



PENN CAMBRIA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Cresson, Pennsylvania

BOARD OF EDUCATION

AGENDA

**REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 19, 2024**

Caleb Drenning _____
Anthony Dziabo _____
Jennifer Gmuca _____
Matthew Kearney _____
Rudy McCarthy _____
Guy Monica _____
Michael Sheehan _____
Cindy Sheehan-Westrick _____
Jeffrey Stohon _____
Ronald Repak _____
Jill Francisco _____
William Marshall _____

*The Board requests that those wishing to address the board during public comment observe a five-minute time limit.
A spokesperson should be appointed in the case of a group presentation.*

- 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

Congratulations to the following wrestlers who placed at PIAA District VI Championships: 2nd - Trent Hoover, 3rd - Andrew Mardula, and 3rd - Nick Summerville.

Congratulations to Rocco Dzurko who placed 3rd in the 200-yard Swimming and Diving District VI Championships.

One of the two Penn Cambria Bocce Ball teams took 2nd place at districts. Members of the second-place team were Douglas Brown, Seth Conrad, Kayla Galovich, Thomas Jones, Kayden McMullen, Emme Myers, Marisa Rabatin, Eli Summerville, and Kirk Yahnert.

Congratulations to the following Band students who successfully auditioned:

District Jazz - Modern Band: Colin Berkheimer and Collin Borlie

Region Band: Camryn Ashworth, Hailey Farabaugh, Aliyah Golden, Emma Hazlett, Christina Myers, and Mya Weisinger

All-State Band: Emma Hazlett and Mya Weisinger

Congratulations to the Forensics Team who won both the District and Regional Championship Titles.

District medalists: ** Qualified to states

Extemporaneous: 1st - **Joseph Hite, 2nd - **Colin Berkheimer

Commentary: 2nd - **Haelyn Singer, 3rd - Caleb Piszczek

Informative: Auto-Qualified to states with a perfect win record over the regular season, **Jelana Boldizar, 3rd - Hudson Farabaugh, 1st - ** Brian Wu

Persuasive: 3rd - Lauren Riley, 1st - **Addyson Ehredt

Dramatic Interp: 1st - **Austin Gray

Humorous Interp: 1st - **Belle Eckenrode

Poetry: 3rd - Samantha Borlie

Program of Oral Interpretation: 1st - **Lachlan Lewis
Oratorical Declamation: 1st - Harlie Racz (not a state category)

Regional medalists: ** Qualified to nationals
Commentary: 3rd - Caleb Piszczek, 1st - **Haelyn Singer
Informative: 2nd -** Brian Wu, 1st - **Jelana Boldizar
Persuasive: 2nd - **Addyson Ehredt
Dramatic Interp: 2nd - ** Lachlan Lewis, 1st - ** Austin Gray
Humorous Interp: 1st - **Belle Eckenrode
Poetry: 3rd - Samantha Borlie
Oratorical Declamation: 2nd - **Chloe Rose, 1st - Harlie Racz

VI. RESOLUTION #1 - APPROVE MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held February 20, 2024, 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 February 2024 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. SOLICITOR'S REPORT

XI. RESOLUTION #5 - SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

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

A. PERSONNEL ACTIONS

1. Accept Resignations
 - a. Nancy Cassisi, Lilly, Substitute Teacher, effective March 5, 2024
 - b. Catherine Duman, Hastings, IU08 Substitute Teacher, effective February 28, 2024
 - c. Makaela Stanek, Patton, High School English Teacher, Yearbook Co-Advisor, Junior-Senior Class Co-Advisor, Assistant Bocce Ball Coach, and Clay Target Club Advisor, effective at the close of the 2023-2024 school year
 - d. Christina Knott, Hollidaysburg, Pre-Primary Paraeducator, effective March 22, 2024
2. Remove Volunteer Coaches, effective immediately
 - a. Kiersten Davis, State College, Volunteer Softball Coach
 - b. Andrew Jones, Lilly, Volunteer Baseball Coach
 - c. Ashley Urish, Gallitzin, Volunteer Cheer Coach

3. Approve Substitute Teachers, effective pending documentation
 - a. Jennie Bastian, Cresson, IU08
 - b. James Miller, Ashville, IU08
 - c. Melissa Rajnish, Cresson
 - d. Jessica Secriskey, Cresson, IU08
4. Approve Appointments
 - a. Jane Burkholder, Hollidaysburg, School Psychologist, 205-day Act 93 position at a salary of \$83,500.00 (prorated for days worked in 2023-24), effective on or about May 20, 2024
 - b. Leigh Casher, Cresson, Primary School Substitute Teacher, retroactive to March 8, 2024 through April 1, 2024
 - c. Thomas Creehan, Cresson, Junior High Co-Ed Soccer Coach, at a stipend of \$3,370.00, effective pending documentation
 - d. James Dunlap, Ebensburg, Volunteer Varsity Baseball Coach, effective pending documentation
 - e. Katelyn Seese, Ashville, from Volunteer to Assistant Varsity Cheer Coach, at a stipend of \$1,931.20, effective with the start of the 2024-2025 season
 - f. Dave Urish, Gallitzin, Volunteer Junior High Softball Coach, effective pending documentation
5. Approve McIlwain School Bus Lines, Inc. Drivers, effective pending documentation
 - a. Timothy Seymore, Cresson
 - b. John Risban, Cresson

