

School Board Meeting
May 3, 2021

A regular meeting of the Redbank Valley School Board was held on Monday, May 3, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. in the library. The following members were in attendance: Darren Bain, Dee Bell, Jason Barnett, Linda Ferringer, Ann Kopnitsky, Bill Reddinger, and Chad Shaffer, Donald Nair, Carrie Adams- Zoom

Mr. Reddinger announced that he was going to change the meeting to have Mrs. Chludinski speaking on Math Curriculum, how they previewed and chose the

A motion was made by Don Nair seconded Ann Kopnitsky by to approve Work Session Meeting, April 1, 2021 Regular Board Meeting minutes, April 5, 2021. Motion Carried Unanimously

Executive session for Personnel. 6:47 P. M. Back to order 7:05 P.M.

The Primary/Intermediate Elementary Report was presented by Mrs. Shirey. Mrs. Shirey gave a shout out to Angela Stewart, seeing a lot of growth. Elementary enrollment up 3 students, 5 back from remote. Gearing up for PSSA testing. Remote students are invited to join for PSSA testing. Discipline is working well. Making gains and grades are improving. Teachers are meeting and planning strategies, it is working.

The Secondary Report was presented by Mrs. Rupp. Mrs. Rupp spoke on Mrs. Aaron and her play that she is presenting. She is doing an amazing job. The play will be live streamed to watch online. 6th grade will view in the auditorium. Tickets are available to view on line. Moving forward, we have 11 new members for National Honor Society Induction, April 19 at 6:30 p.m. in the auditorium. PSSA Testing is upcoming. Growth is showing in student grades. Working on improvements. Scheduling 6th and 7th grade. Plans for graduation have begun.

The Special Education Report was presented by Dr. Mastillo, Dr. Mastillo spoke on IEP schedule, return of 5 ES students are to being brought back to our building. Working with IU so we know where our students will be. New candidate for Special Education Director.

The Maintenance report was given by Jim Jones, had nothing further to add to his report.

The Cafeteria Report was presented by Mr. David Reitz, nothing to add to his report.

The Business Manager Report, had nothing to add to report.

The Superintendent's Report was presented by Dr. Mastillo, had a hand out in regards to waiving of taxes, cannot pick and choose what taxes to waive , it is not recommended to waive the request of forgiving taxes requested.

Riverview IU 6 reports. Report submitted in writing, she was unable to go to meeting.

Career Center Report had nothing to offer at this time.

Board Committee Reports: None

Public Comments: Discussion on the gym floor to save money and not contract out.

A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by Dee Bell to approve the agreement with Adelphoi Education Solutions for the 2021-2022 school year. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by Chad Shaffer approve a motion to combine the July 1, 2021 Work Session and July 5, 2021 Board meeting into one meeting on July 1, 2021. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Ann Kopnitsky seconded by Dee Bell to combine 14 & 15 and to approve the student start and end times for the 2021-2022 school year as presented. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Dee Bell seconded by Linda Ferring to approve the agreement with SPERO Group LLC to provide the district with a Social Worker. Motion Carried 8-0-1 (Barnett Abstained)

A motion was made by Dee Bell seconded by Carrie Adams to approve Redbank Valley High School's graduating seniors, Class of 2021.

A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to spend up to \$500.00 to purchase cafeteria related items at an auction being conducted on May 15, 2021. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Linda Ferring seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to approve the following substitute teacher rates for the 2021-22 School Year:

Days 1-19 = \$110.00 per day
Days 20 - 59 = \$120.00 per day
Days 60+ = \$130.00 per day

A motion was made by Dona Nair seconded by Dee Bell to approve April 2021 Treasurers Report, approve April 2021 General Fund Expenditures in the amount of \$1,208,052.64, to approve April 2021 Cafeteria Fund Expenditures in the amount of \$27,824.10, approve monthly budgetary transfers, approve the Quarterly High School Activities Fund. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Dee Bell seconded by Don Nair to approve the resignation of Nicole Mohney (Title 1 Kindergarten Aide) effective 4/30/21. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to approve the retirement of Rosanne McDonald, (cafeteria personnel), effective 6/1/2021. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by Dee Bell to approve FMLA for employee #23 and approve FMLA for employee #330. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Dee Bell seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to approve the hiring of Joshua Temchulla as Special Education Director at a salary of **\$83,000.00** for a total cost of **\$115,630.54**. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to approve the Addendum to the Act 93 Agreement adding the Special Education Director. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Dee Bell seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to approve the hiring of Carlee Boyer at **\$44,457.00** as Speech and Language Therapist for a total of **\$58,376.01** effective 4/27/2021. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Dee Bell seconded by Don Nair to approve the transfer of Amy Leasure from a 4 ½ food handler to a 7 hour Head cafeteria cook position at an hourly rate of **\$11.26** for a salary of **\$14,345.24** for a total cost of **\$41,365.94** effective 8/18/21. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Chad Shaffer seconded by Ann Kopnitsky Consideration to approve up to an additional 54.25 hours (sports scheduling and contracts) at the discretion of the administration for Roddy Hartle at an hourly rate of **\$48.62**, approve up to an additional 37.5 hours (charting and files) at the discretion of the administration for Val Steffy at an hourly rate of **\$44.92**, approve up to an additional 54.25 hours (scheduling) at the discretion of the administration for Amy Switzer at an hourly rate of **\$37.52**, to approve up to an additional 14.5 hours (Kindergarten Registration, 5/28, 6/1, 6/2) for Tammi Smith at an hourly rate of **\$49.13**, approve up to an additional 14.5 hours (Kindergarten Registration 5/28, 6/1, 6/2) for Val Jacobson at an hourly rate of **\$42.59**. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by Linda Ferringer to approve the retirement of Susan Trimble, Administrative Assistant/Bookkeeper, effective 8/1/2021. Motion Carried Unanimously

Additional Board Items; Darren's question on the batting cage. The question is, how is it mounted, what about the weight? Decline to participate with the purchase of the batting cage. No second, fails Damage is a big concern; Mr. Hibell has the statistics. There is not enough information. Have Mr. Hibell present and go from there.

A motion was made seconded by Don Nair seconded by Chad Shaffer to adjourn at 7:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Cheryl Motter
Board Secretary