

School Board Meeting March 3, 2008

The regular meeting of the Redbank Valley School Board was held, Monday, March 3, 2008, 7:00 P.M., Redbank Valley High School Library. The following members were in attendance: Adam Barrett, Dee Bell, Vince Markle, Theodore Minich, Shirley Pastor, Glenn Watson and Lou Ann Williams. Rick Kirkpatrick and Randy Frampton was absent.

The regular school board meeting was called to order by Ted Minich, President. Mr. Minich announced there was a work session at 6:30 P.M. and an executive session at 6:40 P.M. for personnel and negotiation matters.

A motion was made by Dee Bell seconded by Shirley Pastor to approve the minutes for the regular meeting of February 4, 2008 and work session meeting of February 7, 2008. Motion Carried Unanimously

Student Representatives Gale Garmong presented the following, the Student Council sponsored a leadership conference held on February 29th. The High School will have a college fair on March 18, 2008. The Musical "The Wizard of Oz" will be presented on March 13-15, 2008 at 7:00 in the high school auditorium. And a blood drive will be sponsored by the student council March 26, 2008.

The Elementary Report was presented by Jason Huffman. Mr. Huffman reported that the faculty in the elementary's are participating in a Relay for Life fundraiser and so far have raised \$1,200.00. The elementary staff have completed the PSSA writing assessments and are preparing for the PSSA math and reading assessments. The primary teachers and Mr. Huffman are in the process of creating a Pre-K packet for parents and future students within our community. This packet will include developmental information that parents can use to begin to prepare their children for academics and socialization of kindergarten. Mr. Huffman included in his report current enrollment counts and upcoming March calendar events.

Cheryl McCauley presented the Director of Education Report. Mrs. McCauley informed the board members of the Act80 Day activities for teachers. Workshops on autism Chapter 14, First Aid in the Classroom and PSSA Assessment Administration and Security were held. Planning and preparation will begin for Summer Academy on March 10th. The WAN connections to the buildings and request for discounts on telephones were filed through E-Rate with an expected discount of \$39,921. Mrs. McCauley announced that Barbara Speer has received a grant from Society of Analytical Chemists of Pittsburgh for \$500. This grant will provide science equipment for her classroom to explore the solar system and to experiment with electricity.

Stephen Dobransky presented the Secondary Report. Mr. Dobransky congratulated Varsity Head Wrestling coach Michael Kundick for receiving the District 9 Coach of the Year honor as well as the wrestling team winning the District 9 title. Mr. Dobransky

informed the board members that 8 wrestlers will compete in regional competition. Mr. Dobransky commented that Redbank Valley winter sports had fine season with girls/boys basketball playing in district competition. Mr. Dobransky informed the board that Jordan Gruver qualified for State Band and 3 students advanced to Regional Chorus competition. Mr. Dobransky also announced that a college fair organized by Mrs. Landers will be held on March 18, 2008 college from around the area are coming into Redbank Valley High School to assist students planning to attend higher education. Mr. Dobransky finally commented that FFA will hold the regional competition at the high school on March 19th, 2008. Mr. Dobransky enclosed in his report the enrollment figures for the month of February along with a calendar of events for March.

Dr. Cornish presented the Superintendent Report. Dr. Cornish presented a certificate for 8 years of service to Louise Clemens former school board member. Dr. Cornish thanked Mrs. Clemens for her years of service. Dr. Cornish introduced the following teachers in attendance tonight; Debbie Bonanno, Julie Smith, Jessica Mamrose, Greg Campbell, Leslie McCullough, Michael Sarachine, and Molly Greenawalt. Dr. Cornish presented John Boderocco from H.F. Lenz and Tom Himes from Robert T. Scheeren A.I.A. to discuss to the school board the change order for the Electric Duct Bank. Mr. Boderocco explained why it was necessary for a change order as to the location of the Bank from drawings of the building in 1958 was not located were the drawings described. When 1-Call was made to the electric company, the locations marked by the electric was not what the drawings showed. Tom Himes explained the possible options the district would have if the location of the Bank is according to the electric company finding. Dr. Cornish asked that the gentlemen too stay until after the vote for possible questions. Dr. Cornish then announced that due to the construction project the district will have to reroute busses on March 14, 2008. This will effect the transportation of student's. Dr. Cornish informed the school board as to the effect the recent recall of beef and its buy products had on the school district. Dr. Cornish commented on the Predetermined Ratio Clarion county plans to increase from 75 percent to 100 percent assessed values and the possible elimination of local assessors by the county in assessing per capita taxes. Dr. Cornish then asked for a work session to address these matters. March 10, 2008 was scheduled.

The following reports were presented for information only; Maintenance Report; Cafeteria Report; IU#6 Report.

A motion was made by Lou Ann Williams seconded by Dee Bell to approve the first reading of policy #800 Operations, Records Management. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Glenn Watson seconded by Shirley Pastor to approve the Clarion County Career Center Operating Budget for school year 2008-09 in the amount of \$3,715,537.00. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Glenn Watson seconded by Dee Bell to approve graduation curriculum requirements to add a 4th math course. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Shirley Pastor seconded by Lou Ann Williams to quote district insurance package. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Glenn Watson seconded by Lou Ann Williams to approve construction project change order #2 Electric Duct Bank Relocation contingent upon the authorization of superintendent for the following conditions. Option #1 locating the existing Electric Duct Bank, and option 2 redesign new structure to met specifications. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Dee Bell seconded by Glenn Watson to approve February, 2008 Treasurers Report. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Shirley Pastor seconded by Adam Barrett to approve February, 2008 General Fund Expenditures amounting to \$2,673,767.12. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Adam Barrett seconded by Dee Bell to approve January, 2008 Milk and Cafeteria Fund Expenditures amounting to \$53,418.28. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Shirley Pastor seconded by Lou Ann Williams to approve 2006-07 General Purpose Audit and Single Audit as submitted by Troese & Associates as presented. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Glenn Watson seconded by Shirley Pastor to accept the resignation of Patty E. Tonkin, Title I teacher at Mahoning elementary due to retirement. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A motion was made by Dee Bell seconded by Lou Ann Williams to extend unpaid leave for Autumn Boddorf. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Shirley Pastor seconded by Dee Bell to hire Dianna Sebastain as child specific aide according to RVSSPA contract pending all clearances. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Glenn Watson seconded by Lou Ann Williams to approve the adjustment to the following extracurricular position points. Varsity Head Volleyball-120 points, Varsity Assistant Volleyball-80 points, Jr. High Head Volleyball-70 points and Jr. High Assistant Volleyball-57 points. Motion Carried 6-Yes, 1-No (Bell)

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A motion was made by Dee Bell seconded by Lou Ann Williams to approve Julie Smith and 20 students to attend Cedar Point's Physics Fun Day, Sandusky, OH., May 14, 2008. Cost to be incurred by district \$900.00 Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Glenn Watson seconded by Lou Ann Williams to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:12 P.M. Motion Carried Unanimously

Respectfully Submitted,

Jack E. Loughner, Jr.
Board Secretary