

*Great Valley School District
Office of the School Board Secretary*



DURING THE June 10, 2019 BOARD MEETING...

The meeting was called to order by President David Barratt. **Board members present:** Ellen Behrle, Amy Chain, Stephanie Gunderson, Samantha Jouin, and Bryan Paluch. **Absent:** Jennifer Armstrong, Philip Foret, Mary Ravenfeld.

Recognition

Mr. Pickell introduced Charlestown Elementary School fourth grade student **Macie Miersch** who qualified for and competed in the PA USA Gymnastics Level 4 State Championship. Macie placed fourth among 10-year-olds on beam, and first on bars, floor, and vault. In addition, she earned first all-around in the competition.

Dr. Souders spoke in recognition of five Great Valley Middle School students who received awards in the Forensics Public Speaking Tournament, hosted by the Chester County Intermediate Unit. The competition is open to all students attending a participating Chester County middle school. Forensics at the middle school level provides an opportunity for students to be involved in various forms of public speaking. Debate, oral interpretation, original oratory, discussion, and impromptu speaking are included in the competition. In addition to the enhancement of public speaking skills, students sharpen their research skills, writing skills, and their ability to work in cooperation with others through discussion and debate. Winners are:

Victoria Capitano (8th) 2nd Place – Oratory, **Suhani Mathur** (8th) 5th Place – Debate, **Nithya Mooli** (8th) 5th Place – Debate, **Morgan Burns** (7th) 3rd Place – Original Prose/Poetry, **Katherine Hanlon** (7th) 2nd Place – Original Prose/Poetry.

Presentations

Executive Session

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, **Mr. Barratt** announced that the board met in Executive Session prior to this meeting to discuss personnel and legal issues.

Secretary's Correspondence

Mr. Barratt asked Mr. Linderman if there was any Secretary's Correspondence. There was none.

Chester County Intermediate Unit Report

Mrs. Behrle stated that an agreement was extended to the new Executive Director during a special meeting of the CCIU board. She will inform Dr. Speaker Palubinsky and Great Valley Board members as soon as the appointment is official.

Legislative Report

There was no legislative report due to the absence of Mrs. Ravenfeld.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Speaker Palubinsky gave an update on the Feasibility Study. She stated that the architects have looked at all the buildings and were impressed with our building upkeep. Going forward there will be a focus on building capacities and looking at use of the classrooms at the Middle and High Schools in a different way. More information will follow.

Public Presentations on Agenda Items

There were none.

Consent Agenda Items

The board voted 6 to 0 to approve the following consent agenda items:

Routine Approvals

Minutes of May 20, 2019
Treasurer's and Tax Collector's Report
Invoices

Financial Approvals

Authorization for the Superintendent and the Director of Business Affairs to award bids, contracts, pay bills, and file additional Tax Appeals (if necessary) pending August 19, 2019 board approval.

Budget Transfers

Professional Development Training Agreement with Watershed Counseling & Consultation Services, LLC (Jeanne L. Stanley, Ph.D.)

Approved Private School Agreement with Valley Forge Educational Services for 2019-2020 School Year for the following special education students: Student #230427, Student #260501, Student #240310

Agreements for Partial Program Placement with LearnWell for the following students: Student #210273, Student #200290, Student #230390, Student #190130

Approved Private School Agreement with Martin Luther School for 2019 ESY Services for Student #290404

Approved Private School Agreements with Camphill Special School for 2019 ESY Services for the following students: Student #240427, Student #400150, Student #230538

Special Educational Settlement Agreement for student #210241

Awarding of Copier Bid to Ricoh USA

Financial Approvals

By a vote of 6 to 0 the board approved the filing up to 16 of the District-Initiated Property Tax appeals by no later than August 1, 2019 with the Chester County Board of Assessment Appeals.

By a vote of 6 to 0 the board approved the proposed contract for sink hole compaction at GVHS Football Field at an estimated cost of \$135,000. Work is to begin week of June 17.

The board voted 6 to 0 to approve renewal of Insight Workforce Solutions per the terms of the agreement, July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2021.

