

## Call to Order and Roll Call

Directors	Directors Not Present
Mr. Gianni Floro	Mr. Pusateri
Ms. Daniela Helkowski	Mr. Rodgers
Ms. Sarah Heres	Mr. Riker
Mr. Jonathan Kuzma	
Mr. David Pusateri	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 7:05 p.m.

**PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT**

Executive sessions were held on May 19, June 16, and September 15 to discuss legal and personnel matters.

Ms. Heres announced that after the end of the legislative meeting, Mr. Shelby Stewman would give a report about his recently completed demographic study of the Quaker Valley School District.

- *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 life of members of the Quaker Valley School District family, it is requested that the board make a memorial donation to the Sewickley Public Library of the Quaker Valley School District:

- There are no memorial recipients this month.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

June legislative minutes

September committee minutes

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

REPORTS: Student Representative Report: Bobby Guild & Emma Huckstein reported about the opening of the school year activities throughout the district.

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

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

Parkway enrollment has steadily grown over the last 3 years. This year, enrollment is 753, with 26 Quaker Valley students attending.

REPORT ON THE SEWICKLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY: Mr. Floro

A strategic plan has been developed. The annual library fundraiser "Savoring Sewickley" is October 25.

REPORT FROM THE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES & STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE: Mr. Watters

The board approved the list of recognized booster organizations for the 2015-2016 school year, as presented. This is in accordance with the 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. Watters
Seconded by -	Mr. Kuzma seconded (unanimous voice vote)

REPORT FROM THE POLICY COMMITTEE: Mr. Kuzma

The board adopted draft policy 219.03 *Anaphylaxis Allergy Management* (Draft A).

The board revised policy 230.00 *Suicide Awareness & Prevention* as per (Draft A).

The board revised policy 101.00 *Philosophy of Education*, as amended (Draft A).

The board revised policy 114.00 *Programs for Gifted Learners* as per (Draft A).

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

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

Ms. Angela Moss of Sewickley made a comment about an incident regarding her child, an Osborne school student.

REPORT FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE: Mrs. Wagner

The board approved the capital projects fund, general fund, and grant fund financial statements ending July 31 and August 31, 2015.

The board ratified the general fund June, July, August, and September 2015 invoices and payroll in the amount of \$10,798,305.62.

The board ratified the capital projects fund invoices in the amount of \$104,692.08.

The board approved the capital projects fund invoices in the amount of \$51,923.29.

The board ratified the grant fund invoices in the amount of \$71,677.93.

The board approved the grant fund invoices in the amount of \$43,999.17.

The board ratified the food service fund for June and July, 2015 invoices in the amount of \$5,482.26.

The board approved the August 2015 food service invoices in the amount of \$35,643.17.

The board approved the transfer of \$15,000.00 to the athletic fund to pay referees and other game expenses.

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

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

The board ratified a change order for high school summer work in the amount of \$4,660 to be taken from the general fund.

The board ratified the bid award to Superior Asphalt for Edgeworth at a cost of \$22,721; Alternate 1 - Osborne Elementary at a cost of \$26,614; Alternate 2 - High School at a cost of \$16,912; and to reject Alternate 3 -Middle School; for a total cost of \$66,247 to be taken from the capital projects fund.

The board authorized the administration to renew the lease with the Sewickley YMCA for daytime pre-school at the Osborne Elementary School for \$975 per month for the 2015-2016 school year.

The board authorized the administration to renew the lease with the Sewickley YMCA for after school programs at the Edgeworth and Osborne Elementary Schools for \$320 per month per building for the 2015-2016 school year.

The board approved the purchase of a new Ventrac tractor off the state contract to be used in the maintenance department at a cost of \$29,350 to be taken from the capital projects fund.

The board approved the purchase of a cyclone rake for leaf and other debris across the district at a cost of \$3,800 to be taken from capital projects fund.

The board approved the bus stops for the 2015-2016 school year, as presented.

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

Mr. Weber of Leet Township asked for an update on the Leetsdale property owned by the district.

REPORT FROM THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: Ms. Wagner

#### Retirement

The board accepted the retirement resignation of Karlton Chapman, director of technology, effective November 30, 2015.

The board accepted the retirement resignation of John Sheline, director of finance and operations and school board secretary, effective January 31, 2016.

#### Resignations

The board accepted the resignation of Laura Cipriano, high school assistant principal, effective June 5, 2015.

The board accepted the resignation of Steven D'Addieco as high school language arts teacher, effective June 5, 2015.

The board accepted the resignation of Sarah Herr as paraprofessional effective June 5, 2015.

The board accepted the resignation of Janine Mickey, paraprofessional, effective August 10, 2015.

The board accepted the resignation of Jamie Morra, paraprofessional, effective August 13, 2015.

The board accepted the resignation of Bethany Knicely, paraprofessional, effective August 19, 2015.

#### Appointments with a Contract

The board appointed Abigail Bator the assistant principal for Quaker Valley High School, effective on September 14, 2015, in accordance with the Act 93 plan, at a starting salary of \$78,500.

The board appointed Lauren McGuirk the assistant principal for Quaker Valley Middle School, effective August 24, 2015, in accordance with the Act 93 plan, at a starting salary of \$77,500.

The board approved a teaching contract with Jeneane Hugus, effective on or about August 13, 2015. Assignment for the 2015-2016 school year: middle school math.

