

The Shenango Area School District Board of Directors met in a regular session Monday, February 12, 2024, in the Shenango Elementary School Library with the following members:

Present: Andy Bruno, Al Burick, Jeana Colella, John Colella, Doug Columbus, Jennifer Cox, Merle Glass, Michael Miloser (by phone), Denise Palkovich

Absent:

Others Present: Adam Vincent, Joe McCormick, Derek Sumner, Todd Anthony, Jim Janacone, Lauren Chappell, Jennifer Haben

President Glass asked all to stand for a moment of silent prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Correspondence

None

Committee Reports

Policy committee requested a review of the bullying policies.

Buildings & Grounds Committee discussed playground upgrades.

Mr. Colella commented on schedules, rates and policies for the recreation complex.

Administrative Reports

Mr. Vincent introduced a presentation by Mr. Keene and student members of the Wellness Committee: Thomas White, Nicolina Parrott, Lexilyn Tepsic, Chazlyn Fontana, Waylon Henry

Building Administration updated the Board on upcoming events and activities.

Public Comment

Bill Cheslock presented a donation from the Class of 1968 and commented on shop classes in schools.

Approve Agenda

On a motion by D. Palkovich, seconded by John Colella, the agenda was approved by a unanimous voice vote.

Approve Minutes

On a motion by D. Palkovich, seconded by A. Burick, the minutes of the regular meeting of January 15, 2024, as written on pages 3256-3258 were approved by a unanimous voice vote.

Executive Session

None

Additions to the Agenda

None

Old Business-Federal Funds et al

None

New Business

1. On a motion by John Colella, seconded by A. Burick, the following financial items were approved and filed for audit by a unanimous roll call vote:
 - a. Bills paid as listed on page 3260 in the amount of \$363,921.11
 - b. Financial statements for January 2024 as shown on pages 3261-3262 with an ending balance of \$3,247.99
 - c. Activity/Athletic Reports for January 2024
 - d. Cafeteria Reports for January 2024
 - e. 2023 real estate and per capita tax reconciliation reports prepared by Shenango

Township Tax Collector, Mary Jane Cousins, and South New Castle Borough Tax Collector, Jolene Thompson

2. On a motion by A. Burick, seconded by D. Palkovich, the following personnel items were approved by a unanimous voice vote:
 - a. Robbi Austin and Adeline Tellier (Elementary) were added to the day-to-day substitute list contingent upon administrative assurance that all necessary requirements are met
 - b. Resignation of Jeana Turco as Elementary Head Cook, effective May 31, 2024
 - c. 2024-2025 support staff work calendars
 - d. Paula Natale to take a family medical leave on January 15-31, 2024, and then intermittently for the remainder of the 2023-2024 school year, not to exceed twelve weeks
 - e. Dana Alfasatleh to take unpaid days on February 12-15, 2024
 - f. Jodi Iannucci to take a family medical leave on February 5-April 26, 2024
3. On a motion by Jeana Colella, seconded by John Colella, the following field trips were approved by a unanimous voice vote:
 - a. Conservation Club to host ski trips to Holiday Valley on February 2 & March 2, 2024 at no cost to the district except the use of school vans
 - b. Mr. Allay and Students Helping Students to attend the Special Olympics Cool Schools Polar Plunge at Acrisure Stadium on February 23, 2024, at a cost to the district for transportation and one substitute teacher
 - c. Mr. Merlino to take members of the e-sports club to Edinboro University for a Game Programming/e-sports Career Day on March 1, 2024, with a cost to the district of one substitute teacher and use of a school van
4. On a motion by D. Palkovich, seconded by A. Burick, the request of Jeff Allay to use the recreation complex to host a Unified Bocce tournament during the school day on March 26, 2024, with Jr. High participants from Laurel, Mohawk, New Castle, and Union, with a cost to the district of one substitute teacher was approved by a unanimous voice vote.
5. On a motion by D. Palkovich, seconded by John Colella, the Administration was authorized to enter into an agreement with Allied Coordinated Transportation Services to provide transportation services as needed by a unanimous voice vote.
6. On a motion by A. Burick, seconded by A. Bruno, Matt R. Colella was approved as Boys' Baseball JV Coach with compensation awarded in the amount of \$2,074 representing step 1 of the Board-approved 2023-2024 Athletic Coaches Salary Schedule by a roll call vote of (6) Yes (Bruno, Burick, Jeana Colella, John Colella, Columbus, Glass, and (3) No (Cox, Miloser, Palkovich).
7. On a motion by John Colella, seconded by Jeana Colella, the Board approved the revision of the Technology Assistant position to become Technology Assistant/Payroll Clerk by a unanimous voice vote.
8. On a motion by A. Bruno, seconded by Jeana Colella, John Othites had a change of status from Technology Assistant to Technology Assistant/Payroll Clerk by a unanimous voice vote.

Adjournment

On a motion by D. Palkovich, seconded by John Colella, the meeting was adjourned by a unanimous voice vote at 7:34 p.m.