

Regular Board Meeting
June 29, 2020

A regular meeting of the Redbank Valley School Board was held on Monday, June 29, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium. 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 Linda Ferringer seconded by Carrie Adams to approve the Regular Board Meeting, Thursday, May 28, 2020 and Special Board Meeting, Friday, June 5, 2020.

Public Comments were made by Cassie Wensel, Mahoning Township, she spoke on the cuts of employees, with no elementary art, music and library for Primary and Intermediate what is to be expected. Board has no answers right now, will have to see.

Joe Bellesfield from Porter Township, spoke about referendum results, cutting of teachers.

Executive Session 6:33 to 6:50 Personnel and Security

The Primary/Intermediate report was given by Cheryl McCauley spoke on kindergarten registration. Changes on hand book. Slight change of time. Start earlier ending earlier. Art and music program at primary is integrated throughout the day. Incorporated through the day. Intermediate will be different, it'll be integrated through subjects.

The Secondary Report was given by Amy Rupp spoke on scheduling. Letters went out to teachers to show them their schedules, changes in August. Student handbooks need updated, will be ready for next meeting. Installation of cameras will start at intermediate then primary then High School. Phones will be installed prior school year and bully prevention materials. And metal detector as soon as in stock. Enrollment last year 490 this year 613 with 6th graders coming. 6th grade orientation, scheduling, mentors and assemblies. 6th grade schedules to be sent out. Talk with parents so transition is good. Lockers will have names on them.

Maintenance report was given by Jim Jones, floors being waxed, mowing, painting and we do what needs done. Possibly move staff to clean when needed, get organized prior school starting.

Mr. Reitz reported about continued feeding of students had a bigger response than thought. Cafeteria is set for touchless and plexiglass. Cash verses swipe was discussed, no cash in cafeteria lines.

Business Manager Report, Ms. Motter reported final budget vote tonight. There are still some outstanding revenue and expenses like outstanding IDEA Monies, checks that have not been received yet will be backdated and bills for June items will be put back into June as well. Usually done by August/September, numbers will change. Anticipate staying under budget this year.

The Superintendent report was on the safety and security update. Health and safety plan for athletics. Coach meeting to have coach sign off on rules as checking temperatures, policies and procedures of practice. Self -monitor and monitoring of athletes. State mandated list membership to PARS and PSBA. Information on Career and technical schools tuitions. Drafts of back to school plan, developed at this point of time. Steps that are taken, take broad plan and step by step procedures. Meeting as a team, make sure detailed process in place.

The IU 6 report was given by Ann Kopnitsky, report was submitted in writing and she stated that the meeting was on zoom.

The Career Center Report was submitted in writing.

Old Business

A motion was made by Dee Bell seconded by Jason Barnett to approve the areas of allocation for the CARES and PCCD grant funds as discussed and reviewed. To put touchless sinks in where needed. Resources from Administration. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Dee Bell seconded by Don Nair to adopt the 2020 – 2021 Final Budget in the amount of \$18,645,193.11. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Dee Bell seconded by Don Nair to approve the final tax rates for the 2020– 2021 School Year:

Armstrong County: **27.2975**

Clarion County: **40.3295**

Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Dee Bell seconded by Don Nair for the following final tax rates for the 2020 – 2021 school year:

Section 511 Per Capita rate for the following townships/municipalities, \$10.00 per head: Redbank Valley Township – Armstrong, Madison Township, Mahoning Township and Monroe Township.

Section 511 Per Capita rate for the following townships/municipalities, \$5.00 per head: Hawthorn Borough, New Bethlehem Borough, Porter Township, Redbank Valley Township – Clarion and South Bethlehem Borough.

