

Call to Order and Roll Call

Directors	Directors Not Present
Ms. Danielle Burnette	Mr. Gianni Floro
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Ms. Sarah Heres	
Ms. Debbie Miller	
Mr. Jack Norris	
Mr. David Pusateri	Others Present
Mr. Robert Riker	Dr. Joseph Clapper, superintendent
Mr. Mark Rodgers	Dr. Heidi Ondek, assistant superintendent
Dr. Kausalai Wijekumar	Mr. John Sheline, director of finance & operations/school board secretary
	Mr. Patrick J. Clair, solicitor

There being a quorum present, Mr. Norris called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

An executive session was held on April 16 to discuss legal and personnel matters.

- *The Quaker Valley School Board holds regularly scheduled work sessions for the purpose of examining proposals and recommendations made by the staff, public, legal counsel and the board. These proposals and recommendations are normally accompanied by background material, presentations and/or rationale. This process assures a thorough review of all items prior to being placed on the legislative agenda. The public is encouraged to attend these work sessions. Minutes from the most recent work sessions are available at legislative meetings. Approved minutes only are available on our web site: www.qvsd.org.*

RECOGNITION: Ms. Heres

In order to celebrate the lives of the following member of the Quaker Valley School District family, it was requested that the board place a memorial book in their honor in the appropriate library:

- Dorothy Brenner, former employee

Moved by -	Ms. Heres
Seconded by -	Mr. Pusateri (unanimous voice vote)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by -	Mr. Riker
Seconded by -	Ms. Miller (unanimous voice vote)

REPORTS

Educational Focus: *Parent Workshops: Promoting Excellence at Home*

Dr. Ondek reported about the three evening events that were held this school year. Dr. Don Sheffield co-facilitated the workshops, and his book “Practice Makes Perfect - NOT” was the basis for some of the activities. The workshops were highly successful, partly due to on-site child care and dinner being offered at no cost. Dr. Ondek recognized Mr. Faulkner, community youth worker, and Ms. Bradford, who acted as community liaison for the events.

Student Representative to the Board Report: Mr. Luton and Ms. Steliotes had no report.

Superintendent's Report: Dr. Clapper began his report with the news that Quaker Valley High School has been named one of the best high schools in the country by US News and World Report, and the Washington Post’s “challenge index.” He also recognized the following staff members:

- Mr. Harrison - for being named the first annual Ambridge Chamber of Commerce Outstanding Teacher of the Year
- Mr. Wolovich - for receiving the Jefferson Award
- Mr. Fox - who has received a citation of excellence from the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association
- Dr. Ondek - for winning a leadership award from the Tri-State Area School Study Council

Quaker Valley students have also been very successful in recent events:

- High school senior Marty Davis won 1st place at the Skills USA competition. He has trained to become a fire-fighter.
- The Osborne 3rd grade Odyssey of the Mind team has qualified for the world competition.

Additionally, architects RA Glancy and Sons won the 2012 Award of Excellence from the Building and Contractors Association for their work on the Quaker Valley Middle School renovation.

Solicitor's Report: Mr. Clair had no report

OLD BUSINESS

VISITOR PARTICIPATION

Visitors are invited to address agenda items at the time during which they are under consideration by the board. Personnel items must be submitted in writing to the board president for consideration five days prior to the board meeting.

REPORT ON THE PARKWAY WEST CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER: Mr. Rodgers remarked on the increasing energy, pride, and camaraderie among the students.

REPORT ON THE SEWICKLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY: Ms. Heres noted that the library board president and the executive director recently addressed the school board about the library's activities and use.

REPORT FROM THE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMITTEE: Dr. Wijekumar

The board approved the proposed middle and high school Science Olympiad teams trip to the state competition at Juniata College April 25, 2013 - April 26, 2013 at minimal cost to the district for one substitute teacher, and approximately \$2,350 for hotel and other travel expenses.

Moved by -	Dr. Wijekumar
Seconded by -	Ms. Heres (7-0-1 with Mr. Riker abstaining due to his involvement with the program)

The board approved the proposed Quaker Valley Middle School juggling club trip to Summer Juggling Camp 2013 at Grove City College on June 24, 2013 at no cost to the district.

The board approved the proposed eighth grade class trip to Gettysburg, PA; Washington, DC; and Williamsburg, VA on May 14-17, 2014, at minimal cost to the district for substitute teachers.

The board approved the adoption of new textbooks and materials for the 2013/2014 school year at a cost to the district not to exceed \$13,018.70.

