

Call to Order and Roll Call

| Directors | Directors Not Present |
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| Mr. Gianni Floro | Mr. Pusateri |
| Ms. Daniela Helkowski | |
| Ms. Sarah Heres | |
| Mr. Jonathan Kuzma | |
| Mr. David Pusateri | Others Present |
| Mr. Robert Riker <i>arrived at 7:04</i> | Dr. Heidi Ondek, superintendent |
| Mr. Mark Rodgers | Mr. Andrew Surloff, assistant superintendent |
| Mrs. Marianne Wagner | Mr. John Sheline, director of finance & operations/school board secretary |
| Mr. Jeffrey Watters <i>via telephone</i> | 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 August 26, and September 23 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: Mr. Floro

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

- Therese Ann Hoover, mother-in-law of Sally Hoover
- Charles R. Paton, father of Suzi Daltorio
- Marion Elizabeth (Penny) Russell, retired high school teacher
- William McCullough, retired elementary teacher
- Stephen A. Damico, brother of Sue Brutout
- Helen Foster, retired middle school teacher

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

June legislative minutes
September 16 legislative minutes
September committee minutes

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

REPORTS

Educational Focus: *Quaker Valley Library and Media - K-12*

Student Representative to the Board Report: Ciara Henschke and Julia Poppenberg

Superintendent's Report: Dr. Ondek reviewed the "opening day" program of August 20.

Solicitor's Report: Mr. Clair had no report.

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 request an appointment with the superintendent or his/her designee to review such concerns.

REPORT ON THE PARKWAY WEST CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER: Mr. Rodgers

Enrollment is higher than last year. Mr. Rodgers distributed a Parkway annual report.

REPORT ON THE SEWICKLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY: Mr. Floro

This year's library benefit, Savoring Sewickley, is Sunday, October 19.

REPORT FROM THE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMITTEE: Ms. Heres

The board approved the Quaker Valley High School student trip to Costa Rica with Nicaragua extension, to take place March 25 - April 3, 2015, at no cost to the district, except for substitute teachers.

The board approved the list of recognized booster organizations for the 2014-2015 school year, as presented.

The board approved an agreement with John Doucette for school and yearbook pictures.

The board approved the administration of the 2014 Gallup Student Poll, as presented, at no cost to the district.

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

REPORT FROM THE POLICY COMMITTEE: Mr. Kuzma gave the report due to Mr. Watters' telephone attendance.

No item

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

That the school board secretary represent the Quaker Valley Board of School Directors, and vote, as directed, on its behalf in the annual election of PSBA officers.

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

REPORT FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE: Mr. Rodgers

The board approved the bond issue fund, capital projects fund, general fund and grant fund financial statements ending July 31 and August 31, 2014.

The board approved the transfer from the grant fund to the general fund in the amount of \$17,732.58 for the 2014 cost of Project Zero Classroom.

The board ratified the general fund June, July and August, 2014, invoices and payroll in the amount of \$10,962,559.88.

The board approved general fund invoices for September, 2014, in the amount of \$264,325.64.

The board ratified the capital projects fund invoices in the amount of \$28,134.

The board approved the capital projects fund invoices in the amount of \$130,269.21.

The board approved the transfer of \$100 from the food service fund to the general fund for food service expenses paid by the general fund.

The board ratified the grant fund invoices in the amount of \$50.65.

The board approved the grant fund invoices in the amount of \$369.44.

The board approved the transfer of the remaining balance of \$4.39 of 2011A bond issue funds to the capital projects fund.

The board approved the transfer of \$10,000 to the athletic fund to pay referees and other game expenses.

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

REPORT FROM THE FACILITIES & OPERATIONS COMMITTEE: Mr. Pusateri

The board authorized the administration to enter into a lease with the Sewickley YMCA for their after-school programs to be held at the Edgeworth and Osborne Elementary Schools for \$310 per month, per building for the 2014-2015 school year.

