



PENN CAMBRIA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Cresson, Pennsylvania

BOARD OF EDUCATION

AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING

APRIL 18, 2023

Caleb Drenning _____
Matthew Kearney _____
Terry Krug _____
Rudy McCarthy _____
Guy Monica _____
George Pyo _____
Justin Roberts _____
Michael Sheehan _____
Jeffrey Stohon _____
Ronald Repak _____
Jill Francisco _____
William Marshall _____

- I. CALL TO ORDER AT _____ P.M.**
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- III. ROLL CALL**
- IV. HEARING OF VISITORS - Questions, concerns, comments, related to school business.**

During this portion of the meeting, this is an opportunity for only residents, taxpayers, employees, and students of the district to provide information that you would like the Board to consider regarding a decision. We ask you to limit your comments to 5 minutes. If you share a common topic with others, we encourage the use of a single spokesperson for the group. Out of respect for our staff and students, we request that your public comments focus on issues or policies and not people. The intention of the audience of citizens is for the Board to listen to you. We will carefully weigh your comments, but may not engage in dialog, which is not the intended purpose of this opportunity. Should the comments be personally directed, or derogatory remarks made against District Board Members, District Officials, or District employees, or profanity used, the individuals remaining time will be forfeited. Please state your name and community in which you reside within Penn Cambria School District.

V. SPOTLIGHT ON STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

A. Mrs. Holly Smith – highlights on Forensics

The Forensics Team competed at the regional tournament. Individual winners were as follows:

- Extemporaneous: 2nd place - Joseph Hite, 1st place - Ethan Kunowsky
- Commentary: 2nd place - Gwendalyn Bretz, 1st place - Andre Marinak,
- Informative: 3rd place - Jelana Boldizar, 2nd place - Madison Cavalet
- Persuasive: 2nd place - Julia Gil
- Poetry: 3rd place - Arika Duclos, 1st place - Anna Lill
- Humorous Interpretation: 3rd place - Austin Gray, 2nd place - Sydney Lee
- Dramatic Interpretation: 3rd place - Haley Gray
- Duo Drama: 1st place - Jordyn Farabaugh and Jessie Skura
- Public Forum Debate: 2nd place - Lauren Farabaugh and Cody Farabaugh
- Oratorical Declamation: 1st place - Addyson Ehredt

B. Congratulations to the Penn Cambria Reading Competition Teams.

High School placed 2nd on March 30th: Avery Cavalet, Arika Duclos, Austin Gray, Matyson Hufford, Gabrielle Lynch, Jaden Riley, Lauren Riley, Alyssa Ropp, Kalonie Trexler, and Samuel Wirfel.

7th & 8th grade placed 3rd on March 30th: Isabella Bianconi, Makayla Bianconi, Rachel Fisher, Charles Golden, Benjamin Gorba, Lily Kay, Madelyn Kittell, Evelyn Lassak, Kendyl Lawrence, Adyson Lloyd, Kaylee Ream, Anelaine Scott, and Taylor Williams.

5th & 6th grade placed 2nd on March 28th: Isaiah Askins, Ian Baugus, Cole Conrad, Lauren Giraud, Avery Hanlon, Joseph Lloyd, Isaac Mento, Parker Mullen, Claire Myers, Athena Oklamchak, Teagan Oswald, Eli Stevens, and Kendal Wessel.

C. Students who were named into the Laurel Highlands Athletic Conference: boys’ basketball - Garrett Harrold, girls’ basketball - Emily Hite, and wrestling - Trent Hoover.

D. Penn Cambria Band students that represented Penn Cambria at the PMEA Region Band Festival: Leah Partner 2nd chair flute, Aliyah Golden 4th chair trumpet, Jada Nagle 5th chair trumpet, Emma Hazlett 2nd chair French horn, and Mya Weisinger 1st chair oboe. Mya will also be advancing to the PMEA All-State Wind Ensemble.

VI. RESOLUTION #1 - APPROVE MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the regular meeting held March 22, 2023, be approved as recorded in the copies mailed to the Board prior to this meeting.

MOTION BY _____

SECONDED BY _____

VII. RESOLUTION #2 - APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS

RESOLVED: That the invoices as mailed to the 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.

MOTION BY _____

SECONDED BY _____

VIII. RESOLUTION #3 - APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT

RESOLVED: That the Treasurer's Report for March 2023 be accepted as mailed to the Board, and that a copy be filed with the official records of the School District. *(See pages 5-15)*

MOTION BY _____

SECONDED BY _____

IX. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

RESOLUTION #4 - 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.

MOTION BY _____

SECONDED BY _____

X. RESOLUTION #5 - SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

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

A. PERSONNEL ACTIONS

Accept Resignations

Katie Cimino, Lilly, Substitute Teacher, effective March 29, 2023

Erika Strittmatter, Ebensburg, Volunteer Girls Basketball Coach, effective March 30, 2023

Approve Leave

Employee #013927 Primary School Teacher, effective on August 22, 2023 through on or about November 10, 2023

Approve Appointments, pending documentation

Dustin Hartline, Lilly, IU08 Substitute Teacher

Katelyn Seese, Ashville, High School Aide

Jeramie Yeoman, Lilly, Head Golf Coach, at a stipend of \$3,166.40

Approve Substitute Teacher

Alexis Eckenrode, Lilly, effective May 12, 2023

Approve McIlwain School Bus Lines, Inc. Drivers, effective pending documentation

Robert Beebout, Johnstown

Matthew Fontana, Johnstown

B. Set Graduation Location, Date, and Time

Graduation will be held at the Maurice Stokes Athletic Center/DeGol Arena on the campus of Saint Francis University on Saturday, June 3rd at 1:00 PM.

