

PENN CAMBRIA SCHOOL DISTRICT
201 6TH STREET
CRESSON, PENNSYLVANIA 16630

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting
March 16, 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 Justin Roberts, Vice President, at 7:00 P.M., Tuesday, March 16, 2021 in the Cafeteria of the Penn Cambria High School.

ROLL CALL WAS TAKEN: MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Pat Albright (*via phone*)
Mrs. Jenny Guzic
Mr. Terry Krug
Mr. Guy Monica
Mr. Justin Roberts
Mr. Michael Sheehan
TOTAL..... 6

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mr. Rudy McCarthy
Mr. George Pyo
Miss Patricia Pyo
TOTAL..... 3
QUORUM PRESENT.

AMONG OTHERS PRESENT:
William Marshall, Superintendent
Jill Francisco, Business Administrator
Krystal Edwards, School Solicitor – Beard Legal Group, PC
Jeanette Black, Assistant to the Superintendent
Kaitlyn Kalwanaski, High School Principal
Greg Shingle, Assistant High School Principal
Joseph Smorto, Elementary Principal
Carrie Conrad, Special Education Director
Courtney Kuncelman, School Psychologist
Dave Beck, Facilities Manager
Lewis Hale, Network Administrator
Angela Focht, Food Service Director
Jacquelyn Mento, Recording Secretary
Robin Lappi, PCESPA President
Ben Watt, PCEA President
Kristin Baudoux, Mainliner Reporter
Kerry Nileski, Teacher

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

MOMENT OF SILENCE
A moment of silence was observed for George Pyo Jr., father of George Pyo, Board President.

HEARING OF VISITORS
There were no questions, concerns, comments, related to school business.

ANNOUNCEMENT
An executive session was held on Thursday, March 4th at 5:30 PM for the review of personnel applications for the Director of Buildings, Grounds, and Maintenance position.

SPOTLIGHT ON STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS
Congratulations to Carter Smith who was accepted into West Point Military Academy.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
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 minutes of the regular meeting held February 16, 2021, be approved as recorded in the copies mailed to the Board prior to this meeting.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

A motion was offered by Mr. Monica, seconded by Mrs. Guzic, 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 REPORT

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

RESOLVED: That the Treasurer's Reports for February 2021, 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 Mr. Monica, seconded by Mr. Krug, and approved unanimously by voice aye vote, to accept the following resolution:

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")*

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Ms. Krystal Edwards informed the Board of Directors that with President Biden's new directive to get teachers vaccinated by the end of March, Governor Wolf has decided to use the one dose Johnson & Johnson vaccine to vaccinate educational staff. Penn Cambria teachers are currently in the process of getting their vaccinations. However, masking and distancing orders are still in place.

Ms. Edwards also updated the Board that President Biden is currently reviewing Title IX, and that changes or a potential reverse of this law may take some time. Information will be provided as it is made available.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

A motion was offered by Mrs. Guzic, seconded by Mr. Krug, 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

Approve Appointments

Mark Mardula, Lilly, Middle School Substitute Teacher, effective on/or about March 30, 2021 through anticipated date of May 27, 2021

Cynthia Byrne, Ebensburg, Substitute Teacher, effective pending documents

Rebecca Care, Altoona, IU08 Substitute Teacher, effective pending documents

B. APPROVE JOB DESCRIPTION

Director of Buildings, Grounds, and Maintenance *(See Addendum "D")*

NEW BUSINESS

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

GENERAL FUND BUDGET OF IU08 2021-2022

RESOLVED: That the Board of Directors approve the General Fund Budget, 2021-2022, for IU08 including total contribution of \$173,000 from 35 participating school districts: Penn Cambria's share estimate at \$4,900.89.

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

PENN CAMBRIA SCHOOL DISTRICT EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT PERSONNEL

RESOLVED: That the Board of Directors hereby ratify the successor agreement with PCESPA, which covers the period from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2025.

Mr. Marshall thanked Mrs. Lappi for her hard work to get the contract completed.

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

ACT 93 AGREEMENT

RESOLVED: That the Board of Directors hereby approve the Compensation Plan for Administrative Personnel effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2026.

A motion was offered by Mr. Krug, seconded by Mrs. Guzic, and approved unanimously by voice aye vote, with the exception of Mr. Sheehan who abstained, to accept the following resolution:

TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT

RESOLVED: That the Board of Directors hereby approve entering into an agreement with Wilkinson Bus Lines, Inc., to provide transportation for students of the district for both normal school activities and extracurricular activities from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2026, according to stipulations in the agreement.

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

ADOPTION OF NEW OR REVISED POLICIES

RESOLVED: That the Board of Directors hereby approve the second reading and adoption of the following policies:

006.1: Participation by Speakerphones

626: Federal Fiscal Compliance

808: Food Services

(See Addendum "E")

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

First Reading of New or Revised Board Policies:

247: Hazing

249: Bullying/Cyberbullying

(See Addendum "F")

Mr. Marshall announced that the April Board of Directors meeting will be held in the Penn Cambria High School Library.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Courtney Kuncelman, School Psychologist, updated the Board of Directors on how services were impacted due to the Covid-19 school closure. She stated that psychological evaluations and 504 support and services did not get put on pause as many other things did. However, the pandemic did affect the operations of her office, such as aligning best practices in accordance with the C.D.C., Department of Health, and Penn Cambria Health and Safety Plan; changing the format of evaluations and Individualized Education Plans; requiring more and different support for students and families; and additional trainings for teachers and staff. Mrs. Kuncelman stated that she continues to be impressed with the team at Penn Cambria and the resilience of the students.

ADJOURNMENT

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 there being no further business, this meeting is adjourned at 7:18 P.M.