

**PUBLIC MEETING OF
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
PENN DELCO SCHOOL DISTRICT
2821 CONCORD ROAD
ASTON, PA 19014**

**Minutes of the Board of School Directors
AUGUST 18, 2021**

A special meeting of the Board of School Directors of the Penn-Delco School District convened on Wednesday, August 18, 2021, at 8:47 p.m., pursuant to advertisement published in the Delaware County Daily Times.

School Directors Present:

Kate Denney
Stephanie Ellis
Lisa Esler
Dawn Jones
M. Colleen Powell
Kevin Tinsley
Leon Armour

School Directors Absent:

Catherine Hilferty
Bernie Seasock

Others in Attendance:

Dr. George Steinhoff, Superintendent
Dr. Eric Kuminka, Assistant Superintendent
Erik Zebley, Business Administrator
Nina Tyre, Human Resources Director

MINUTES AND MONTHLY REPORTS

The Agenda for this meeting is attached hereto as Appendix "1".

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Upon considering the draft minutes attached hereto as Appendix "2", it was resolved that the minutes of the regular meeting of July 21, 2021 as presented, be and are hereby approved.

Motion to approve the resolution was made by Mrs. Powell and seconded by Mrs. Denney the motion was unanimously approved.

2. **APPROVAL OF INVOICE LISTING** – Upon considering the invoice listing attached hereto as Appendix "3", it was resolved that the invoice listing for July – August 2021 as presented, be and is hereby approved.

Motion to approve the resolution was made by Mrs. Powell and seconded by Mrs. Ellis.

Voting Yea: All
Voting No: None

MINUTES AND MONTHLY REPORTS - Continued

3. **APPROVAL OF TREASURER’S REPORT** – Upon considering the draft Treasurer’s Report attached hereto as Appendix “4”, it was resolved that the Treasurer’s Report of July 2021, as presented, be and is hereby approved.

Mrs. Powell presented the Treasurer’s Report for July 2021.

Motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report was made by Mrs. Esler and seconded by Mrs. Jones. The motion was unanimously approved.

DELAWARE COUNTY I.U. REPORT

No Report

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Dr. Steinhoff reviewed the agenda items on this evening’s agenda for approval. First, there is a 3-year Collective Bargaining Agreement with PDEA. He thanked Mrs. Nina Tyre, Mr. Erik Zebley, Mr. Leon Armour, Mr. Kevin Tinsley, Nicole Armbruster and Cheri Freeman for their time and hard work on reaching an agreement.

Also on the agenda is the proposed Health & Safety Plan is on for approval. We are using the recommendation of the health experts. CDC and the PA Department of Health are recommendation making masks optional for students, staff or visitors to any K – 12 schools. Masks are required to be worn on buses; as they are considered public transportation. Lastly, he noted item 9.20 was being tabled this evening.

Dr. Steinhoff gave an update on the renovations at Sun Valley, where the exterior has been significantly improved. The gas clean-up at Coebourn is on-going, but near completion. Additionally, there has been substantial damage to the blacktop around the school; this will be addressed in the near future. The water supply line along with a chiller replacement is occurring at Aston Elementary.

Dr. Steinhoff is looking forward to the start of 5-day a week in person instruction in September. New teachers start next week for orientation; all other staff returns the following week.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE PUBLIC

President Armour announced, pursuant to Act 48 – Sunshine Act, this evening, the Board met in executive session to discuss legal and personnel issues.

COMMENTS BY MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

President Armour apologized for the long wait starting tonight’s meeting. There was information the Board needed to review prior to the meeting.

Mrs. Esler asked if parents have to consent to COVID testing for their children if they are sick at school. Dr. Steinhoff indicated no medical decision are made without the consent of parents. Additionally if both students are masked, they won’t need to quarantine with contact tracing.

Mrs. Jones verified that no students will be asked if they are vaccinated or not.

President Armour noted masks will be required on buses, if they don’t comply, they will need to find alternate transportation.

