

TYRONE AREA SCHOOL BOARD

REGULAR SESSION MEETING

August 8, 2023

MINUTES

Members Present: Mollie Bakhsheshe, Rose Black, Brian Bressler, Kris Laird, Bill Lash, Jeff Long, Randy Miles, James Raabe, Gunter Volders

Members Absent: None

Student Representatives Present: None

Media Present: Meredith Peachey, *The Daily Herald*

Administration Present: Leslie Estep, Faith Swanson

Others Present: None

Public Present: None

OPENING EXERCISES

President Rose Black called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. All present were asked to stand and pledge allegiance to the American flag, followed by a moment of silent meditation. President Black announced that the meeting was being audio taped and welcomed everyone present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

In the form of a motion, Mr. Gunter Volders recommended board approval to the proposed agenda for the August 8, 2023 regular session meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bill Lash, and it carried by a roll call vote of 9-0-0. (Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Brian Bressler, yes; Kris Laird, yes; Jeff Long, yes; Randy Miles, yes; James Raabe, yes; Gunter Volders, yes; Bill Lash, yes; Rose Black, yes)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

In the form of a motion, Mr. Kris Laird recommended board approval to the minutes of the July 11, 2023 Regular Session. Mr. Gunter Volders seconded the motion, and it carried by a roll call vote of 9-0-0. (Bill Lash, yes; Gunter Volders, yes; James Raabe, yes; Randy Miles, yes; Jeff Long, yes; Kris Laird, yes; Brian Bressler, yes; Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Rose Black, yes)

PUBLIC INPUT

None

FINANCIAL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

In the form of a motion, Mr. Randy Miles recommended board approval to Report #1 - Treasurer's Financial Report for period ending July 31, 2023. Mr. Gunter Volders seconded the motion and the motion carried with a roll call vote of 9-0-0. (Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Brian Bressler, yes; Kris Laird, yes; Jeff Long, yes; Randy Miles, yes; James Raabe, yes; Gunter Volders, yes; Bill Lash, yes; Rose Black, yes)

In the form of a motion, Mr. Randy Miles recommended board approval to Report #2 – Tax Collection Report for period ending July 31, 2023. Mr. Kris Laird seconded the motion and the motion carried with a roll call vote of 9-0-0. (Bill Lash, yes; Gunter Volders, yes; James Raabe, yes; Randy Miles, yes; Jeff Long, yes; Kris Laird, yes; Brian Bressler, yes; Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Rose Black, yes)

In the form of a motion, Mr. Randy Miles recommended board approval to Report #3 – Monthly Expenditures for July 2023. Mr. James Raabe seconded the motion and the motion carried with a roll call vote of 9-0-0. (Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Brian Bressler, yes; Kris Laird, yes; Jeff Long, yes; Randy Miles, yes; James Raabe, yes; Gunter Volders, yes; Bill Lash, yes; Rose Black, yes)

In the form of a motion, Mr. Randy Miles recommended board approval to Report #4 – Investment Analysis Report for the period ending June 30, 2023. Mr. Bill Lash seconded the motion and the motion carried with a roll call vote of 9-0-0. (Bill Lash, yes; Gunter Volders, yes; James Raabe, yes; Randy Miles, yes; Jeff Long, yes; Kris Laird, yes; Brian Bressler, yes; Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Rose Black, yes)

In the form of a motion, Mr. Randy Miles recommended board approval to Report #5 – Student Activities Fund for the period ending July 31, 2023. Mrs. Mollie Bakhsheshe seconded the motion and the motion carried with a roll call vote of 9-0-0. (Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Brian Bressler, yes; Kris Laird, yes; Jeff Long, yes; Randy Miles, yes; James Raabe, yes; Gunter Volders, yes; Bill Lash, yes; Rose Black, yes)

In the form of a motion, Mr. Randy Miles recommended board approval to Report #6 – Scholarship Report for the period ending July 31, 2023. Mr. Kris Laird seconded the motion and the motion carried with a roll call vote of 9-0-0. (Bill Lash, yes; Gunter Volders, yes; James Raabe, yes; Randy Miles, yes; Jeff Long, yes; Kris Laird, yes; Brian Bressler, yes; Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Rose Black, yes)

In the form of a motion, Mr. Randy Miles recommended board approval to the following items under Section B - Consensus Vote of the August 8, 2023 Regular Session Agenda. Mrs. Mollie Bakhsheshe seconded the motion and the motion carried with a roll call vote of 9-0-0. (Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Brian Bressler, yes; Kris Laird, yes; Jeff Long, yes; Randy Miles, yes; James Raabe, yes; Gunter Volders, yes; Bill Lash, yes; Rose Black, yes)

I. ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE BOARD

A. Pending and Current Committee Reports, as called by the Board President

1. Student Activities and Services Committee - Chairperson James Raabe

A. Retirements/Resignations

Name	Position	Retirement or Resignation	Effective Date
Kyle Bartlett	Boys Varsity Assistant Soccer Coach	Resignation/To Remain as Volunteer	July 18, 2023

Name	Position	Retirement or Resignation	Effective Date
Bailey Christine	Boys Jr. High Head Soccer Coach	Resignation	July 18, 2023
Frank Germino	Jr. High Head Softball Coach	Resignation	August 4, 2023
Courtney Finney	Girls Jr. High Assistant Soccer Coach	Resignation	August 9, 2023

B. Elections

Name	Position	Salary	Benefits	Effective Date
Bailey Christine	Boys Varsity Assistant Soccer Coach	\$2,117.70 Stipend	N/A	August 9, 2023
Donald Coffey	Boys Jr. High Head Soccer Coach	\$1,882.40 Stipend	N/A	August 9, 2023
Caroline Showalter	Girls Varsity Assistant Basketball Coach	\$2,911.95 Stipend	N/A	August 9, 2023
Courtney Finney	Girls Jr. High Head Soccer Coach	\$1,882.40 Stipend	N/A	August 9, 2023

- C. Request board approval to enter 2023-24 agreement with Blair County Head Start to provide breakfast and lunch at the following rates: Breakfast: \$2.25; Lunch \$3.50; snacks \$1.25, representing a \$0.75 increase in meals and a \$.45 increase in snacks from the 2022-23 school year.

2. Financial Operations Committee – Treasurer Randy Miles

- A. Request board approval to enter into a 3-year commitment (9/22/23 -9/21/26) with CDW Education of Chicago, Il. for the purchase of Google Education Plus licensing for district staff and students with level annual payments of \$8,707.50. This is a budgeted item under the 2023-24 Technology Budget.
- B. Request board approval for the flowing contract renewals as budgeted under the 2023-24 Technology budget.

Product	Company	Effective Dates	Costs
Gopher for Chrome	CDW Education	10/1/2023-9/30/2024	\$1,100.00
Zoom	Zoom Video Communications Inc	9/10/2023-9/9/2024	\$8,000.00

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Product	Company	Effective Dates	Costs
Microsoft Unified Support	Lancaster Lebanon IU-13	9/1/2023-8/31/2024	\$5,635.00
Starwind Application Support & Maintenance	Starwind Software	1/1/2024-12/31/2024	\$5,635.00

- C. Request board approval to the Lease Agreement with Substitute Teacher Services for periodic use of office space during the 2023-24 school year with total revenue of \$2,400.
- D. Request board approval to Contract for Supplemental School Nursing Services with BAYADA Home Health Care, Inc., 2123 E. College Avenue, Ste 200, State College, PA 16801 at a rate of \$50 per hour. This represents an increase of \$5/hr. from the 2022-2023 school year.
- E. Request board approval to agreement with Terry Tollman, CRNP, PO Box 4239, Hidden Valley, PA to review district's Medical Access files at the rate of \$10 per IEP effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.
- F. Request board approval to enter a contract with Nittany Learning Services of 300 S. Harrison Road, Pleasant Gap, PA 16823 to provide alternative education services for disruptive youth at a cost of \$135/day and a pre-purchased unit rate of \$16,500.
- G. Request board approval for use of the Paraeducator Suite through the Appalachia Intermediate Unit 08 for online professional development for district paraprofessionals at a cost of \$50 per person.

3. Human Resources Committee – Chairperson Gunter Volders

A. Retirements/Resignations

Name	Position	Retirement/Resignation	Effective Date
Abigail Miller	Paraprofessional	Resignation	July 25, 2023
Morgan Wineland	Daycare Lead Teacher	Resignation	August 4, 2023
Amanda Burega	Business Education Teacher	Resignation	August 18, 2023
Elizabeth Ditty	Kindergarten Teacher	Resignation	August 1, 2023
Sara Shock	Daycare Lead Teacher	Resignation, to remain on substitute list	August 4, 2023
Katelyn Diehl	Special Education Teacher	Resignation	August 3, 2023

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Name	Position	Retirement/Resignation	Effective Date
Ronda Dodson	Middle School Science	Resignation	To be determined

