

Call to Order and Roll Call

Directors	Directors Not Present
Ms. Marna Blackmer	
Mr. Gianni Floro	
Ms. Daniela Helkowski	
Ms. Sarah Heres	
Mr. Jonathan Kuzma	Others Present
Mr. David Pusateri	Dr. Heidi Ondek, superintendent
Mr. Robert Riker	Mr. John Sheline, director of finance & operations/school board secretary
Mrs. Marianne Wagner	Mr. Patrick J. Clair, solicitor
Mr. Jeffrey Watters	

There being a quorum present, Ms. Heres called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

**PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT**

The February 23 legislative meeting will be held in the Edgeworth school cafeteria.

Executive sessions were held on December 1, 2015, January 12, 2016, and January 19, 2016 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.qvsvd.org](http://www.qvsvd.org).*

RECOGNITION: Mr. Floro

In order to celebrate the life of members of the Quaker Valley School District family, it was moved that the board make a memorial donation to the Sewickley Public Library of the Quaker Valley School District:

- John Dunbar, retired employee.

Moved by -	Mr. Floro
Seconded by -	Ms. Wagner (unanimous voice vote)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

November legislative minutes  
Reorganization minutes  
December legislative minutes  
January committee minutes

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

REPORTS

Superintendent's Report: *School Board Appreciation*

Student Representative to the Board Report: Bobby Guild or Emma Huckestein

OLD BUSINESS

VISITOR PARTICIPATION AS PER: 65 PA. C.S.A., SECTIONS 710 AND 710.1

Visitors are invited to address agenda items at the time during which they are under consideration by the board. Those wishing to speak shall raise a hand to be recognized; stating their name and residence, prior to addressing the board. No discussion dealing with any personnel shall be permitted in an open board meeting. Persons may make an appointment with the superintendent or his/her designee to review such concerns.

REPORT ON THE PARKWAY WEST CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER: Ms. Wagner

REPORT ON THE SEWICKLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY: Mr. Floro

REPORT FROM THE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES AND STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE: Mr. Watters

The board approved the 8th grade string orchestra's participation in a Music Performance Assessment (MPA) offered at Westminster College by the Pennsylvania Music Educator Association (PMEA), on Tuesday, March 8, 2016. There will be a cost for transportation, plus the cost for substitute teacher(s) if needed.

The board approved the "Coaching Boys Into Men," program for middle-school male student athletes. The request includes the delivery of the program to students and a three-year research study at no cost to the district. This will be funded by the non-profit organization, Futures Without Violence.

Moved by -	Mr. Watters
Seconded by -	Mr. Floro (unanimous voice vote)

REPORT FROM THE POLICY COMMITTEE: Mr. Kuzma

No item

REPORT FROM THE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE: Mr. Floro

No item

REPORT FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE: Mr. Riker

The board approved the 2014-2015 audited financial statements as prepared by Maher Duessel, Certified Public Accounts.

The board accepted the three year audit proposal extension for years ending June 30, 2016, 2017, and 2018 with Maher Duessel, Certified Public Accountants. The cost is: \$21,800 for 2016; \$22,350 for 2017; and \$22,900 for 2018.

The board approved the budget transfers as provided.

The board ratified the food service fund invoices for November, 2015 in the amount of \$41,589.70.

The board approved the administration to pay the food service fund invoices for the month of December, 2015 in the amount of \$227,395.96.

The board ratified the invoices for the December, 2015 capital projects fund in the amount of \$17,285.00.

The board approved the capital projects fund invoices for January, 2016 in the amount of \$16,283.00.

The board ratified and approve the bills for the October, November, December, and January invoices in the amount of \$ 8,568,895.00.

The board authorized the administration to participate in Western Pennsylvania Electricity Consortium Extension. The administration recommended The board authorized participation of the Quaker Valley School District in the Western Pennsylvania Electricity Consortium Extension for the purchase of electricity from Direct Energy **only** if the price is **at** or **below** our current price. The extended agreement will begin after the final meter read date in January 2018 under our current agreement for a period of 12 months and the price will include all costs except distribution, sales tax, and other local utility charges as contained in the original agreement.

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

REPORT FROM THE FACILITIES & OPERATIONS COMMITTEE: Mr. Pusateri

The board authorized the administration to enter into an agreement with the Allegheny Intermediate Unit (AIU) RWAN Consortium for a net annual cost after Erate of \$8,280 to be taken from the general fund.

