

School Board Meeting July 11, 2016

The regular meeting of the Redbank Valley School Board was held, Monday July 11, 2016 at 7:27 P.M., Redbank Valley High School Auditorium. The following members were in attendance: Dee Bell, Heath Copenhaver, Brian Dougherty, Tina Kennemuth, Ann Kopnitsky, Donald Nair, William Reddinger, Chad Shaffer and Glenn Watson.

The regular school board meeting was called to order by President Chad Shaffer at 7:27 p.m.

A motion was made by William Reddinger seconded by Donald Nair to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of June 6, 2016 and Work Session Meeting of June 6, 2016.
Motion Carried Unanimously

Mr. Shaffer then asked for public concerns. Brittany Fingado, a parent spoke to the school board on the appreciation the district has extended to meeting the needs of her child. She explained the stress involved in raising her child to satisfy those needs addressed by the school district have not realized in her opinion. Mrs. Fingado also commented on the lack of progress on the district and unions in obtaining a labor agreement and that the school year needs to be started on the rack track.

The Student Representative Report was presented by Peyton Kirkpatrick and Colin Sheffer. Mr. Kirkpatrick commented on the summer activities and the summer break in general.

The Primary /Director of Education report was presented by Mrs. Cheryl McCauley. Mrs. McCauley reported that the summer school program for Pre-K through Pre-6th began on July 5th with 39 students attending classes. Mrs. McCauley commented that the Title I and Title IIA applications for 2016-17 have been completed and are in the submission process.

No Intermediate Report was presented. Mr. Drzewiecki presented options to the school board for the vacant principal position due to Mrs. Boyle's submitted resignation.

At 7:55 p.m. Mr. Shaffer called for an executive session concerning litigation issue. The regular meeting reconvened at 8:45 p.m.

Discussion continued on the options reported by Mr. Drzewiecki for the vacant principal position. The school board asked for additional information as to the options and the related cost to each option outlined.

The Secondary Report was presented by Mrs. Amy Rupp. Mrs. Rupp reported that student scheduling for 2016-17 is completed. Mrs. Rupp commented that additional Chromebook will be purchased for the upcoming 9th grade class to continue the 1:1 initiative and Mrs. Rupp reported on the auditorium guidelines and request form included with her report. Mrs. Rupp further commented on the Faculty Handbook changes which she presented in her report. The last update to the handbook was years ago and the changes are made to bring the handbook up to current language.

The Maintenance Report was presented in by Mr. John Sayers. Mr. Sayers was absent from the meeting but provided a written report. Mr. Drzewiecki did comment that a water leak at the Intermediate School was repairs by the staff.

The Superintendent Report was presented by Mr. Drzewiecki. Mr. Drzewiecki reported on the state budget for 2016-17. The district will receive a 1.3% increase in Basic Education Funding that represents an \$113,000. Special Education will receive a 1.1% increase or \$9,000. The determination for the funding was due to the use of the Fair Funding Formula which is in place for all school district in the state. Mr. Drzewiecki commented that Athletic Trainer candidate screening has begun and that any school board member wishing to participate in the interviews to contact his office.

The IU Report was presented by Ann Kopnitsky. Mrs. Kopnitsky reported that there was no meeting in July for the IU an agenda of the June 29th meeting has been provided in the school board packets for review.

The CCAVTS Report was presented by Mr. Bell. Mr. Bell commented that Mary Jude Trice, Business Manager for the CCAVTS retired after 30 years of service. Mr. Bell did note that with the resignation of Mrs. Heeter last month a new representative is needed to CCAVTS board. Mr. Shaffer asked if any board member wished to serve on the CCAVTS board and Donald Nair volunteer to fill the position.

A motion was made by Dee Bell seconded by Donald Nair to approve the second reading of the following policies:

- #123.1 Programs, Hiring Practices of Coaches/CoCurricular Advisors/Posting Positions.
- #404AR Professional Employees, Employment of Professional Employees
- #626 Finances, Federal Fiscal Compliance
- #626.1 Finances, Travel Reimbursement Federal Programs
- #808 Operations, Food Services
- #827 Operations, Conflict of Interest

Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by William Reddinger seconded by Glenn Watson to approve changes to the Elementary Parent Student Handbook. Motion Carried 8-Yes, 1-No (Kennemuth)

A motion was made by William Reddinger seconded by Heath Copenhaver to approve changes to the Secondary Parent Student Handbook. Motion Carried 7-Yes, 2-No (Kennemuth, Nair)

A motion was made by William Reddinger seconded by Tina Kennemuth to award Student Accident, Football and Sport Insurance for the school year 2016-17 to AG Administrators for 2016-17 of Football at \$2,800.00 and student accident rate of \$36.00 school time, \$125.00 24-hour coverage. Motion Failed 2-Yes, 7-No (Dougherty, Kennemuth, Kopnitsky, Nair, Reddinger, Shaffer, Watson)

A motion was made by Glenn Watson seconded by Tina Kennemuth to approve the permanent easement agreement and the modified addendum with the Hawthorn Redbank Redbank Municipal Authority for the waterline project contingent upon Hawthorn Redbank Redbank Municipal Authority approval. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Ann Kopnitsky seconded by Tina Kennemuth to approve the June, 2016 Treasurers Report. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by William Reddinger seconded by Dee Bell to approve the June, 2016 General Fund Expenditures amounting to \$3,839,778.66. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Dee Bell seconded by William Reddinger to approve the June, 2016 Milk and Cafeteria Fund Expenditures amounting to \$31,172.94. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Glenn Watson seconded by Brian Dougherty to accept the resignation of Sue Ann Boyles, Intermediate Principal/Special Education Supervisor. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by William Reddinger seconded by Glenn Watson hire Kevin Crissman as Redbank Valley Primary crossing guard at \$1,500.00 for the 2016-17 school year. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Brian Dougherty seconded by Dee Bell to hire Pre-K thru Pre-6th summer school aides as presented. Motion Carried Unanimously

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A motion was made by Brian Dougherty seconded by Donald Nair to accept the resignation of Zackary Zamosky as Athletic Trainer effective June 30, 2016. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Glenn Watson seconded by Dee Bell to accept the resignation of Gregory Campbell Sr. as Head Varsity Boys Soccer coach. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Brian Dougherty seconded by Glenn Watson to fill the athletic trainer position. Motion Failed 3-Yes, 6-No (Bell, Kennemuth, Kopnitsky, Nair, Reddinger, Shaffer)

Mr. Shaffer then asked if any public concerns wished to be expressed. No concerns were addressed.

Mr. Shaffer then announced that an executive session would take place immediately after adjournment for personnel and legal matters.

A motion was made by William Reddinger seconded by Donald Nair to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:50 P.M. Motion Carried Unanimously

Respectfully Submitted,

Jack E. Loughner, Jr.
Board Secretary