

Regular School Board Meeting

September 7, 2021

A regular meeting of the Redbank Valley School Board was held on Monday, September 7, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. The following members were in attendance: Dee Bell, Jason Barnett, Linda Ferringer, Ann Kopnitsky, Donald Nair, and Chad Shaffer (via phone) Bill Reddinger, Darren Bain. Absent: Carrie Adams

Mr. Reddinger asked for Public Comments: There were none.

A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to approve Special Board Meeting and Work Session Meeting Tuesday, July 27, 2021 and Regular Board Meeting, Monday, August 2, 2021

Mrs. Shirey added to her report, that 448 students are currently enrolled. There was discussion on masks.

Mrs. Rupp added to her report that she sent the safety plan to the board.

Mr. Hartle added about mask wearing.

Mr. Jones had nothing to add to his report.

Mr. Reitz had nothing to add.

Ms. Motter added that she is working on budget calendar, Week of Sept 20, 2021 will be the audit and the AFR is due Oct 31, 2021 and has numbers. 98 % revenue collected 92% spent. A detailed report explaining differences will be done as soon as possible.

Mrs. Rupp stated that # 180 days of learning on Facebook for students learning. SPero Group will bill for the behavioral specialist. She contacted a structural engineer, the company is out of Greensburg will give a no cost assessment so we can move forward.

Mrs. Kopnitsky had nothing to add to the IU Report

Dr. Nair had nothing to add to the CCCC Report

Board Committee Report – Negotiations will be discussed in executive session.

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Old Business

New Business

A motion was by Don Nair seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to approve the first reading of **Policy #146.1 – Trauma Informed Care** as presented. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to approve the first reading of **Policy # 236.1 – Threat Assessment** as presented. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to approve the first reading of **Policy # 150- Title 1 Comparability of Services** as presented. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made Chad Shaffer seconded by Don Nair Approve the resolution to authorize the electronic signature of Amy Rupp to sign any and all contracts, agreements, grants and or licenses with the PA Dept of Education. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to enter into contract with PSBA for policy update services. Total cost to district from ESSRs funds \$6800.00 paid over two years as presented. 5-3 (Barnett, Bain ,Nair)

A motion was made by Chad Shaffer seconded by Darren Bain to enter into contract with KeySolution Staffing, L.L.C for behavior specialist services. Total cost to district \$60,574.30. 7-1(Bell)

A motion was made by Dona Nair seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to approve Title IX training for school district administrators and guidance counselors at a rate not to exceed \$6000.00. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by Chad Shaffer to have a structural engineer assess the Primary School Building's structure and stability. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Ann Kopnitsky seconded by Don Nair approve August 2021 Treasurers Report, August 2021 General Fund Expenditures in the amount of \$1,313,153.52, August 2021 Cafeteria Fund Expenditures in the amount of \$18,913.14, and the Business Manager to perform 20-21 adjusting budgetary transfers. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by Jason Barnett to approve Amy Rupp as Superintendent for a 3 year term beginning September 7, 2021 and ending September 6, 2024 at a salary of \$122,000.00 for a total cost of \$161,481.00. Motion Carried Unanimously

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A motion was made by Ann Kopnitsky seconded by Chad Shaffer to approve the resignation of Patrick Bundy, Industrial Arts teacher effective November 15, 2021 or until a replacement is hired. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Chad Shaffer seconded by Jason Barnett to Kevin Watkins, Industrial Arts teacher effective on or before November 15, 2021 at an annual rate of \$60,207 for a total cost to the district of \$77,493.82. 8-2 (Nair, Kopnitsky)

A motion was made by Ann Kopnitsky seconded by Chad Shaffer to approve the resignation of Nicole Allshouse, LPN effective 9/10/2021 or until a replacement is hired. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to hire Brandy Rearick, LPN Aide, effective 9/22/2021 at an hourly rate of \$15.00/hour for a total cost to district of \$45,879.45. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Ann Kopnitsky seconded by Chad Shaffer to hire Lisa Bowersox as a special education aide at a rate of \$9.71/hour for a total cost to the district of \$12,390.46. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by Chad Shaffer to hire Bill Troup as a custodian at a rate of \$10.00/hour for a total cost to the district of \$40,199.04 Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to approve Dianna Bain as a mentor teacher for Barbara Mitchell at a cost of \$700.00, Rachelle Kirkpatrick as a mentor teacher for Taylor Medsger at a cost of \$700.00, Tammi Smith as a mentor teacher for Salena McCullough at a cost of \$700.00, Cherie Schultz as a mentor teacher for Deb McElhattan at a cost of \$700.00, Dave Eggleton as a mentor teacher for Jamie Jones at a cost of \$700.00, Linda Young as a mentor teacher for Annette King at a cost of \$700.00. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Ann Kopnitsky seconded by Jason Barnett to approve the job description for special education paraeducator as presented. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to approve Joseph Harmon to attend Professional Development activity as presented. Total cost from Title II funds of \$238.32. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Darren Bain seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to approve the hiring of Casey Sturgeon as Junior High Soccer Coach at 40 points at \$42.50 according to the CBA for a total cost of \$1,700.00. Motion Carried Unanimously

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A motion was made by Darren Bain seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to approve Matt Darr as a volunteer for JH Soccer at no cost to the district. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by AnnKopnitsky seconded by Darren Bain to approve the resignation of Stasha Misko, paraeducator effective 9/30/2021. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to post for a High School Principal. Motion Carried Unanimously

Mr. Reddinger stated that there will be an executive session afterwards for negotiations.

A Motion was made by Don Nair and seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to adjourned the meeting. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at at 7:00 P. M.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cheryl Motter". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Cheryl Motter