

School Board Meeting
December 7, 2017

The regular meeting of the Redbank Valley School Board was held on Thursday, December 7, 2017 at 7:15 p.m. in the Redbank Valley High School Library. The following members were in attendance: Dee Bell, Ann Kopnitsky, Donald Nair, William Reddinger, Chad Shaffer, Carrie Adams, Linda Ferringer and Darren Bain. Heath Copenhaver was absent.

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Chad Shaffer.

A motion was made by Donald Nair, seconded by Bill Reddinger, to approve the minutes for the Work Session Meeting, Tuesday, October 31, 2017, with an amendment to note lack of a quorum, Work Session Meeting, Monday, November 6, 2017 and Regular Board Meeting, Monday, November 6, 2017. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Chad Shaffer asked for public comments. Kara Raybuck addressed the Board regarding the divide between parents and the school district and whether accurate information is being given to the Board in order to make decisions. RoxAnn Henry addressed the Board regarding outsourcing.

The Student Representative Report was presented by Colin Sheffer and Peyton Kirkpatrick. The month's activities reported were as follows: toy drive, new article in *The Bark*, Robotics Club placement in the BEST Regional Robotics Competition, Student Ed Camp, music department activities, basketball and wrestling tournaments and the Outdoor Club.

Mini-Burst presenters were Jamie Bowersox and Lila Rummell. They gave a presentation on making video trailers to be used in their classrooms.

The Primary/Intermediate Report was presented by Mrs. Cheryl McCauley. Mrs. McCauley reported that new committees have been added at each of the elementary buildings this year in order to encourage families to spend quality time together. She reported on the committee events from last month and events for the future. Also, the 4th grade Elk Center homework challenge winners' work was published in *Tracks and Racks Magazine*. Mrs. McCauley provided the month's activities, important dates, enrollment and discipline numbers in written form. Mrs. Kristen Landers provided information on the GEMS Club activities.

The Secondary Report was presented by Amy Rupp. Mrs. Rupp reported on the process for students at risk for dropping out. Enrollment and discipline numbers were included along with her written report.

Mrs. Amy Rupp and Mrs. Cheryl McCauley gave a presentation on PSSA testing data for students in grades 3-8, Keystone Exam data for high school students in Algebra I, Literature and Biology, and the School Performance Profile.

The Maintenance Report was presented by Mr. John Sayers. Mr. Sayers reported that two of the architects who assessed the track will be present at the next work session and one will be present at the next regular meeting to make their presentations. A list of repairs and maintenance was included in his written report.

The Superintendent Report was presented by Mr. Michael Drzewiecki. Mr. Drzewiecki gave a presentation on the preliminary 2018-2019 proposed budget, 2017-2018 estimated expenditures and the summary of the 2016-2017 local financial audit taken from the Annual Financial Report submitted to Pennsylvania Department of Education during the work session. He asked for questions regarding his written report. There were no questions.

The IU Report was presented by Mrs. Ann Kopnitsky. Mrs. Kopnitsky reported that the Intermediate Unit report was submitted in writing and additional information was provided pertaining to happenings since the last meeting.

The CCAVTS Report was presented by Dr. Donald Nair. Dr. Nair reported that the Career Center report was included in each Board members' packet.

Dr. Shaffer asked for Committee Reports. Mrs. Kopnitsky provided a printed copy of information regarding the Bulldog Alliance happenings. Dr. Shaffer reported that the 6th Grade Committee will be meeting to discuss a mock-up for space and a schedule if the 6th grade were to move to the High School. Dr. Shaffer reported that the Music Committee met and will have a list to present to boost interest in music department in the near future. He also suggested getting a more involved Wellness Committee.

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger, seconded by Ann Kopnitsky, to approve the second reading of Redbank Valley School District Board Policies #103, Nondiscrimination in School and Classroom Practices; #103.1, Nondiscrimination – Qualified Students With Disabilities; #104, Nondiscrimination in Employment Practices and #819, Suicide Awareness, Prevention and Response. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Dee Bell, seconded by Bill Reddinger, to approve the first reading of Redbank Valley School District Board Policies #253, School Wellness and #808, Food Services. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Donald Nair, seconded by Dee Bell, to approve the appointment of Business Manager as Clarion County Tax Collection Committee Delegate

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and Superintendent as the Alternate Delegate, retroactive to December 6, 2017. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger, seconded by Dee Bell, to approve ARIN resolution to participate in Cooperative Purchasing Program for 2018-19 school year and to bid General, Art, Industrial Arts, Extra-Curricular and Maintenance Supplies for the 2018-19 school year. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger, seconded by Dee Bell, to approve administration to proceed developing for Exceptions under Act 1 for Retirement, Special Education and Debt Service for 2018-19 school year. Motion Carried 7 Yes, 1 No (Nair).

A motion was made by Donald Nair, seconded by Bill Reddinger, to approve administration to proceed developing a Referendum Question proposal for 2018-19 school year. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Ann Kopnitsky, seconded by Chad Shaffer, to contract with Riverview Intermediate Unit 6 in the Regional Wide Area Network Project for five years, beginning 2018-2019, at a projected annual cost of \$5,694.00. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Ann Kopnitsky, seconded by Dee Bell, to approve the student activity fund and accompanying by-laws to establish a "Spanish Club".

A motion was made by Donald Nair, seconded by Bill Reddinger, to amend previous motion to read: approve the student activity fund and accompanying by-laws to establish a "Spanish Club", with the deletion of "approved by the advisor" in Article III, Section 2. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger, seconded by Donald Nair, to approve November, 2017 Treasurers Report, November, 2017 General Fund Expenditures amounting to \$1,239,754.32 and November, 2017 Milk and Cafeteria Fund Expenditures amounting to \$54,846.35. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Donald Nair, seconded by Ann Kopnitsky, to approve maternity leave for Nichole Allshouse beginning March 29, 2018 through the remainder of the school year. Expected return date is the first day of the 2018-19 school year. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Dee Bell, seconded by Ann Kopnitsky, to accept the resignation of Shannon Hawkins, Title I kindergarten aide, effective immediately. Motion Carried Unanimously.

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A motion was made by Bill Reddinger, seconded by Donald Nair, to hire Betty Shreckengost as a 4-hour cafeteria aide at an annual cost of \$9,940.48. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger, seconded by Dee Bell, to retro-approve family medical leave for Mary Beth Rankin, as of December 1, 2017. Motion Carried Unanimously.

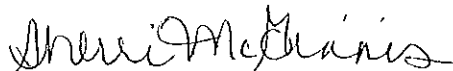
Dr. Shaffer asked for any additional items. Discussion took place regarding the baseball field lease.

Dr. Shaffer announced that an executive session would take place after adjournment for personnel and legal matters.

Dr. Shaffer asked for public comments. Allen Dawson had a question regarding the dropout rate.

A motion was made by Donald Nair, seconded by Bill Reddinger, to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:05 p.m. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Sherri McGinnis
Board Secretary