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BOARD REPORT  
CAMBRIA

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This report summarizes the actions taken by the Penn Cambria Board of Education at its regular meeting, May 16, 2023. Routine business, such as approval of minutes, treasurer’s report, payment of bills, and financial reports was accomplished. The Board also took the following actions:

I. SPOTLIGHT ON THE ARTS

Elementary Artwork

SAMA SHOW Bowen Balzano, Eli Bender, Bautista Eady, Sophia Gaida, Hannah Gregg, Dylan Kearney, Ella Kittell, Sophia Kittell, Parker Wagner, Cora Weakland

ART IN BLOOM Addison Falger, Chase Kick, Ella Kittell, Lauren Marsh, Parker Wagner

Middle School Artwork

SAMA Corynn Bollman, Lily Gergely, Makenna Lee, Avery LeMaster, Emelia Mardula, Sienna Nagle, Vance Plazek, Autumn Yeoman

ART IN BLOOM Aiden Braatz, Rocco Gaida, Gannon Matcho, Warren Remington, Logan Skebeck

High School Artwork

SAMA Sophia Cannonie, Kathryn Della, Christiana Koytek, Jenna LaGesse, Kaylee Mento, Aliya O'Donnell

II. SPOTLIGHT ON STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Congratulations to Penn Cambria student, Travis Adams, who took 1st place in Collision Repair Technology at the Skills USA State Competition held in Hershey, PA.

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

IV. Approved renewal of the contract with The Nutrition Group, to serve as Food Service Management Company for the district’s cafeterias for the 2023-2024 school term. This contract is for a period of one year beginning on July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

V. Approved the re-enactment of Per Capita Tax under School Code of 1949 as well as Act 511 taxes (real estate transfer, earned income, gainfully employed, per capita and local services tax).

VI. Awarded the bids for diesel, heating oil, and coal to the lowest responsible bidders as follows:

- Diesel – Smith Coal & Oil, Inc.
- Heating Oil – Smith Coal & Oil, Inc.
- Coal – Penn Keystone Coal Co., LLC

VII. Approved the Superintendent's recommendations as follows:

A. PERSONNEL ACTIONS

Accept Resignations

Lindsay Beyer, Cresson, Middle School Teacher and Head Junior High Softball Coach, effective at the close of the 2022-2023 school year

Joseph Cicero, Gallitzin, Volunteer Girls Basketball Coach, effective April 16, 2023

Douglas Fogel, Ashville, from Assistant Varsity to Volunteer Wrestling Coach, effective April 28, 2023

Keith Saleme, Cresson, Head Varsity Girls Basketball Coach, effective April 12, 2023

Approve Appointments

Joshua Himmer, Cresson, Head Varsity Girls Basketball Coach, at a stipend of \$6,498, effective immediately

Dawn Houser, Huntingdon, Food Service Worker, hours and location to be determined

Award Tenure

Kendra Sherry

Approve Extended School Year Staff

Teachers: Marie Cattoi  
Abby Kelly  
Maura Smay  
Michele Smith  
Kristin Talko

Aides: Nickole Bender  
Cherri Heiss  
Robin Lappi  
Lynn Lassak  
Constance McIntosh  
Debora Rabatin  
Christina Racz  
Stacey Russian  
Kimberly Thomas

Nurses: April Rose  
Jenny Damin (sub if needed)

Daily substitutes may be used from the district list of substitute teachers and aides or any current full-time employee.

Approve additional Non-Public Title 1 Summer School and Extra Duty Substitute Teachers

Jodie Albertelli  
Kristin Eger (pending documentation)

Approve McIlwain School Bus Lines, Inc. Drivers

Joseph Brett, Johnstown, effective pending documentation  
James Grassi, Cresson, retroactive to April 24, 2023  
Samantha Ickes, Cresson, effective pending documentation

VIII. Determined that the Superintendent, pursuant to Act 141 of the Pennsylvania School Code enacted in 2012, has successfully achieved the mutually agreed upon goals in his contract for the 2022-2023 school year.

IX. Appointed *Jeffrey Stohon* as Treasurer of the Penn Cambria School District for the fiscal year July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024.

- X. Approved revision of the contract for Business Administrator, *Jill Francisco*, effective July 1, 2023.
- XI. Approved revision of the contract for Superintendent, *William Marshall*, effective July 1, 2023.
- XII. Approved a salary increase of 5% effective July 1, 2023, for the Business Administrator, based upon performance evaluation.
- XIII. A Proposed Final Budget for the 2023-2024 fiscal year, beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024, was adopted and will be advertised and made available for public review at least twenty (20) days prior to final adoption.
- XIV. Rejected the 2023-2024 budget as presented and endorsed by the Superintendent's Advisory Committee and the Joint Operating Committee of Admiral Peary Area Vocational-Technical School.
- XV. Set the millage rate at 60.85 mills for School District property in Cambria County. Property in Blair County will be taxed at 8.12 mills. These mill rates are in compliance with Section 24 of the Public School Code 6-672.1 (re-balancing).
- XVI. Approved a multi-county school board resolution urging changes to mandatory millage rebalancing requirements as interpreted under School Code Section 672.1.
- XVII. Authorized homestead and farmstead exclusion real estate tax assessment reductions for the school year beginning July 1, 2023.
- XVIII. Approved the following as Fitness Center Coordinators:
- | NAME             | DATE                                | STIPEND |
|------------------|-------------------------------------|---------|
| James Ronan      | August 1, 2023 – November 1, 2023   | \$1,500 |
| Andrew Tomaselli | November 1, 2023 – February 1, 2024 | \$1,500 |
| Nicholas Felus   | February 1, 2024 – May 1, 2024      | \$1,500 |
| Nicholas Wanyo   | May 1, 2024 – August 1, 2024        | \$1,500 |
- XIX. Entered into an agreement with Imagine Learning to provide Edgenuity Instructional Services for the grades 6-12 PC Cyber Academy.
- XX. Entered into an agreement with Extended Campus to provide curricular and instructional services for the grades K-5 PC Cyber Academy.
- XXI. Entered into an agreement with Educere to provide curricular and instructional services for the grades 6-12 PC Cyber Academy.
- XXII. Approved the second reading and adoption of the following policies:  
626 Attachment - Cash Management  
626 Attachment - Allowability of Costs  
626 Attachment - Time and Effort
- XXIII. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS  
First reading of the following new, revised or Board policies for review:  
103 & 104 Attachment - Sexual Harassment Procedures and Grievance Process  
204 AR - Attendances and Absences  
204 AR Attachment - Educational and Trip Request