

Work Session and Regular School Board Meeting

April 12, 2023

A regular meeting and work session of the Redbank Valley School Board was held Tuesday, April 12, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. The following members were in attendance: Darren Bain, Jason Barnett, Mitchell Blose, Heidi Byers, John Kimmel, Ann Kopnitsky, Don Nair, Bill Reddinger, and Brent Wile.

The board meeting was opened by President, Bill Reddinger

Mr. Reddinger presented Lou from Johnston Controls to speak on proposals for the for the school compression systems which he presented 5 different options.

Mr. Reddinger introduced Kim Turnley the auditor, CPA. The letter was presented and it looks at analysis. She went over the information.

Executive session from 7:12 to 7:48 for personnel.

A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by John Kimmel to approve the Work Session, March 7 March 14, 2023 Board Meeting. Motion Carried Unanimously

New Business:

Mrs. Shirey spoke on enrollment is holding steady at 424. Busy month, students attended the play at the high school. Robin from IU presented. Title 1 hosted family game night. CDT final testing grades 3-5. Family paint night with over 300 people participating. Students at the primary were recognized for perfect attendance. She got certified in CPI and CPR. Both buildings took place in mail card for veterans. Had parade for Coach Blondie for their national competition. Participated in a training for Freckle and a pre-pilot for the rest of this year. ELA, PSSA's starting. Kindergarten registration information meeting. Data meeting next week. Tessa Ellis will be at the primary school to read the book she had published. We participated in a successful Book Blast raised \$26,000 dollars for book blast. 1944 books distributed to students K-5. Every student received minimum of 2 books excellent program. Our paraprofessional Joni has been nominated for a **Loretta Wilson** award. Nominee that goes the extra mile for a student.

Mr. Hartle spoke End of 3rd quarter. 21 full time Go Rocket students. Students are not performing well, so he wants to change it for next year of how we are allowing students to go into it. Past month mental health awareness. Act 80 March 15 covered district Student Performance Measures. SAT prep for juniors and seniors. NHS Blood drive, collected enough to earn a scholarship. High School Musical Shrek was performed. FFA had AG Olympics. Working on math for next year. CCCC national tech honor

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Master Schedule for next year, is almost complete. CDT completed. PSSA coming up Sport and activities District 9 championship game. Hosted PIAA round.

Mr. Temchulla spoke from results the Special Education Audit and changes for the upcoming school year, we will have trainings for teachers and Special Ed teachers, regarding the ESY. Supplemental, placement .8 higher than state average. Correction plan on future.

Mr. Reitz had nothing to add to his report except the grant that he received

Mr. Jones stated in his report had one tree removed from storm, but we had 2 trees removed. He suggest to remove all of the pine trees, it makes a mess and there is no purpose for them. Darren Bain suggests to check with the borough before removal.

Ms. Motter spoke on the budget work session that will be April 20, 2023 about 21 million. Raising to the index, if that happens.

Ann Kopnitsky stated that she didn't attend the meeting, the report is in writing.

Mrs. Rupp spoke countdown for the last quarter. Education foundation, we met tonight have established a Steering committee mailing out. Trenton from Bridge Builders is to get information out so people know what it is about. Money in general scholarship. Working on a scholarship for work force, as well. Awards assembly, is aimed toward college, but today that is not as big so we will be focusing on work force. Working on foundation known. Playground should be this week. Budget. Auditorium finalizing. Safety and fencing at the elementary buildings. Awarded through PCCD grants for mental health and safety. Look at getting another social worker and front doors for the buildings.

Heidi Byers spoke about the superintendent from AC Valley will be the next superintendent of records in July at the Clarion County Career Center.

Board Committee :

Brent Wile spoke on baseball field has pull down steps, they are in bad shape, and the door won't lock. He recommends putting on the outside side and door should have locks.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There were none.

Old Business:

A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by John Kimmel to approve the second reading of policies, 312-321 as presented. Motion Carried Unanimously

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A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by Brent Wile to approve the second reading of policies 137, 137.1, 137.2 and 137.3 as presented. Motion Carried Unanimously

New Business:

A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by Brent Wile to approve the Career Center 2023-2024 Budget. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by John Kimmel seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to approve the Elementary Summer School Program to be held on July 5-27, 2023, Monday-Thursday 8:30 am – 11:30 am at the Primary School Campus. Teachers and instructional aides will be identified and presented to the board. Summer School program will be paid with ESSRs Funds, and to approve the high School Summer Program to be held on July 5-27, 2023, Monday- Thursday 8:30 -11:30 am online. Teachers and instructional aides will be identified and presented to the board. Summer school program will be paid with ESSRs Funds. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Heidi Byers seconded by Jason Barnett to table this policy. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Brent Wile second by John Kimmel to approve the updated rates for Go Rockets Cyber School for the 2023-2024 school year. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by John Kimmel seconded by Mitch Blose to change the 2022-2023 school calendar to have an early dismissal on the last day of school, May 24, 2023. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by John Kimmel to approve the March 2023 Treasurer's Report, General Fund expenditures in the amount of \$2,237,569.13, Cafeteria Fund Expenditures in the amount of \$51,799.39 and the Budgetary Transfers. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Mitch Blose seconded by Darren Bain to postpone this agreement with Johnson Controls. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Brent Wile seconded by Mitch Blose to accept the retirement of Deborah McElhattan –Singer effective June 30, 2023. Motion Carried Unanimously.

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A motion was made by John Kimmel seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to approve extended family medical leave for employee #274 effective May 1, 2023. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by John Kimmel seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to accept the resignation of Cheryl Motter, Business Manager. Motion Carried. 8-1 (Nair)

Public Comments: None

A motion was made by to adjourn the meeting at 8:59 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cheryl Motter

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Board Secretary