ITEMS FOR BOARD INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

PREPARED AND INFORMAL COMMENTS AND INQUIRIES FROM CITIZENS GUIDELINES FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN BOARD MEETINGS

The Board recognizes the value to school governance of public comment on educational issues with the importance of involving members of the public in Board meetings. In order to permit fair and orderly expression of such comments, the Board will provide for two periods for public participation during Board meetings. The presiding officer at each public Board meeting will follow these guidelines:

- Public participation shall be permitted only as indicated on the order of business in the procedures of this Board, or at the discretion of the presiding officer on a given issue.
- Participants must be recognized by the presiding officer, and must preface their comments by an announcement of their name, address, and group affiliation, if appropriate.
- All statements shall be directed to the presiding officer; no participant may address or question Board members individually.
- Public participation at the beginning of the agenda will be limited to 15 minutes total and to three minutes per person, on agenda topics only.
- **Public participation at the end of the agenda will be limited to 30 minutes total and to three minutes per person.**

The presiding officer may interrupt or terminate a participant's statement when the statement is too lengthy, personally directed, abusive, obscene, or irrelevant.

Approved January 24, 1990

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Amanda Scott – 413 Highgrove Lane – Aston; commented on agenda item 9.15; masks and distancing guidelines.

Amy Kusen – 2160 Arbour Lane – Aston; commented on agenda item 2.1; she feels the comments by members of the Board last month were not accurately portrayed regarding Dr. Steinhoff not being a part of the AASA.

Michael J. Platt – 4291 Concord Road – Aston; commented on agenda item 9.15; adults/parents have the right to make decisions for their children.

Joseph Dychala – 110 Donnelly Avenue – Aston; commented on CRT & DTI and pulling agenda item 9.20 from voting this evening. Also commented on the editing of last month's video of the meeting. Mr. Tinsley noted that all 7 Board Members agreed to pull the CARES motion off the agenda this evening. They want to ensure the program is done correctly and they want time to review it.

Kim McCarthy – 414 Shubrook Lane – Aston; commented on item 9.9 Volleyball Coach appointment; we need a qualified coach.

Ken Carpenter – 414 Shubrook Lane – Aston; feels the Athletic Director let the Volleyball Team down.

ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION

9.01 PDEA Collective Bargaining Agreement

MOTION: To approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Penn-Delco Education Association and the Penn-Delco School District from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024, as presented.

Comments:

Mr. Tinsley indicated this was a long time coming. They started the process in 2019; but with the pandemic, came to a one year extension last year and were able to come to an agreement after working together this year.

Following a motion by Mr. Armour and seconded by Mrs. Esler the above motion was unanimously approved.

Voting Aye: All
Voting No: None

9.02 Special Education Long-term Substitute Learning Support Position

MOTION: To authorize the creation of one (1) long-term substitute Learning Support Teacher position at Sun Valley for the 2021-2022 School Year.

9.03 Personnel – Professional

(1) Appointments

(a) Emily Phillips, Long-term Substitute, effective 8/24/2021 through 6/20/2022

Education

West Chester University
BS, Education

Professional Experience

Penn-Delco School District

Cert/Assign

Grades PK-4, Special Ed PK-8
Elementary Interventionist

Salary

B/1 \$50,384

Rationale

New Position

(b) Lauren Harner, Long-term Substitute, effective 8/24/2021 through 6/20/2022

Education

West Chester University
BS, Education

Professional Experience

Spring-Ford Area School District

Cert/Assign

Grades PK-4, Special Ed PK-8
Parkside – 4th Grade/Elementary
Interventionist

Salary

B/1 \$50,384

Rationale

Emp. #2703, Leave/New Position

(c) Megan Quinley, Temporary Professional Employee, effective 8/24/2021

Education

The Pennsylvania State University
BS, Education

Professional Experience

School District of Philadelphia

Cert/Assign

Grades PK-4, ESL PK-12
Parkside – 4th Grade

Salary

B/2 \$51,054

Rationale

M. Swan, Transfer

ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION - Continued

(d) Kelly Betton, Temporary Professional Employee, effective 8/24/2021 pending pre-employment paperwork

