

PENN CAMBRIA SCHOOL DISTRICT
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BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting
January 19, 2021

MEMBERS: Pat Albright, Jenny Guzic, Terry Krug, Rudy McCarthy, Guy Monica, George Pyo,
Patricia Pyo, Justin Roberts, Michael Sheehan

A Regular Meeting of the Penn Cambria School District Board of Education was called to order by George Pyo, President, at 7:00 P.M., Tuesday, January 19, 2021 in the Cafeteria of the Penn Cambria High School.

ROLL CALL WAS TAKEN:

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Mr. Pat Albright (<i>via phone</i>)
	Mrs. Jenny Guzic
	Mr. Terry Krug
	Mr. Rudy McCarthy
	Mr. Guy Monica
	Mr. George Pyo
	Miss Patricia Pyo
	Mr. Justin Roberts
	Mr. Michael Sheehan
	TOTAL..... 9

MEMBERS ABSENT:	TOTAL..... 0
	QUORUM PRESENT.

AMONG OTHERS PRESENT:

William Marshall, Superintendent	Courtney Kuncelman, School Psychologist
Jill Francisco, Business Administrator	Lewis Hale, Network Administrator
Krystal Edwards, School Solicitor – Beard Legal Group, PC	Dave Beck, Facilities Manager
Kaitlyn Kalwanaski, High School Principal	Angela Focht, Food Service Director
Greg Shingle, High School Assistant Principal	Jacquelyn Mento, Recording Secretary
Dane Harrold, Middle School Principal	Kristin Baudoux, Mainliner Reporter
Joseph Smorto, Elementary Principal	Kerry Nileski, Teacher
Jeanette Black, Director of Curriculum	Tom McConnell, Resident
Carrie Conrad, Special Education Director	Erin Eckerd, PSBA (<i>via phone</i>)

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the following were the items of business and discussion.

HEARING OF VISITORS

- A. Erin Eckerd, Member Services Manager with Pennsylvania School Boards Association (PSBA), acknowledged and thanked the board of directors for their devoted service and informed them of professional development opportunities and other resources offered through PSBA.
- B. There were no questions, concerns, comments, related to school business.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Marshall made the following announcement: “Please join us in thanking our Penn Cambria school directors for their hard work and dedication during January which is School Director Recognition Month. They make our students’ success their priority.

PA school directors are locally elected officials who voluntarily devote an average of 20 hours per month to school board business.

The Penn Cambria School Board advocates on behalf of our school, students, and community. We salute them for their volunteer investment of time and effort for the good of our children.”

SPOTLIGHT ON STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

The following students will be representing Penn Cambria in the virtual PMEA District Band: Leah Partner - Flute, Emily Rigglesman - Clarinet, Gabriel Lutz - Alto Saxophone, Morgan McConnell - French Horn, and Angel Yahner-Golby - Euphonium.

Students who were named to the Laurel Highlands All Conference Teams: Football - Garrett Harrold and Nicholas Marinak on offense; Brandon Storm and Zachary Eckenrode on defense; Boys soccer - Dominic Landi and Reed Niebauer; Girls soccer - Julia Podrasky and Taylor Rabatin; Golf - Gregory Caldwell and Marlana Krug; Boys cross country - Logan Michina; Girls cross country - Sydney Dignan; and Girls volleyball - Maddax Laret.

Congratulations to Reed Niebauer who was selected to Pennsylvania Soccer Coaches Association All-State team.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was offered by Miss Pyo, seconded by Mr. Krug, and approved unanimously by voice aye vote, to accept the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meetings held December 1, 2020 and December 15, 2020, be approved as recorded in the copies mailed to the Board prior to this meeting.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

A motion was offered by Mr. Roberts, seconded by Mr. McCarthy, and approved unanimously by voice aye vote, to accept the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the invoices as mailed to Board prior to the meeting, and as evaluated and reviewed, reconciled, and recommended for payment by the Business Office be hereby approved for payment. Copy to be made part of the minutes. *(See Addendum "A")*

TREASURER'S REPORTS

A motion was offered by Mr. Sheehan, seconded by Mr. Monica, and approved unanimously by voice aye vote, to accept the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the Treasurer's Reports for November and December 2020, be accepted as mailed to the Board and that a copy be filed with the official records of the School District. *(See Addendum "B")*

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

A motion was offered by Mrs. Guzic, seconded by Miss Pyo, and approved unanimously by voice aye vote, to accept the following resolutions:

FINANCIAL REPORTS

RESOLVED: That the reports of grants, projects, and federal programs and financial reports for the general fund, capital reserve fund, and cafeteria fund be accepted as presented to the Board and that a copy be filed with the official records of the School District. *(See Addendum "C")*

REVISION TO TAX WORKBOOKS

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education authorize the payment to local tax collectors of \$1.00 (one dollar) for each addition, deletion or address change to the tax workbooks. The district will provide guidelines for this compensation to the local tax collectors at the time new tax workbooks are distributed. The district's Business Office will validate all changes prior to payment.

