

School Board Business Meeting Highlights

June 13, 2022

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



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During the June 13, 2022, Business Meeting...

The June 13, 2022, business meeting was called to order by President David Barratt. **Board members present** were Tricia Chasinoff, Rachel Gallegos, Samantha Jouin, Wendy Litzke, Neha Mehta and Andrea Rizzo. **Absent:** Jennifer Armstrong, Stephen Dittmann **Late Arrival:** Mrs. Armstrong arrived prior to the voting portion of the meeting.

Mr. Barratt led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Presentations

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

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

Chester County Intermediate Unit Report

Dr. Rizzo stated that the last meeting of the year will be held on Wednesday, June 15.

Legislative Report

Ms. Litzke stated that the Legislative Council met on May 22. Topics of discussion included the Governor's budget, review of House Education bills, the State Board of Education regulations, and upsets in the Pennsylvania primary elections. Ms. Litzke reported that the next meeting will be held on June 22, 2022.

Council for Diversity and Inclusion Report

Ms. Chasinoff stated that the Council met on May 25. She reported that the meeting opened with a review of successes over the past few years. She stated that the Council is working with the Delaware Valley Consortium for Equity and Excellence on a district wide policy review. Ms. Chasinoff also reported that Dr. Hammond, Dr. Souders, and Dr. Capetola gave reports on building activities. Lastly, the Council discussed the vision and hopes for moving forward.

The Great Valley School District Education Foundation Report

Ms. Gallegos reported that the Foundation will continue to meet throughout the summer. A retreat is being planned for early fall to regroup and plan what will hopefully be a robust school year. She said committee members will be working with individual schools to discuss needs and programs. The Foundation has added new members and continue to seek new membership. Ms. Gallegos stated that the SOAR program occurred at the end of the year.

Presentations

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Parent Key Communicators

Dr. Rizzo reported that discussions included the following: safety issues, a tech plan moving forward for iPads, school celebrations such as spring fairs, and Committee personnel changes.

Superintendent's Report

Ms. Melia gave a presentation on Food and Nutrition Services. She reviewed mandates that were in effect during the pandemic. She announced the costs of breakfast and lunch meals for the 2022-2023 school year, and spoke about the Free and Reduced lunch program. Ms. Melia spoke about the communication plan for informing parents of the updated changes. She also spoke about the Chester County Food Bank Backpack program.

Dr. O'Toole provided an overview of the Comprehensive Plan and input that was used for formation of the Plan. Dr. O'Toole stated that the full Plan will be presented for board review at the July 18 business meeting.

Dr. Capetola spoke about Great Valley High School changes in learning and assessment. She focused on English and Science programs. Dr. Capetola stated that feedback will be acquired from students who are now in college as to the impact, if any, on having had no midterm or final exams.

Dr. Goffredo spoke about plans for finalizing the District Comprehensive Plan. Discussions are underway to address the space, needs, and educational program of middle-level learners. He stated that the 5/6 Center program and schedule is being formulated. Staffing, program, and structures at GVMS for possible adjustments/refinements are being examined.

Dr. Karen Taratuski provided information about identification of a Universal Mental Health screening tool. She spoke about the process used in the selection of the tool and about collaboration through a grant with Drexel University, the PA Department of Education, and the PA Department of Human Services. The plan is to identify students early, before they are in crisis, and then to work with the student and parents with guidance using the tool on best ways to provide the needed help. Dr. Taratuski stated that plans are being made for a survey to be distributed in order to implement the tool in January.

Public Comment on Agenda Items

There were none.

Consent Agenda Items

The board approved the following Consent Agenda items by a vote of 8 to 0.

Routine Approvals

Treasurer's Report and Tax Collectors' Report
Invoices

Facilities Approvals

3B Services, Inc. for annual boiler and hot water cleaning services at a cost of \$24,489.00

Consent Agenda Items

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Facilities Approvals - continued

Granting of Change Order Authorization to Superintendent and Director of Business Affairs to in relation to the 5/6 Center building project.
Schrader Group Proposal for District Office Design
Awarding of a contract with David Maines Associations to provide and install the roofing for the 5/6 Center
Purchase of playground equipment for K. D. Markley Elementary School.
Approval of David Blackmore Associates for construction testing services

Transportation Approval

Private Transportation Contract

Food Service Approvals

Extension of Food Service Staffing Agreement with SOS through June 30, 2023
2022-2023 Student and Lunch prices