Section 679 Per Capita, \$5.00 per head; Oak Hall Monroe Township Per Capita \$15.00 per head; Occupation Tax \$10.00 per head; Earned Income Tax .5%; Real Estate Transfer Tax 1%.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Jason Barnett seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to approve the service agreement with Combustion Services & Equipment Co. in the amount of \$2,300.00. Motion Carries 8-1 (Bain) No

A motion was made by Jason Barnett seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to approve the service agreement with Johnson Controls in the amount of \$18,000.00. Motion Carried 8-1 (Bain) No

A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to accept the settlement offer from Advanced Disposal, grant permission to David Paskoff, Hager Law Firm, to complete all required documentation, and authorized Bill Reddinger, Board President, to sign all necessary documents. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by Linda Ferringer to to approve the reconfiguration of the district campuses as follows: Motion Carried Unanimously

Redbank Valley Primary Campus: Pre K – 2nd Grade
Redbank Valley Intermediate Campus: 3rd – 5th Grades
Redbank Valley Jr. Sr. High School: 6th – 12 Grades

A motion was made by Dee Bell seconded by Carrie Adams to temporarily suspend School Board Policy 618 for the purpose of allowing the distribution of funds from the Class of 2020 to Ted and Gretchen Kunselman to support the organization of a non-school related Prom event. Motion Carried 8-1 (Nair) No

A motion was made by Ann Kopnitsky seconded by Carrie Adams to approve the District membership to the Pennsylvania Association of Rural and Small Schools (PARSS) in the amount of \$750.00. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Ann Kopnitsky seconded by Carrie Adams to approve the District membership to the Pennsylvania School Boards Association (PSBA) in the amount of \$6,866.92

A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by Chad Shaffer to approve the school hours as follows: Motion Carried Unanimously

Redbank Valley Primary Campus
Staff: 8:00am-3:30pm Student: 8:00am-2:35pm
Redbank Valley Intermediate Campus
Staff: 8:00am-3:30pm Student: 8:00am-2:35pm
Redbank Valley Jr. Sr. High School
Staff: 7:45am-3:30pm Student: 7:55am-2:46pm

A motion was made by Don Nair seconded by Jason Barnett to approve the Homestead/Farmstead Resolution for the 2020 – 21 School Year. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Dee Bell seconded by Don Nair to approve the PK – 12 Athletics Health and Safety Plan as presented. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Dee Bell seconded by Don Nair to approve the Treasurer's Report ending May 31, 2020, the Business Manager to perform monthly budgetary transfers, approve the General Fund Expenditures ending June 30, 2020 in the amount of \$2,386,573.13, the Cafeteria Fund Expenditures ending June 30, 2020 in the amount of \$20,672.54. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Dee Bell seconded by Don Nair 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 Dee Bell seconded by Don Nair to enter into an energy supply agreement with the lowest priced supplier based on a competitive shopping process conducted by Kinect Energy (energy broker). Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Chad Shaffer seconded by Ann Kopnitsky approve Cindy Campbell as the Board Treasurer for the 20-21 School Year. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Ann Kopnitsky seconded by Chad Shaffer to approve the hiring of Anita Otero as the Superintendent's Confidential Secretary at a salary of \$28,000.00 with benefits for a total cost of \$40,874.72. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Dee Bell seconded by Linda Ferringer to hire Megan Nolf as the HS Assistant Soccer coach at 60 points @ \$42.50 = \$2,550.00 for a total of \$2,745.08. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Dee Bell seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to approve Karen Crawford for ESY at 60 hours for \$23.00/hr for a total cost of \$1,961.81 Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Dee Bell seconded by Don Nair to approve Cherie Schultz for ESY at 2 hours for \$23/hr. for a total cost of \$65.60. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Dee Bell seconded by Don Nair to approve Eric Yoder for ESY at 2 hours for \$23/hr. for a total cost of \$65.60. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Jason Barnett seconded by Don Nair to approve Cyber School , Committee, have meeting to see if this is feasible, notify who would be willing to participate. Motion Approved Unanimously.

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A motion was made by Jason Barnett seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to renew contract for the cafeteria director, Mr. Reitz and the maintenance, Mr. Jones director for one year. Motion Carried Unanimously.

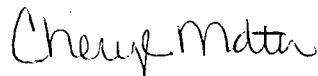
Actual Count of referendum, Cheryl will investigate and get the information.

Public Comments: Mr. Darr spoke about committee's that are being formed. The committee's are great, much gratitude to administration and teachers on line schooling, cudos to them.

Executive session after for Personnel

A motion was made by Chad Shaffer seconded by Don Nair to adjourn 8:55 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,



Cheryl Motter
Board Secretary

