

An executive session will be held on June 14, 2021 from 6:00 pm until 7:05 pm to discuss personnel matters and to receive information.

Combined Open Budget Session/ Study Session / Regular Voting Meeting

June 14, 2021 – 7:00 p.m. Remote Access via ZOOM
as a result of necessity due to coronavirus pandemic sanctions

Regular Meeting of the Board of School Directors

Meeting was called to order at 7:07 pm

Dr. English welcomed everyone to tonight’s meeting. He thanked everyone for their attendance. He also mentioned that there would be a short voting meeting at the conclusion of the study session and asked everyone to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Pledge of Allegiance

In attendance: Brian Hawk, Melanie Pallone, Tara Jean Schaaf, Maureen McClure, Lisa Ashbaugh, Jane Miller, Arlene Loeffler, J. Chaparro, Falco Muscante, Tammy Good, Neil English, David Zolkowski, Bob Rizzo, Tina Monroe, RJ Long, Eric Hewitt, Al Pater, J. Nee, W. Wilton, P. Tomlinson, J. Catanzaro, J. Tivo, T. Abraham, P. McGivney, C. Tsambis, Bauer, S. Garibay, F. Catanzaro, W. Tomlinson, along with several unnamed residents

Absent: Jeanine Hurt-Robinson

President’s Remarks Mrs. Ashbaugh welcomed everyone to this evening meeting. She thanked everyone for a great end to the school year – Great that we were able to hold graduation outside. She also mentioned that she is excited to vote on the coaching approvals.

Hearing of Citizens None

Motions for Approval

Upon the recommendation of Mrs. Ashbaugh, Mr. Hawk moved that the following Personnel item be approved-

MOTION 1

- The 2021-2022 Supplemental Position(s), as detailed below, pending any clearance certification and/or health requirements:

Jill Catanzaro Girls Basketball – Head Coach

Philip McGivney Boys Basketball – Head Coach

Dr. Loeffler seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Hearing of Citizens Both Mrs. Catanzaro and Mr. McGivney shared their excitement with the opportunity. Go Raiders!

Adjournment Mrs. Schaaf moved that the meeting be adjourned. The Regular Voting Meeting was adjourned at 7:14 pm and the meeting then moved to the Combined Open Budget and Study Session.

Move to Combined Open Budget and Study Session Call to Order 7:15 pm

Presentations:

- Dr. English – 2021-22 School Update:
 - Graduation / Spring Accolades –Dr. English mentioned that Thursday was the last day for students, and Friday, the last day for teachers. As he spoke about in the graduation speech, it was a difficult year, but the support from the community was terrific, and we were able to get through the year as a team. We were fortunate to get a break in the window with some good weather. He thanked the Board for coming. He also mentioned a special announcement that came in yesterday: Gideon Deasy won the National High School Coaches Association First Team Academic All American. This is a great honor.
 - 2021-2022 Back to School Survey – Dr. English shared that the 2021-2022 selection survey was due last Friday. We had 756 people complete the survey, which is fairly solid. Most of the respondents we have still yet to hear from our incoming Kindergarten parents (37 out of 75). Our administrative assistants are personally reaching out to all families this week to procure the last few responses, and our Administrative team is calling the few online choices to make sure that parents understand what the program is, and encourage them to send their children to school full time. More to come here.
 - 520.1 Form – Flexibility of Instruction Form – PDE has made the 520.1 form available once again this year to all Districts that choose to apply for it. This is the Flexibility of Instruction Form, included in your study session packets this week. This form allows the District to count virtual and in-person instruction as official days in the school calendar. Depending how the upcoming year shifts, this flexibility will be important. This will also be important for weather-related virtual instruction. You will be voting on this next week.
 - 2021-2022 - Health & Safety Plan / ARP – In your study session packets this week is our 2021-2022 Health and Safety Plan. This year, the plan is connected to the incoming American Rescue Plan monies, in our Federal Programs portal. The State and Federal Government have seemed to tether the monies to offering plans that bring students back in person for school.
- 2021-2022 In-person board meeting Discussion - As we are returning to full in-person schooling for the 2021-2022 school year, the Board should discuss meeting structure moving forward.
- Confidential Health & Safety Plan – He mentioned that the Board will be voting to confirm that we have reviewed the confidential health and safety plan, which we reviewed during our executive session. You will vote that you have reviewed this information at the June 21st voting meeting. Please remember that this is a highly confidential report.
- Eastern Area Resolution Discussion – Dr. English then moved to a bigger discussion item with Eastern Area. EAS has provided two resolutions to be voted on for next week. The first resolution is in regard to approving to allow the 20-21 tuition refund from the AIU to the Riverview School District to be used to repair the roof. The second resolution is to fund our portion of the architect in order to perform the necessary tasks associated with the roof. Mr. Muscante spoke about the guidelines for the discussion, and provide legal opinion to the resolutions set forth.