Financial Approvals

Budget Transfers
Forecast5 Lab License renewal
Qualtrics Renewal at a cost of \$16,800.02
Frontline License Renewal through June 30, 2023 at a cost of \$43,702.85
Adobe License Renewal at a cost of \$22,140
VSpere Software Renewal at a cost of \$16,894.71
Horizon Software Renewal through Dell Technologies at a cost of \$19,079.50
Workspace One Cloud Service and License Renewal with Dell Technologies
Swank Movie License Renewal for 2022-2023 school year
Approval of Technology Hardware, Software, and License Renewals as follows: Storage Area Network-\$89,834.44; Lightspeed-\$30,343.04; Smartnet-\$26,739.28; Zoom-\$3,630.00
Microsoft EES License which supports all district Microsoft products at a cost of \$68,542.35
PaySchools service at a cost of \$2,665 for the 2022-2023 school year
Annual Agreement with Northwest Evaluation Association at a cost of \$46,514
Educational Services Contracts as follows: The Camphill School for Student 210146 for the balance of 2021-2022, and for the 2022 ESY Program; Valley Forge Educational Services to provide 2022 ESY and 2022-2023 school year for Students 210570, 300260, 280069, 240310; Overlook School for the Blind for 2022 ESY for Student 220017; Comprehensive Learning Center for 2022-2023 for Student 260501; LearnWell for Students 220544, 260050, 250280; The Camphill School for 2022 ESY for Students 240615, 240427, and 230538.
Contract with Kelly Education to provide staffing for 2022-2023
Contract with Montgomery County Intermediate Unit for 2022-2023
One-year Agreement with Lifetouch to provide student photography services at all schools
Annual insurance policy renewals with Willis Towers Watson Northeast
Contract with Speech Pathology Consultants, Inc. for the 2022 extended school year and the 2022-2023 school year
Approval of an Equity Review by the DVCEE
Renewal of stop-loss insurance through HM Insurance Group
Special Education Settlement Agreement for Student 250295

Personnel Approvals

The following personnel items were approved by a vote of 8 to 0.

Resignations

Professional Staff

Christopher McKenna, Science teacher, Great Valley Middle School, for the purpose of retirement, effective at the end of the 2021-2022 school year.

Jessica Wagner, Grade 4 teacher, Charlestown Elementary School, effective May 19, 2022.

Brittany Carlino Marburger, English teacher, Great Valley High School, effective August 22, 2022.

Kaitlin Valliere, Mathematics teacher, Great Valley High School, effective August 22, 2022.

Kelly Hennessey, Grade 3 teacher, K. D. Markley Elementary School, effective at the end of the 2021-2022 school year.

Elizabeth Zeccardi, Mathematics teacher, Great Valley High School, effective at the end of the 2021-2022 school year.

Support Staff

Elizabeth LaGreca, part-time instructional aide, Great Valley Middle School, for the purpose of retirement, effective June 10, 2022.

Jessica Leitch, full-time administrative assistant to the Director of Business Affairs, Great Valley District Office, effective May 27, 2022.

Stacy Keevill, part-time cafeteria aide, effective at the end of the 2021-2022 school year.

Leaves

Professional Staff

Katherine Crabb, Mathematics teacher, Great Valley High School, requests FMLA from approximately May 11, 2022 to May 24, 2022.

Appointments

Professional Staff

Jennifer Fuentes, Summer Literacy and Math Camp teacher, General Wayne Elementary School, (new), effective June 27, 2022, (pending completion of all administrative and legal requirements and contingent on satisfactory background checks).

Miranda Thiessen, Summer Literacy and Math Camp teacher, General Wayne Elementary School, (new), effective June 27, 2022, (pending completion of all administrative and legal requirements and contingent on satisfactory background checks).

Theresa Board, Summer Literacy and Math Camp teacher, General Wayne Elementary School, (new), effective June 27, 2022, (pending completion of all administrative and legal requirements and contingent on satisfactory background checks).

Patricia McGee, ESY (Wilson Reading teacher, Great Valley Middle School, (new), effective June 14, 2022, (pending completion of all administrative and legal requirements and contingent on satisfactory background checks).

Victoria Palaia, full-time temporary professional employee school nurse, Charlestown Elementary School, (Rogan), effective August 23, 2022, (pending completion of all administrative and legal requirements and contingent on satisfactory background checks).

