

Special School Board Meeting
June 26, 2018

A special meeting of the Redbank Valley School Board was held on Tuesday, June 26, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the Redbank Valley High School Library. The following members were in attendance: Ann Kopnitsky, Bill Reddinger, Chad Shaffer, Donald Nair, Darren Bain (via phone), Linda Ferringer, Carrie Adams and Dee Bell.

The work session was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chad Shaffer, President.

Dr. Shaffer asked for public comments. There were none.

Security was the first topic of the work session. Bill Reddinger and Dr. Nair reported on their visit to Armstrong School District to observe the security protocol. Security guards, metal detectors, security cameras and parking passes were some of the items they observed. Dan Monek, owner of DBM Investigations and Consulting, LLC, spoke to the Board via phone regarding school security. Mark and Glenn Yocca of U.S. Film Crew gave a presentation on security window film.

Stephen Parks and Jordan Murrin gave an update on the track and the change orders.

The work session concluded and the special meeting began at 8:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger, seconded by Ann Kopnitsky, for the following individuals to be nominated for the vacant school board director seat in contemplation of election, to include Jason Barnett and John Gerow. Motion Carried Unanimously.

An interview was conducted with each candidate during open session.

A motion was made by Donald Nair, seconded by Ann Kopnitsky, for the remaining Redbank Valley School District School Board of Directors to vote for their preferred candidate from the nomination pool to fill the vacated seat (by raise of hand when candidate is named). Jason Barnett (Bell, Kopnitsky, Reddinger, Shaffer, Bain, Ferringer, Adams); John Gerow (Nair).

A motion was made by Donald Nair, seconded by Bill Reddinger, to appoint Jason Barnett as School Board Director to fill the unexpired term of Heath Copenhaver through December, 2019. Motion Carried Unanimously.

The Oath of Office was administered to Mr. Barnett by Mr. Hager, District Solicitor.

At 8:22 p.m., Dr. Shaffer announced that an executive session would take place for personnel and legal matters. The special meeting resumed at 9:50 p.m.

A motion was made by Donald Nair, seconded by Carrie Adams, to rescind the suspension of professional employee Debra Dinger. The Superintendent is directed to notify the employee of this action. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Dee Bell, seconded by Donald Nair, BE IT RESOLVED that professional employee Thomas Logan is suspended effective July 1, 2018 pursuant to Section 1124 (2) of the Public School Code. The Superintendent is directed to notify the employee of this action. Motion Carried 7 Yes, 2 No (Barnett, Kopnitsky).

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger, seconded by Dee Bell, to approve the track change orders to include:

- A. Trench and piping in lieu of hydroblox planking at a cost to \$7,640.00. Motion Carried 8 Yes, 1 No (Kopnitsky).

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger, seconded by Dee Bell, to approve the track change orders to include:

- B. Utilize fine asphalt millings to fill compact area between track and walk at a cost of \$2,900.00. Motion Carried 7 Yes, 2 No (Kopnitsky, Bain).

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger, seconded by Dee Bell to approve the track change orders to include:

- C. Proposal #003079-1 including a 2.5 inch asphalt binder at a cost of \$68,035.00. Motion Carried 8 Yes, 1 No (Kopnitsky).

A motion was made by Donald Nair, seconded by Bill Reddinger, to direct administration and solicitor to pursue a contract with Armstrong Lock and Security for a school security officer at each of our three buildings throughout the school day. Motion Carried 6 Yes, 3 No (Reddinger, Bain, Barnett).

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger, seconded by Donald Nair, to rescind prior Board motion for purchase of cane screens. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger, seconded by Dee Bell, to deny the grievance presented June 8, 2018.

A motion was made by Chad Shaffer, seconded by Bill Reddinger, to amend the previous motion to read: the grievance labeled as having been formally presented June 8, 2018, but being presented to each of the Board members tonight. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Dee Bell, seconded by Bill Reddinger, to approve the separation agreement and general release of Michael A. Drzewiecki and Redbank Valley School District, effective June 30, 2018. Motion Carried 7 Yes, 2 No (Shaffer, Barnett).

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A motion was made by Bill Reddinger, seconded by Dee Bell, to approve Amy Rupp Assistant to the Superintendent from June 27, 2018 until June 30, 2018, and commencing July 1, 2018, Acting Superintendent at the remuneration of \$200.00 per day until an Interim Superintendent is appointed. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Dr. Shaffer reported on additional Board items. A Superintendent Search Committee has been formed. He asked Ann Kopnitsky to be Chairperson. He asked for a Security Committee to be formed. He asked Bill Reddinger to be Chairperson. Dr. Shaffer also suggested looking into Board attendance via teleconference. Also, student parking was briefly discussed.

Dr. Shaffer asked for public comments. Collin Sheffer addressed the Board regarding agendas being available for each meeting.

A motion was made by Donald Nair, seconded by Bill Reddinger, to adjourn the special meeting at 10:10 p.m. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Sherri McGinnis
Board Secretary