Personnel:

- Paraprofessional – Resignation One of our paraprofessionals has been approved to begin training for parish ministry. Therefore, she will not be returning in the fall and her resignation will be included in the voting meeting next week.
- Paraprofessionals – Completion of Probationary Period – Two of our paraprofessionals have completed their probationary periods and you will be voting next week to grant them their permanent status.
- Military Leave Extension – You will be voting on a military leave extension through approximately 7/17/21.

- Targeted Assistance - - Junior Senior High School – You will be voting on the annual approval of Targeted Assistance for Junior Senior High School. Each year, this is to pay for summer school.
- COVID Compensatory Tutoring Services – Impact Mitigation (GEER) – We will be asking for approval of the Covid-19 Impact Mitigation tutoring stipend for one additional student.
- Act 93 and Employee Annual Evaluations- We will be asking for the annual approval of the Act 93 and Employee Evaluations.
- Article XI(b) Child-Bearing/Child-Rearing leave – We will also be asking for approval of a teacher request for a Child-Bearing/Child-Rearing leave. This request was included in your packets.
- Article XI(b) Child-Bearing/Child-Rearing leave extension – In addition we will be asking for approval of a child-bearing /rearing leave extension.
- Article XI(e) Sabbatical Leaves – Professional Development – Two requests for Sabbatical Leaves for Professional Development were also included in your packets – one is for the first semester of the 21-22 year and one for the second semester of the 21-22 year.
- Reading Specialist Approval – We will be asking for the approval to the open reading specialist position at Verner Elementary.
- Bus Driver/Van Driver/Aide – Allegheny Transportation
- Supplementals (Auditorium, Athletics, Academics, etc.) – Mr. Rometo is presently working with the head coaches for athletic positions for the 21-22 school year. The REA supplemental positions have been posted and letters of interest are being submitted. We will be asking for approval of the positions next week. We will also be asking for approval of the continued contracted service auditorium manager position for 2021-2022 school year.
- Federal Programs Coordinator
- Homeless Liaison – We will be asking that the board approve the Federal Programs Coordinator and a Homeless Liaison for the 2021-22 year. These are annual appointments.

Board Governance:

- Policy 249 – Bullying/Cyberbullying – Ready for 3-year review – First Reading – Dr. English mentioned to the Board that all policies are reviewed through the PA School boards Association along with Mr. Muscante and Ms. Lane, who provide any additional legal advice. Our bullying policy is reviewed every 3 years.

Ms. Good then reviewed Policies 246, 610, 611, 620, and 626, as they pertain to her leadership areas.

- Policy 246 – Wellness –Triennial Review Assessment
- Policy 610 – Purchases Subject to Bid/Quotation
- Policy 611 – Purchases Budgeted
- Policy 620 – Fund Balance
- Policy 626 – Federal Fiscal Compliance, along with attachments
- Student Clubs and Organizations Budgetary Outlines, Booster Budgetary Outlines, Games of Chance – Dr. English mentioned that we are in the process of closing out our student clubs and booster organizations for the 2021-22 year. We will be asking for approval of those at the June 21st voting meeting as well.
- Emergency Instructional Time Template – 2021-22 School year – We will be asking for approval of the instructional time template for the 21-22 school year.
- Confidential Health & Safety Plan – This was discussed during executive session. This confidential information will be listed for approval next week.
- Donation Acceptance – Elena and John Zaccaria - \$2,000.00 – Mr. and Mrs. Zaccaria are close friends of Dr. Loeffler, who brought the check into the school last week. Ms. Good is working with Mr. Zolkowski and Dr. Monroe at this time to purchase items for their sensory rooms. This is a very kind donation from Mr. and Mrs. Zaccaria, and we appreciate their generosity and support of the Riverview Public Schools.