Kyle Bove, Summer Health teacher, Great Valley High School, (new), effective approximately July 11, 2022, (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

Kathleen Ayers, full-time professional Instructional Technology Coach, Great Valley District Office, (new), effective August 23, 2022, (pending completion of all administrative and legal requirements and contingent on satisfactory background checks).

Nicole Mercadante, full-time professional employee Child Development Program Specialist, Great Valley High School, (Jorgenson), effective when released from current school district, (pending completion of all administrative and legal requirements and contingent on satisfactory background checks).

Administrative Staff

Kevin Bray, full-time Assistant Principal, General Wayne Elementary School/K. D. Markley Elementary School, (new), effective when released from current school district, (pending completion of all administrative and legal requirements and contingent on satisfactory background checks.)

Extra Duty Responsibilities, 2022-2023 school year (F – Faculty, NF – Non-Faculty)

Great Valley High School Coaching

C J Savage, Basketball, Head Boys' Coach, NF.

Paul (PJ) Charlton, Basketball, Assistant Boys' Coach, NF, (pending completion of all administrative and legal requirements and contingent on satisfactory background checks).

Todd Fredrick, Basketball, Assistant Girls' Coach, (.05), NF, (pending completion of all administrative and legal requirements and contingent on satisfactory background checks).

Dan DiSanto, Basketball, Assistant Girls' Coach, (.05), NF, (pending completion of all administrative and legal requirements and contingent on satisfactory background checks).

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

Paul Gring, Cross Country, Head Coach, NF.

Brenda Haley, Field Hockey, Head Coach, F.

Sarah Wagner, Field Hockey, Assistant Coach, NF.

Jeff Martin, Football, Head Coach, F.

Brett Capobianco, Football, Assistant Coach, (.75), NF.

Glen Hughes, Football, Assistant Coach, (.75), NF.

Owen Brown, Golf, Head Coach, F.

Paul Girone, Golf, Assistant Coach, NF.

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

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

Jennifer Michewicz, Soccer, Head Girls' Coach, F.

Tess Lutz, Soccer, Assistant Girls' Coach, F.

Great Valley Middle School Coaching

Mike Meluskey, Basketball, Head 8th Grade Boys' Coach, F.

Karin Hufnagl, Basketball, Head 7th Grade Girls' Coach, F.

Mary Beth Ackerman, Cheerleading, Head Coach, NF.

Mike Meluskey, Football, Head 7th Grade Coach, F.

Great Valley Middle School Non-Coaching

Heather McGovern, National Honor Society Sponsor, (.5), F.

Barry Ziober, Science Fair Sponsor, (.5), NF.

Linda Morgan, Television Studio Sponsor, NF.



Personnel Approvals

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Salary Adjustments - continued

Part-time Staff for Additional Service

Evan Geesey, (.8), Total 21.5 hours – 5/2/22-5/6/22, 5/23/22-5/27/22

Alice McBrearty, (.8), Total .75 hours - 5/11/22

Juana Herman, (.7), Total 2.5 hours – 5/20/22

Dana Bredin, (.6), Total 12 hours – 5/17/22, 5/18/22, 5/24/22, 5/24/22

Anne Dale, (.4), Total 125.5 hours – 3/10/22, 3/11/22, 3/14/22, 3/15/22, 3/16/22, 3/17/22, 3/18/22, 3/21/22, 3/22/22, 3/23/22, 3/24/22, 3/25/22, 3/28/22, 3/29/22, 3/30/22, 3/31/22, 4/1/22, 4/4/22, 4/5/22, 4/6/22, 4/7/22, 4/8/22, 5/6/22, 5/17/22, 5/18/22, 5/24/22, 5/25/22

Mentor

Heather Stairs, mentor to Shannon White, second semester 2021-2022

Change of Status/Assignment

Professional Staff

Caitlin Cecco, full-time temporary professional employee, Elementary School Counselor to full-time professional employee, Elementary School Counselor, General Wayne Elementary School/K. D. Markley Elementary School.

Sherry Gillooly, Computer Applications teacher, Great Valley Middle School to Business Education teacher, (Balderson), Great Valley High School, effective August 23, 2022.

Sarah O'Neill, Grade 4 teacher to Grade 3 teacher, Sugartown Elementary School, effective August 23, 2022.