C. APPROVE THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL CALENDAR (See page 16)

MOTION BY _____

SECONDED BY _____

XI. NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION #6 - IU08 PRESCHOOL CLASS

RESOLVED: That the Board of Directors approve renewal of lease for classroom space for the Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8 (IU08) Preschool Class at Penn Cambria Pre-Primary for the 2023-2024 school year at the annual sum of \$4,500.

MOTION BY _____

SECONDED BY _____

RESOLUTION #7 - SUBSTITUTE SERVICES

RESOLVED: That the Board of Directors hereby approve Penn Cambria School District participation with the Appalachia Intermediate Unit 08 to provide emergency substitute services to the Penn Cambria School District for a fee of \$500 for the 2023-2024 school year.

MOTION BY _____

SECONDED BY _____

RESOLUTION #8 - ATHLETIC TRAINER SERVICES

RESOLVED: That the Board of Directors approve a three-year contract with *Drayer Physical Therapy* for athletic trainer services effective July 1, 2023 at an annual cost of \$30,000 for the 2023-2024 school year, \$31,500 for the 2024-2025 school year, and \$33,075 for the 2025-2026 school year.

MOTION BY _____

SECONDED BY _____

RESOLUTION #9 - BASEBALL FIELD LEASE AGREEMENT

RESOLVED: That the Board of Directors approve entering into a lease agreement with Gallitzin Youth League for use of the baseball field at Penn Cambria Middle School, effective April 18, 2023 through June 30, 2033 at the annual sum of \$1.00.

MOTION BY _____

SECONDED BY _____

RESOLUTION #10 - BLUES PROGRAM

RESOLVED: That the Board of Directors approve offering The Blues Program facilitated by The Learning Lamp at Penn Cambria High School for interested students at no cost to the district.

MOTION BY _____

SECONDED BY _____

RESOLUTION #11 - OUT OF STATE CONFERENCE

RESOLVED: That the Board of Directors approve Ms. Holly Smith, 17 qualified students, and 3 chaperones to attend National Forensics Competition in Louisville, Kentucky on May 25, 2023.

MOTION BY _____

SECONDED BY _____

RESOLUTION #12 - VOLUNTEER CHAPERONES

RESOLVED: That the Board of Directors hereby approve Bonnie Hite, Amanda Farabaugh, and Heidi Skura as volunteer chaperones to accompany qualifying students to the 2023 National Forensics Competition.

MOTION BY _____

SECONDED BY _____

RESOLUTION #13 - FLEXIBLE INSTRUCTIONAL DAY APPLICATION

RESOLVED: That Board of Directors approve the Flexible Instructional Day application for the 2023-2024 school year.

MOTION BY _____

SECONDED BY _____

RESOLUTION #14 - NATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT LITIGATION

RESOLVED: That the Board of Directors authorize the District to enter into an Attorney-Client Fee Contract with the Frantz Law Group, ALPC, 402 West Broadway, Suite 860, San Diego, California, 92101, and Dillon, McCandless, King, Coulter, & Graham, LLP, 128 West Cunningham Street, Butler, Pennsylvania, 16601, for the commencement of a legal action against the Social Media Companies (Meta, Tik Tok, YouTube, etc.) Said action shall be for the purpose of claiming money damages.

The Attorney-Client Fee Contract shall provide for a Contingent fee of Twenty-Five Percent (25%) of any recovery. Expenses needed to fund the litigation shall be advanced by Frantz Law Group, APLC, and deducted from any recovery. The District shall not be responsible for any fee or cost reimbursement in the event that there is no recovery in the action.

The School Board President and/or District Superintendent are authorized to sign the Attorney-Client fee Contract.

MOTION BY _____

SECONDED BY _____

RESOLUTION #15 - ADOPTION OF NEW OR REVISED POLICIES

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

202 - Eligibility of Nonresident Students

218 - Student Discipline

233 - Suspension and Expulsion

247 - Hazing

249 - Bullying/Cyberbullying

913 - Non-school Organization/Groups/Individuals

(Policies were reviewed at the Committee of the Whole Meeting and copies are available upon request)

MOTION BY _____

SECONDED BY _____

XII. INFORMATION ITEMS

First Reading of the Following New, Revised, or Board Policies for Review:

626 Attachment - Cash Management

626 Attachment - Allowability of Costs

626 Attachment - Time and Effort

(Policies were reviewed at the Committee of the Whole Meeting and copies are available upon request)

XIII. ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

Joseph Smorto, Elementary Principal

XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

XV. ADJOURNMENT OF BUSINESS MEETING _____ P.M.

MOTION BY _____

SECONDED BY _____