

Call to Order and Roll Call

| Directors              | Directors Not Present   |
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| Ms. Danielle Burnette  |   |
| Mr. Gianni Floro       |   |
| 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 ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- THE 2011-2012 PROPOSED FINAL BUDGET WILL BE PRESENTED ON MAY 17, 2011.
- THE FINAL BUDGET WILL APPEAR ON THE AGENDA FOR ADOPTION ON JUNE 21, 2011.
- An executive session was held on March 15, 2011 to discuss legal and personnel issues.
- *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 the following members of the Quaker Valley School District family, it was moved that the board place memorial books in their honor in the appropriate libraries:

- Frank Loaskie, father-in-law of Carol Loaskie
- Margaret Petrakis, step-mother of Anna Petrakis
- Richard Woznicki, retired teacher

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| Moved by -    | Mr. Floro                    |
| Seconded by - | Mr. Rodgers (9-0 voice vote) |

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

February legislative meeting  
March committee meetings

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| Moved by -    | Mr. Pusateri               |
| Seconded by - | Mr. Riker (9-0 voice vote) |

REPORTS

Educational Focus: *WordMasters* competitors were introduced by Dr. Ondek, Dr. Bichsel, Ms. Floro, and Ms. Coffman. All of our participants scored in the top 1%, nationwide.

Dr. Ondek thanked the students who gave a short musical performance prior to the board meeting. She noted that it is "Music in Our Schools Month."

Student Representative to the Board Report: Ms. Rollock and Ms. Haybron gave a brief review of their year as student representative to the school board.

Superintendent's Report: Dr. Clapper reported that work continues on developing the budget for the 2011-2012 school year. Great care is being taken to maintain the integrity of the educational program, while reducing costs wherever possible. It is a common assumption that the governor's budget for the 2012-13 school year will necessitate even more dramatic cuts.

Middle school teacher Stacey Tessaro was awarded a crystal apple in recognition of her earning certification from the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards. In congratulating Ms. Tessaro, Dr. Clapper noted that our school district has more teachers per capita with this distinction than any other school district in the commonwealth.

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

A Parkway graduate survey reported that 60% found employment relating to their technical education, went on to further their education, or joined the military.

There is an effort at Parkway to revitalize enrollment by offering new programs.

REPORT ON THE SEWICKLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY: Mr. Floro

Fundraising efforts have been successful but there remains some concerns with the feasibility that must be addressed, such as a leak in the old part of the library.

The Sewickley library's management of the Sto-Rox library has been beneficial. Another library board has asked for management help.

REPORT FROM THE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMITTEE: Dr. Wijekumar

The board approved the request to discard outdated library material.

The board approved the middle school Camp QV on Saturday, May 7 and Sunday, May 8, 2011 to Raccoon Creek State Park, at no cost to the district.

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| Moved by -    | Dr. Wijekumar              |
| Seconded by - | Mr. Floro (9-0 voice vote) |

REPORT FROM THE POLICY REVIEW COMMITTEE: Ms. Burnette

Policy 202.01 *Eligibility of Non-resident Students* was revised.

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| Moved by -    | Ms. Burnette               |
| Seconded by - | Ms. Heres (9-0 voice vote) |

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

The board approved an Act 80 day for Friday, May 27, 2011.

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| Moved by -    | Mr. Floro                     |
| Seconded by - | Mr. Pusateri (9-0 voice vote) |

REPORT FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE: Mr. Riker

The board authorized the administration to increase the daily student lunch price to \$2.50 and to increase the student breakfast price to \$1.50 beginning with the 2011-2012 school year.

The board approved the 2010 bond issue fund, capital projects fund, general fund and cafeteria fund financial statements ending February 28, 2011.

The board authorized the administration to pay the February, 2011, food service fund invoices in the amount of \$147,478.16.

The board approved the bills for the capital projects fund in the amount of \$25,514.73.

The board approved the bills for February and March, 2011 general fund invoices in the amount of \$2,716,316.34.

The board approved the 2010 bond issue fund invoices in the amount of \$94,350.76.

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| Moved by -    | Mr. Riker                   |
| Seconded by - | Ms. Miller (9-0 voice vote) |

REPORT FROM THE FACILITIES & OPERATIONS COMMITTEE: Mr. Pusateri

Mr. Pusateri asked the school board members to attend a special work session on April 7, at 6 PM in the district office training room to review the bids related to the middle school renovation. A special legislative meeting for general purposes is scheduled for 8 PM on the same evening. Dr. Wijekumar asked that her disapproval of the meetings be noted in these minutes.

The board authorized the administration to enter into an agreement with the Sewickley Community Center, pending final legal review, for use of their field for the middle school football program from August 20, 2011 through November 1, 2011 for a sum of \$7,000, plus a \$150 per dumpster removal fee, \$360 for a 10 week storage unit fee and any electricity that is used. The cost will be taken from the capital projects fund.

The board authorized the administration to enter into a lease agreement with Steel City Landscaping for a parking area at an upfront fee of \$5,000 to prepare the area and then \$200/month after that during the school year. The cost will be taken from the capital projects fund.

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| Moved by -    | Mr. Pusateri                |
| Seconded by - | Ms. Miller (9-0 voice vote) |

REPORT FROM THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: Ms. Miller

RESIGNATIONS AND LEAVES

The board accepted the retirement resignation of Susan Herchenroether as elementary teacher effective June 6, 2011.

The board accepted the retirement resignation of Sharon Beddard-Hess as elementary teacher effective June 6, 2011.

The board accepted the resignation of Jamuna Guragai as short hour cleaner effective February 28, 2011.

APPOINTMENTS, TENURE, ETC.

The board approved the following summer workers: Sam Bender and Dan Bujak.

NEGOTIATIONS, COMPENSATION, BENEFITS, ETC.

The board reappointed Robert Wright as a School Police Officer effective July 1, 2011 for the next two school years.

The board implemented the curtailment proposed in the Superintendent's Memorandum of December 13, 2010 and will give appropriate notice of any resultant furlough pursuant to the QVEA Agreement.

The board elected Dr. Joseph H. Clapper to the Office of Superintendent for a further term of five years, commencing January 1, 2012 and ending December 31, 2016 and approved the terms and conditions of the appointment as previously presented.

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| Moved by -    | Ms. Miller                 |
| Seconded by - | Mr. Floro (9-0 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. Burnette (9-0) |

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.

THERE WILL BE A SPECIAL MEETING ON APRIL 7, 2011 FOR GENERAL PURPOSES. THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 8 PM AND WILL BE HELD IN THE DISTRICT OFFICE TRAINING ROOM, LOCATED AT 100 LEETSDALE INDUSTRIAL DRIVE, SUITE B, LEETSDALE.

THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED LEGISLATIVE MEETING WILL BE HELD ON APRIL 26, 2011 IN THE LARGE GROUP INSTRUCTION ROOM OF EDGEWORTH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:45 PM.

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| Moved by -    | Dr. Wijekumar                 |
| Seconded by - | Ms. Burnette (9-0 voice vote) |

Mr. Norris asked that the board members remain for a short executive session.

Respectfully submitted,

John M. Sheline  
Board Secretary