

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. 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	Mr. Patrick J. Clair, solicitor

There being a quorum present, Ms. Heres called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

An executive session was held on October 21 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:

- June Cowan, retired teacher

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

September 30 legislative minutes

October committee minutes

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

REPORTS

Educational Focus: *Edgeworth Ideas Exchange* by Ms. Gentile, principal.

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

Superintendent's Report: Dr. Ondek had no report.

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

Mr. Pusateri left the meeting at 7:20.

REPORT ON THE SEWICKLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY: Mr. Floro commented on the great success of the library fundraiser, *Savoring Sewickley*.

The library is considering a master plan for the future.

REPORT FROM THE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMITTEE: Ms. Heres

The board approved the student council trip to Altoona from November 6 - November 8, 2014 at no cost to the district, except for substitute teachers.

The board approved the AP studio and AP art history field trip to the Cleveland Museum of Art on March 5, 2015. There will be a cost for transportation of approximately \$435.60; plus the cost for substitute teachers.

The board approved the 8th grade string orchestra's participation in a Music Performance Assessment (MPA) offered at Westminster College by the Pennsylvania Music Educator Association (PMEA), on Wednesday, March 11, 2015. There will be a cost for transportation of approximately \$347; plus the cost for substitute teacher(s).

The board approved the AP studio and AP art history field trip to Frank Lloyd Wright designed houses Fallingwater and Kentuck Knob on April 20, 2015. There will be a cost for transportation of approximately \$418.00; plus the cost for substitute teachers.

The board approved the addition of "Novels in Other Media" to the Quaker Valley Middle School curriculum for the third term. The course was overlooked when the other curriculum updates were made to the program of studies last spring.

The board approved the agreement with PA-Educator.net Clearinghouse at a cost \$1,950.00 for the 2014-2015 school year.

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 FINANCE COMMITTEE: Mr. Rodgers

The board approved the financial statements for the month ended September 30, 2014.

The board approved the athletics and student activities reports for the quarter ended September 30, 2014.

The board authorized Deborah Riccobelli, high school principal, to sign checks for the athletics and activities funds.

The board approved the food service fund transfer to the general fund for miscellaneous expenses in the amount of \$76.08.

The board approved the transfer of \$5,295.26 from the grant fund to the general fund for Project Zero expenses.

The board approved the engagement letter with Janney Montgomery Scott to review financing plans for a potential high school project.

The board approved the general fund invoices for September and October, 2014, in the amount of \$4,245,650.25.

The board approved the capital projects fund invoices for September, 2014, in the amount of \$7,322.15.

The board approved the cafeteria fund invoices for September, 2014, in the amount of \$43,739.37.

The board approved the grant fund invoices in the amount of \$154.64.

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 an agreement with Debra M. Kriete, Esq. to assist the district in their application for Erate funds at a cost of \$3,000, to be paid from the general fund.

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

REPORT FROM THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: Mr. Riker

RESIGNATIONS AND LEAVES

Professional Staff:

The board accepted the resignation of Tina Vojtko as director of communications, effective on or about November 3, 2014.

Support Staff:

The board accepted the resignation of John Tortorea as paraprofessional, effective August 25, 2014.

The board accepted the resignation of Diana Falconi as administrative assistant, effective immediately.

The board accepted the resignation of Kelly Jones as 1/2-time administrative assistant, effective immediately.

The board accepted the resignation of Louise Sylvester as short-hour cleaner, effective May 30, 2015.

APPOINTMENTS, TENURE, ETC.

Professional Staff:

The board appointed John Tortorea as Dean of Students at the high school, retroactive to August 25, 2014 for the 2014-2015 school year. This position is for one-year at a salary of \$32,000.

Support Staff:

The board appointed Diana Falconi confidential administrative assistant to the assistant superintendent, effective immediately. Salary for the 2014-2015 school year is \$42,337.

The board appointed Kelly Jones as 214-day administrative assistant, in accordance with the Unit 1 agreement; effective immediately.

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

NEGOTIATIONS, COMPENSATION, BENEFITS, ETC

Professional Staff:

The board approved the Act 93 salary adjustments, as presented.

Moved by -	Mr. Riker
Seconded by -	Mr. Watters (7-1 voice vote with Ms. Wagner casting the dissenting vote).

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

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

OTHER BUSINESS

UPCOMING MEETINGS OF THE QUAKER VALLEY BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS:

- NOVEMBER 11: WORK SESSION
- NOVEMBER 18: LEGISLATIVE MEETING
- DECEMBER 2: SCHOOL BOARD REORGANIZATION

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

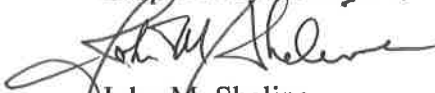
THE PUBLIC IS INVITED TO ATTEND ALL MEETINGS. HOWEVER, THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE MEETS IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

VISITOR PARTICIPATION

ADJOURNMENT: 7:42.

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

Respectfully submitted,



John M. Sheline
Board Secretary