Support Staff

Joelle Iams, part-time aide to full-time 12-month Administrative Assistant, K. D. Markley Elementary School, (Bailey), effective June 28, 2022.

Diana Sorial, full-time Purchasing/Business Office Administrative Assistant to full-time Administrative Assistant to the Director of Business Affairs, Great Valley District Office, (Leitch), effective June 14, 2022.

Ann Campbell, substitute aide, Great Valley School District to part-time clerical aide, Great Valley District Office, (new), retroactive to April 19, 2021.

Summer Services

Full Day Kindergarten Curriculum (Math and ELA), 30 hours each

Katherine Auslander

Caroline Biondolillo

Kim Colvin

Shana Cook

Kendall Coreno

Kelly DeMillion

Ryan DiFonzo

Corinne Gerber

Chelsea Kaufman

Tammy Krumbhaar

Rachel Macey

Amanda McClennen

Jessica Paraschak

Amy Rauscher

Chrissy Rolling

Sean Steinmetz

Erin Trymbiski

Summer Library Instructional Aides, 30 hours each

Cathy Bertanzetti

Alice Heiman-Dowd

K-5 ELA Curriculum/Assessments, 30 hours each

Emily DiOttavio

Audrey Gormley

Sarah Gorr

Jamie Himmelberger

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Summer Services – continued

English Films as Literature Curriculum, GVHS, 12 hours each

Kelly DiPrinzio

Christina Nikodemski

Digital Citizenship Committee, 18 hours each

Brooke Abrahams

Jason Bradley

Nikki Caffey

Kimberly Colvin

Alison Dammeyer

Alyssa DeMitis

Taylor Gavin

Michelle Hanna

Jamie Keefer

Lauren McDade

Helena McKendrick

Katie Quinn-Kerins

Bettina Scibilia

Jessica Shock

Sara Slaybaugh

Sara Van Alstyne

Summer Geometry Course, 150 hours in June, 250 hours in July

Sarah Eldredge

Summer Health Course, 600 total hours

Kyle Bove

Karin Hufnagel

Dustin Kasper

Jaelyn Radcliffe

Travis Turgeon

STEAM Curriculum Development, maximum 18 hours each

Jade Hayes

Kim Fulmer

Brooke Abrahams

Elementary Physical Education Curriculum, 20 hours

Sam Ellis

Project Lead The Way Training for the Introduction to Engineering Design Course

Trevor Viviani

Dean of Students Summer Work, (up to 8 days)

Mike Bagnarelli

Instructional Technology Coach Summer Work, (up to 10 additional days)

Kathleen Ayers

6th Grade Orientation

Alyssa DeMitis, 8 hours

Helena McKendrick, 8 hours

Eli Dietz, 8 hours

Jennifer Illig, 4 hours

Craig Riley, 4 hours

Heather McGovern, 4 hours

Lauren McDade, 4 hours

Lisa Freeman, 4 hours

Derek Brogan, 4 hours

Robert Stewart, 4 hours

Julie Wagner, 4 hours

Emily Gillard, 4 hours

Personnel Approvals

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Summer Services – continued

Student Custodial Employees - Effective 6/13/22

Hudson Ayre

Bryce Broxton

Sascha Buxton

Jose Caballero

Hayden Darabant

Nathaniel Dougherty

Phillip Hecht

Tamir Sallam

Brandan Tremmel

Policy Approvals

The board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following policies:

2nd Reading and Adoption

- 236.1 Threat Assessment, AG
- 800 Records Management, AG, AG1, AG2, Attachment A
- 806 Child Abuse, AG
- 810 Transportation, AG
- 810.1 School Bus Drivers and School Commercial Motor Vehicle Drivers
- 810.3 School Vehicle Drivers
- 819 Suicide Awareness, Prevention and Response, AG
- 824 Maintaining Appropriate Boundaries with Students, AG
- 828 Reporting of Waste and Wrongdoing in District Operations, AG

Policies for Repeal

- 810.1a Drug/Alcohol Testing - Covered Drivers
- 810.3 OLD VERSION Eligibility to Operate District-Owned Motor Vehicles

Program Approval

The board voted 8 to 0 to approve the Emergency Instructional Time Plan for 2022-2023 School Year and submit the Plan to the PA Department of Education.

Public Comments – Other Items

There were none.

Adjournment

Seeing no further comments or questions, the meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m. by a vote of 8 to 0.