The board voted 6 to 0 to approve the Master Educator Program with The Franklin Institute for 2019-2020 School Year for a cost of \$8,250.

Personnel Approvals

The following personnel items were approved by a vote of 6 to 0.

Requests for Leave

Professional Staff

Laura McDonald, Grade 7 Math teacher, Great Valley Middle School, requests FMLA from May 29, 2019 through June 20, 2019.

Personnel Approvals

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Requests for Leave - continued

Professional Staff - continued

Jennifer Gleason, Grade 4 teacher, Charlestown Elementary School, requests FMLA/Child Rearing leave from approximately October 16, 2019 to the end of the first semester of the 2019-2020 school year.

Jennifer Michewicz, Mathematics teacher, Great Valley High School, requests FMLA from approximately April 8, 2019 to the end of the 2018-2019 school year.

Carrie Kane, Guidance Counselor, Great Valley High School, requests an extension of FMLA/Child Rearing leave through the end of the 2019-2020 school year.

Changes of Assignment

Professional Staff

Brenda Roy, Emotional Support teacher to Learning Support teacher, Great Valley Middle School.

Alex Venarchik, Social Studies teacher to Business teacher, Great Valley High School.

Meg Schachter, Social Studies teacher, Great Valley Middle School to Social Studies teacher, Great Valley High School.

Stephanie Coward, Itinerant Autistic Support teacher to Autistic Support teacher, K. D. Markley Elementary School.

Ryan DiFonzo, Grade 1 teacher to Kindergarten teacher, K. D. Markley Elementary School.

Megan Hoffman, Grade 1 teacher to Kindergarten teacher, Sugartown Elementary School.

Brianne Wilson, Grade 4 teacher to Grade 5 teacher, Sugartown Elementary School.

Neil Young, Computer Applications teacher to Social Studies teacher, Great Valley Middle School.

Changes of Status

Administrative Staff

Thomas McCloskey, Acting Assistant Principal to Assistant Principal, Great Valley High School, (Capetola), effective July 1, 2019.

Candy Evans, Interim Supervisor of Information Technology to Supervisor of Information Technology, Great Valley School District, (Bowers), effective July 1, 2019.

Emily Braskey, Special Education Teacher-on-Assignment to Elementary Supervisor of Special Education, Great Valley School District, (Shoemaker), effective July 1, 2019.

Professional Staff

Amy Wilson, part-time professional employee, Kindergarten teacher (.5) to full-time Grade 3 teacher, K. D. Markley Elementary School, (McNaughton), effective August 20, 2019.

Appointments

Professional Staff

Molly Harris, full-time temporary professional employee, Home and School Visitor, Great Valley Middle School, (Lazar), effective August 20, 2019, (pending completion of all administrative and legal requirements and contingent on satisfactory background checks).

Cara Sabo, full-time temporary professional employee, Emotional Support teacher, Great Valley Middle School, (Roy), effective August 20, 2019, (pending completion of all administrative and legal requirements and contingent on satisfactory background checks).

Kathleen Sink, full-year long-term substitute, Guidance Counselor, Charlestown Elementary School, (Uhrich), effective August 20, 2019, (pending completion of all administrative and legal requirements and contingent on satisfactory background checks).

Blair Dooner, full-year long-term substitute, English teacher, Great Valley High School, (Rieger), effective August 20, 2019, (pending completion of all administrative and legal requirements and contingent on satisfactory background checks).

Personnel Approvals

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Appointments - continued

Professional Staff - continued

Nurul Hamida Toomey, full-time temporary professional employee, Kindergarten teacher, General Wayne Elementary School, (new), effective August 20, 2019, (pending completion of all administrative and legal requirements).

Caroline Biondolillo, full-time temporary professional employee, Kindergarten teacher, Sugartown Elementary School, (new), effective August 20, 2019, (pending completion of all administrative and legal requirements).

Extra Duty Responsibility

Great Valley High School Coaching

Matthew Schultz, Baseball, Head Coach, F.

