

School Board Meeting
January 6, 2020

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

A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to approve minutes for the Work Session Meeting, Regular Board Meeting, and Reorganizational Meeting December 4, 2019. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Mr. Reddinger asked for public concern: Contacting State Representatives about cyber school expenses.

The Primary/Intermediate Elementary Report was presented by Mrs. Cheryl McCauley. Mrs. McCauley reported that last month there were grade level curriculum and data meeting at Intermediate building. Created data folders for each student. Recording new progress monitor and test scores. Competition for themselves. 597 Students in elementary schools. Mrs. McCauley recognized a group of teachers at primary, for never dying devotion to the school. Worked through flood cleanup, set up rooms on their own to get ready for school to begin.

The Secondary Report was presented by Mrs. Amy Rupp, aligning curriculum maps, working through vertical planning. Remediation efforts we are using on retest are specialized in content area, online based assessments, weekly standards based assessments, desegregating data, individualized plan for each student. Using classroom diagnostics. Growth for students, bridging the gap, look for alternate level for students to pass. PVOS, E metric. etc, focusing on this making sure they are where they should be. Teachers using data to group students and fill in gaps. Kristen Young was recognized, approaches students in kind way, life experiences etc. while teaching. She is fully engaged with her students.

The Special Education Report was presented by Justin Karam. Committee at primary center Core reading instruction with Pattan and IU. Group indicator 13 career readiness, students in special education.

Dianna working as liaison implementing practices. Staff helpful, Courtney Harmon secretary, she knows so much and is an unbelievable asset.

The Maintenance report was given by Jim Jones, he had report of some work that has been done. The Uni vents at the Primary Campus are coming along, 17 of 22 are in. They should finish by this Friday. Final inspection will be done by supervisor.

The Cafeteria Report was presented by Mr. David Reitz. Mr. Reitz reported that there will be a new menu at high school. Minimal days in December. The dinner for students at Christmas was successful. Community was supportive of this dinner for them.

The Superintendent's Report was presented by Dr. John Mastillo, items listed to work on.

The Career Center report was presented by Dr. Nair in writing. It was a short meeting.

The Intermediate Unit report was presented by Mrs. Ann Kopnitsky. Mrs. Kopnitsky December was cancelled, due to lack of quorum. They will have negotiations tomorrow night from 6-8 PM.

Board Committee reports: The committee met twice for the referendum. Brainstorming and recruiting 10 -11 members, ready to start to develop plan for outreach plan to different groups. Have budget aligned. Dates are set.

A motion was made by Dee Bell seconded by Don Nair to approve the purchase of security cameras for high school as specified in the Safe Schools Grant at cost of \$18,561.00. Transfer of \$25,000 Safe school Grant funds and \$25,000 General Fund Budget Security Personnel funds. Hire two security officers through Armstrong Security for the remainder of 2019-2020 school year using \$25,000 Safe School Grant funds and \$25,000 General Fund Budget Security Personnel funds. 8-1 (Bain- No)

A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by Chad Shaffer to approve Act 1 Resolution that Redbank Valley School District will increase tax mileage at a rate that will exceed the 3.8 index for school year 2020-2021. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Chad Shaffer seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to submit exceptions for Retirement, Special Education and Debt services as per PDE time line. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by Linda Ferringer to approve PASBO conference March 17-20, 2020 for Cheryl Motter at a cost of \$880. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Darren Bain seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to approve an educational field trip for Dr. Joe Harmon to the museum of Jewish Heritage in Manhattan, New York on May 15, 2020. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Darren Bain seconded by Don Nair to approve the Treasurer's Report, General Fund Expenditures in the amount of \$1,850,517.66. Cafeteria Fund Expenditures in the amount of \$25,996.42 and to approve monthly budget transfers as presented.

A motion was made by Chad Shaffer seconded by Dee Bell to approve Preliminary Budget. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by Dee Bell to hire Patti Musser as a two-and-a-half (2.5) hour Cafeteria Aide at an hourly rate of \$9.00 with an annual salary of \$4,095.00 for a total cost of \$4,624.00. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Dee Bell seconded by Linda Ferringer to approve the retirement of Kathleen Wright, high school mathematics teacher, effective January 24, 2020. Motion Carried Unanimously

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A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by Dee Bell to approve to hire Kira Smith as a long-term substitute to fill the high school mathematics teacher. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Dr. Nair seconded by Dee Bell to approve the transfer of seventeen (17) unused sick days for Justin Karam from previous place of employment. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made Dee Bell seconded by Don Nair to approve adding Ginny Neiswonger to custodian substitute list. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by Dee Bell to approve the resignation of Tyler Scott, Child Specific aide, effective January, 17, 2020. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by Dee Bell to approve the resignation of Tyler Scott, Assistant Junior High Boys' Basketball Coach effective January 17, 2020. Resignation of Blane Gold, Varsity Baseball Assistant Coach, effective immediately and to retro-approve the resignation of Rodney Huffman, Junior High Head Wrestling Coach effective December 5, 2019. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Dee Bell seconded by Linda Ferringer to approve Scott Toth as a volunteer coach for Junior/Senior High Wrestling. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by Dee Bell to approve the Superintendent to retro hire coaching staff for Junior High Wrestling, Basketball and Baseball with retroactive hiring in February board meeting. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Chad Shaffer seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to approve Karla Cobbett as substitute van driver for Valley Lines, Inc. and Jeffrey Longo to the substitute van driver list for Valley Lines, Inc. 8-1 (Bell-Abstain)

A motion was made by Dee Bell seconded by Donald Nair to obtain our own Cyber School Resolution. Motion Carried

Referendum subcommittee was discussed and decided that members and administration already on the committee should be members.

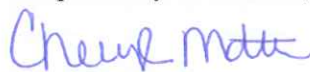
A motion was made by Jason Barnett seconded by Dee Bell to not have the Work Session Thursday prior to board meeting and have work session the night of the meeting.(5-4)Adams, Bain,Nair,Reddinger

Mr. Reddinger asked for additional Board items: Ann Kopnitsky had a shout out to student Kendall Kirkpatrick on her recent horse competition. Porter Township man spoke on IEP's and academics. Teacher spoke to the board about her teaching efforts.

Executive meeting after board meeting.

A motion was made seconded by Chad Shaffer seconded by Don Nair to adjourn meeting at 8:08 P. M. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Cheryl Motter
Board Secretary