The board authorized the administration to contract with Eckles Architecture to prepare and publish specifications for capacitors for Edgeworth, Osborne and the middle school as well as oversee the installation for a cost not-to-exceed \$10,000 to be taken from the capital projects fund.

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

REPORT FROM THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: Ms. Wagner

Professional Appointment

The board approved the appointment of Scott Antoline as the director of finance and operations for the Quaker Valley School District, and authorize that he replace John Sheline for all check signing and/or other banking transactions. The appointment will be effective on or about February 15, 2016, at a starting salary of \$116,000 and as per a contract to be developed by the district solicitor. Other benefits will be in accordance with the Act 93 plan.

The board ratified the appointment of Aaron Rea as principal of the Osborne Elementary School, effective on or about March 13, 2015, at a starting salary of \$97,500, and all other benefits in accordance with the Act 93 plan.

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

Tenure

The board granted tenure to Lara Grogan, in accordance with the agreement with QVEA.

CRT/ACCESS Appointments & Substitutes

The board approved the appointment of Cassie Musta as a building substitute teacher at the high school, effective on or about January 14, 2016.

The board approved the appointment of Haley Sheetz as an ACCESS teacher for the 2015-2016 school year only, effective November 16, 2015. Her current assignment is the middle school.

The board approved the appointment of Elizabeth Miller as a day-to-day substitute biology teacher, effective November 16, 2015.

The board approved the appointment of Danielle Pennington as a substitute teacher for the school district, currently assigned to Edgeworth, effective November 23, 2015.

The board approved the appointment of Sarah Stoelker as a substitute teacher for the school district, currently assigned to Osborne, effective December 14, 2015.

The board approved the appointment of Alicia Murray as a day-to-day floating substitute teacher for the district, effective January 4, 2016.

#### Support Personnel Appointments

The board approved the appointment of Laura Peery as a paraprofessional, effective November 9, 2015, in accordance with the Unit 1 contract. Her current assignment is the middle school.

The board approved the appointment of David Malarik to the position of C-1 maintenance worker, effective January 6, 2016, and in accordance with the Unit 2 contract.

The board approved the appointment of Pabitra Baral as a C-7a cleaner, effective January 4, 2016, and in accordance with the Unit 2 contract.

The board approved the appointment of Sancha Subba as a C-7a cleaner, effective December 7, 2015, and in accordance with the Unit 2 contract.

The board approved the appointment to Urmila Karki as a C-7a cleaner, effective December 7, 2015, and in accordance with the Unit 2 contract.

The board approved the appointment of Cindy McClain as a cafeteria worker, in accordance with the Unit 2 contract, effective August 24, 2015. Her current assignment is the middle school.

The board approved the appointment of Natalie Brazen as a cafeteria worker, in accordance with the Unit 2 contract, effective January 11, 2016. Her current assignment is the high school.

The board approved the appointment of Anita Wobrak as a cafeteria worker, in accordance with the Unit 2 contract, effective August 24, 2015. Her current assignment is the high school.

The board approved the addition of Patricia Specht, Michele Kremer and Valerie Compson, to the support services substitute list.

### Tutor Approval

The board added Catherine Nescott to the approved tutor list.

### Resignations

The board approved the resignation of Matt Wagner as a paraprofessional, effective October 30, 2015.

The board approved the resignation of Beth Copeland as a day-to-day substitute teacher at the middle and high school, effective January 8, 2016.

That Denise Capek be removed from the support services substitute list.

### Retirements

The board approved the retirement of paraprofessional Marlene Pflugh, effective June 30, 2016.

The board approved the retirement of custodian Pete Pucci, effective June 30, 2016.

Moved by -	Ms. Wagner
Seconded by -	Mr. Kuzma (unanimous voice vote)

That all committee minutes be made a part of the minutes of this meeting.

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

### OTHER BUSINESS

#### UPCOMING MEETINGS OF THE QUAKER VALLEY BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS:

FEBRUARY 9: WORK SESSION

FEBRUARY 16: WORK SESSION

FEBRUARY 23: LEGISLATIVE MEETING

MEETINGS BEGIN AT 7:00 PM AND ARE SCHEDULED TO BE HELD IN THE EDGEWORTH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LARGE GROUP INSTRUCTION ROOM, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED,

THE PUBLIC IS INVITED TO ATTEND ALL MEETINGS. HOWEVER, THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE MEETS IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

### VISITOR PARTICIPATION

ADJOURNMENT - 7:53 PM

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

Respectfully submitted,

John M. Sheline  
Board Secretary