Michael Douglas, Baseball, Assistant Coach, (.5), NF.

C. J. Savage, Basketball, Head Boy's Coach, NF.

Alex Venarchik, Basketball, Head Girls' Coach, F.

Meghan Daney, Basketball, Assistant Girls' Coach, F.

Gary Phillips, Basketball, 9th Grade Boys' Coach, F.

Kirsten Shawn, Cheerleading, Head Coach, NF.

Erin Jochym, Cheerleading, Assistant Coach, F.

Paul Gring, Cross Country, Head Coach, NF.

Nicole Jones, Cross Country, Assistant Coach, F.

Jeffrey Martin, Football, Head Coach, F.

Mark Fischer, Football, Assistant Coach, F.

David Clarke, Football, Assistant Coach, (.75), NF, (pending completion of all administrative and legal requirements and contingent on satisfactory background checks).

Henry Coyne, Football, Assistant Coach, (.75), NF, (pending completion of all administrative and legal requirements and contingent on satisfactory background checks).

Marquis Weeks, Football, Assistant Coach, (.75), NF.

Scott Smiley, Football, Assistant Coach, (.5), NF, (pending completion of all administrative and legal requirements and contingent on satisfactory background checks).

Matthew Palubinsky, Football, Assistant Coach, (.25) NF, (pending completion of all administrative and legal requirements and contingent on satisfactory background checks).

Charles Chiccino, Football, Head 9th Grade Coach, NF.

Jeffrey Moyer, Football, Assistant 9th Grade Coach, F.

Brenda Haley, Hockey, Head Coach, F.

Sarah Pearce, Hockey, Assistant Coach, NF.

Jason Wolensky, Lacrosse, Assistant Boys' Coach, (.5), NF.

Sarah Pearce, Lacrosse, Assistant Girls' Coach, (.5), NF.

David Moffett, Soccer, Head Boys' Coach, F.

Bernard McCauley, Soccer, Assistant Boys' Coach, F.

Douglas Duriez, Softball, Assistant Girls' Coach, (.5), NF.

Nicole Jones, Spring Track, Head Coach, F.

Pete Ruckelshaus, Spring Track, Assistant Coach, F.

Andrew Le, Spring Track, Assistant Coach, NF.

Krista Russell, Swimming, Assistant Coach, F.

Gerry McGrath, Tennis, Assistant Boys' Coach, F.

Gerry McGrath, Tennis, Head Girls' Coach, F.

Meridith Bebee, Tennis, Assistant Girls' Coach, F.

Kate Rickabaugh, Volleyball, Head Coach, NF.

Nicole Jones, Winter Track, Head Coach, (.5), F.

Andrew Le, Winter Track, Head Coach, (.5), NF.

Michael Semar, Wrestling, Head Coach, NF.

Personnel Approvals

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Appointments - continued

Extra Duty Responsibility - continued

Great Valley High School Non-Coaching

Bernard McCauley, Academic Challenge, F.
Ashley Vogel, Chamber Singers, F.
Kathy Crisi, Class Sponsor, Freshman, (.5), F.
Park dePorry, Class Sponsor, Freshman, (.5), F.
Meghan Daney, Class Sponsor, Junior, (.5), F.
Bernard McCauley, Class Sponsor, Junior, (.5), F.
Tess Lutz, Class Sponsor, Senior, (.5), F.
Erin Catalano, Class Sponsor, Senior, (.5), F.
Elizabeth Barrett, Class Sponsor, Sophomore, (.5), F.
Brenda Haley, Class Sponsor, Sophomore, (.5), F.
Brennan Judge, Drama Guild Producer, (Fall), NF.
Sean Cohen, Marching/Concert/Jazz Bands, F.
Peter Garcia, Marching Band Special Area: Pit Percussion, NF.
Michelle Iannucci, Newspaper, F.
Evan Geesey, Robotics, F.
Brennan Judge, Stage Crew, (.5), NF.
Robert Johnson, Stage Crew, (.5), F.
Alex Venarchik, Student Activities Director, F.
Christina Kleinberg, Student Council, F.
Brennan Judge, Student Musical, Producer, NF.
Kevin Fitzpatrick, Television Studio, F.
Robert Johnson, Webmaster, F.
Megan Druckenmiller, Yearbook, F.

