

Call to Order and Roll Call

Directors	Directors Not Present
Mr. Gianni Floro	
Ms. Daniela Helkowski	
Ms. Sarah Heres	
Mr. Jonathan Kuzma	
Mr. David Pusateri <i>via telephone</i>	Others Present
Mr. Robert Riker	Dr. Joseph Clapper, superintendent
Mr. Mark Rodgers	Dr. Heidi Ondek, assistant superintendent
Mrs. Marianne Wagner	Mr. John Sheline, director of finance & operations/school board secretary
Mr. Jeffrey Watters	Mr. Patrick J. Clair, solicitor

There being a quorum present, Ms. Heres called the meeting to order at 7:22 p.m.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

Executive sessions were held on February 11 and 18 to discuss legal and personnel matters. Ms. Heres announced that an executive session preceded this meeting. Legal and personnel matters were discussed. She also announced that another executive session would follow the legislative meeting.

- *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: Mr. Floro

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 her honor in the appropriate library:

- Violanda Petrella, mother of Carol Adamek

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

January legislative minutes
February committee minutes
February 18 legislative minutes

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

REPORTS

Educational Focus: The Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science: *Ms. Margot Bruno and Mr. J. David Robertson, sponsors*

Dr. Ondek congratulated teacher Tracy Shaffer, who was named the 2014 "Outstanding Educator" by the Ambridge Area Chamber of Commerce.

Student Representative to the Board Report: Miss Steliotes provided a brief report.

Superintendent's Report: Dr. Clapper invited the public to the education forum scheduled for 7 p.m. -Wednesday, February 26 at Quaker Valley Middle School. He also encouraged the school board members to attend the upcoming high school production of *Pirates of Penzance*.

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. Those wishing to speak shall raise a hand to be recognized; stating their name and residence, prior to addressing 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 noted that the board is working with a flat expense budget. More will be reported next month.

REPORT ON THE SEWICKLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY: Mr. Floro had no report.

REPORT FROM THE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMITTEE: Ms. Heres

No item

REPORT FROM THE POLICY COMMITTEE: Mr. Watters

Policy 903.00 *Public Attendance and Participation in Board Meetings* was revised as per Draft C.

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

REPORT FROM THE COMMUNITY RELATIONS / INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE: Mr. Floro

No item

REPORT FROM THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: Mr. Riker

The board accepted the resignation of Ayo Seigfried as special education teacher effective on or about January 21, 2014.

The board accepted the resignation of Kristen Helf as Access teacher effective on or about February 7, 2014.

The board appointed Cynthia Beasock-Mancini as long-term substitute music teacher effective on or about January 20, 2014 for the remainder of the 2013-2014 school year.

The board appointed Edward Brutout as Assistant to the Director of Administrative Services at a rate of \$250/day effective February 25, 2014 through June 30, 2015.

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

REPORT FROM THE FACILITIES & OPERATIONS COMMITTEE: Mr. Pusateri

The board authorized the administration to enter into a contract with Eckles Architecture to develop a facilities master plan per PDE standards and assist in the site and building analysis for the high school at a cost of \$15,000 to be taken from the capital projects fund.

The board authorized the administration to enter into a contract with Combustion Services and Equipment Company in conjunction with Schneider Electric and KGS Analysts for energy conservation building analytics at a cost of \$9,400 a year to be taken from the general fund.

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

REPORT FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE: Mr. Rodgers

The board ratified and approve the appeal of those properties whose difference between the 2013 purchase price and the current assessed value will result in, at minimum, \$1,500 in lost revenue to the district.

Moved by -	Mr. Rodgers
Seconded by -	Mr. Watters (6-3 voice vote with Mr. Riker, Mr. Kuzma, and Mr. Floro voting against the motion.

The board authorized the transfer of \$2,800.68 from the grant account to the general fund to reimburse expenditures related to the Heinz grant site visits.

The board approved the bond issue funds, capital projects fund, grant fund, general fund and cafeteria fund financial statements for the month ending January 31, 2014.

The board approved the bills for January and February, 2014, in the amount of \$3,142,791.63.

The board authorized the administration to pay the January, 2014, food service fund bills in the amount of \$32,717.28.

The board approved the grant fund invoices for February, 2014, in the amount of \$192.50.

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

ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL COMMITTEE ITEMS: Mr. Riker

The board ratified the agreement with the Allegheny Intermediate Unit as presented for services relating to the development of a leadership profile for a prospective Quaker Valley superintendent, including facilitation of stakeholder engagement, at a cost of \$750.

The board ratified the agreement with the Pennsylvania School Boards Association as presented for services relating to the search for a new superintendent, at a cost of \$11,700.

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

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

Moved by -	Ms. Wagner
Seconded by -	Mr. Riker (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 to raise a hand to be recognized and to state their name and residence prior to speaking.

UPCOMING MEETINGS OF THE QUAKER VALLEY BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS:

MARCH 11: WORK SESSION
MARCH 18: WORK SESSION
MARCH 25: LEGISLATIVE MEETING

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

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

ADJOURNMENT: 8:05

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

Respectfully submitted,

John M. Sheline
Board Secretary