSD for the 2013-2014 school year for the Varsity Baseball program. All clearances and health report are on file.

(Attachment A-B)

Field Trip
Pre-Approval

16. The field trip request of Mrs. Amy Beiter to travel to the Baltimore Aquarium in either April or May 2014. Request form will be submitted after pre-approval.

(Attachment A-C)

Public Relations

17. Grant the Superintendent the authority to consult the Learning Lamp to assist with Public Relations including print and electronic on an hourly basis at \$65 per hour; not to exceed \$4000 for the year.

(Attachment A-D)

Pilot – Substitute
Calling

18. Grant the Superintendent and Business Manager the authority to pilot a substitute assignment program with the Learning Lamp at a rate of 1.32 X the current substitute rate. The pilot would occur during the spring of 2014.

Note: If successful, the Superintendent and Business Manager will request the Board to consider the program for the 2014-2015 school year.

Roll call vote: Eight (8) yes, Larry Gossard, Donell Jacoby, Peter J. Knaze, Jennifer Preuss, Jennifer Reese, Todd Roberts, David Rykala, Francis Truscello, Sr. Absent: One (1) Mark Vibostok.

Motion carried.

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

Athletic Resignation –
Jr. High Softball
Coach

19. The resignation of Nicole Waligora as Jr. High Softball coach, effective immediately.

(Attachment A-E)

Athletic Resignation –
Jr. High Softball
Coach

20. The resignation of Andy Waligora as Jr. High Softball coach, effective immediately.

(Attachment A-F)

I.T. Fiber
Connection

21. The fiber connection between the new construction and the high school at a cost not to exceed \$7,500.00.

(Attachment A-G)

Phone System –
New Construction

22. The new construction phone system bid proposal from LaurelNet Services at a cost of \$10,975.00.

(Attachment A-H)

Varsity Boys
Baseball – Point
Stadium Game

23. The request of Mr. Beiter, Boys Varsity Baseball coach, to play the Senior Day Boys' Baseball Game at the Point Stadium in Johnstown, date pending.

Roll call vote: Eight (8) yes, Larry Gossard, Donell Jacoby, Peter J. Knaze, Jennifer Preuss, Jennifer Reese, Todd Roberts, David Rykala, Francis Truscello, Sr. Absent: One (1) Mark Vibostok.

Motion carried.

Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Truscello, Sr., second by Mrs. Preuss to adjourn at 9:30 P.M. All "Ayes". Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donell Jacoby

Donell Jacoby
Secretary

DJ/cm