Great Valley Middle School Coaching

John Snyder, Assistant to the Athletic Director, F.
Gary Phillips, Baseball, Head 7th Grade Coach, F.
Matthew Wise, Basketball, Head 8th Grade Boys' Coach, F.
Mathieu Weiner, Basketball, Head 8th Grade Girls' Coach, F.
Paul Gring, Basketball, Head 7th Grade Boys' Coach, NF.
Karin Hufnagl, Basketball, Head 7th Grade Girls' Coach, F.
Mathieu Weiner, Cross Country, Head Coach, F.
Jonathan DeVirgilio, Cross Country, Assistant Coach, F.
C. J. Savage, Football, Assistant 8th Grade Coach, NF.
Carmen Pavone, Football, Assistant 7th Grade Coach, NF.
Sherri Kratzer, Hockey, Head 8th Grade Girls' Coach, F.
Jeff Donovan, Lacrosse, Head 7th Grade Boys' Coach, NF.
Ann Search, Lacrosse, Head 7th Grade Girls' Coach, F.
Diana Cassels, Hockey, Head 7th Grade Girls' Coach, F.
Sherri Kratzer, Lacrosse, Head 8th Grade Girls' Coach, F.
Derek Brogan, Soccer, Head 8th Grade Boys' Coach, F.
Carly Henry, Soccer, Head 8th Grade Girls' Coach, NF.
Patrick Oswald, Soccer, Head 7th Grade Boys' Coach, F.
Bob Stewart, Soccer, Head 7th Grade Girls' Coach, F.
Robert Montgomery, Softball, Head 8th Grade Girls' Coach, F.
Jeff Moyer, Softball, Head 7th Grade Girls' Coach, F.
Paul Gring, Track, Head Coach, NF.
Kim Dietrick, Track, Assistant Coach, NF.

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Appointments - continued

Extra Duty Responsibility - continued

Great Valley Middle School Coaching - continued

Chris McKenna, Track, Assistant Coach, F.

C. J. Savage, Track, Assistant Coach, NF.

Melissa Raymond, Volleyball, 7th Grade Girls' Coach, F.

Great Valley Middle School Non-Coaching

Pete Ruckelshaus, Robotics, F.

Shawn Whitelock, Student Council, F.

Maryellen Byrne, Student Musical, Assistant, F.

Adam Search, Student Musical, Director, F.

Mary Morelli, Student Musical, Finance, F.

Ann Search, Student Musical, Producer, F.

Will Shafer, Student Musical, Technical Director, (.5), F.

Robert Stewart, Television Studio, (.5), F.

Adam Search, Webmaster, F.

Emily Beyer, Yearbook, F.

Charlestown Elementary Coaching/Non-Coaching

Steve Meiswich, Intramurals, F.

Courtney Grady, Musical, NF.

Audrey Hoyt, Reading Olympics, (.5), F.

Shana Cooper, Science Fair, F.

Chris Vogt, Video, F.

General Wayne Elementary Coaching/Non-Coaching

Christine Parthemore, Envirothon, F.

Dustin Kasper, Intramurals, F.

Eric Schmidt, Reading Olympics, (.5), F.

Allison VanOcker, Science Fair, F.

Emily DiOttavio, Student Council, (.5), F.

Nikki Salvatico, Student Council, (.5), F.

Will Shafer, Instrumental Music, (All elementary schools), F.

Will Shafer, Musical, F.

K. D. Markley Elementary Coaching/Non-Coaching

Sam Ellis, Intramurals, (.5), F.

Nanette Schrecengost, Musical, (.5), F.

Jim Simpkins, Musical, (.5), F.

Sam Ellis, Reading Olympics, (.5), F.

Chris Salerno, Reading Olympics, (.5), F.

Donna Ahern, Student Council, (.5), F.

Nicole Davis, Student Council, (.5), F.

