

CONEMAUGH TOWNSHIP AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
 Davidsville, Pennsylvania

The regular meeting of the Conemaugh Township Area School Board of Directors was held on Tuesday, April 19, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the board room with Dr. Mantini presiding.

Roll call was taken by Lisa Stevens.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Susan Saylor-Stahl, Lori Sotosky, David Strayer, Michelle Stumpf,
 Alan Tresnicky, Christine Troxell, Rocco Mantini 7
 MEMBERS ABSENT: Gregory Christofes, Earl Sleek, II 2
Quorum present

Others Present: Thomas Kakabar, James Cascio, Stacy Dabbs, James Foster, Lance McGough,
 Nicole Dull, Jane Jugan, Regina Rembold, Edward Slonka, Rebecca Conn,
 Erin Siverd, Lisa Stevens

Dr. Mantini led those present in the flag salute.

There being no objections or corrections stated, Dr. Mantini declared the following previously circulated items approved as submitted:

1. Minutes of the regular school board meeting held March 15, 2016
2. General Fund Revenue/Expenditure Report as of March 31, 2016
3. Tax Collection Report as of March 31, 2016
4. Activity Fund Report for March

MOTION by Mrs. Stumpf, seconded by Mr. Strayer, to approve payment of all general fund bills and payrolls, athletic bills, and cafeteria bills as listed.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Mrs. Saylor-Stahl, Mrs. Sotosky, Mr. Strayer, Mrs. Stumpf,
 Mr. Tresnicky, Mrs. Troxell, Dr. Mantini 7
 Nays: 0
Motion carried

MOTION by Mr. Strayer, seconded by Mrs. Sotosky, to approve payment of capital projects bills as listed.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Mrs. Saylor-Stahl, Mrs. Sotosky, Mr. Strayer, Mrs. Stumpf,
 Mr. Tresnicky, Mrs. Troxell, Dr. Mantini 7
 Nays: 0
Motion carried

MOTION by Mrs. Saylor-Stahl, seconded by Mrs. Stumpf, to approve payment of construction bills as listed.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Mrs. Saylor-Stahl, Mrs. Sotosky, Mrs. Stumpf,
 Mr. Tresnicky, Mrs. Troxell, Dr. Mantini 6
 Nays: Mr. Strayer 1
Motion carried

Dr. Mantini acknowledged receipt of a card from the Track & Field Team/Coaches to thank the Board for its support of their program.

Mr. Kakabar noted receipt of a letter from State Senator Pat Stefano to inform the District that the 2015-2016 state budget had become law, but Governor Wolf vetoed the accompanying Fiscal Code, which included the new school funding formula. The State Senate then passed legislation instituting the Fair Funding Formula and PlanCon, which Senator Stefano hopes will reach the Governor's desk.

MOTION by Mr. Tresnicky, seconded by Mrs. Troxell, to accept the report and recommendations of the Committee of the Whole meeting held April 11, 2016 as follows:

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

APRIL 11, 2016

The Committee of the Whole meeting of the Conemaugh Township Area School Board of Directors was held on Monday, April 11, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the board room with Dr. Mantini presiding.

Members Present: Gregory Christofes, Rocco Mantini, Susan Saylor-Stahl (arr. 7:28), Earl Sleek, II, Lori Sotosky, Michelle Stumpf, Alan Tresnicky, Christine Troxell

Others Present: Thomas Kakabar, Stacy Dabbs, James Foster, Lance McGough, Nicole Dull, Jane Jugan, Edward Slonka, Lori Reese, Erin Siverd, Lisa Stevens

The following items are presented for your review and consideration:

1. Teachers Maureen Wesner and Lisa Style attended the meeting to update the Board on the special education program and activities involving their students. Mrs. Jennifer Cook and Mrs. Victoria Hull expressed appreciation for the special education program and the progress their children have made at Conemaugh Township.
2. Student Education
 - A. Recommend approval to conduct a Summer Kindergarten Readiness Program from July 5-28, 2016 at a cost not to exceed \$6,100. (District funded—two certified teachers and two aides will be needed to staff this program.)
 - B. Recommend approval to revise the 2016-2017 School Calendar by changing the Teacher In-Service Day scheduled for Monday, October 10, 2016 to Wednesday, October 19, 2016.
 - C. Informational Item – Discipline Reports were included with the agenda.
3. School Activities
 - A. Recommend approval of the following Field Trip/Competition Requests:
 1. Permission for Kristine Bartoletti to accompany the Spanish Club (40) to Pittsburgh for a Gateway Clipper Spanish luncheon/dance/cruise on Thursday, May 12, 2016 at no cost to the district (budgeted).
 2. Permission for Cassey DeBiase to accompany up to 15 members of the Bible Club to the National Day of Prayer at the Somerset County Courthouse on Thursday, May 5, 2016 at no cost to the district (transportation donated by McIlwain Bus Lines). [Pastor Robert Rummel from the Way of Hope Christian Fellowship will accompany the group also.]

Committee of the Whole continued—

3. Permission for Suzette Gardenhour/Mari Grace Lingenfelter to accompany music students (50) to the Benedum Center to attend a performance of “Finding Neverland” on Wednesday, October 19, or Thursday, October 20, 2016 at no cost to the district (costs paid by participants).
4. Permission for Suzette Gardenhour/Mari Grace Lingenfelter to accompany musical members (30) to perform selections from this year’s musical during UPJ’s “Showcase of Stars” at the Pasquerilla Performing Arts Center on Saturday, May 21, 2016 at no cost to the district.
5. Permission for Loni Stankan/Jodi Forgas to accompany the Scholastic Quiz Team to a competition at Meyersdale High School on Thursday, April 28, 2016 at a cost of \$410: \$240/travel; \$170/substitutes (budgeted).
6. Permission for Lisa Style to accompany autistic support students (11) to Home Depot and Perkins for community based instruction experiences on Thursday, April 21, 2016 at a cost of \$125/travel (budgeted).
7. Permission for Lisa Style to accompany autistic support students (11) to the Mountain Playhouse and Roxbury Park for community based instruction experiences on Monday, May 9, 2016 at a cost of \$245: \$70/tickets; \$175/travel (budgeted).
8. Permission for Maureen Wesner to accompany life skills students (10) to a grocery store/restaurant (4 visits), Roxbury Recycling, Mountain Playhouse, and Stackhouse Park for community based instruction experiences on May 3, 9, 10, 17, 23, 24, and 26, 2016 at a cost of \$810: \$60/Mountain Playhouse; \$700/travel; \$50/meals (budgeted).
9. Permission for third/fourth grade teachers and students (141) to be transported to the Middle School to participate in a “BizWorld” program with sixth grade students on Wednesday, May 25, 2016 at a cost of \$175/travel (budgeted).

B. Informational Item – The Elementary Newsletter was included with the agenda.

4. Human Development

- A. Recommend permission for Rebecca Grube/Barbara Lashinsky/Regina Rembold to attend an Infinite Visions PA User Group Meeting at Midwestern I. U. IV on Thursday, May 19, 2016 at a cost of \$202.85: \$172.85/travel; \$30/meals (budgeted).
- B. Recommend approval for Kimberly Beblar to provide home-based Extended School Year services (as a special education requirement) for one student during the summer of 2016 at a cost not to exceed \$500, plus mileage reimbursement.
- C. Recommend permission to enter into an agreement with Amber Desrochers to provide Extended School Year Services, including ACCESS billing, for speech/language impaired students for four (4) hours per day/two (2) days per week during the month of July at her regular rate of \$39.26 per hour.
- D. Recommend permission to enter into a contract with The Learning Lamp to provide one instructional aide and two personal care aides to staff the Extended School Year program during July at a cost not to exceed \$1,700.
- E. Recommend approval to add Terry Kauffman to the Substitute Custodial List.