The board authorized the administration to enter into a lease with the Sewickley YMCA for a YMCA daytime pre-school to be held at the Osborne Elementary School for \$955 per month for the 2014-2015 school year.

The board authorized the administration to eliminate the outdoor fountains at the Edgeworth School, Osborne School and high school field at no cost to the district.

The board authorized the administration to properly dispose of school property and materials that are no longer safe or in proper working order in the school district. There will be no cost to the school district and the district will receive the proceeds from the scrap metal.

The board authorized the administration to purchase three replacement trucks off the government joint purchasing bid/agreement. The cost of \$108,648 is to be taken from the capital projects fund.

The board authorized the administration to purchase two replacement trailers. The cost will be \$7,708 and will be taken from the capital projects fund.

The board authorized the administration to accept a donation as per board policy of a garden shed from 84 Lumber for the Osborne Elementary School.

The board authorized the administration to purchase a \$1,500 low light camera for the exterior of the middle school. The cost will be taken from the capital projects fund.

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

The board ratified the continued engagement with Gateway Engineers for work at the Legacy Fields, not-to-exceed \$10,000, and to be taken from the capital projects fund.

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| Moved by - | Ms. Wagner |
| Seconded by - | Mr. Riker (motion carried 6-2 with Mr. Kuzma and Ms. Wagner voting against). |

REPORT FROM THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: Mr. Riker

The board appointed Deborah Riccobelli high school principal effective immediately in accordance with the Act 93 agreement, and at a beginning salary of \$113,000.

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

RESIGNATIONS AND LEAVES

Professional

The board accepted the resignation of Katherine Flaherty as academic specialist effective June 11, 2014.

The board accepted the resignation of Sean Aiken as middle school principal, effective August 15, 2014.

The board accepted the resignation of Robert Long as middle school teacher effective August 22, 2014.

Support Staff:

The board accepted the resignation of Lori Spring Kurtzhal as cafeteria worker effective September 4, 2014.

The board accepted the resignation of Suzanne Smith as paraprofessional effective July 15, 2014.

The board accepted the resignation of Kaley Thoma Tickle as paraprofessional, effective June 11, 2014.

The board accepted the resignation of Matt Wagner as paraprofessional effective August 28, 2014.

The board accepted the resignation of Nicole Morrow as paraprofessional effective August 12, 2014.

The board accepted the resignation of Michael Scalise as paraprofessional effective June 30, 2014.

The board accepted the resignation of Staci Reuss as paraprofessional effective July 22, 2014.

The board accepted the resignation of Lisa Wierdak as paraprofessional effective September 12, 2014.

APPOINTMENTS, TENURE, ETC.

Professional:

The board appointed Theresa Thompson as an elementary teacher effective August 11, 2014.

The board appointed Karen Uranker as a long-term substitute teacher for the 2014-2015 school year, effective August 11, 2014.

The board appointed Janice Brusoski as a long-term substitute teacher for the 2014-2015 school year, effective August 22, 2014.

The board appointed Katharine Kush as class-size reduction teacher for the 2014-2015 school year, effective August 20, 2014.

The board appointed Katherine Parker as class-size reduction teacher for the 2014-2015 school year, effective August 20, 2014.

The board appointed Denise Ferguson as class-size reduction teacher, and long-term substitute teacher for the 2014-2015 school year, effective August 11, 2014.

The board appointed Amanda Sibenac as special education long-term substitute teacher, 1/2 ACCESS teacher for the 2014-2015 school year, effective August 20, 2014.

The board appointed Stephanie Ganick as special education long-term substitute teacher, 1/2 ACCESS teacher for the 2014-2015 school year, effective August 20, 2014.

The board appointed Julie Lebovitz as special education teacher, 1/2 ACCESS for the 2014-2015 school year, effective August 11, 2014.

The board appointed Christina DiClaudio as ACCESS teacher for the 2014-2015 school year only at \$125/day to be funded by the Access School Based Health Related Services.

The board appointed Natalie Ochs as ACCESS teacher for the 2014-2015 school year only at \$125/day to be funded by the Access School Based Health Related Services.

