

School Board Meeting February 3, 2014

The regular meeting of the Redbank Valley School Board was held, Monday, February 3, 2014, 7:00 P.M., Redbank Valley Primary School Library. The following members were in attendance: Adam Barrett, Dee Bell, Ann Kopnitsky, Donald Nair and Chad Shaffer. Brian Dougherty, Wendy Heeter, Tina Kennemuth and Shirley Pastor were absent.

The regular school board meeting was called to order by President Chad Shaffer at 7:05 p.m.

A motion was made by Donald Nair seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to approve the minutes for the Meeting January 9, 2014, Work Session and the Regular Meeting of January 9, 2014. Motion Carried Unanimously

Mr. Shaffer then asked for any public concerns. Lisa Goth commented on the district insurance package which is up for renewal. Mrs. Goth asked if the school district would be able to assign markets in order for the Leach Agency to compete for the school district insurance package. Mrs. Goth explained how insurance brokers in her industry close out other insurance brokers from quoting the different insurances which each agencies markets because of similar insurance companies offered by each agent. This closing out of markets hampers her agencies from presenting an insurance quote for consideration because underwriters will only process one quote as to the school district broker of record. Mrs. Goth also commented on the value the Leach Agency would be able to offer in customer relationship and the current history the agency has had with the school district in writing the flood, student athlete and accident policies as well as before the change brokers in 1996. Mr. Shaffer thank Mrs. Goth for her presentation and the school board would take the matter under advisement.

The Student Representative Report was not available according to Gabe Troup due to not having meetings due to weather.

The Primary /Director of Education report was presented by Cheryl McCauley. Mrs. McCauley reported on surveys to identify students for next year's kindergarten class have been conducted there are 69 kindergarten students identified for the 14-15 school year. A pre-registration parent meeting will be held the evening of March 4th and kindergarten registration will be held March 18-20, 2014.

The Intermediate Report was given by Mrs. Sue Ann Boyles. Mrs. Boyles reported on the spelling bee held on January 23, 2014. Finalist will complete at the county level later next month at the Clarion Mall.

The Secondary Report was submitted in writing by Mr. Kerr. There was no comments.

The Maintenance Report was presented in by Mr. John Sayers. Mr. Sayers reported on the water main break at the High School. Repairs were made to the line and a final invoice will be forthcoming.

The Superintendent Report was presented by Mr. Drzewiecki. Mr. Drzewiecki commented as to last month discussion on district curriculum alignment to testing standards. Changing scope and sequence of graduation course requirements due to the changes in state legislative requirement and supplemental/remediation programs for students not demonstrating proficiency on state exams. Mr. Drzewiecki asked board members if there is an interest to have discussion on these topics and program development in committee. The response from the members attending was that the board would have discussion on the matters once recommendation are considered.

The IU Report was not available due to no meeting in January.

The CCAVTS Report was as presented in writing. Board representatives were unavailable to attend due to weather.

A motion was made by Dee Bell seconded by Adam Barrett to approve the first reading of the following policies: #121 Field Trips, Programs, #210 Medication , Pupils, #210-Attachment Medication, Pupils, #246 Student Wellness, Pupils, #808 Food Services, Operations, #913 Non-School Organizations/Groups/Individuals, Community. Motion Carried 4-Yes, 1-No (Nair)

A motion was made by Donald Nair seconded by Adam Barrett to postpone the granting of an easement to Hawthorn Redbank Municipal Authority for right a-way for sewage line. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Ann Kopnitsky seconded by Adam Barrett to change school calendar for 2013-2014 as to the following Make-up days: February 17, 2014, March 14, 2014, April 16, 2014 April 17, 2014, April 21,2014, May 30, 2014, Act 80 day, June 2, 2014 Teacher In-Service. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Donald Nair seconded by Dee Bell to approve the January, 2014 Treasurer's Report. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Dee Bell seconded by Donald Nair to approve January 2014 General Fund Expenditures amounting to \$1,255,218.67. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Donald Nair seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to approve the December, 2013 Milk and Cafeteria Fund Expenditures amounting to \$55,938.53. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Ann Kopnitsky seconded by Dee Bell to accept 4th Quarter 2013 Redbank Valley High School Activities Fund Report as presented. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Dee Bell seconded by Ann Kopnitsky to approve Valerie Sloan to attend the Pennsylvania Kindergarten Teachers 2014 Conference on March 6-7, 2014 in Harrisburg, PA. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Donald Nair seconded by Dee Bell to approve Sarah Williams to attend 2014 PMEA In-Service Conference on March 27-29, 2014 in Hershey, PA. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Donald Nair seconded by Dee Bell for David Reitz to attend the Orientation to School Food Service PartII on April 9-10, 2014 in Hershey, PA. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Dee Bell seconded by Adam Barrett to approve Megan Harmon as boys track coach at 60pts @ \$44.50=\$2,670.00. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Dee Bell seconded by Adam Barrett to approve Lee Miller as a volunteer softball coach. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Dee Bell seconded by Adam Barrett to approve Sarah Williams as Musical-Instrumental Director 70pts @ \$42.50=\$2,975.00. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Dee Bell seconded by Adam Barrett to retro approve Ann Deibert as a volunteer varsity girls' basketball coach. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Dee Bell seconded by Adam Barrett to add Kavin Bond, Garrett Spence and Brittany Gauger to the substitute teacher list. Motion Carried Unanimously

A motion was made by Donald Nair seconded by Dee Bell to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:05 P.M. Motion Carried Unanimously

Respectfully Submitted,

Jack E. Loughner, Jr.
Board Secretary