Committee of the Whole continued—

- F. Recommend approval of the revised Physical Education Teacher job description.
- G. Recommend approval of the list of additional Substitute Teachers submitted by The Learning Lamp for the 2015-2016 school year.
- H. Recommend approval of the following additional volunteers for the 2015-2016 school year:

Sandra Baker	Elementary School
Todd Brenneman	Elementary School & High School Field Trip Chaperone
Emily Dadura	High School Field Trip Chaperone
Trisha Defibaugh	Elementary School
Christopher Formica	Junior High Basketball
Theresa Formica	High School Field Trip Chaperone
Jennifer Gardenhour	Elementary School
Wendy Giffin	High School Field Trip Chaperone
Laurie Grosik	Elementary School
Lawrence Gulish	Music
Susanna Kniss	Elementary School
Bridget LaPorta	Elementary School
Amy Mackanick	Elementary School
Lisa Malicki	Elementary School
Elyce Massimo-Grimes	Elementary School
Mary Mauzy	Elementary School
Jill Mitchell	Elementary School
Andrew Moser	Elementary School
Mandy Pitera	Elementary School
Johna Pongrac-Baroni	Elementary School
Charmalene Rex	Elementary School
Karen Rouser	Elementary School
Becky Shirk	Elementary School & High School Field Trip Chaperone
Earl Sleek, II	High School Field Trip Chaperone
Loni Stankan	Elementary Field Trip Chaperone
Wendy Telenko	High School Field Trip Chaperone
Georgann Thomas	Elementary School
Katie Thomas	Elementary School
Nicholas Zakucia, Jr.	High School Field Trip Chaperone

5. Support Services

- A. Recommend permission to participate in the Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8 ESL Consortium for the 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 school years at a cost not to exceed \$5,000 per year. [Note: The cost varies according to the number of schools participating, but has been less than \$3,400 for the last two years.]

6. District or Business Planning

- A. Recommend approval of new Policy No. 823 (recommended by PSBA) and revised Policy No. 204.

Committee of the Whole continued—

7. Buildings & Grounds

A. Recommend approval of the following Use of Facilities Requests:

1. C. T. Youth Football/Home Games
High School Stadium/Concession Stand/Restrooms/Press Box/Ticket Booth
Saturday, August 20, 2016 (9:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.)
Saturday, September 24, 2016 (1:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.)
Saturday, August 27 & Sunday, October 9, 2016 (11:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.)
Kristi Purdy
2. C. T. Youth Football/End of Season Banquet
Elementary School Gym/Multipurpose Room/Cafeteria/Foyer Area
Saturday, November 19, 2016 (12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.)
Kristi Purdy
3. Bricks 4 Kidz/Summer Camps
Elementary School Gym/Computer Lab/Hallway by Office
June 27-July 1, 2016; July 11-15, 2016; July 18-22, 2016 (8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.)
Use of Facilities Fee: Waived (as in the past)
Roxanne Jenner
4. Cheerleading/Painting Party Fundraiser
High School Cafeteria
Friday, May 6, 2016 (5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.)
Stephanie Edsall
5. Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8/Extended School Year Program
Elementary School Autistic Classroom/Life Skills Classroom/Sensory Room
Tuesdays through Thursdays, July 5-28, 2016 (8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.)
Barbara Cassel

8. Budget & Finance

- A. Recommend acknowledgment of receipt of changes in Occupation Valuation Classification as follows:
Patti A. Besyk – Retired; Robin C. Tiffany – Retired.

9. Other Items

- A. Mrs. Saylor-Stahl asked about the progress of the field house project. Mr. Kakabar stated that it had been moving a little slowly because of the weather but was on schedule.
- B. Mr. Kakabar reported that the District would tentatively be receiving approximately \$57,000 in additional funding from the State under the newly-passed budget.