Education

Temple University
BS, Kinesiology
Carson-Newman University
MA, Education

Professional Experience

Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools

Cert/Assign

Mathematics 7-12
Sun Valley – Mathematics

Salary

M/4 \$54,984

Rationale

P. Egleston, Resignation

(e) Keith Morey, Long-term Substitute, effective 8/24/2021 through 6/20/2022

Education

West Chester University
BS, Education

Professional Experience

West Chester Area School District

Cert/Assign

Special Education PK-8, 7-12
Social Studies 7-12
Sun Valley – Special Education LS

Salary

B/1 \$50,384

Rationale

New Position

(f) David Passen, Temporary Professional Employee, effective 8/24/2021

Education

West Chester University
BS, Biology

Professional Experience

West Chester Area School District

Cert/Assign

Biology 7-12
Sun Valley – Science

Salary

B/1 \$50,384

Rationale

C. Bowman, Resignation

(g) Keith Hughes, Long-term Substitute, effective 8/24/2021 through 2/22/2022 pending pre-employment paperwork

Education

University of Delaware
BA, English

University of Delaware
MA, Political Science

Professional Experience

United State Military Academy
English Language Schools International
Baltimore County Public Schools

Cert/Assign

Temporary Teaching Permit
English 7-12
Sun Valley- English

Salary

M/1 \$52,984

Rationale

Emp. #1949 & #2688, Leave

(2) Rescission

(a) Miranda Thiessen, Long-term Substitute Teacher at Coebourn, effective 8/11/2021.

(3) Change of Status

(a) Melissa Pembroke, long-term substitute 1st Grade Teacher, extended as long-term substitute Interventionist for the 2021/2022 school year.

(4) Retirement

(a) Valerie Burgess, Speech Teacher at Aston and Northley, effective 1/21/2022.

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(5) Resignation

- (a) Joshua Leight, Principal at Pennell Elementary, effective 8/18/2021.
- (b) Casey Simpkins, English Teacher at Sun Valley, effective on or before 10/15/2021.
- (c) Paul Egleston, Math Teacher at Sun Valley, effective on or before 10/15/2021.

(6) Wage and Salary Adjustment

- (a) Amy Caputo, Math Teacher at Sun Valley, from Master's, step 15 @ \$85,529 to Master's 60, step 15 @ \$90,779 effective 9/1/2021.

(7) Tuition Reimbursement 2021/2022 School Year Adjustments

Budget Code: 10-2271-240-000-10-00-00-000

Matthew Swan \$1,500.00 West Chester University
Parkside -Integrating Ed. Tech. for Effective Instruction

Joshua Labik \$1,500.00 West Chester University
Parkside -Integrating Ed. Tech. for Effective Instruction

(8) Leaves of Absence

- (a) Employee #3237, FMLA from 11/2/2021 through 2/4/2022.
- (b) Employee #2703, adjusted FMLA from 9/1/2021 through 11/29/2021, and child-rearing leave from 11/30/2021 through 1/26/2022.
- (c) Employee #1972, temporary leave from 9/11/2021 through 10/22/2021.
- (d) Employee #3250, temporary leave from 9/20/2021 through 10/29/2021.

(9) Extra Duty Pay Athletic Assignments for the 2021/2022 School year

Appointments:

Sun Valley

Madison Liss	Asst. Cheerleading	13 Units @ \$315	\$4,095.
Nicholas DiGregory	Girls Tennis	12 Units @ \$315	\$3,780.
Andrew Shirlow	Head Co-ed Cross Country	13 Units @ \$315	\$4,095.
Vicki Rudawsky	Asst. Co-ed Cross Country	10 Units @ \$315	\$3,150.
Alhesia Booker, Jr.	Asst. Football	14 Units @ \$315	\$4,410.
Elizabeth Boccella	Head Volleyball	15 Units @ \$315	\$4,725.
Victoria Pierson	Girls Asst. Soccer	10 Units @ \$315	\$3,150.