ANNUAL DONATIONS

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education authorize the Business Administrator to continue past practice of making donations to local fire companies and libraries.

Mr. Monica noted that Resolution five – Revision to Tax Workbooks and Resolution twelve – Resolution in lieu of Preliminary Budget do not increase taxes.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Ms. Krystal Edwards notified the Board of Directors of two COVID-19 related updates. The first update was regarding the instructional model that was issued on January 7th by the Pennsylvania Departments of Education and Health, encouraging schools to consider a return to in-person instruction for elementary-age students. Second, that Governor Wolf has dedicated part of the federal stimulus funds, passed by Congress in December, to K-12 school districts affected by the COVID-19 pandemic to support food programs, technological improvements, and other education services.

Ms. Edwards added that on January 15th, PA House Bill No. 182 was introduced to the Education Committee. This Bill requires school districts to report the number of vaccinated and unvaccinated students enrolled in each school building within the school district.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

A motion was offered by Mr. Krug, seconded by Mr. Sheehan, and approved unanimously by voice aye vote, to accept the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the Superintendent's recommendations be approved as follows:

A. Personnel Actions

Accept Retirement

Mary Anne Rose, Intermediate School Aide, effective January 3, 2021, after 10+ years of service

Approve Resignation

Gerald Piddington, Lilly, Volunteer Wrestling and Volunteer Track and Field Coach, effective January 20, 2021

Approve Appointments

Brittany Mogollon, Gallitzin, Substitute Teacher, effective immediately

Brittany Mogollon, Gallitzin, Middle School/High School Chorus/Music Teacher, Bachelors Step 1, salary \$37,835, effective pending receipt of final paperwork

Nicholas DelPidio, Cresson, 3rd Shift Middle School Custodian, effective January 28, 2021

Approve Mentor Teacher

Rebekah Stombaugh as Mentor Teacher for Brittany Mogollon, stipend as per the PCEA contract

B. Approve High School Curriculum Maps

Modern Communications: Social Communication

Modern Communications: 21st Century Workplace Communication

C. Approve Updated Novel List (*See Addendum "D"*)

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was offered by Mr. Monica, seconded by Mr. Roberts, and approved unanimously by voice aye vote, to accept the following resolutions:

ASSISTANT TO THE SUPERINTENDENT

RESOLVED: That the Board of Directors appoint the current Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Mrs. Jeanette Black, as Assistant to the Superintendent, a member of the Act 93 Agreement, effective January 20, 2021. (*See Addendum "E"*)

UNPAID LEAVE

RESOLVED: That the Board of Directors hereby approve that the District and its Administration to allow members on unpaid leave during times of quarantine, isolation, or experiencing COVID-19 symptoms and seeking a medical diagnosis as a result of the COVID-19 Pandemic to be covered under the District's medical insurance coverage without reimbursement of costs as required under District policy and respective Collective Bargaining Agreements for the 20-21 school term ONLY. This shall be a one-time, non-precedent setting action taken by the board for the 20-21 school term ONLY.

IMPACT COUNSELING SERVICES, LLC AGREEMENT

RESOLVED: That the Board of Directors approve the Superintendent to effectuate any or all documents to enter into an agreement with Impact Counseling Services, LLC to provide mental health counseling services within the Penn Cambria School District using funds provided by the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency COVID-19 School Health and Safety FY20-21 (ESSER) Grant Award.

HEALTH AND SAFETY PLAN

RESOLVED: That the Board of Directors hereby approve modifications to the existing Penn Cambria School District Health and Safety Plan to show the district moving to district wide hybrid learning, effective January 25, 2021. (See Addendum "F")

RESOLUTION IN LIEU OF PRELIMINARY BUDGET

RESOLVED: That the Board of Directors, in lieu of adopting a preliminary budget, will not raise the rate of any tax for the support of public schools for the 2021-2022 fiscal year by more than its index (4.3%). (See Addendum "G")

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

FIRST READING OF NEW OR REVISED BOARD POLICIES:

610: Purchases Subject to Bid/Quotation

611: Purchases Budgeted

626 Attachment: Procurement - Federal Programs

626 Attachment: Administration of Federal Funds

626 Attachment: Grant Subrecipient Monitoring Procedures-Federal Programs

(See Addendum "H")

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mrs. Kaitlyn Kalwanaski, High School Principal, stated that despite the pandemic, there are many positive activities taking place at the high school, which include the implementation of new technology to facilitate instruction, health and wellbeing inquiries made by school nurses to each student, Wednesday meetings with school counselors that focus on stress and time management, and interactive virtual activities that have been offered to students.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was offered by Mr. Krug, seconded by Mr. Roberts, and approved unanimously by voice aye vote, to accept the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That there being no further business, this meeting is adjourned at 7:24 P.M.