B. Elections

Name	Position	Assignment	Stipend or Rate/Hour	Benefits	Effective Date
Jenna Bartlett	Middle School Teacher	187 Contract Days 7.5 hrs/day 5 days/week	\$47,007.00	10 Sick Days 2 Personal Days Full Benefits	August 21, 2023
Lauren Garda	Special Education Liaison	Up to 2 hrs/month	\$29.97/hr	No Change in Current Benefits	August 21, 2023
Krista Morrison	Special Education Paraprofessional	6.5 hrs/day 5 days/week	\$12.25/hr	10 Sick Days 2 Personal Days No Other Benefits	August 21, 2023
Lenelle Eades Grade 11	High School Café Student Worker	Maximum of 15 hrs/wk	\$7.25/hr	No Benefits	August 24, 2023
Addison Teeters Grade 10	High School Café Student Worker	Maximum of 15 hrs/wk	\$7.25/hr	No Benefits	August 24, 2023
Cheylynn Herbster Grade 11	High School Café Student Worker	Maximum of 15 hrs/wk	\$7.25/hr	No Benefits	August 24, 2023
Riley Corl Grade 12	High School Café Student Worker	Maximum of 15 hrs/wk	\$7.25/hr	No Benefits	August 24, 2023
Jenna Watson Grade 10	High School Café Student Worker	Maximum of 15 hrs/wk	\$7.25/hr	No Benefits	August 24, 2023
Alexa Boozer Grade 11	High School Café Student Worker	Maximum of 15 hrs/wk	\$7.25/hr	No Benefits	August 24, 2023
Tyler Smyder Grade 12	High School Café Student Worker	Maximum of 15 hrs/wk	\$7.25/hr	No Benefits	August 24, 2023
Bryanna Britten Grade 12	High School Café Student Worker	Maximum of 15 hrs/wk	\$7.25/hr	No Benefits	August 24, 2023
Piper Christine	Special Education Paraprofessional	6 hrs/day 5 days/week	\$12.25/hr	10 Sick Days 2 Personal Days No Other Benefits	August 21, 2023
Breanna Nelson	Early Intervention Paraprofessional	6 hrs/day 5 days/week	\$12.25/hr	10 Sick Days 2 Personal Days No Other Benefits	August 21, 2023
Darla Owlett	Special Education Paraprofessional	6 hrs/day 5 days/week	\$12.25/hr	10 Sick Days 2 Personal Days No Other Benefits	August 21, 2023

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Name	Position	Assignment	Stipend or Rate/Hour	Benefits	Effective Date
Lisa Rivard	Secondary English Teacher	187 Contract Days 7.5 hrs/day 5 days/week	\$54,044	10 Sick Days 2 Personal Days Full Benefits	August 21, 2023 or upon release from current employer
Erica Schopp	Long-Term Substitute 2 nd Grade – 1 st Semester Only	187 Contract Days Prorated 7.5 hrs/day 5 days/week	\$47,007.00 Prorated	5 Sick Days 1 Personal Days Full Benefits Prorated	August 21, 2023
Kristen Scheel	Mentor for TAES Special Education Teacher Lesley Miller First Marking Period 2023-24 School Year	N/A	Stipend – \$ 170.50	No Change in Current Benefits	August 21, 2023
Deborah Estright	Mentor for TAES Technology Teacher Corey Zupon First Marking Period 2023- 24 School Year	N/A	Stipend – \$ 170.50	No Change in Current Benefits	August 21, 2023
Sara Wagner	Mentor for TAES Reading Specialist Jessica Seidel First Marking Period 2023- 24 School Year	N/A	Stipend – \$ 170.50	No Change in Current Benefits	August 21, 2023
Shannon Neumann	Mentor for TAES First Grade Teacher Ava Focht 2023-24 School Year	N/A	Stipend – \$ 637.77	No Change in Current Benefits	August 21, 2023
Amanda Golden	Mentor for TAES Third Grade Teacher Logan Black 2023-24 School Year	N/A	Stipend – \$ 637.77	No Change in Current Benefits	August 21, 2023
Heather Koehle	Mentor for T ASD Speech & Language Teacher Alexandra Williams 2023-24 School Year	N/A	Stipend – \$ 637.77	No Change in Current Benefits	August 21, 2023
Dawn Whited	Mentor for TAMS Fifth Grade Teacher Jenna Bartlett 2023- 24 School Year	N/A	Stipend – \$637.77	No Change in Current Benefits	August 21, 2023
Stephanie McClelland	Mentor for TAMS Fifth Grade Teacher Kerri Geesey First Marking Period 2023- 24 School Year	N/A	Stipend – \$170.50	No Change in Current Benefits	August 21, 2023
Kelsie Bumbarger	Mentor TAMS Sixth Grade Teacher Samantha Raabe First Marking Period 2023-24 School Year	N/A	Stipend – \$170.50	No Change in Current Benefits	August 21, 2023