Adjustments:

Sun Valley

Ernest Ellis	Head Football	24 Units @ \$315	\$7,560.
Anthony Pastore	Asst. Football	14 Units @ \$315	\$4,410.
Edward Racine	Asst. Football	14 Units @ \$315	\$4,410.
Alhesia Booker, Sr.	Asst. Football	14 Units @ \$315	\$4,410.
Steven Kmett	Asst. 5 Football	13 Units @ \$315	\$4,095.
Matthew Holmes	Asst. 9th Gr. Football	8 Units @ \$315	\$2,520.
Robert Chambers	Boys Head Soccer	15 Units @ \$315	\$4,725.
Owen Parente	Boys Asst. Soccer	10 Units @ \$315	\$3,150.
Alexis Damask	Girls Head Field Hockey	15 Units @ \$315	\$4,725.
Shaelynn Risley	Girls Asst. Field Hockey	10 Units @ \$315	\$3,150.
Angela Radico	Head Cheerleading	21 Units @ \$315	\$6,615.
Joshua McManus	Girls Head Soccer	15 Units @ \$315	\$4,725.
Brian Palmore	Golf	12 Units @ \$315	\$3,780.
Brian Palmore	Boys Head Baseball	15 Units @ \$315	\$4,725.

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Northley

Gail Genovese	Activities Director	26 Units @ \$315	\$8,190.
Evan Marabella	Boys 8th Gr. Soccer	9 Units @ \$315	\$2,835.
Amanda Doyle	Cheerleading	9 Units @ \$315	\$2,835.
Monica Boccella	Girls 7th Gr. Volleyball	9 Units @ \$315	\$2,835.

Rescissions:

Sun Valley Athletics

Alhesia Booker, Sr.	Asst. Football	14 Units @ \$315	\$4,410 pro-rated
Alhesia Booker, Jr.	Asst. Football	14 Units @ \$315	\$4,410 pro-rated

(10) Extra Duty Pay Non-Athletic Assignments for the 2021/2022 School Year

Appointments:

See Attached

Adjustments:

Sun Valley

Timothy Pry	Marching Band	20 Units @ \$315	\$6,300.
Michael Stadnicki	Band Assistant	5 Units @ \$315	\$1,575.
Keith Henning	Band Assistant	5 Units @ \$315	\$1,575.
Andrew Williams	Band Assistant	5 Units @ \$315	\$1,575.
Samantha Kyler	.5 Band Assistant	2.5 Units @ \$315	\$787.50
Andrew Anthony	.5 Band Assistant	2.5 Units @ \$315	\$787.50

(11) Extra Pay

(a) Special Education Recoupment Hours, IEP Writing, IEP Meetings, Outside of Contractual Hours (SVHS)

#10-1241-123-000-00-00-00-000	Hours
Erica Guidetti	4.0
Christen Verna	8.0

(b) Special Education Recoupment Hours, Safety Cares Prep, Organization, and Certification, Outside of Contractual Hours (NMS)

#10-1241-123-000-00-00-00-000	Hours
Amanda Kikut	3.0
Karen Scharrer	6.0

(c) CPM Training, Outside of Contractual Hours (SVHS)

#10-2271-360-421-30-00-00-000	Hours
Meredith Benson	6.5
Katie deRitis	12.0

(d) 6th Grade Summer Tours, Outside of Contractual Hours (NMS)

#10-1110-610-000-30-70-00-000	Hours
Deborah Blaisse	4.0
Meghan Flanagan	4.0
Elizabeth Hazlett	4.0
Nicole Sayer	10.0
Kevin Siegel	6.0
Christen Verna	4.0

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(e) Data Meeting 1, Outside of Contractual Hours (Coebourn)

#10-2260-123-989-10-00-00-000	Hours
Nikole Lutteroty	3.0
Nicole Small	3.0

(f) Team Lead Meeting, Outside of Contractual Hours (NMS)

#10-2260-123-989-30-00-00-000	Hours
Colleen Miller	4.0
Lisa Pasceri	4.0
Gina Ragan	4.0
Christen Verna	4.0

(g) ILT Meeting, Outside of Contractual Hours (NMS)

#10-2260-123-989-30-00-00-000	Hours
Nicole Armbruster	6.0

(h) Kindergarten and 3rd Grade ELA Meetings, Outside of Contractual Hours

#10-2260-123-989-10-00-00-000	Hours
Karen Cage	7.0
Trish Lydon	7.0
Ashley McColgan	7.0
Alison Miller	7.0