B. CURRICULUM MAP

1. HS Psychology (1/2 credit elective)

MOTION BY _____

SECONDED BY _____

XII. NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION #6 - JUNIOR HIGH CO-ED SOCCER PROGRAM DEEMED A PENN CAMBRIA SPORT

RESOLVED: That the Board of Directors hereby deem Junior High Co-Ed Soccer as a Penn Cambria School District sport, with a district paid stipend of up to \$3,370.00 for the head coach position, all other costs incurred will be the responsibility of the team's booster club.

MOTION BY _____

SECONDED BY _____

RESOLUTION #7 - DOOR CONTROLLER/ALARM BID AWARD

RESOLVED: That the Board of Directors approve the purchase and installation of door controller systems from Empire Communications based on successful bid at a cost not to exceed \$38,972.00, with funding to be provided by the PCCD School Safety and Security grant and the 2023-2024 PCCD School District Meritorious Safety Grant.

MOTION BY _____

SECONDED BY _____

RESOLUTION #8 - GENERAL FUND BUDGET OF IU08 2024-2025

RESOLVED: That the Board of Directors approve the 2024-2025 General Fund Budget for IU08 including a total contribution of \$173,000.00 from 35 participating school districts: Penn Cambria's share estimate at \$4,875.96.

MOTION BY _____

SECONDED BY _____

ROLL CALL:

RESOLUTION #9 - APPALACHIA IU08 INTERNET CONSORTIUM AGREEMENT

RESOLVED: That the Board of Directors approve participation in the Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8 E-rate Consortium for the procurement of Internet services.

MOTION BY _____

SECONDED BY _____

RESOLUTION #10 - APPALACHIA IU08 COOPERATIVE BIDDING FOR PAPER

RESOLVED: That the Board of Directors approve participation in the cooperative bidding program coordinated by Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8 for the purpose of purchasing paper supplies for 2024-25 and thereafter. (*See complete resolution on page 16*)

MOTION BY _____

SECONDED BY _____

ROLL CALL:

RESOLUTION #11 - ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES OF 2024

RESOLVED: That the Board of Directors adopt a resolution, as presented by Bond Counsel, authorizing the issuance of General Obligation Bonds, in an amount not to exceed \$12,000,000.00, in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Unit Debt Act, for the purpose of providing funds for capital improvements to School District facilities.

MOTION BY _____

SECONDED BY _____

ROLL CALL:

RESOLUTION #12 - NEW ACCOUNT FOR BOND PROCEEDS

RESOLVED: That the Board of Directors authorize the opening of an account with The Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust (PLGIT) for purposes of investing the proceeds of the General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2024, in accordance with Policy 609 and Section 440.1 of the Public School Code of 1949 as amended and supplemented by Act 10 of 2016 and the Local Government Unit Debt Act.

MOTION BY _____

SECONDED BY _____

RESOLUTION #13 - TEXTBOOK ADOPTION

RESOLVED: That the Board of Directors approve the adoption of new textbook for High School Psychology - Psychology High School 3rd Edition by William J. Elmhurst and Mary Spilis c2023 Pearson at an approximate one-time cost of \$6,330.00.

MOTION BY _____

SECONDED BY _____

RESOLUTION #14 - TEXTBOOK ADOPTION

RESOLVED: That the Board of Directors approve the adoption of MyView by Savvas c2025 textbook for grades 3-5 English Language Arts classes at an approximate cost of \$53,115.00. This includes teacher materials and a three-year consumable print and digital student subscription for each grade level.

MOTION BY _____

SECONDED BY _____

RESOLUTION #15 - ADOPTION OF NEW, REVISED, OR BOARD POLICIES FOR REVIEW

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

A. 810 - Transportation

(Policy was reviewed at the Committee of the Whole Meeting and copies are available upon request)

MOTION BY _____

SECONDED BY _____

XIII. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. FIRST READING OF NEW, REVISED, OR BOARD POLICIES FOR REVIEW:

1. 200 - Enrollment of Students
2. 202 - Eligibility of Non-Resident Students
3. 217 - Graduation
4. 217 AR - Graduation Requirements
5. 254 - Educational Opportunity for Military Children

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

B. FIRST READING OF THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL CALENDAR (proposed) (See page17)

XIV. ADJOURNMENT OF BUSINESS MEETING _____ P.M.

MOTION BY _____

SECONDED BY _____