The board approved a teaching contract with Karen Uranker effective on or about August 13, 2015. Assignment for the 2015-2016 school year: middle school language arts.

The board approved a teaching contract with Anna Kostrick, effective on or about August 13, 2015. Assignment for the 2015-2016 school year: Osborne special education.

The board approved a teaching contract with Jennifer Matthews, effective on or about August 13, 2015. Assignment for the 2015-2016 school year: high school social studies.

The board approved a teaching contract with Jennifer Stewart, effective on or about August 13, 2015. Assignment for the 2015-2016 school year: middle school academic specialist.

The board approved a teaching contract with Cathy Muraco, effective on September 8, 2015. Assignment for the 2015-2016 school year: high school social studies.

#### Long-Term Substitute/ACCESS/CRT

The board appointed Kimberly Hart a long-term substitute guidance counselor at the middle school for the 2015-2016 school year, effective on or about August 13, 2015.

The board appointed Amy Oplinger a long-term high school substitute world language teacher for the 2015-2016 school year, effective on or about August 13, 2015.

The board appointed Kathy Holland a long-term middle school substitute reading specialist for the 2015-2016 school year, effective on or about August 13, 2015.

The board appointed Katharine Kush a long-term substitute middle school social studies teacher for the 2015-2016 school year, effective on or about August 13, 2015.

The board appointed Stephanie Weiss a long-term substitute first grade teacher at Osborne for the 2015-2016 school year, effective on or about August 13, 2015.

The board appointed Christine Forrest a long-term substitute middle school language arts teacher for the 2015-2016 school year, effective on or about August 13, 2015.

The board appointed Amanda Madden a long-term substitute special education teacher at Edgeworth for the 2015-2016 school year, effective on or about August 13, 2015.

The board appointed Kaitlin Thayer a long-term substitute kindergarten teacher at Osborne for the 2015-2016 school year, effective on or about August 13, 2015.

The board appointed Stephanie Ganick a long-term substitute special education teacher at the middle school for the 2015-2016 school year, effective on or about August 13, 2015.

The board appointed Ashley Carroll a long-term substitute teacher at the middle school - 1/2 ACCESS funded, for the 2015-2016 school year, effective on or about August 13, 2015.

The board appointed Cassie Musta a 1/2-year long-term substitute middle school social studies teacher for the 2015-2016 school year, effective on or about August 13, 2015.

The board appointed John Yankello a classroom size reduction teacher at Osborne for the 2015-2016 school year, effective on or about August 13, 2015.

The board appointed Amy Homer a classroom size reduction teacher at Edgeworth for the 2015-2016 school year, effective on or about August 13, 2015.

The board appointed Mary Ellen Peduzzi an ACCESS funded high school teacher for the 2015-2016 school year only, effective on or about August 13, 2015.

The board appointed Jenny Reisinger an ACCESS funded high school teacher for the 2015-2016 school year only, effective on or about August 31, 2015.

The board appointed Kelly Fernandez an ACCESS funded middle school teacher for the 2015-2016 school year only, effective on or about August 24, 2015.

The board appointed Melissa Petrick, Rachael Schweiger, John McFeeley, and Jennifer O'Kane-Fenk as district substitute teachers for the 2015-2016 school year.

#### Support Positions

The board approved the following paraprofessionals for the 2015-2016 school year: Matt Wagner, middle school; Gregory Safran, high school; Jennifer Graham, Edgeworth; and Anna Castaneda, Edgeworth.

The board approved Sandy Davis as a cafeteria worker, currently assigned to the high school.

#### Other Positions

The board appointed Paula Glasser as a physical therapist for the 2015-2016 school year, on an as-needed, case-by-case basis at \$59/hour plus travel time.

The board appointed Jennifer Skirtich as a contracted part time school psychologist for the 2015-2016 school year at a rate of \$50/hour not to exceed 20 hours per week.

The board approved Kate Evans as job coach for the Pupil Services department for the 2015-2016 school year at a rate of \$20/hour plus mileage.

The board approved June Resetarits as dental hygienist for the 2015-2016 school year at a rate of \$1250/month for four months.

The board approved Jill Inscho as therapist for the hearing impaired for the 2015-2016 school year at a rate of \$38/hour, with a maximum of 20 hours of direct or indirect services monthly, plus travel time.

The board approved Cecelia Manning as therapist for the vision impaired for the 2015-2016 school year at a rate of \$83/hour.

The board approved Andrea Howard as a psychology intern for the 2015-2016 school year at a rate of \$16,000 for the year.

The board approved Dan Wells as a psychology intern for the 2015-2016 school year at a rate of \$13,000 for the year.

The board appointed Dr. David Hennessey as school physician for the 2015-2016 school year at a fee of \$5,000 for the year.

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 2015/2016 school year.

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

#### Superintendent

The board approved the 2014-2015 performance rating and 2014-2015 performance incentive bonus for the superintendent. The board has determined that the superintendent has met the objective performance standards for 2014-2015, and that the superintendent's performance relative to three incentive goals warrants a bonus payment of \$5,500.

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

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

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

#### OTHER BUSINESS

#### UPCOMING MEETINGS OF THE QUAKER VALLEY BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS:

OCTOBER 13: WORK SESSION

OCTOBER 20: WORK SESSION

OCTOBER 27: 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.

#### VISITOR PARTICIPATION

It was announced that an executive session would immediately follow the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:49 PM

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

Respectfully submitted,

John M. Sheline  
Board Secretary