(i) PBIS Meeting, Outside of Contractual Hours (Pennell), 7/27/21 & 8/12/2021

#10-2260-123-989-10-00-00-000	Hours
Lindsay Dotzman	4.0
Courtney Hatch	4.0
Kris Hopkins	4.0
Maureen Irving	7.0
Laura O’Kane	4.0
Meghan Pringle	8.0
Michele Raucci	10.5
Gabby Trofa	10.5
Janet Watts	4.0
Jessica Wood	4.0

(j) Elementary Summer School Program, 7/6/2021 – 7/29/2021

#10-2260-123-989-10-00-00-000	Hours
Dawn Anderson	49.0
Adrienne Dever	23.0
Marisa Fiorelli	49.0
Rebecca Ritter	46.0
Maureen Tracy-Irving	21.0
Lauren Vitale	49.0
Randi West	51.0

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(k) Elementary Acadience Training, 8/11/2021

#10-2260-123-989-10-00-00-000	Hours
Allison Carey	4.0
Michelle Craley	4.0
Nikole Lutteroty	4.0
Deborah Politano	4.0
Michele Raucci	4.0
Lauren Vitale	4.0
Morgan Zimmerman	4.0

9.04 Personnel – Classified

(1) Appointment

- (a) Haylie Mack, part-time evening Custodian at Parkside @ \$16.53/hour, up to 25 hours/week, 190 days/year, with part-time benefits in accordance with the PDSSPA contract, effective 9/7/2021.

(2) Retirement

- (a) Virginia Endres, Bus Aide, effective 7/22/2021.
- (b) Joseph Endres, Bus Driver, effective 7/28/2021.

(3) Resignation

- (a) Rebecca Pittman, part-time Custodian Floater, effective 8/5/2021.
- (b) Kara Taylor, Lifeguard at Northley, effective 7/18/2021.
- (c) Olivia Carr, Lifeguard at Northley, effective 7/18/2021.
- (d) Chase Segool, Lifeguard at Northley, effective 8/8/2021.
- (e) Madison Koons, Lifeguard at Northley, effective 8/18/2021.

(4) Change of Status

- (a) Joseph Coletta from regular Bus Driver to substitute Bus Driver @ \$21.75/hour, on call as needed, no benefits, effective 9/7/2021.
- (b) Linda Miles from Playground/Café Assistant to substitute Assistant @ \$10.66/hour, on call as needed, no benefits, effective 9/7/2021.
- (c) Thomas O'Hara from substitute Custodian to Maintenance Specialist @ \$18.79/hour, 8 hours/day, 261 days/year, with full-time benefits in accordance with the PDSSPA contract effective 7/28/2021.
- (d) Jim Gentile, Jr. from Security Guard to Technology Support Technician (SB, step 1) at Sun Valley @ \$16.81/hour, up to 37.5 hours/week, 261 days/year with full-time benefits in accordance with the PDESPA contract, effective 8/16/2021.
- (e) Todd Seibert from part-time Custodian at Aston to full-time Assistant Head Custodian/Pool at Northley @ \$17.86/hour, 8 hours/day, 261 days/year, with full-time benefits in accordance with the PDSSPA contract, effective 8/16/2021.
- (f) Joan Gibson from Playground/Café Assistant at Parkside Elementary to substitute Assistant @ \$10.66/hour, on call as needed, no benefits, effective 9/7/2021.
- (g) David Collicchio from part-time Custodian at Northley to full-time Custodian at Northley @ \$17.73/hour, up to 40 hours/week, 261 days/year with full-time benefits in accordance with the PDSSPA contract, effective 9/1/2021.

ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION - Continued

References: Penn-Delco Budget 2020-2021; Penn-Delco Budget 2021-2022; Act 93 Plans; PDEA Agreement; PDESPA Agreement; PDSSPA Agreement; PA School Code Section 1108B.

Administrative Recommendation: To approve all personnel items as presented.

