

School Board Organization Meeting Highlights

December 6, 2021

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



During the December 6, 2021, Organization Meeting

The December 6, 2021, organization meeting was called to order by President David Barratt. Board members **present** were Stephen Dittmann, Rachel Gallegos, Samantha Jouin, Wendy Litzke, and Neha Mehta. Board members **absent** included Jennifer Armstrong.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Election of Officers

Mr. Barratt opened the nominations for Temporary President to preside over the election of officers. Ms. Gallegos was nominated and nominations were closed. Ms. Gallegos assumed the duties of temporary president.

Ms. Gallegos asked Mr. Peterson, Board Secretary, to certify the election results. The following persons were certified to serve a four-year term (2021-2025) on the Board of School Directors of the Great Valley School District:

Samantha Jouin	Region 1
Andrea Rizzo	Region 1
David Barratt	Region 2
Tricia Bliven-Chasinoff	Region 3

Ms. Gallegos administered the Oath of Office and the new board members took their seats at the board table.

Ms. Gallegos opened the nominations for Board President for the ensuing year. Mr. Barratt was nominated. The board voted 8 to 0 to close the nominations. Mr. Barratt accepted the nomination for Board President and continued with the agenda.

Mr. Barratt opened the nominations for Board Vice-President. Mr. Gallegos was nominated. The board voted 8 to 0 to close the nominations. Ms. Gallegos accepted the nomination for Board Vice-President.

Mr. Barratt opened the nominations for Treasurer to complete the term of the former Treasurer, Ms. Gallegos. Mrs. Litzke was nominated. The board voted 8 to 0 to close the nominations. Mrs. Litzke accepted the nomination to serve as Treasurer until June 30, 2022.

Mr. Barratt then announced the formation of a new Communications Committee. The board voted 8 to 0 to form a Communications Committee of the Board.



Board Committee Appointments

Mr. Barratt then presided over the committee appointments. Results are as follows:

Policy Committee

Chair – Samantha Jouin

Members – Rachel Gallegos, Neha Mehta

Finance Committee

Chair – Wendy Litzke

Members – Committee of the Whole

Facilities Committee

Chair – Jennifer Armstrong

Members- Stephen Dittmann, Tricia Chasinoff

Instruction Technology and Curriculum Committee

Chair – David Barratt

Members – Samantha Jouin, Andrea Rizzo

Communications Committee

Chair – Wendy Litzke

Members – Tricia Chasinoff, TBD

Other

Chester County Intermediate Unit Board Representative – Andrea Rizzo

PSBA Liaison/Legislative Representative – Wendy Litzke

NSBA Representative – Neha Mehta

Chester County School Authority – Carol Palmaccio

Board Member Representative for the Great Valley SD Education Foundation – Rachel Gallegos

Council for Diversity and Inclusion – Tricia Chasinoff

Board Member Representative on Parent Key Communicators – David Barratt, Andrea Rizzo

Special Education Plan Board Representative – Neha Mehta

Program Approval

The board voted 8 to 0 to approve the Board Work Session Meetings, Regular Business Meetings, and Committee Meetings for all of 2022, and through June 2023.

Adjournment

The board voted 8 to 0 to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.