Chris Salerno, Video, F.

Sugartown Elementary Coaching/Non-Coaching

Christine Casey, Envirothon, F.

Joy Deminski, Instrumental Strings, (All elementary schools), F.

Dustin Kasper, Intramurals, F.

Scott Walter, Musical, F.

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Appointments continued

Extra Duty Responsibility - continued

Sugartown Elementary Coaching/Non-Coaching - continued

Sally Bovell, Reading Olympics, (.33), F.

Christine Casey, Reading Olympics, (.33), F.

Carrie Schildknecht, Reading Olympics, (.33), F.

Sarah O'Neill, Science Fair, F.

Lewis Levine, Student Council, (.5), F.

Anne McCrory, Student Council, (.5), F.

Lewis Levine, Video, F.

Salary Adjustments

Part-time Staff for Full Day In-Service

Allison VanOcker, (.5), 5/20/19

Alice McBrearty, (.55), (Total = 11.75 hours, 5/8/19, 5/9/19, 5/10/19, 5/15/19, 5/23/19)

Amy Wilson, (.5), 5/23/19, 6/5/19

John Snyder, (.6), 4/22/19, 4/23/19, 4/25/19, 4/29/19, 4/30/19

Kim Fulmer, (.8), 6/8/19

Full Mentorships

Brenda Roy, Great Valley Middle School, mentor to Cara Sabo, (Great Valley Middle School).

Nanette Schrecengost, K. D. Markley Elementary School, mentor to Katie Sink, (Charlestown Elementary School).

Krista Russell, Great Valley High School, mentor to Molly Harris, (Great Valley Middle School).

Meghan Daney, Great Valley High School, mentor to Blair Donner, (Great Valley High School).

Post Season Play

Spring Track, GVHS

Nicole Jones, 8 days

Andrew Le, 7 days

Tracy Robinson, 7 days

Peter Ruckelshaus, 6 days

Zachary Fifer, 1 day

Boys' Tennis, GVHS

Paul Waltz, 18 days

Gerry McGrath, 16 days

June In-Service Planning and Delivery, 3 hours

Kelsey Bogan

Teaching Learning Community Volunteers – Tax Rebate for Senior Citizens

Joan Beltz, 60.5 hours

Catherine Bennett, 39.25 hours

Deborah Childers, 51.25 hours

Elizabeth Comstock, 65 hours

Gladys Donnelly, 64.50 hours

Carole Georgopoulos, 42.50 hours

Ruth Haines, 1.5 hours

Dale Hohman, 65 hours

Bette Johnson, 54 hours

Carol Koup, 27 hours

Carol Krisch, 65 hours

Robert Matje, 65 hours

Margaret McDonnell, 60 hours

Jean Montgomery, 38 hours

Robert Proetta, 65 hours

Joseph Rhodes, 65 hours

Janice Schimmel, 65 hours

Jean Schuh, 65 hours

Howard Shellem, 65 hours

Steve Skoufalos, 65 hours

Spaltro Elvira, 65 hours

Mina Stewart, 44.75 hours

Robert Wilkey, 57.5 hours

Patricia Williams, 46 hours

Nancy Wudyka, 65 hours

Personnel Approvals

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Summer Services

Student Custodial Employees

Bryce Broxton, effective 7/1/19
Sebastian Catalano, effective 6/10/19
Samuel Chen, effective 6/17/19
Thomas Corsaro, effective 6/17/19
Madison Devlin, effective 6/25/19
Nathaniel Doherty, effective 6/17/19
Lawrence Gal, effective 6/24/19
Christopher Gianchetti, effective 6/24/19
Matthew Kraft, effective 6/17/19
Larissa Kratzinger, effective 6/17/19

Griffin Lownes, effective 7/1/19
Andrew Muck, effective 7/5/19
Joseph O'Neil, effective 6/24/19
Warrick Parvess, effective 6/23/19
Colin Phillips, effective 5/28/19
Victoria Procida, effective 6/17/19
Gabriel Stahl, effective 6/17/19
Samuel Sweeney, effective 6/17/19
Matthew Verna, effective 6/24/19

