

School Board Meeting  
July 9, 2018

A regular meeting of the Redbank Valley School Board was held on Monday, July 9, 2018 at 7:12 p.m. in the Redbank Valley High School Library. The following members were in attendance: Linda Ferringer, Carrie Adams, Donald Nair, Bill Reddinger, Chad Shaffer, Darren Bain, Dee Bell, Ann Kopnitsky and Jason Barnett.

The regular school board meeting was called to order by Chad Shaffer, President, at 7:12 p.m.

A motion was made by Donald Nair, seconded by Bill Reddinger, to approve minutes for the Work Session Meeting, Wednesday, May 30, 2018, Work Session Meeting, Monday, June 4, 2018 and Regular Board Meeting, Monday, June 4, 2018. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Dr. Shaffer asked for public comments. There were none.

Mini-Burst presenter for the evening was Kristen Landers. Mrs. Landers shared information on the Pennsylvania Computer Science for All Summit in Harrisburg, where she presented two sessions, Tech in the Elementary Schools (Computer Science) and From Coding to Cryptography. She also spoke on the after school programs and computer science and business education courses that our district offers.

The Primary/Intermediate Elementary Report was presented by Mrs. Cheryl McCauley. Mrs. McCauley reported that summer school is in progress and gaining enrollment. Federal allocations have been received for 2018-2019. Mrs. McCauley also discussed the Parent/Student Handbook changes for 2018-2019. Projected enrollment figures for the upcoming school year were included in her written report.

The Secondary Report was presented by Mrs. Amy Rupp. Mrs. Rupp reported that student scheduling is taking place and provided schedule change dates. Designated safety entrances have been established. Door alarms, parking assignments/signs/times, violation levels and changes to the 2018-2019 Student/Parent Handbook were discussed. Projected enrollment figures for 2018-19 were provided in her written report.

The Maintenance Report was submitted in writing by Mr. John Sayers.

The Superintendent's Report was submitted by Mrs. Amy Rupp. Mrs. Rupp reported that the school safety grant process has begun and a meeting will take place with Tom Burk, Armstrong Security, to determine the district's needs in order to get a contract in place. A program grant is being researched for a new phone/PA system for all three buildings. The Special Education Supervisor position was re-posted and applications have been received. The Business Manager position will be addressed to determine the scope of the position and the 6<sup>th</sup> Grade subcommittee met to review survey results.

The Intermediate Unit report was presented by Mrs. Ann Kopnitsky. Mrs. Kopnitsky stated that the report was submitted in writing.

The Career Center report was presented by Dr. Donald Nair. Dr. Nair stated that the report was submitted in writing.

Dr. Shaffer asked for committee reports. Darren Bain reported that the Finance Committee will meet soon. Purchase of memorial blocks and facility naming were discussed. Dr. Shaffer stated that a new chairperson for the Foundation Committee will need to be appointed.

At 8:07 p.m., Dr. Shaffer announced that an executive session would take place for personnel and legal matters. The regular meeting resumed at 8:57 p.m.

A motion was made by Dee Bell, seconded by Bill Reddinger, to approve changes to the 2018-2019 Elementary Parent/Student Handbook. Motion Carried 7 Yes, 2 No (Nair, Reddinger).

A motion was made by Dee Bell, seconded by Darren Bain, to approve changes to the 2018-2019 Jr.-Sr. High School Parent/Student Handbook. Motion Carried 8 Yes, 1 No (Reddinger).

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger, seconded by Donald Nair, to amend the previous motion to move Level 3 violations to Level 4 violations. Motion Failed 2 Yes, 7 No (Shaffer, Bain, Bell, Barnett, Ferringer, Adams, Kopnitsky).

A motion was made by Dee Bell, seconded by Donald Nair, to sell/dispose of unused/outdated technology equipment. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Donald Nair, seconded by Bill Reddinger, to authorize Amy Rupp to electronically sign contracts, agreements, grants and/or licenses with Pennsylvania Department of Education. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger, seconded by Ann Kopnitsky, to approve the position description for Director of Special Education. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger, seconded by Donald Nair, to approve the purchase of excess flood insurance for the year. Motion Carried 8 Yes, 1 No (Bell).

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger, seconded by Dee Bell, to provide notice to terminate the agreement with IU6 for business management services. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger, seconded by Donald Nair, to advertise for a full-time business manager position. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Dee Bell, seconded by Ann Kopnitsky, to approve June, 2018 Treasurers Report; General Fund Expenditures amounting to \$1,914,827.89; and Cafeteria Fund Expenditures amounting to \$42,046.18. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Donald Nair, seconded by Bill Reddinger, to hire Kevin Crissman as Redbank Valley Primary School's crossing guard for the 2018-19 school year in the amount of \$1,800.00. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Dee Bell, seconded by Ann Kopnitsky, to approve the 9<sup>th</sup> grade trip to Washington, D.C. on November 7-9, 2018, as presented. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger, seconded by Dee Bell, to contract with Source for Teachers for substitute teachers. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger, seconded by Dee Bell, to approve the revised agreement to provide cafeteria management services to North Clarion School District. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Dee Bell, seconded by Donald Nair, to approve five (5) paid days in July for Susan Trimble. Motion Carried 8 Yes, 1 No (Nair).

A motion was made by Dee Bell, seconded by Chad Shaffer, to accept the resignation of Pamela Kunselman, child specific aide, as of July 31, 2018. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Bill Reddinger, seconded by Dee Bell, to deny the grievance dated July 3, 2018 and presented to the Board July 9, 2018. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Dr. Shaffer asked for additional Board items. Dr. Shaffer reported on the Negotiation Committee formation.

Dr. Shaffer asked for public comments. There were none.

Dr. Shaffer announced that an executive session would take place after adjournment for personnel and negotiation matters.

A motion was made by Donald Nair, seconded by Bill Reddinger, to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:22 p.m. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Sherri McGinnis  
Board Secretary