

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

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting
February 15, 2022

MEMBERS: Caleb Drenning, Matthew Kearney, Terry Krug, Rudy McCarthy,
Guy Monica, George Pyo, Justin Roberts, Michael Sheehan, Jeffrey Stohon

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, February 15, 2022, in the Cafeteria of the Penn Cambria High School.

ROLL CALL WAS TAKEN:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Caleb Drenning
Mr. Matthew Kearney
Mr. Terry Krug
Mr. Guy Monica
Mr. George Pyo
Mr. Justin Roberts
Mr. Michael Sheehan
Mr. Jeffrey Stohon
TOTAL. 8

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Rudy McCarthy
TOTAL. 1

QUORUM PRESENT.

AMONG OTHERS PRESENT:

William Marshall, Superintendent
Krystal Edwards, School Solicitor – Beard Legal Group, PC
Jill Francisco, Business Administrator
Jeanette Black, Assistant to the Superintendent
Kaitlyn Kalwanaski, High School Principal
Greg Shingle, Assistant High School Principal
Dane Harrold, Middle School Principal
Joseph Smorto, Elementary Principal
Carrie Conrad, Special Education Director
Courtney Kuncelman, School Psychologist
Scott Sherry, Director of Buildings, Grounds, & Maintenance
Jacquelyn Mento, Recording Secretary
Adam Clevenger, PCEA President

Robin Lappi, PCESPA President
Angela Focht, Food Service Director
Ben Watt, Teacher
Kerry Nileski, Teacher
Kayla Galebach, School Social Worker
Kristin Baudoux, Mainliner Reporter
Monica Ball, Parent
Ardell Ball, Parent
Nick Wirfel, Student
Dilan Dybus, Student
Elias Ball, Student
Aaron Duke, Student

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

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

STUDENT REPORTS TO THE BOARD

Mrs. Kaitlyn Kalwanaski, High School Principal, introduced Elias Ball and Aaron Duke as the two student representatives reporting to the Board of Directors.

Elias Ball informed the Board of Directors on school climate at the high school. With the stress of finals, Keystones, winter sports, and thoughts about the future, students are looking forward to the upcoming Sweetheart dance that is scheduled for March 4th, Prom on April 30th at the Casino, and spring sports signups. Students are currently fundraising for Mending Hearts and the Cambria County Humane Society. Elias, on behalf of the National Honor Society, thanked

Mr. Marshall for helping out with the induction of the NHS students for the past two years. Elias also shared concerns from students regarding school meal options and thermostat issues. He recommended the addition of a winter pep rally and more student competitions, such as a competitive winter basketball challenge or a spring race on the track to increase school spirit.

Aaron Duke reported to the Board of Directors on the recent, low student engagement. Students need more school spirit to lower stress levels, especially during Keystone testing, returning to school after the holidays, and transitioning to new classes. Breakfasts are still popular, with the wide variety of options for students. Aaron suggested that information on the Key Club that is offered at the high school be made available to students and recommended to incorporate athletic season passes for students. Overall, Aaron has noticed low morale and would like to see more theme days and changes to accommodate student athletes.

SPOTLIGHT ON STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to the four District Band students who have all advanced into Regional Band with exemplary results!

Leah Partner (flute)- 1st chair, Ariane Eckenrode (flute)- 6th chair, Mya Weisinger (Oboe)- 1st chair, and Emma Hazlett (French Horn)- 3rd chair.

These students will be attending Regional Band at West Branch on March 10th and 11th under the direction of Dr. Bill Stowman.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held January 18, 2022, be approved as recorded in the copies mailed to the Board prior to this meeting.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

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

RESOLVED: That the Treasurer's Report for January 2022, 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. Sheehan, seconded by Mr. Krug, 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"*)

LOCAL AUDIT REPORT

RESOLVED: That the Board of Directors hereby accept the Auditor's Reporting Package for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, as prepared and presented by *Mark C. Turnley, CPA*.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Ms. Krystal Edwards informed the Board of Directors of an article published in the Education Law Report that involved Board Policy 903 – Public Participation at School Board Meetings. Ms. Edwards noted that policy 903 is currently under review by PSBA and changes are expected to be made.

SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATIONS

A motion was offered by Mr. Monica, seconded by Mr. Kearney, 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 Termination

Kenneth Lenz, Gallitzin, Van Driver, effective February 3, 2022

Accept Retirement

Molly Scaglione, Ebensburg, Substitute Teacher, effective February 2, 2022

Accept Resignations

Amanda Bianconi, Ashville, Substitute Aide, effective January 30, 2022

Timothy Gray, Cresson, High School Custodian, effective February 18, 2022

Jason Hall, Ebensburg, High School Food Service Worker, effective January 28, 2022

Bethany Vinglas, Loretto, Intermediate School Health Room Assistant, effective February 11, 2022

Gregory Wirfel, Summerhill, IU08 Substitute Teacher, effective January 20, 2022

Approve Appointments, effective pending documentation

Volunteer Junior High Girls Softball Coaches

Kiersten Davis, State College

John Jasper, Cresson

Andrew Stopko, Johnstown

Volunteer Varsity Baseball Coaches

Brent Davison, Loretto

Shane Hartline, Lilly

Volunteer Varsity Football Coaches

Brent Davison, Loretto

Matthew Pyo, Lilly

Substitute Aide

Tessa O’Keefe, Altoona

IU08 Substitute Teacher

Meara McCarty, Bedford

McIlwain School Bus Lines, Inc. Driver

Katie Czapp, Portage

NEW BUSINESS

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

NATURAL GAS SUPPLY AGREEMENT

RESOLVED: That the Board of Directors hereby approve the 36-month BASIS renewal with United Energy Trading for Natural Gas at NYMEX Settlement plus \$0.128/Dth, which is a reduction of \$0.227/Dth from the current contract.

MOU WITH PENN CAMBRIA ACT 93 ADMINISTRATORS

RESOLVED: That Board of Directors approve a Memorandum of Understanding between Penn Cambria School District and the Penn Cambria Act 93 Administrators, to name Mr. Benjamin Watt, Assistant Middle School Principal, effective February 16, 2022. (*See Addendum “D”*)

MOU WITH PENN CAMBRIA EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS ASSOCIATION

RESOLVED: That Board of Directors approve a Memorandum of Understanding between Penn Cambria School District and the Penn Cambria Educational Support Professionals Association, to modify the entry rate for Health Room Assistants to \$20.00 per hour, effective February 16, 2022. *(See Addendum “E”)*

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: Attendance at Meetings Via Electronic Communications
 - 246: Student Wellness
 - 247: Hazing
 - 249: Bullying/Cyber Bullying
 - 610: Purchases Subject to Bid/Quotation
 - 611: Purchases Budgeted
 - 626 Attachment: Procurement – Federal Programs
- (See Addendum “F”)*

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

First reading of new or revised board policies:

- 011: Board Governance Standards/Codes of Conduct
 - 808: Food Services
- (See Addendum “G”)*

ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

Mrs. Jeanette Black, Assistant to the Superintendent, presented and summarized an informational power point regarding the planned use of ESSER funding allocated to the District as a result of COVID-19. The presentation will be available on the District website at pcam.org on Wednesday, February 16, 2022.

ADJOURNMENT

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

RESOLVED: That there being no further business, this meeting is adjourned at 7:39 P.M.