Student Custodial Employee

Matthew Palubinsky, effective 6/3/19

Summer Geometry Course, (75 hours for June 2019, 150 hours for July/August 2019)

Kaitlin Valliere

Summer Health Course, (100 hours each for July/August 2019)

Paul Kent
Jaclyn Radcliffe
Karin Hufnagl

ESY Staff List

Teachers

Brenda Roy
Jacqueline Albert
Amanda Caffey
Roseanna Fabii
Maria Stamato
Stephanie Coward
Anne Winter
Shannon Evans
Karen Darlak
Jessica Reilly
Cara Sabo
Caroline Biondolillo
Betty Byrne (nurse)
Mimi Guiltinan (nurse)

Staff

Darrah Sessoms
Cathy Bertanzetti
Jane Buxton
Paulette Moffa
Sarah Gorr
Delores Kash
Shawn Talvacchia
Tria Rispoli

Curriculum Writing

Roseanna Fabii
Stephanie Bialoboki
Michelle Hanna

Leslie Beauregard
Elise Powell
Andrew Schreiber

Personnel Approvals

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Summer Services

Kindergarten Curriculum Development (30 hours per teacher)

Kim Colvin

Amy Rauscher

Meghan Hoffman

Kelly DeMillion

Erin Topley

Allison VanOcker

Ryan DiFonzo

Amy Wilson

Tammy Krumbhaar

Sarah Gorr

Jessica Paraschak

Chrissy Rolling

Elementary Math Curriculum Development, 24 hours

Leslie Beauregard

Amanda McClennen

Elementary Library Curriculum, 12 hours per teacher

Audrey Hoyt

Chris Salerno

Carrie Schildknecht

Eric Schmidt

Middle School Reading Curriculum Development, 24 hours

Jamie Himmelberger

High School Math Curriculum Development:

Kathy Crabb, 24 hours

Dave Moffett, 18 hours

High School Physical Education Curriculum

Dustin Kasper, 18 hours

Jackie Radcliffe, 12 hours

Matt Schultz, 18 hours

HS English Curriculum, 18 hours per teacher

Kelly DiPrinzio

Megan Druckenmiller

Tom Esterly

Jamie Mozzone

Child Development Curriculum, 12 hours, July 24-25, 2019

Krista Jorgenson

Summer IEP Writing

Cara Sabo, GVMS

Policy Approvals

The board voted 6 to 0 to approve the second reading and adoption of the following policies.:

Policy 006 – Meetings

Policy 204 – Attendance (AG)

Policy 247 – Hazing (AG)

Policy 335 – Family & Medical Leaves (AG)

Policy 338.1 – Compensated Professional Leaves

Policy 435 – Family & Medical Leaves (AG)

Policy 438.1 – Compensated Professional Leaves

Policy 530 – Overtime/Compensatory Time

Policy 535 – Family & Medical Leaves (AG)

Policy 610 – Purchases Subject to Bid/Quotation (AG)

Policy 626 – Federal Fiscal Compliance (AG-C)

Policy 904 – Public Attendance at School Events

Public Comments on Other Issues

P. Gilbert – special needs student
K. Opher – art program
J. Velez – art program

Mr. Linderman spoke about his years of service and expressed his appreciation to those who mentored him over the years. He thanked this board and former board members for their work and collaboration.

Response to Public Comments

Dr. Speaker Palubinsky responded to a question raised at a previous board meeting regarding art department classes and staffing. She explained the process of course selection. She stated that after August when schedules are set, changes are difficult to accommodate.

Mr. Barratt responded to a public comment stating that the Board never speaks specifically about a student's educational program in a public meeting. He stated that oftentimes circumstances related to the program are much more complicated than they may seem. He further stated that the Board is committed to protecting and preserving the students' right to privacy and has the utmost confidence that the administrative team has kept them informed and are addressing concerns in the most lawful and appropriate way possible.

Adjournment

Seeing no further comments or questions, the board voted 6 to 0 to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.