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Louise Seidel	Mentor for TAMS Special Education Teacher Jennifer Bryan First Marking Period 2023-24 School Year	N/A	Stipend – \$170.50	No Change in Current Benefits	August 21, 2023
Jill Dale	Mentor for TAMS Special Education Teacher Tina Lewis First Marking Period 2023-24 School Year	N/A	Stipend – \$170.50	No Change in Current Benefits	August 21, 2023
Rudy Bilka	Mentor for TAMS Eighth Grade ELA Teacher Jay Hurley 2023-24 School Year	N/A	Stipend – \$637.77	No Change in Current Benefits	August 21, 2023
Angel Bartel	Daycare Paraprofessional (Assistant Group Supervisor)	6 hrs/day 5 days/week	\$12.25/hr	10 Sick Days 2 Personal Days No Other Benefits	August 21, 2023
Sherry Fink- Lockard	Daycare Paraprofessional (Assistant Group Supervisor)	8 hrs/day 3 days/week	\$12.25/hr	5 Sick Days 1 Personal Day No Other Benefits	August 21, 2023
Lisa Williams	Daycare Paraprofessional (Aide)	8 hrs/day 5 days/week	\$12.25/hr	10 Sick Days 2 Personal Days No Other Benefits	August 21, 2023
Montana Cole	Daycare Paraprofessional (Aide)	4 hrs/day 3 days/week	\$12.25/hr	5 Sick Days 1 Personal Day No Other Benefits	August 21, 2023
McKayla Conrad	Daycare Paraprofessional (Aide)	8 hrs/day 5 days/week	\$12.25/hr	10 Sick Days 2 Personal Days No Other Benefits	August 21, 2023
Jessica Rhoades	Paraprofessional	6 hrs/day 5 days/week	\$12.25/hr	10 Sick Days 2 Personal Days No Other Benefits	August 21, 2023

- C. Request board approval to 2023-24 Substitute and Long-Term Volunteer List.
- D. Request board approval for unpaid leave of absence for Employee #12226 from the approximate time period of November 9, 2023 through January 1, 2024.
- E. Request board approval to authorize the Human Resources Committee and Administration to offer employment to candidates pending Board approval between August 9, 2023 and September 5, 2023.

4. Educational Programs and Materials – Chairperson Kris Laird

- A. Request board approval to renew articulation agreement with Delaware Valley College and Tyrone Area High School for specified courses upon completion of the TAHS agriculture curriculum.
- B. Request board approval to purchase professional development from Savvas for *My Perspectives Program Implementation Essentials Training* for the 7th and 8th grade ELA program at a cost of \$1,400.
- C. Following the 30-day review period, request board approval for the Tyrone Area Elementary School Library donated title.
- D. Request board approval for 2023-24 TSI Title I School Plan for the Tyrone Area Elementary School.
- E. Request board approval for the Memorandum of Understanding with Child Advocates of Blair County to provide Early Intervention Services for the 2023-24 school year.
- F. Request board approval to agreement with Juniata College for participation in the Science in Motion program for the 2023-24 school year. Program will be funded by the Title IV grant.

5. Physical Plant and Operations Committee – Chairperson Jeff Long

- A. Request board approval to listing of 2023-24 Student Transportation Drivers for Beckwith Buses and Raystown Transit Service.
- B. Request Board approval to accept the quote from Builders Hardware & Specialty Company in the amount of \$55,462.50 to purchase and install interior classroom thumb locks throughout the district funded by the PCCD Mental Health Safety and Security Grant.
- C. Request Board approval to accept the quote from Watters Masonry & Construction in the amount of \$18,960.00 for concrete sidewalks and slab at the Soccer Field.
- D. Request Board approval to purchase custodial supplies for the 2023 – 2024 school year at a total cost of \$39,994.13.
- E. Request Board approval to purchase Danley Outdoor Speakers from Knight Sound at the cost of \$3,400 for the Softball Field.
- F. Request Board approval to purchase two ball stopper systems for Gray Field from Aluminum Athletic Equipment at the cost of \$12,823.75.
- G. Request Board approval to purchase a Greens Groomer from Pioneer Athletics at the cost of \$5,118.25.

6. **Employee Relations Committee** – Chairperson William Lash

- A. Request board approval to 2023-2024 Joint District Staff Handbook, Staff Handbook Changes.

7. **Board Regulatory Activities Committee** – Chairperson Brian Bressler

- A. Request board approval to the following handbooks for the 2023-24 School Year.
1. Elementary Parent-Student Handbook, TAES Handbook Changes
 2. Middle School Student-Parent Handbook, MS Handbook Changes
 3. High School Student-Parent Handbook, HS Handbook Changes
 4. Cyber Academy Handbook, Cyber Academy Handbook Changes
 5. Agency Staff Handbook
 6. Daycare Parent Handbook; Daycare Handbook Changes
- B. Submitted for the first reading are the following board policies:
1. Policy 146.1 Trauma-Informed Approach – Revised
 2. Policy 222 Tobacco and Vaping Products – Revised
 3. Policy 705 Facilities and Workplace Safety – Revised
 4. Policy 707 Use of School Facilities – Revised
 5. Policy 709 Building Security - Revised

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. Bill Lash motioned to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Faith M. Swanson
Board Secretary