Moved by -	Dr. Wijekumar
Seconded by -	Ms. Burnette (unanimous voice vote)

REPORT FROM THE POLICY COMMITTEE: Ms. Burnette

The board adopted draft policy 311.01 *Contracted Services and Employees* (Draft C).

Moved by -	Ms. Burnette
Seconded by -	Ms. Miller (unanimous voice vote)

REPORT FROM THE COMMUNITY RELATIONS / INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE: Mr. Floro was absent. There was no report.

REPORT FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE: Mr. Riker

The board approved the bond issue funds, capital projects fund, grant fund, general fund and cafeteria fund financial statements ending March 31, 2013.

The board approved the general fund invoices for March and April, 2013, in the amount of \$3,263,601.15.

The board approved the capital projects fund invoices for April, 2013, in the amount of \$55,238.11.

The board approved payment of the March, 2013, food service fund invoices in the amount of \$28,772.79.

The board approved the grant fund invoices April, 2013, in the amount of \$1,217.72.

The board approved the 2011A bond issue fund invoices for April, 2013, in the amount of \$80,115.18.

The board approved a resolution to be sent to the Pennsylvania legislature regarding the funding formula for charter schools.

The board approved the All Sports Insurance at a cost of \$6,712 for the 2013-2014 school year. There was no increase in the premium.

The board approved the proposed 2013-2014 Allegheny Intermediate Unit Program of Services budget as presented. There was no increase in the total district allocation, and Quaker Valley School District's expected contribution remains at \$53,137.21.

The board approved the closure of the 2010B bond issue checking account.

Moved by -	Mr. Riker
Seconded by -	Mr. Rodgers (unanimous voice vote)

REPORT FROM THE FACILITIES & OPERATIONS COMMITTEE: Mr. Pusateri

The board approved the East West Mfg & Supply Change Order HC-20 to provide labor, materials and equipment to install a humidifier in room C205 at a cost of \$17,738 to be taken from the bond issue fund.

The board approved the R. A. Glancy GC-108 Change Order to provide labor and materials to install dry wall for room C205 after the humidifier installation at a cost of \$1,200 to be taken from the bond issue fund.

The board approved the A-1 Electric Change Order EC-018 to provide and install electric for the humidifier in room C205 at a cost of \$980 to be taken from the bond issue fund.

The board authorized the administration to donate several used items, chairs and teacher desks, etc. to Sewickley Borough.

The board accepted the donation of four concrete picnic tables from the Crivelli family for the courtyard located in back of the middle school.

The board accepted the donation from Eckles Architecture of an outdoor bench for the flag plaza.

The board accepted the donation of a baby grand piano from the Dave Pusateri family for the middle school auditorium and orchestra room.

Moved by -	Mr. Pusateri
Seconded by -	Mr. Riker (unanimous voice vote)

REPORT FROM THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: Ms. Miller

APPOINTMENTS, TENURE, ETC.

The board appointed Rachel Schneider as French teacher effective August 15, 2013.

The board appointed Kathleen Holland as long-term substitute reading specialist effective August 15, 2013.

The board appointed Christen Moleton as special education Access teacher effective April 2, 2013 at \$125/day to be funded by the Access School Based Health Related Services.

NEGOTIATIONS, COMPENSATION, BENEFITS, ETC.

The board approved the employment agreement with Robert Wright as school resource officer.

The board approved the employment agreement with Floyd Faulkner as community youth worker.

Moved by -	Ms. Miller
Seconded by -	Mr. Rodgers (unanimous voice vote)

All committee minutes were made a part of the minutes of this meeting.

Moved by -	Ms. Burnette
Seconded by -	Ms. Miller (unanimous voice vote)

OTHER BUSINESS

VISITOR PARTICIPATION

Visitors may address the board regarding appropriate matters. Personnel comments will be restricted to concerns which have been submitted in writing for consideration by the board president. The request must be received five days in advance of the meeting. Speakers are asked to raise a hand to be recognized and to state their name prior to speaking.

THE NEXT LEGISLATIVE MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD WILL TAKE PLACE ON TUESDAY, MAY 28 AT 7:00 PM IN THE EDGEWORTH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LARGE GROUP INSTRUCTION ROOM. THE PUBLIC IS INVITED TO ATTEND.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:42

Moved by -	Mr. Pusateri
Seconded by -	Mr. Riker (unanimous voice vote)

Respectfully submitted,

John M. Sheline