

School Board Meeting
January 7, 2019

A regular meeting of the Redbank Valley School Board was held on Monday, January 7, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. in the Redbank Valley High School Cafeteria. The following members were in attendance: Linda Ferringer, Donald Nair (6:50 p.m.), Bill Reddinger, Chad Shaffer, Ann Kopnitsky, Darren Bain, Carrie Adams, Jason Barnett and Dee Bell.

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

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

A motion was made by Dee Bell, seconded by Bill Reddinger, to approve minutes for the Work Session Meeting, November 29, 2018, Reorganizational Meeting, December 3, 2018, Regular Board Meeting, December 3, 2018 and Special Board Meeting, December 11, 2018. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Mini-burst presentation for the evening was Mr. Eli Terwilliger and members of the Marching Band performing a variety of songs.

The Primary/Intermediate Elementary Report was presented by Mrs. Cheryl McCauley. Mrs. McCauley reported that Title I teachers will be attending the Improving School Conference this month and will be presented with the 2018 School of Distinction Award. Teacher recognitions for the month were Cherie Schultz and Lila Rummell. Additional information was provided in her written report.

The Secondary Report was presented by Mrs. Amy Rupp. Mrs. Rupp reported on the following topics: winter wave Keystones, remediation, curriculum mapping K-12, honor society and AP Government class providing holiday meals and gifts to families in need, civics engagement projects. Teacher recognition for the month was Leslie Lightner. Additional information was provided in her written report.

The Special Education Report was presented by Mrs. Brittany Nowacki. Mrs. Nowacki reported on the following: special education department adopting a family to support during the holidays, compliance monitoring closed and approved, Bureau of Special Education meeting this month, Special Populations Audit, Special Education Plan Committee, a mentor network for assistance with special education planning process, extended school year, Autism Grant. Additional information was provided in her written report.

The Maintenance Report was presented by Mr. John Sayers. Mr. Sayers reported on repairs made during the holiday break. A meeting will take place this month regarding the 911/fire alarm system. Discussion on the track, locker room projects and univents took place. A list of the month's repairs and maintenance was provided in his written report.

There was no Cafeteria Report.

The Superintendent's Report was submitted by Dr. John Mastillo. Dr. Mastillo reported on projects and meetings for the month, securing vestibules at each building, phone system, safety/security meeting, Coffee and Conversation with the Superintendent, strategic plan presented to community.

The Intermediate Unit report was presented by Mrs. Ann Kopnitsky. Mrs. Kopnitsky reported that December was Mr. Brown's last meeting as executive director, the next meeting is scheduled for February. The financial audit and legal status of the Intermediate Unit are both good. Technology upgrades were approved.

The Career Center report was presented by Mrs. Linda Ferringer. Mrs. Ferringer stated that the report was submitted in writing. The Career Center is recruiting a new director and interviews will be held this week.

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger, seconded by Ann Kopnitsky, to approve the second reading of revised Redbank Valley School District Board Policy #626, Federal Fiscal Compliance. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Dr. Shaffer announced that a Legislative Representative needed to be appointed and asked Carrie Adams if she would like to continue as representative. Mrs. Adams agreed to stay on as Legislative Representative. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Dr. Shaffer announced that two Career Center Representatives needed to be appointed and asked Linda Ferringer and Donald Nair if they would like to continue as representatives. Mrs. Ferringer and Dr. Nair agreed to continue as Career Center Representatives. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Dr. Shaffer announced that an Intermediate Unit Representative needed to be appointed and asked Ann Kopnitsky if she would like to continue as representative. Mrs. Kopnitsky agreed to stay on as Intermediate Unit Representative. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger, seconded by _____, to amend the calendar of Board work sessions and Board meetings for the 2019 calendar year to include December 4 as the combined Work Session and Board meeting date. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger, seconded by Chad Shaffer, to approve Act 1 Resolution that Redbank Valley School District will increase tax millage at a rate that will exceed the 3.5 index for school year 2019-2020. Motion Carried 8 Yes, 1 No (Bell).

A motion was made by Ann Kopnitsky, seconded by Bill Reddinger, to submit exceptions for Retirement, Special Education and Debt Service as per PDE timeline. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Donald Nair, seconded by Bill Reddinger, to approve membership for the Superintendent to PASA/AASA at a pro-rated membership fee of \$1,151.25. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Dee Bell, seconded by Bill Reddinger, to enter into agreement with Clarion Family Therapy, Inc. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Ann Kopnitsky, seconded by Dee Bell, to grant permission to hold a VEX IQ Robotics Tournament in February 2019. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Dee Bell, seconded by Bill Reddinger, to purchase a reach-in refrigerator for the high school cafeteria at a cost of \$3,678.55. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger, seconded by Dee Bell, to utilize March 15, 2019 as a snow make-up day. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger, seconded by Donald Nair, to direct the administration to make arrangements to sell old univents, lockers and refrigerator as scrap. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Dee Bell, seconded by Bill Reddinger, to approve the Treasurer's Report, General Fund Expenditures in the amount of \$1,245,380.30, and Cafeteria Fund Expenditures in the amount of \$47,466.96 ending December 31, 2018. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Dee Bell, seconded by Bill Reddinger, to grant the Business Office permission to make necessary budget transfers and journal entries in all areas needed. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Dee Bell, seconded by Jason Barnett, to direct the administration to re-invest CD at maturation into Clarion County Community Bank. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger, seconded by Dee Bell, to accept the resignation of Debra Boozer, school counselor. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Donald Nair, seconded by Bill Reddinger, to accept the resignation of Molly Greenawalt. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Ann Kopnitsky, seconded by Dee Bell, to approve intermittent FMLA request for Employee #172. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger, seconded by Linda Ferringer, to approve sabbatical leave request for Employee #239 for the second semester of the 2018-19 school year. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Linda Ferringer, seconded by Ann Kopnitsky, to approve FMLA request for Employee #695. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Donald Nair, seconded by Bill Reddinger, to approve the transfer of 25 sick days for John Mastillo from previous place of employment. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Dee Bell, seconded by Bill Reddinger, to hire Corbin Anderson as a long-term substitute until the end of the 2018-19 school year. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Dee Bell, seconded by Bill Reddinger, to approve FMLA request for Employee #517. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger, seconded by Dee Bell, to accept the resignation of Sally Ryan, child specific aide, effective February 1, 2019. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Donald Nair, seconded by Ann Kopnitsky, to hire Blane Gold as head varsity football coach at 120 points @ \$44.50 = \$5,340.00. Total cost \$5,946.99. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger, seconded by Dee Bell, to add Jaclyn Snyder to the substitute secretary and cafeteria aide lists. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Dee Bell, seconded by Ann Kopnitsky, to accept the resignation of Bobbi McGuire, cafeteria aide. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Dr. Shaffer asked for additional Board items. Discussion regarding Narcan policy approval took place.

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger, seconded by Darren Bain, to approve support from the Board to further investigate the implementation of a Naloxone/Narcan policy and the development of administrative procedures to address the administration of such policy. Motion Tabled.

A motion was made by Jason Barnett, seconded by Bill Reddinger, to table the previous motion. Motion Carried 5 Yes, 4 No (Bain, Shaffer, Reddinger, Bell).

Dr. Shaffer asked for additional Board items. There were none.

Dr. Shaffer asked for public comments.

Kristen Landers – VEX tournament approval appreciation

Joe Belfield – security staffing

Blane Gold – coaching approval appreciation

Dr. Shaffer announced that an executive session would take place following the meeting for negotiation matters.

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger, seconded by Dee Bell, to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:49 p.m. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Sherri McGinnis
Board Secretary