Following a motion by Mrs. Powell and seconded by Mrs. Esler motions 9.02 – 9.04 were unanimously approved.

Voting Aye: All
Voting No: None

9.05 Change Order – Sun Valley High School Renovation Project

MOTION: To approve change order MC-01 to Gaudelli Bros., Inc., for owner directed changes for a credit amount of \$400,000, as presented.

9.06 Tax Appeals

MOTION: To authorize and direct the Solicitor to finalize the settlement of the real estate tax assessment appeal for 0 Concord Road, Aston, PA (Folio #02-00-00464-00) at an assessment of \$750,000.

9.07 Basketball Team Overnight Field Trip

MOTION: To approve the request for Sun Valley High School basketball team to travel by chartered bus to Springfield, Massachusetts for a scrimmage and visit to the NBA Hall of Fame. Players and Coaches will leave December 2, 2021 and return December 5, 2021.

9.08 Student Handbooks (Tabled)

MOTION: To approve the PDSD Student handbooks for the 2021-2022 school year, as presented.

9.09 Special Education Long-term Substitute Learning Support Position

MOTION: To approve changing the Cyber K-12 LTS position to a LTS Learning Support Teacher position at Sun Valley High School for the 2021-2022 school year.

9.10 Acting Principal Appointment

MOTION: To approve the appointment of Dr. Danielle Murray as Acting Principal at Pennell Elementary School, effective 8/19/2021.

9.11 Preparation, Solicitation & Advertisement of Bids

MOTION: Request approval to prepare bid specifications and advertisement for Chiller Replacement at Aston Elementary, funded by Capital Project Fund.

9.12 Penn-Delco Bus Routes 2021-2022

MOTION: To approve the proposed bus routes and bus stops for the 2021-2022 school year, as presented.

9.13 Before/After-Care Services

MOTION: To approve the addendum to Lease Agreement for "Today's Child," an agreement for before/after and extended care services, effective 2021 - 2023 school years.

ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION - Continued

9.14 Rental Agreement

MOTION: To approve rental agreement with Daikin Applied, for Chiller rental at Aston Elementary School, as presented.

9.15 Disposal of Items

MOTION: To approve the disposal of all Envision Math and Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Journeys for grades K - 5, which are no longer needed.

9.16 GPS – Transportation

MOTION: To approve the 2-year agreement with Tyler Technologies, Inc. to provide GPS Hardware and Service, as presented.

9.17 Naviance Agreement

MOTION: To approve the agreement with Naviance by Powerschool, a College and Career Software Provider.

9.18 Special Education Agreements

9.18.1 MOTION: To approve the agreement with US Medical Staffing, Inc., as presented.

9.18.2 MOTION: To approve the agreement for 1:1 Services with Cades for Student #42834, as presented.

9.18.3 MOTION: To approve the agreement for 1:1 Services with Cades for Student #43486, as presented.

9.18.4 MOTION: To approve the 2021-2022 agreement with Cades for Student #43486, as presented.

9.18.5 MOTION: To approve the agreement with Soliant Health, as presented.

9.18.6 MOTION: To approve the agreement with Mill Creek School for Student #24588, as presented.

9.18.7 MOTION: To approve the agreement with Building Blocks Behavioral Services, as presented.

9.18.8 MOTION: To approve the agreement for 1:1 Services with the Elwyn Davidson School for Student #55841, as presented.

9.18.9 MOTION: To approve the agreement for 1:1 Services with the Elwyn Davidson School for Student #24764, as presented.

9.18.10 MOTION: To approve the agreement of services between PDSD and Community Integrated Services, Inc. as presented.

9.18.11 MOTION: To approve the contract for services with Milagre Kids School for student #25483, as presented.

9.18.12 MOTION: To approve the agreement with The Timothy School for student #43894, as presented.

9.18.13 MOTION: To approve the agreement with Humanus, as presented.

9.18.14 MOTION: To approve the Settlement Agreement and Release for Student #36092, as presented.

ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION - Continued

9.20 PDSB CARES Committee Charter (Tabled)

MOTION: To approve the PDSB CARES Committee Charter, as presented.

