

## School Board Meeting September 6, 2016

The regular meeting of the Redbank Valley School Board was held, Monday September 6, 2016 at 7:20 P.M in the Redbank Valley High School Library. The following members were in attendance: Dee Bell, Brian Dougherty, Tina Kennemuth, Ann Kopnitsky, Donald Nair, William Reddinger and Chad Shaffer. Heath Copenhaver and Glenn Watson were absent.

The regular school board meeting was called to order by President Chad Shaffer at 7:20 p.m.

A motion was made by William Reddinger seconded by Dee Bell to approve the minutes for the Regular School Board Meeting, August 8, 2016; Work Session Meeting, August 8, 2016 and the Special Board Meeting, August 22, 2016. Motion Carried Unanimously

Mr. Shaffer then asked for public concerns. Jennifer Wyant spoke to the school board on a bussing concern to bus high school students from and to South Bethlehem Borough. She commented on issues that the school board may not be aware of within the community. She also commented that a walk has been scheduled after dismissal time from the high school to South Bethlehem Borough on Friday and invited school board members to attend. Christian Kellar a student spoke to the school board concerning the use of water bottles during the school day. Mr. Kellar asked if the school board could review and or revise the policy concerning water bottles.

The Student Representative Report was presented by Peyton Kirkpatrick and Colin Sheffer. Mr. Kirkpatrick comment on the start of fall sports and Mr. Sheffer commented on student activities for the month of September.

The Elementary Report /Director of Education report was presented by Mrs. Cheryl McCauley. Mrs. McCauley commented on the startup of the school year with classroom orientation night and events dates for September concerning the Primary and Intermediate buildings. The third enrollment is 614 students.

The Secondary Report was presented by Mrs. Amy Rupp. Mrs. Rupp reported that PSSA and Keystone scores have arrived. Students were placed in remediation based upon their scores. Mrs. Rupp and Mrs. McCauley then gave a presentation to the school board on an analysis on the PSSA and Keystone scores. Findings show a concern to the reading program level.

At this time Mr. Bell excused himself from the school board meeting at 7:55 p.m.

The Maintenance Report was presented in by Mr. John Sayers. Mr. Sayers reported that the football field lights, football score clock and scoreboard had repairs done for the new season. Mr. Sayers also provided job descriptions to the school board to review concerning custodial/maintenance positions.

The Superintendent Report was presented by Mr. Drzewiecki. Mr. Drzewiecki reported on the revised memo attached to his report identifying options for fulfilling the responsibilities of the Intermediate Principal/Special Education Supervisor. Outlined in the memo under option B is responsibilities for Special Education Supervisor, Federal Programs Coordinator, Professional development planning, Induction Programming and District Testing Coordination. Mr. Drzewiecki provided a MOU for the assignment of Game Managers to all athletic events. Under the MOU the athletic director stipend would be used to pay game managers based on a stipend schedule provided. Any professional of the Redbank Valley School District may be a Game Manager at the discretion of the administration.

Mrs. Ann Koprinsky reported that the next IU#6 meeting is scheduled for September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016 and that a board agenda has been provided for school board review.

The CCAVTS Report was provided in writing for school board to review.

Mr. Shaffer then asked for any Board Committee report. Under the Budget committee, Mrs. Kennemuth reported that a meeting has been scheduled for September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 7:00 a.m. No information was presented for the Referendum committee or the Music committee.

A motion was made by William Reddinger second by Brian Dougherty to approve the second reading of the policy #247 Pupils, Hazing. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Brian Dougherty seconded by Donald Nair to award contract with Moore Physical Therapy for athletic trainer. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by William Reddinger seconded by Brian Dougherty sale/dispose of unused equipment. Inventory sheet attached. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Brian Dougherty seconded by William Reddinger to proceed with claim against the Sherriff sale of real estate in South Bethlehem Borough according to the Writ of Execution order. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Donald Nair seconded by Tina Kennemuth to look into a dedicated cellphone system for the district. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Ann Kopnitsky seconded by Donald Nair to approve August 2016, Treasurers Report. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Donald Nair seconded by Brian Dougherty to approve the General Fund Expenditures amounting to \$2,838,859.64. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Tina Kennemuth seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to approve the August 2016 Milk and Cafeteria Fund Expenditures amounting to \$38,481.71. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by William Reddinger seconded Donald Nair to approve Underwriting Engagement letter pursuant to MSRB Rule G-17 with Boenning & Scattergood. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Tina Kennemuth seconded by William Reddinger to approve the transfer of funds from General Fund to the project funds for the purpose to make final payment to Robert T. Scheeren, Architect in the amount of \$95,679.54. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Donald Nair seconded by Brian Dougherty to approve Leslie Lightner to mentor Michael Bauer for stipend of \$700.00. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made Donald Nair seconded by Chad Shaffer to approve unpaid medical leave to Molly Greenawalt retroactive from August 22, 2016 to the end of 2016-17 school year. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Chad Shaffer seconded by William Reddinger to approve Sarah Williams to attend the American Orff-Schulwerk Association Conference in Atlantic City, NJ from November 3-5, 2016. Motion Passed 5-Yes, 1-No (Dougherty)

A motion was made by William Reddinger seconded by Chad Shaffer to hire Angie Kinnard as JH Cheerleading coach at ~~50points@~~\$42.50=\$2,125.00. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by William Reddinger seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to add Courtney Smith and Brianna Traxler to the substitute teacher list. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by William Reddinger seconded by Chad Shaffer to hire Lyndsay Blystone as long-term substitute guidance counselor for the 2016-2017 school year. Motion Carried Unanimously

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A motion was made by Ann Kopnitsky seconded by Brian Dougherty to hire William Weaver as ½ Long-term substitute English teacher for 2016-2017 school year in addition to his ½ time World Language teaching responsibilities. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Donald Nair seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to approve Amy Switzer to attend the CR Inform-2016 Professional Development for MMS Users on October 6-7, 2016 at Harrisburg, PA. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by William Reddinger seconded by Tina Kennemuth to approve the memorandum of understanding for game managers to the payment schedule and the deletion of athletic director supplements as presented. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Ann Kopnitsky seconded by Tina Kennemuth to approve the administration to research a policy for water bottle containers during the classroom day. Motion Carried Unanimously

Mr. Shaffer then asked if any public concerns wished to be expressed. Lisa Kerle spoke to the school board contracting an athletic trainer. Ronda Toth commented on budgetary issues for cost savings and Allen Dawson commented also on the athletic trainer.

Mr. Shaffer then announced that an executive session would take place immediately after adjournment for personnel matters.

A motion was made by Brian Dougherty seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:08 P.M. Motion Carried Unanimously

Respectfully Submitted,

Jack E. Loughner, Jr.  
Board Secretary