

School Board Meeting
August 5, 2019

A regular meeting of the Redbank Valley School Board was held on Monday, July 8, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. in the Redbank Valley High School Library. The following members were in attendance: Dee Bell, Carrie Adams, Ann Kopnitsky, Donald Nair, Bill Reddinger, Chad Shaffer, Darren Bain and Linda Ferringner, Absent Jason Barnett

The regular school board meeting was called to order by Chad Shaffer, President, at 6:30 p.m.

A motion was made by Carrie Adams, seconded by Bill Reddinger, to approve minutes for the Work Session Meeting, June 27, 2019 and Regular Board Meeting, July 8, 2019. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Dr. Shaffer asked for public comments. Tim Murray, Mayor of New Bethlehem when over the New Bethlehem Boro Police force proposal for the SRO for the district. Canine will be employed for drug, cameras will be able to be connected to the police force. It will include cross walk duties. No mileage charges will be incurred. The officer will be strictly here and no where else. He did stress that Hawthorn school is considered in district. Total amount was \$48,002.40

The Primary/Intermediate Elementary Report was presented by Mrs. Cheryl McCauley , Mrs. McCauley reported that the elementary meet the teacher day will be 1:30-6:30 on Tuesday August 27, 2019.

The Secondary Report was presented by Mrs. Amy Rupp

The Special Education Report was presented by Mrs. Brittany Nowacki in writing since Mrs. Nowacki was absent.

The Maintenance Report was submitted in writing by Mr. Jim Jones.

No Cafeteria Report was presented by Mr. David Reitz. Mr. Reitz was absent.

The Superintendent's Report was presented by Dr. John Mastillo during the work session meeting on August 1, 2019 and updates were given.

The Intermediate Unit report was presented by Mrs. Ann Kopnitsky. Mrs. Kopnitsky reported there was not a meeting until August.

The Career Center report was presented by Dr. Donald Nair. No report

At 7:01 p.m., Dr. Shaffer announced that an executive session would take place for personnel matters. The regular meeting reconvened at 7:33 p.m.

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger, seconded by, Dee Bell, to approve the second reading of the revised Board Policy 222, tobacco use. Motion Carried 7-1 Darren Bain voted No.

A motion was made by Donald Nair, seconded by Bill Reddinger, to approve the second reading of Board Policy 211 Student Accident Insurance Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Don Nair and seconded by Bill Reddinger to approve the 9th grade trip to Washington, DC on November 6 – 8, 2019 according to the itinerary presented. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger seconded by Chad Shaffer to approve the proposed administrative procedures and documents pertaining to educational student trips. (6-2) Dee Bell, and Darren Bain voted No

A motion was made by Donald Nair, seconded by Bill Reddinger, to approve entering into a contractual agreement with Armstrong for security services according to the agreement presented at \$49,999.00 (5-3) Chad Shaffer, Darren Bain, Bill Reddinger voted No.

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger seconded by Linda Ferringer to approve granting permission to the business manager to post information on the district website regarding flood remediation donations and create special funding source in the general fund to maintain these funds as revenue. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by Bill Reddinger to grant permission to the Custodial /Maintenance Supervisor to purchase materials needed to repair the wall in the Band/Art room, Speech room and adjoin office areas to exceed \$1,500.00. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger, seconded by Ann Kopnitsky, to approve the Treasurer's Report, General Fund Expenditures in the amount of \$1,538,983.33.

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger , seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to approve the 2nd Quarter Redbank Valley High School Activities Fund Report, as represented. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Ann Kopnitsky seconded by Bill Reddinger to approve the contract with Clarion Environmental Services Inc. \$3500.00 For the proper removal and disposal of Asbestos containing floor tile and mastic along with the carpet from the Principal's office, secretary's office Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger, seconded by Don Nair, to ratify the payment to Service Master by Bell for Flood remediation services to the Primary Campus in the amount of \$140,957.79. Motion Carried Unanimously.

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A motion was made by Don Nair, seconded by Dee Bell to approve the payment of \$675.00 to John Sayers for nine (9) years of service to the Redbank Valley School District as a result of his retirement. (7-1) Darren Bain voted No.

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger seconded by Ann Kopnitsky, to grant permission to the administration and athletic director to utilize the allocated budget amount of \$2,300.00 to provide security at after school functions. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Don Nair, seconded by Bill Reddinger to approve the bus/van driver list. (7-0-1) Dee Bell abstained.

A motion was made by Ann Kopnitsky, seconded by Dee Bell to hire Shelby Groff as Confidential Secretary to the Superintendent at an annual salary of \$25,000.00 , for a total of \$36,086.00; prorated for August 15, 2019 through June 30, 2020 for an annual salary of \$22,019 for district total cost of \$31,411.00. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Don Nair, seconded by Chad Shaffer, for superintendent to Advertise, interview and recommend for hire a part-time (110 day) Speech Therapist at an annual salary of \$26,903.00 for a total district cost of \$48,972.00. 6-1(Bain)

A motion was made by Dee Bell, seconded by Linda Ferringer, to hire Stasha Misko as a Highly Qualified Aide at a rate of \$9.71 an hour for 6 hours a day for a total wage of \$10,603.00. The total cost is \$13,346.00. Motion Carried Unanimously

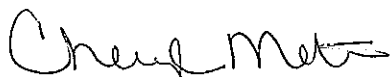
A motion was made by Don Nair, seconded by Dee Bell to add Dee Bell to hire Madison Harmon as Highly Qualified Aide at the rate of \$9.71 an hours for 5.5 hours a day for a total wage of \$9,720.00 (5-2) Linda Ferringer, Carrie Adams voted No.

A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by Dee Bell to hire Mike Shilling 12 month Custodian/Maintenance Employee at a rate of \$12.00 an hour for 8 hours a day for a total cost of \$48,782.00. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Meeting adjourned

Executive Session at 8:11pm

Respectfully submitted,



Cheryl Motter
Board Secretary