

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	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 p.m.

**PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT**

Executive sessions were held on January 21 to discuss legal and personnel matters. Ms. Heres announced that an executive session would immediately follow this 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](http://www.qvsd.org).*

RECOGNITION: Mr. Floro

In order to celebrate the lives of members of the Quaker Valley School District family, the board places a memorial book in their honor in the appropriate library:

- There are no memorial recipients this month.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- November legislative minutes
- Reorganization minutes
- January committee minutes

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

REPORTS

Educational Focus: *National School Board Appreciation Month*

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

Superintendent's Report: Dr. Clapper reviewed 2002 high-school pre-turf photographs.

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  
The most recent meeting was canceled. Mr. Rodgers had no report.

REPORT ON THE SEWICKLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY: Mr. Floro noted that the partnership with the Sto-Rox public library will continue.

REPORT FROM THE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMITTEE: Ms. Heres

The board approved the donation of a student dictionary for every third grade student by the Rotary Club of Quaker Valley.

The board approved the high school AP art history and AP studio art trip to the Cleveland Museum of Art on March 6, 2014 at minimal cost to the district.

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

REPORT FROM THE POLICY COMMITTEE: Mr. Watters

No item

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

No item

REPORT FROM THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: Mr. Riker

The board accepted the retirement resignation of Karen Hersperger as elementary teacher effective on or about June 13, 2014.

The board accepted the retirement resignation of Robert Hague as social studies teacher effective on or about June 13, 2014.

The board accepted the retirement resignation of Officer Robert Wright as School Resource Officer effective on or about June 30, 2014.

The board approved the educational sabbatical of Sally Peterson for the 2014-2015 school year pending submission of an appropriate educational plan.

The board approved the educational sabbatical of Elizabeth Foley for the 2014-2015 school year pending submission of an appropriate educational plan.

The board accepted the resignation of Lana Greenawald as long-term substitute speech and language teacher effective on or about January 22, 2014.

The board accepted the resignation of Yvonne Abakah as Access teacher effective on or about November 5, 2013.

The board accepted the resignation of Meghan Smith as educational paraprofessional effective on or about November 19, 2013.

The board appointed Jennifer Tressler as assistant director of finance at a salary of \$60,000 effective on December 5, 2013.

The board appointed Katherine Flaherty as academic specialist effective on or about January 20, 2014.

The board appointed Kerri Patterson as long-term substitute mathematics teacher for the second semester of the 2013-14 school year.

The board appointed Ryan Kelly as a long-term substitute social studies teacher for the second semester of the 2013-14 school year.

The board appointed Wendy Zdobinski as long-term substitute speech and language teacher for the second semester of the 2013-14 school year.

The board appointed Jaimie Morra as educational paraprofessional effective on or about December 3, 2013.

The board appointed Alexandra Beer as educational paraprofessional effective on or about December 16, 2013.

The board appointed Amanda Sibenac as Access teacher effective on or about December 3, 2013 for the 2013-2014 school year only at \$125/day to be funded by the Access School Based Health Related Service.

The board approved the substitute support services list, as presented.

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 a contract with Phillips & Associates for the high school site evaluation including site vehicle and pedestrian recommendations. The cost will be \$18,920 and will be taken from the capital projects fund.

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

The board authorized the administration to contract with Gateway Engineers for a site survey and drawings for Legacy Fields. The cost will not exceed \$20,000 and will be taken from the capital projects fund.

Moved by -	Mr. Pusateri
Seconded by -	Mr. Floro (8-1 voice vote with Ms. Wagner voting nay)

The board authorized the administration to enter into a contract with Shaw Turf for artificial turf replacement at the high school contingent upon the athletic director, the athletic coaches and review by our solicitor. The cost will be \$439,539 and will be taken from the capital projects fund.

Moved by -	Mr. Pusateri
Seconded by -	Mr. Rodgers (8-1 voice vote with Ms. Wagner voting nay)

REPORT FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE: Mr. Rodgers

The board approved the transfer of \$7,317.69 from the general fund to the capital projects fund for the receipt of insurance funds to replace the steamer in the high school kitchen. The replacement equipment was paid with capital projects funds.

The board approved the payment to the general fund from the grant fund in the amount of \$1,332.92 for the reimbursement of costs of Project Zero and books.

The board approved the 2012-2013 audited financial statements as prepared by Maher Duessel, Certified Public Accounts. The board was provided hard-copies of the audit.

The board approved the budget transfers as provided.

The board granted Jennifer Tressler, assistant director of finance, the authority to sign checks on the following accounts:

General Fund Merchant A/C	xxxxxx3804
Capital Projects A/C PSDLAF	xxxxxx631
2011A Bond Issue Fund PSDLAF	xxxxxx4740
Grant Account	xxxxxx6542

The board approved the bond issue funds, capital projects fund, grant fund, general fund and cafeteria fund financial statements for the months ending October 31, November 30 and December 31, 2013.

The board ratified and approved the general fund invoices for November and December, 2013 in the amount of \$6,625,567.88.

The board ratified the food service fund invoices for November, 2013 in the amount of \$28,667.28.

The board approved the administration to pay the food service fund invoices for the month of December, 2013 in the amount of \$21,070.70.

The board ratified the invoices for the November and December, 2013 capital projects fund in the amount of \$58,132.30.

The board approved the capital projects fund invoices for January, 2014 in the amount of \$5,487.50.

The board approved the grant fund invoices for January, 2014 in the amount of \$7,989.03.

The board approved the resolution for continued membership in the Allegheny Intermediate Unit Joint Purchasing Board.

The board approved a resolution regarding Quaker Valley School District booster organizations and the new Pennsylvania Small Games of Chance Act, which requires booster organizations to produce proof of recognition by the school district, and other documentation in order to obtain a license for gaming, raffles, etc.

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

ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL COMMITTEE ITEM: Mr. Riker

The board accepted the retirement resignation of Dr. Joseph Clapper as superintendent effective on or about September 1, 2014.

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

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

Moved by -	Mr. Floro
Seconded by -	Mr. Kuzma (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:

- FEBRUARY 11: WORK SESSION
- FEBRUARY 18: WORK SESSION
- FEBRUARY 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: 7:55 PM

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

Respectfully submitted,

John M. Sheline  
Board Secretary