An executive session was held from 8:00 p.m. to 8:50 p.m. to discuss personnel.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Mrs. Saylor-Stahl, Mrs. Sotosky, Mr. Strayer, Mrs. Stumpf,
Mr. Tresnicky, Mrs. Troxell, Dr. Mantini7
Nays:0
Motion carried

MOTION by Mr. Strayer, seconded by Mrs. Troxell, to approve the following requests:

1. Permission for Amber Desrochers to attend Feeding Therapy Training in Pittsburgh on Friday, May 20, 2016 at a cost of \$415: \$190/registration; \$125/travel; \$15/meals; \$85/substitute (budgeted).
2. Permission for Kelly Birkhimer/Kara Borsa/Tara Kimmel/Heather Ladika/Ellen Lehman to accompany students (90) to Global, Leiss Tool & Die, and Devilbiss for Industry Tours and Somerset Country Club for lunch on Tuesday, May 10, 2016 at no cost to the district (funded by Community Action Partnership of Somerset County).
3. Permission for the following individuals to serve as volunteers for the remainder of the 2015-2016 school year:

Tonya Bambino	Elementary School
Vicki Berloff	Elementary School
Scott Bittner	Elementary School
Jennifer Collins	Elementary School
Daniel Conn	Elementary School
Logan Diamond	Elementary School
Kimberly Garland	Elementary School
Scott Harbart	Elementary School
Robin Holsopple	Elementary School
Megan Hostetler	Elementary School
Heather Hudy	Elementary School
Elizabeth Hunsberger	Elementary School
Ashley Jarvis	Elementary School
Bethanie Johns	Elementary School
Samantha Kane	Elementary School
Jill Lehman	Elementary School
Monica Matera	Elementary School
Angela McKool	Elementary School
David McMillan	Elementary School
Harold Miller	Elementary & High School Field Trip Chaperone/Music/Track/Football/ Cheerleading/Ski Club/Post Prom
Patricia Miller	Post Prom/Track
Jennifer Petree	Elementary School
Kelly Price	Elementary School
Deborah Samone	Elementary School
Frances Sauter	Elementary School
Miranda Shetler	Elementary School
Jennifer Snoeberger	Elementary School
Amanda Tercek	Elementary School
Melinda Zilch	Elementary School

4. C. T. Boys' Basketball/Elementary Basketball Camp
Elementary School Gym/Multipurpose Room/Outdoor Court
Monday-Friday, June 6-10, 2016 (8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.)
Charles Lesko

- 5. C. T. Boys' Basketball/Underclassmen Basketball League
Elementary School Gym & High School Gym
Tuesdays and Thursdays, May 31 to June 30, 2016 (8:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.)
Charles Lesko

- 6. Kaufman Mennonite Church & St. David's Lutheran Church/Bible School
Elementary School Gym/Foyer/Soccer Fields/Multipurpose Room/Art Room
Sunday-Thursday, July 31 to August 4, 2016 (5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.)
Use of Facilities Fee: \$30.00 per hour
Melvin Blough

- 7. C. T. Football Boosters/Vera Bradley Bingo Fundraiser
Elementary School Multipurpose Room/Cafeteria
Sunday, June 5, 2016 (9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.)
Michelle Stumpf

- 8. Acceptance of the proposal from Strawbridge Studios, Inc., to provide student and activities pictures for the 2016-2017 school year.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Mrs. Saylor-Stahl, Mrs. Sotosky, Mr. Strayer, Mrs. Stumpf,
Mr. Tresnicky, Mrs. Troxell, Dr. Mantini7
Nays:0
Motion carried

MOTION by Mrs. Saylor-Stahl, seconded by Mrs. Stumpf, to appoint Roger J. Penrod, Jr., as a custodian beginning April 20, 2016 at a starting rate of \$8.50 per hour for eight (8) hours per day, with benefits as outlined in the Buildings and Grounds Employees' Handbook. [NOTE: MR. PENROD DECLINED TO TAKE THIS POSITION ON 4/22/2016.]

