

Regular School Board Meeting

July 9th, 2024

A regular meeting of the Redbank Valley School Board was held on July 9th, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. at the Redbank Valley High School. The following members were in attendance: Chris Merwin, Chris Adams, Heidi Byers, John Kimmel, Matt Confer, Kevin Johnson, Bill Reddinger, John Sayers, and Brent Wile.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Kevin Johnson and seconded by John Sayers to approve the minutes of the Work Session on June 4, 2024 and the Regular Board Meeting on June 11, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mrs. Shirey had nothing to add to the Primary/Intermediate Report.

Mr. Hartle had nothing to add to the Secondary Report.

Mr. Temchulla had nothing to the Special Education Report.

Mr. Rapp had nothing to add to the Maintenance Report.

Mr. Reitz had nothing new to add to the Cafeteria Report.

Mrs. Reitz gave the Business Manager's Report. This was a busy month getting tax bills ready and dispersed to the Tax Collector's by July 1st. She will be busy working on quarterly reports and reconciling 23-24 to get ready for the Audit. The current goal is to get the Audit finished so that the AFR can be completed by its due date of 10/31/24. Dale Kirsch will be coming to Redbank on 7/15/24 to assist with this. He will likely visit a few more times to help with reconciliation and to make sure that everything is being done correctly for the 24-25 school year. The reports show the revenue and expenses as of June 30, 2024 on a cash basis, which is showing a positive \$711,125. These numbers will change as we continue to do the reconciliation. More revenue and expenses may have to be recorded in June 2024 since everything is on accrual basis and all balance sheet accounts are reconciled. Mr. Johnson asked a few questions concerning the expenditure's report.

Dr. Rupp added to the Superintendent Report. She discussed the availability of Chromebook carts for the classrooms. She continued to talk about the current working state of the carts within the district. She went into specifics for the board about how these Chromebook carts functioned in the classroom and their importance.

Mr. Confer had nothing to add to the IU6 Report.

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Mrs. Byers had nothing to add to the Career Center Report.

Dr. Rupp added to the Board Committee Reports. An Education Foundation meeting was held last night, 7/8/24. The fundraiser movie night will be held tomorrow night, 7/9/24. Plans are in motion for the upcoming Meet the Bulldog Night.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by John Sayers and seconded by John Kimmel for consideration to approve the second reading of the following board policies:

222 – Tobacco and Vaping Products

227 – Controlled Substances /Paraphernalia

323 – Tobacco and Vaping Products

351 – Controlled Substance Abuse

707 – Use of School Facilities; Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Brent Wile and seconded by John Kimmel for consideration to approve the first reading of the following policies:

908.1 – Title I Program

909 – Municipal Government Relations (New)

910 – Community Relations

911 – News Media Relations

146.1 – Trauma Informed Approach

218 – Student Discipline

218.1 – Weapons

218.2 – Terroristic Threats

916 – Volunteers; Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Brent Wile and seconded by John Sayers for consideration to accept the following donations:

Youth Football – 2 new ticket booths

Union School District – 1 Chromebook cart; Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Kevin Johnson and seconded by Chris Merwin for consideration to approve the service agreement with Johnson Controls in the amount of \$24,371.00. Motion carried 8-1. (John Sayers with the lone dissenting vote)

A motion was made by Kevin Johnson and seconded by John Kimmel for consideration to approve the updated Health and Safety Plan as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by John Kimmel and seconded by Brent Wile for consideration to approve the MOU with Clarion Area and Clarion Limestone for shared Autism Support Services as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by John Kimmel and seconded by John Sayers for consideration to amend the 24-25 School Calendar to reflect a ½ day dismissal on May 8th, 2025 for the track invitational. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Kevin Johnson and seconded by John Sayers for consideration to approve the Elementary (with changes) and Secondary (with changes) Handbooks. Motion carried unanimously.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

A motion was made by John Kimmel and seconded by Kevin Johnson for consideration to approve the 2024 General Fund Expenditures in the amount of **\$1,849,834.80**. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by John Kimmel and seconded by Kevin Johnson for consideration to approve the June 2024 Treasurer's Report. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by John Kimmel and seconded by Kevin Johnson for consideration to approve Annual Cafeteria Fund Expenditures in the amount of **\$944,975.30**. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by John Kimmel and seconded by Kevin Johnson for consideration to approve monthly budgetary transfers. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by John Sayers and seconded by John Kimmel for consideration to retain S&T Bank, First United National Bank, Clarion Community Bank, PA Invest Program, PLGIT, PSDLAF, and RBC Tim Brogan as depositories. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Kevin Johnson and seconded by John Sayers for consideration to authorize the Business Manager and Local Auditor to make any necessary fund adjustments and Budgetary Transfers so they may complete the year end accounting procedures. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Brent Wile and seconded by John Kimmel for consideration to award the bid of \$7250 for the purchase of the property in Mahoning Township to Michael Minich II. Motion carried unanimously.

PERSONNEL

A motion was made by Kevin Johnson and seconded by John Sayers for consideration to retain Dr. Carrico as school district dentist for the 2024-2025 school year at the rate of \$6.00 per exam. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Kevin Johnson and seconded by John Sayers for consideration to retain Dr. Brandon Doverspike as school district physician for the 2024-2025 school year at the rate of \$15.00 per physical exam. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Kevin Johnson and seconded by John Kimmel for consideration to approve Rochelle Reitz as Board Secretary for the 2024-2025 school year. Total cost to the district - \$3600.00. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Kevin Johnson and seconded by Chris Merwin for consideration to approve the transfer of Macie Boozer from High School Secretary to Primary School Secretary beginning August 7, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by John Kimmel and seconded by Kevin Johnson for consideration to approve the Elementary Secretary job description as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Item #30 on the agenda "Consideration to approve the settlement agreement between Redbank Valley School District and Employee #312 as presented" was removed from the Agenda.

A motion was made by John Sayers and seconded by Brent Wile for consideration to approve the request from Eli Terwilliger to transfer to the Elementary Music position. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Kevin Johnson and seconded by Brent Wile for consideration to hire Colleen Mogus as a 200 day HS Secretary at \$12.66 per hour. Total cost to the district is **\$50,620.83**. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Kevin Johnson and seconded by John Sayers for consideration to hire Angeles Ondish as an instrumental music teacher and marching band director beginning in the 24-25 school year. Total cost to the district is **\$68,019.71**. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Kevin Johnson and seconded by John Sayers for consideration to add Patti Musser to the substitute custodian list. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Kevin Johnson and seconded by Brent Wile for consideration to hire Kimberly Eberle as a paraprofessional at an hourly rate of \$11.37 per hour. Total cost to the district is **\$13,831.84**. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by John Sayers and seconded by Chris Merwin for consideration to accept the resignation of Alexandra Hetrick, school nurse, effective 7/1/2024. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by John Sayers and seconded by John Kimmel for consideration to hire Lauren Smith as a school nurse at a salary of **\$51,509.00**. Total cost to the district is **\$66,119.59**. Motion carried unanimously.

ADDITIONAL BOARD ITEMS:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by John Sayers and seconded by Brent Wile to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rochelle Reitz

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Board Secretary