Following a motion by Mrs. Ellis and seconded by Mrs. Esler motions 9.05 – 9.07 and 9.09 – 9.18 were unanimously approved.

Voting Aye: All
Voting No: None

9.19 PDSB Covid-19 Health and Safety Plan

MOTION: To approve the updated Covid-19 Health and Safety Plan for the 2021-2022 school year, as presented.

Comments:

President Armour indicated in this plan, masks are suggested, not recommended.

Following a motion by Mrs. Esler and seconded by Mrs. Ellis the above motion was unanimously approved.

Voting Aye: All
Voting No: None

9.21 Motion Added by School Board President regarding Volleyball Assistance

MOTION: To permit the Volleyball Booster Club to assist the Varsity and JV coaches, if the coaches welcome the assistance. As with any volunteer situation, all clearances are necessary, and any and all other applicable laws apply

Comments:

Dr. Steinhoff indicated the Administration doesn't agree with this recommendation; however if voted upon will abide by the Board's decision.

Mrs. Jones wanted it publically known, in order to have a season, they needed to appoint this coach.

Following a motion by Mrs. Powell and seconded by Mrs. Esler the above motion was unanimously approved.

Voting Aye: All
Voting No: None

COMMENTS BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Elena Alboretto – 62 Colonial Circle Aston; commented on masks, if children are being sent in with masks, she doesn't want teachers telling them to remove them.

Amber Bonavita – 2400 Weir Road – Aston; asked why we are not requiring masks; this is a public safety issue.

Paul Egleston – 2881 Pancoast Ave – Aston; disagrees with the earlier comment regarding the Athletic Director.

Sue Fee Schaeffer – 2350 Clearview Lane – Aston; asked if the COVID dashboard would be maintained this year? Dr. Steinhoff currently there is no plan to maintain it, as we don't have the resources from the Chester County Health Department anymore.

Nicole Armbruster – 4210 Springhouse Lane – Aston & PDEA President; thanked the Board for approving their contract. She also thanked those involved in reaching this agreement.

Rich Deal – 30 Victoria Drive – Aston; commented on the new volleyball coach.

Amy Kusen – 2160 Arbor Lane – Aston; asked a question about free lunches in September; is Penn-Delco going to participate again?

Sarah Constan – 15 Hoag Lane – Aston; commented on the Health and Safety Plan.

Devon Scarpato – 2515 Dutton Mill Rd – Aston; commented on masks, thanked everyone for their hard work.

Heather Jordan – 29 Woodbrook Way – Aston; disappointment on the non-mandating of masks. Asked how 3-ft will work; Asynchronous Learning; and close contact clarification. Dr. Steinhoff answered her questions regarding distancing and close contact, while Dr. Kuminka answered her question regarding Asynchronous Learning.

Lily Egbert – 210 Spring Valley Way – Aston; opposes the motion for mask optional. She supports mask mandate. She thanked the teachers for all their help last school year.

Loralee Lichtenstein – 115 Vinsmith Ave – Aston; commented on mask decision; what would make the Board change their mind to mandate mask wearing.

Anthony Calise – 2390 Clearview Lane – Aston; is in support of the Board's decision on masks.

COMMENTS BY MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

President Armour thanked the Board for agreeing to have the meeting via Zoom this evening. He is out of town and wanted to attend, and this also allowed more of the public to participate this way.

Mrs. Esler thanked the Board for tabling the CARES agenda item. She also commented on resources used; need to discuss in person and review all information before making a decision.

Dr. Steinhoff strongly disagrees with the earlier comments regarding the Athletic Director. He did everything he could do to ensure the team had a season.

Mrs. Jones wanted clarification that Dr. Steinhoff stated that there would be no season if we didn't hire this person this evening. Dr. Steinhoff indicated that was correct; there were no other options available to ensure a season.

ADJOURNMENT

Following a motion by Mrs. Jones and seconded by Mrs. Powell the Board adjourned by unanimous consent at 10:04 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Erik Zebley
Board Secretary

Next Meetings: Wednesday, September 15, 2021 – Study Session – Service Center – 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, September 22, 2021 – Board Meeting – Service Center - 7:30 p.m.