- PSBA – Appointment of Voting Delegates – Included in your packet was information from the PSBA regarding the appointment of a voting delegate/delegates. There will be a motion on the agenda next week should the board decide to make an appointment.

Student Life

- Participation in the State Championship, Shippensburg University, May 27-May 28, with facilitators Mr. David Ilnicki and Mrs. Barb Stuart – Although this has passed, due to board policy, will be asking for approval of this trip as it involved an overnight stay.

Education Committee

- AP Chemistry Training – This is for AP training for our current AP Chemistry teacher, and will be up for approval at the voting meeting next week.
- Elementary Handbook –
- Junior Senior High School Handbook
- Athletic Handbook

We annually ask for approval of the student and athletic handbooks. Included in your packets were summary edits for them. In your board packet were very minimal handbook changes for each school, and for the athletic department. For the elementary schools, these were simply spelling corrections and extra spaces, etc. Changes to the high school handbook revolved around the grading policies previously discussed at the Board level, updates to include ehall pass language (on digital hall pass system purchased this year at the high school), dress code changes that the Student Action Network proposed that was discussed previously, and an additional section around recruiting. Athletic handbook changes included official language regarding PIAA supplemental disqualification, language to include the VNN pressbox app, and one changed line regarding physicals.

- Textbook Approval – Sociology and AP/Computer Science – We will be asking for approval of the sociology and Computer Science books. These were discussed in your weekly updates, and were reviewed by the HS administration, as well as the education subcommittee. The evaluation forms were included in your board packet.

Agreements

- Interim Health Care – renewal agreement for health care for special education student
- Children’s Institute – ESY and CCS Agreement along with renewal agreement for 21-22
- Western Pa. School for the Deaf – ESY Agreement
- Wesley Schools – ESY Agreement
- AIU OT/PT Program Services for 2021-22 renewal to begin next school year.
- AIU Waterfront Learning 2021-22 agreement –
- AIU E-rate Letter of Agency extension 7/1/21 – 6/30/26 – Internet Lines
- AIU Services Agreement and Special Education Addendum for 2021-2022 –
- AIU ESL – Memorandum of Understanding
- Auditorium Manager – Contract renewal
- UPMC Renaissance Family Practice – School Doctor agreement
- School Dentist – continuation of services for School Dentist

Included in your packets were a number of renewal agreements for the 21-22 school year along with ESY agreements for outplaced student summer programs. In addition, included was a renewal agreement for the school physician along with a continuation of services letter from the school dentist.

Ms. Good then reviewed the business and finance items with the board.

Business/Finance Items

- Pay App. –R.D. Stewart Co. (for Verner Maker Space), R.A. Glancy & Sons, Inc.
- Change Orders – R.A. Glancy & Sons, Inc. – GC-05 , GC-06 and GC-07; East West Manufacturing & Supply – HC-02, and HC-03; Pennsylvania Roofing Systems, Inc. – RC-01; Merit Electrical – EC-01
- Ratify Duquesne Light Invoices
- Forbes Road & Career Center Revenue Anticipation Note
- Tenth Street Scoreboard RAA Donation
- Insurance Renewals
- Appointment of Board Treasurer
- Appointment of Depositories for 2021-22: PNC Bank, Key Bank, PLGIT
- Eastern Area Budget Resolution 2021-22 and Ballot Vote by Mail Resolution
- Business Manager Permissions: Complete year-end budgetary transfers, Permission to pay July & August bills, Permission to pay construction pay applications and approve change orders up to \$10,000 limit
- Allegheny Intermediate Unit RWAN
- Budget

Adjournment – 9:45 pm

An executive session was held following this evening’s meeting.