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Mrs. Saylor-Stahl, Mrs. Sotosky, Mr. Strayer, Mrs. Stumpf,
Mr. Tresnicky, Mrs. Troxell, Dr. Mantini7
Nays:0
Motion carried

MOTION by Mr. Strayer, seconded by Mrs. Saylor-Stahl, to approve a salary increase of three (3%) percent for the Superintendent and Business Manager for the 2016-2017 school year. (Note: An increase of not less than three percent was included in the Compensation Plans for Act 93 employees approved May 19, 2015.)

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Mrs. Saylor-Stahl, Mrs. Sotosky, Mr. Strayer, Mrs. Stumpf,
Mr. Tresnicky, Mrs. Troxell, Dr. Mantini7
Nays:0
Motion carried

MOTION by Mrs. Troxell, seconded by Mrs. Stumpf, to approve a salary increase of three (3%) percent for support staff employees for the 2016-2017 school year.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Mrs. Saylor-Stahl, Mrs. Sotosky, Mr. Strayer, Mrs. Stumpf,
Mr. Tresnicky, Mrs. Troxell, Dr. Mantini7
Nays:0
Motion carried

MOTION by Mrs. Saylor-Stahl, seconded by Mr. Strayer, to approve a salary increase of three (3%) percent for extracurricular/athletic employees for the 2016-2017 school year.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Mrs. Saylor-Stahl, Mrs. Sotosky, Mr. Strayer, Mr. Tresnicky,
Mrs. Troxell, Dr. Mantini 6
Nays:0
Abstain: Mrs. Stumpf 1
Motion carried

MOTION by Mr. Strayer, seconded by Mrs. Saylor-Stahl, to approve revised job descriptions for the following positions: Elementary Building Custodian (Day Shift), Custodial/Maintenance Worker, and Custodian.

VOTE: Ayes – Unanimous

MOTION by Mr. Tresnicky, seconded by Mrs. Troxell, to approve a debt service payment of \$103,334.38 (2012 Bond Issue) to The Bank of New York Mellon.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Mrs. Saylor-Stahl, Mrs. Sotosky, Mr. Strayer, Mrs. Stumpf,
Mr. Tresnicky, Mrs. Troxell, Dr. Mantini7
Nays:0
Motion carried

The resolution to ratify any and all actions of the Joint Operating Committee since June, 2015 and the resolution approving adoption of the 2016-2017 tentatively adopted Adult/Workforce Development Budget and Grants and Non-Secondary Funded Budgets for the Greater Johnstown CTC were acted upon at this time.

Financial Report – A Newsletter and Self-Funding Analyses for February and March were included with the agenda. Mrs. Rembold noted that information on the transportation contract would be included with the May Committee meeting packet for discussion at a later date.

Superintendent’s Report – Mr. Kakabar reviewed a list of recent meetings and activities. He reviewed various options to correct an issue concerning a water meter for the field house. It was decided that the best option would be to use the current domestic water line and include a branch for the field house at a cost of \$4,395. He also noted that the high school restroom/ADA renovation project bids would be due the week of May 23, 2016, and he would be seeking Board approval of the District’s Comprehensive Plan at the May meeting.

Greater Johnstown CTC Report – Mr. Tresnicky noted that the joint board meeting had been held on April 7, but was not well-attended this year. He informed the Board that the awards ceremony at the CTC would be held on May 24, 2016 at 12:00 p.m. He also stated that a robotic welder had been ordered and Greater Johnstown would be the only CTC to have one.

Informational Item – The District received a check in the amount of \$72,135.60 from the Greater Johnstown CTC after the calculation of final costs for the 2014-2015 school year.

Mrs. Troxell distributed prom invitations to the board members. She stated that there would be a post prom this year also.

Mrs. Saylor-Stahl noted that the Daily American had published an article on the field house project.

Mr. Foster reported that Zane Troxell had won first place in the Power of Words Writing Contest sponsored by Rockwood High School.

Conemaugh Township Area School District
April 19, 2016

An executive session was held from 7:57 p.m. to 8:33 p.m. to discuss personnel.

There being no further business, Dr. Mantini declared the meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Earl E. Sleek, II, Secretary