

February 21, 2024

At 6:00 p.m. the Board held their Committee Meeting, briefly reviewing agenda items. Also during Committee, Brenda Pawlowski from Kotzan presented the June 30, 2023 Audit Report. The Board ended their Committee Meeting and entered Executive Session to discuss personnel. The Board exited Executive Session at 6:34pm to start the Regular Meeting.

The Blacklick Valley School Board met in person in Regular Session at 6:35 p.m. for General Purposes in the Conference Room of the Blacklick Valley Jr. Sr. High School, 555 Birch Street, Nanty Glo, PA 15943 with Angela Villa, Board President, presiding and the following members present:

Michael Gdula, Elizabeth Kreashko, Larry Kupchella, Gregory O'Farrell, Shawn McMullen, Jeffrey Szymusiak, Don Thomas (attending via phone), and Joe Villa.

Members Absent: None.

Others Present: Mr. William Kanich, Superintendent, Bethany Peracchino, Business Manager/Board Secretary, Ed Alexander, High School Principal, Tammy Boring, Special Ed Director, Ron Rhoades, Elementary Principal, and Steve Szymusiak, School Police Officer.

Recognition of Guests- None.

Moved by Michael Gdula, seconded by Shawn McMullen, to approve the minutes from the January 17, 2024 Regular Board Meeting.

Voting on Motion:

Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively

Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively

Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively

Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively

Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively

Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively

Shawn McMullen Voting Affirmatively

Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively

Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively

Motion Carried

Moved by Shawn McMullen, seconded by Jeffrey Szymusiak, to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month ending January 31, 2024.

Voting on Motion:

Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively

Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively

Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively

Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively

Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively

Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively

Shawn McMullen Voting Affirmatively

Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively

Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively

Motion Carried

Moved by Elizabeth Kreashko, seconded by Michael Gdula, to approve the following motions:

Motion to approve the payment of the Regular Bills in the amount of \$119,310.51.

Motion to approve the payment of the Cafeteria Bills in the amount of \$251.66.

Motion to approve the estimated payment of the February 2024 Payroll in the amount of \$308,020.70 and the estimated transfer of \$308,020.70 from the General Fund to the Payroll Account.

Motion to approve the estimated payment of the February 2024 Cafeteria Payroll in the amount of \$14,964.92 and the estimated transfer of \$14,964.92 from the Cafeteria Fund to the General Fund Account.

Motion to approve the Cafeteria Fund Report for the month ending January 31, 2024, showing a balance of \$409,205.23.

Motion to approve the Athletic Fund Report for the month ending January 31, 2024, showing a balance of \$3,680.47.

Voting on Motion:

Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively

Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively

Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively

Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively

Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively

Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively

Shawn McMullen Voting Affirmatively

Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively

Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively

Motion Carried

Moved by Larry Kupchella, seconded by Elizabeth Kreashko, to approve the Local Auditor's Report for the year ending June 30, 2023.

Voting on Motion:

Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively

Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively

Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively

Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively

Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively

Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively

Shawn McMullen Voting Affirmatively

Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively

Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively

Motion Carried

Moved by Michael Gdula, seconded by Joe Villa, to approve Snyder Brothers as the District's gas supplier for a term of 30 months at a fixed price of \$3.640/DTH.

Voting on Motion:

Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively

Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively

Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively

Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively

Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively

Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively

Shawn McMullen Voting Affirmatively

Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively

Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively

Motion Carried

Moved by Jeffrey Szymusiak, seconded by Shawn McMullen, to approve the Blacklick Valley School District Health and Safety plan for the remainder 2023-2024 school year.

Voting on Motion:

Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively

Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively

Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively

Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively

Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively

Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively

Shawn McMullen Voting Affirmatively

Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively

Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively

Motion Carried

Moved by Jeffrey Szymusiak, seconded by Shawn McMullen, to approve the 2024-2025 School Calendar.

Voting on Motion:

Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively

Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively

Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively

Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively

Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively

Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively

Shawn McMullen Voting Affirmatively

Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively

Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively

Motion Carried

Moved by Jeffrey Szymusiak, seconded by Shawn McMullen, to approve the following invoices to Hinkle Plumbing and Heating for emergency replacement of the hot water heater at the Elementary:

Cost of the Water Heater- \$21,100.00

Labor and Materials- \$3,800.00

Voting on Motion:

Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively

Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively

Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively

Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively

Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively

Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively

Shawn McMullen Voting Affirmatively

Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively

Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively

Motion Carried

Moved by Elizabeth Kreashko, seconded by Larry Kupchella, to hire Kim Hagens as a paraprofessional at a starting rate of \$9.00/hour, pending receipt of clearances.

Voting on Motion:

Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively

Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively

Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively

Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively

Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively

Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively

Shawn McMullen Voting Affirmatively

Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively

Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively

Motion Carried

Moved by Elizabeth Kreashko, seconded by Larry Kupchella, to accept the resignation of Scott Cook as Assistant Track Coach, effective immediately.

Voting on Motion:

Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively

Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively

Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively

Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively

Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively

Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively

Shawn McMullen Voting Affirmatively

Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively

Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively

Motion Carried

Moved by Gregory O'Farrell, seconded by Michael Gdula, to hire Steve Potochniak as Assistant Track Coach at a 23-24 salary of \$3,281.00.

Voting on Motion:

Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively

Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively

Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively

Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively

Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively

Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively

Shawn McMullen Voting Affirmatively

Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively

Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively

Motion Carried

Moved by Shawn McMullen, seconded by Michael Gdula, to hire Angela Shoemaker as a substitute Cafeteria worker at a rate of \$9.00/ hour, pending receipt of clearances.

Voting on Motion:

Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively

Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively

Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively

Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively

Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively

Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively

Shawn McMullen Voting Affirmatively

Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively

Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively

Motion Carried

For the good of the organization:

Jeff Szymusiak stated that the Boy's and Girl's Elementary Basketball Programs are doing very well this year. The 6th Grade Boys are undefeated. He also wanted to thank the staff for their support at a lot of the games this year. It means a lot to the kids.

Moved by Shawn McMullen, seconded by Joe Villa, to adjourn the meeting.

Voting on Motion:

Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively

Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively

Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively

Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively

Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively

Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively

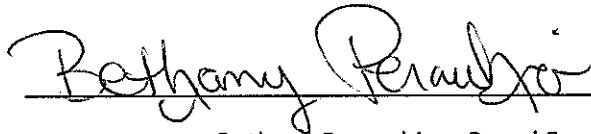
Shawn McMullen Voting Affirmatively

Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively

Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively

Motion Carried

The meeting adjourned at 6:41p.m.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Bethany Peracchino", is written over a horizontal line.

Bethany Peracchino, Board Secretary