The board appointed Emily Tittiger as ACCESS teacher for the 2014- 2015 school year only at \$125/day to be funded by the Access School Based Health Related Services.

The board appointed Katelynn Dulavitch as academic specialist, long-term substitute teacher for the 2014-2015 school year, effective August 11, 2014.

The board appointed Hannah Dunlop as long-term substitute social studies teacher for the 2014-2015 school year, effective August 11, 2014.

The board appointed Lauren George as long-term substitute social studies teacher for the 2014-2015 school year, effective August 11, 2014.

The board appointed Matthew Johnston as long-term substitute math teacher for the 2014-2015 school year, effective August 20, 2014.

The board appointed Glenn Stewart as long-term substitute math teacher for the 2014-2015 school year, effective August 11, 2014.

The board appointed Ashley Mutschler as long-term substitute language arts teacher for the 2014-2015 school year, effective August 20, 2014.

The board appointed Dr. John Bornyas as interim principal of Quaker Valley Middle School, effective August 25, 2014, at a rate of \$450 per day until a new principal is employed.

Support Staff:

The board appointed Lori Kurtzhal as cafeteria technical worker effective September 3, 2014.

The board appointed Jennine Degori as cafeteria technical worker effective August 25, 2014.

The board appointed Greg Gillis as summer technology employee at \$20 per hour, not to exceed \$5,000. The appointment is retroactive to June 10, 2014.

The board appointed Becky Culbertson as an assistant nurse, effective August 20, 2014.

The board appointed the following as educational paraprofessionals for the 2014-2015 school year, effective on or about August 20, 2014: Rebecca Kovacs; Jennifer Bines; Bethany Knicely; Meaghan Farrell; Jacquelyn Faisant; Samantha Coulter.

Other:

The board appointed Jennifer Skirtich as a contracted part time school psychologist for the 2014-2015 school year at a rate of \$50/hour not to exceed 20 hours per week to be funded by the ACCESS School Based Health Related Services.

The board approved Kate Evans as job coach for the Pupil Services department for the 2014-2015 school year at a rate of \$20/hour plus mileage to be funded by the ACCESS School Based Health Related Services.

The board approved June Resetarits as dental hygienist for the 2014-2015 school year at a rate of \$1250/month for four months to be partially funded by the ACCESS School Based Health Related Services.

The board approved Jill Inscho as therapist for the hearing impaired for the 2014-2015 school year at a rate of \$38/hour plus mileage to be funded by the ACCESS School Based Health Related Services.

The board approved Margaret Gilchrist as therapist for the vision impaired for the 2014-2015 school year at a rate of \$83/hour to be funded by the ACCESS School Based Health Related Services.

The board approved Emily Stephenson as a psychology intern for the 2014-2015 school year at a rate of \$15,000 for the year to be funded by the ACCESS School Based Health Related Services.

The board approved Matthew Turley as a psychology intern for the 2014-2015 school year at a rate of \$12,000 for the year to be funded by the ACCESS School Based Health Related Services.

The board approved the substitute teacher list as presented.

The board approved the support services substitutes list as attached.

The board approved the list of tutors for the 2014/2015 school year. Mr. Kuzma offered his services on a volunteer basis.

NEGOTIATIONS, COMPENSATION, BENEFITS, ETC

The board appointed Dr. David Hennessey as school physician for the 2014-2015 school year at a fee of \$5,000 for the year.

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

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

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

OTHER BUSINESS

UPCOMING MEETINGS OF THE QUAKER VALLEY BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS:

OCTOBER 14: WORK SESSION

OCTOBER 21: WORK SESSION - *IN THE EDGEWORTH CAFETERIA*

OCTOBER 28: LEGISLATIVE MEETING - *IN THE EDGEWORTH CAFETERIA*

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.

VISITOR PARTICIPATION

ADJOURNMENT: 8:30 PM

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

Respectfully submitted,

John M. Sheline
Board Secretary