

School Board Work Session Highlights

April 18, 2022

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



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During the April 18, 2022, Work Session

The April 18, 2022, work session was called to order by President David Barratt. Board members **present** were Jennifer Armstrong, Tricia Chasinoff, Stephen Dittmann, Rachel Gallegos, Samantha Jouin, and Andrea Rizzo. **Joining via Zoom:** Wendy Litzke, Neha Mehta

Mr. Barratt opened the meeting by announcing that security personnel is in attendance due to some different issues that have occurred over the last few meetings. Some people expressed concerns about not feeling comfortable. Mr. Barratt further added that at the last meeting it was reported that someone was assaulted at a board meeting. East Whiteland police conducted an investigation and reported that no charges were made and therefore no assault occurred. The same individual made the accusation that the board was served papers representing them as legal documents. Mr. Barratt stated that the board was not served any legal documents from the court.

Student Representative to the Board

Meher Sachar provided a student representative report to the Board. She announced that the spring musical, "Anastasia" will run from April 28 to April 30 and tickets are for sale online. She stated that AP exams begin the week of May 1. Meher reported that Kyle Hess has been chosen as the Citadel Heart of Learning 2022 finalist. Lastly, she reported that the 3rd marking period has ended and report cards are available in Skyward.

Program

Discussion

Mr. Peterson stated that an additional 2022 Great Valley School District Summer Learning Experience is listed for approval.

Information

Monthly enrollment report – March 31, 2022

Policy

Mrs. Jouin gave a report about discussions from the April 5 Policy Committee meeting.

The following policies are being recommended for 1st Reading:

- 251 Homeless Students, AG
- 808 Food Services, AG
- 808.1 Free/Reduced-Price Meals, AG
- 817 Energy Management, AG



Policy

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1st Reading (continued)

- 822 Automated External Defibrillator (AED) / CPR
- 827 Conflict of Interest
- 830 Breach of Computerized Personal Information
- 831 Bus Routes, Stops and Schedule, AG
- 833 District-Wide Safety Program, AG

The following policies are being recommended for 2nd Reading and Adoption:

- 610 (AG only) Procurement
- 626 Federal Fiscal Compliance, AG, A, B, C, D, E
- 707 School Facilities AG, Appendices A & D
- 708 Lending of District-Owned Equipment
- 710 Use of Equipment and Facilities by Staff
- 711 Integrated Pest and Vegetation Management
- 714 Commercial Advertising, AG
- 715 Naming Rights
- 718 Service Animals in Schools, AG
- 801 Public Records
- 802 School Organization
- 803 School Calendar
- 804 School Day
- 807 Opening Exercises/Flag Display
- 832 Educational Equity

The following policy is being listed for 2nd Reading and Repeal:

- 103.1 Diversity

Superintendent's Update

Dr. Goffredo gave an overview of the results obtained from the 2021 Youth Truth Survey. Students, families, and staff participated. Identified were strengths, areas of focus or need, and observations related to the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Module. Dr. Goffredo reported that school principals have been working with teams in their buildings to establish some operational target areas. He added that administration is also looking to see if there are other more comprehensive surveys available.

Facilities

Discussion

Mrs. Armstrong gave a report on the Facilities Committee Meeting that was held on March 24. She stated that areas of discussion included the following: Revised 5/6 Center Project, East Whiteland Township Conditional Use application related to the purchase of 7 acres adjacent to K.D. Markley Elementary School, relocation of District Office, plans for the K.D. Markley Elementary School playground relocation, 5 year Facilities Plan, and a Facilities Mapping program. She announced that the meeting scheduled for April 21 has been cancelled. The next Facilities Committee meeting is scheduled for May 26 at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Peterson reported that, after several hearings with the East Whiteland Township Board of Supersors, the Conditional Use Application has been approved.



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Information

Facilities Use Report – April 2022

Transportation

Mr. Barratt stated that there is a list of Krapf drivers and an aide being recommended for approval.

Finance

Mrs. Litzke provided a report from the Finance Committee of the Whole meeting that was held on March 28. She stated that **Joe Lubitsky** gave a presentation on the 2022-2023 CCIU Core and Occupational Education budgets. The latest draft of the 2022-2023 Great Valley General Fund and Capital Fund budget was presented by Dr. Goffredo, Mr. Peterson, and Mrs. McGibboney. Mrs. Litzke stated that the meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for May 5 at 7:00 p.m. at the Lindenwood Drive location.

Mr. Barratt stated that district offices will be relocating to the Lindenwood Drive building while a permanent building is being renovated.

Mr. Peterson stated that the following finance items will be listed for approval on the business meeting agenda:

- Preliminary Budget Resolution
- East Whiteland Township Final Land Development Plan
- 2022-2023 Chester County Intermediate Unit Core and Occupational Budgets
- East Whiteland Township fees for 5/6 Center Construction Project
- Security Guard Service
- MG Tactical Advantage Safety and Security Agreement
- Valbridge Property Advisors Agreement
- Skyward Student Management Renewal
- Domain Certificate Renewal
- Kajeet Renewal
- Bid Approval
- Videography Services
- Educational Services Contracts with Fairwold Academy, Capstone Academy, and LearnWell
- Center for Responsive Schools Contract

Mr. Peterson stated that board members posed questions at the March 28 Finance Committee meeting with regard to 4 topics. Those topics will be addressed in detail at the May 2 Finance Committee meeting, but in the meantime Mr. Peterson provided a brief overview on the following:

- Real Estate Collection Estimate
- Projected special education positions in the 5/6 Center staffing estimate
- ESSER budgeting
- Student Activity and Athletic Budget

Mrs. Dinsmore provided information about the about the projected special education positions.

Several Board members inquired about the various technology finance items, specifically if and how often an audit on services or vendors is conducted. Mr. Peterson stated that Mrs. Evans keeps track of these contracts and he will bring this to her to obtain more information.



Other Reports

Mrs Jouin reported about correspondence board members received from the Pennsylvania School Boards Association regarding a proposed resolution related to Charter School Funding Reform. She stated that over 84% of school districts in the state have passed the resolution. The item will be listed for discussion by the Great Valley Board on the April 25, 2022 board agenda.

Draft Agenda

Mr. Barratt stated that the draft agenda of the April 25, 2022 business meeting is available to the board for review.

Public Comments

Public Comments in support of the board were made by M. Conya and B. Hynes.

Executive Session

Mr. Barratt announced that the board met in Executive Session before the meeting to discuss personnel and legal issues.

Adjournment

Seeing no further comments or questions, the meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.