

Tuesday, October 24, 2017

QUAKER VALLEY BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS LEGISLATIVE MEETING MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Directors	Directors Not Present
Ms. Marna Blackmer	Mr. David Pusateri
Mr. Gianni Floro	
Ms. Daniela Helkowski	
Ms. Sarah Heres	
Mr. Jonathan Kuzma	Others Present
Mr. Robert Riker	Dr. Heidi Ondek, superintendent
Ms. Marianne Wagner	Dr. Andrew Surloff, assistant superintendent
Mr. Jeffrey Watters - <i>via telephone</i>	Mr. Scott Antoline, director of finance, acted as recording secretary
	Mr. Don Palmer, solicitor

There being a quorum present, Ms. Heres called the meeting to order at 7:10

Executive sessions were held on September 26; October 10; October 17

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 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.*

III. RECOGNITION

A. The board donated a memorial book to the Sewickley Public Library of the Quaker Valley School District in honor of: Paul Kimmel, retired employee (Unit 2)

Motion: Mr. Floro
Second: Ms. Wagner
Unanimous voice vote

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. The board approved the September legislative meeting minutes, and the October committee minutes.

Motion: Ms. Blackmer
Second: Mr. Riker
Unanimous voice vote

V. OLD BUSINESS

VI. VISITOR PARTICIPATION AS PER: 65 PA. C.S.A., sections 710 & 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.

REPORTS

FRIENDS of Quaker Valley trustee Mark Rodgers provided an update on the foundation, and outlined future plans.

Student Representative Report: Ms. Napolitano reported to the board on the district's English Language Learners' (ELL) program

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

The school has an all-time high enrollment of 844 students.

There is an "open house" scheduled for November 6 from 5:00 to 7:00.

VIII. REPORT ON THE SEWICKLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY: Mr. Kuzma

The 18th annual "Savoring Sewickley" fundraiser was held on October 22.

IX. REPORT FROM THE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES & STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE: Ms. Helkowski

NO ACTION ITEM

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

NO ACTION ITEM

XI. REPORT FROM THE POLICY COMMITTEE: Mr. Kuzma

NO ACTION ITEM

XII. REPORT FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE: Mr. Riker

A The board approved the capital projects fund, grant fund, general fund and food service fund financial statements for the month ending September 30, 2017.

B. The board approved the treasurer's report and payment of general fund invoices in the amount of \$ \$8,503,189.73.

C. The board approved payment of food services fund invoices in the amount of \$37,716.41.

D. The board approved the invoices for the capital projects fund in the amount of \$62,760.00

E.The board approved the invoices for the grant fund in the amount of \$5,080.48.

F. The board adopted Resolution #2017-07 authorizing the incurring of nonelectoral debt by the issuance of General Obligation Bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed eleven million nine hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars (\$11,975,000); covenanting to pay, and pledging all available taxing power to the local government unit for the payment of, the bonds; establishing a sinking fund and appointing a sinking fund depository; fixing the form, maximum interest rates, maturity dates and other provisions for the payment thereof; authorizing the acceptance of a proposal for the purchase of the bonds; authorizing a filing of required documents with the department of community and economic development; ratifying and directing certain actions of officers; and making certain other covenants and provisions in respect of the bonds. Notwithstanding the stated maximum principal amount, the Resolution text contains language limiting the actual final par amount of the Bonds to \$10,000,000, in order to achieve marketing advantages under the Tax Code.

Motion: Mr. Riker
Second: Mr. Floro
Unanimous voice vote

XIII. REPORT FROM THE FACILITIES & OPERATIONS COMMITTEE: Mr. Floro

A. The board ratified the Allegheny County Maintenance "Temporary Construction Easement" to access the Osborne Elementary premises to complete construction on Park Run Bridge. There is no cost to the district.

B. The board authorized the administration to issue a Request For Qualifications for a Guaranteed Energy Savings Performance Contract in accordance with the provisions of Pennsylvania Acts 163, 57, 77 and 39, Title 62, and contingent upon legal review.

C. The board authorized the administration to renew the lease agreement with Northway Christian Community Church, with an annual payment increase based on time and cost of living. Any increase in utility costs will be passed along to the church. This is contingent upon legal review.

D. The board authorized the administration to enter into a rental agreement with Soldiers and Sailors Hall in Oakland for the purpose of hosting the Quaker Valley Commencement Ceremony in June, 2018. The rental cost is \$4000. However, the venue is well-equipped with stage and sound equipment, so there would not be rental of drapery, pipes, etc.

Motion: Mr. Floro
Second: Ms. Blackmer
Unanimous voice vote

XIV. REPORT FROM THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

A. The board accepted the resignation of Linda Lerza from the support services substitute list, effective August 29.

B. The board approved the appointment of Corey Barnes as an ACCESS teacher for this year only, effective October 4 at a salary of \$125 per day.

Motion: Ms. Helkowski
Second: Ms. Wagner
Subject

Items C & D were moved separately

C. The board approved the 2016-2017 performance rating for the assistant superintendent. The board has determined that the assistant superintendent has met the objective performance standards for 2016-2017.

D. The board approved the 2016-2017 performance rating and 2016-2017 performance incentive bonus for the superintendent. The board has determined that the superintendent has met the objective performance standards for 2016-2017 and that the superintendent's performance relative to three incentive goals warrants a bonus of \$5,500.

Motion: Ms. Helkowski
Second: Ms. Wagner
Unanimous voice vote

XV. COMMITTEE MINUTES

A. The committee minutes will be made a part of the minutes of this meeting.

Motion: Ms. Blackmer
Second: Ms. Wagner
Unanimous voice vote

XVI. OTHER BUSINESS

XVII. UPCOMING MEETINGS OF THE QUAKER VALLEY BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

November 14 - work session (*there is only one work session scheduled in November*)
November 28 - legislative meeting
December 5 - reorganization 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.

XVIII. VISITOR PARTICIPATION

XIX. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:22.

Motion: Mr. Riker
Second: Mr. Kuzma
Unanimous voice vote

Respectfully submitted,



Christine Kardong,
Board Secretary