

CONEMAUGH TOWNSHIP AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Davidsville, Pennsylvania

The regular meeting of the Conemaugh Township Area School Board of Directors was held on Tuesday, April 19, 2022 at 7:03 p.m. in the board room with Mrs. Troxell presiding.

Roll call was taken by Lisa Stevens.

MEMBERS PRESENT:     Jeffrey Alesantrino, Melanie Byer, Rocco Mantini, Deanna Maurer,  
                                 Susan Saylor-Stahl, Earl Sleek, II, Michelle Stumpf, Justin Zahorchak,  
                                 Christine Troxell ..... 9

MEMBERS ABSENT:     ..... 0

Quorum present

Others Present:     Thomas Kakabar, Nicole Dull, Stacy Dabbs, James Foster, Jarod Feathers,  
                                 Samantha Rosa, Jane Jugan, Regina Rembold, Alan Zimmerman, Kelly Digon,  
                                 Clayton Nanassy, Bethany Spengler, Kate Turner, Lisa Stevens

Mrs. Troxell led those present in the flag salute.

There being no objections or corrections stated, Mrs. Troxell declared the following previously circulated items approved as submitted:

1. Minutes of the regular school board meeting held March 15, 2022
2. Minutes of the special school board meeting held March 31, 2022
3. Minutes of the special school board meeting held April 11, 2022
4. General Fund Revenue/Expenditure Report as of March 31, 2022
5. Tax Collection Report as of March 31, 2022
6. Activity Fund Report for March

**MOTION** by Mrs. Stumpf, seconded by Mrs. Byer, to approve payment of all general fund bills and payrolls, athletic bills, and cafeteria bills as listed.

**Recorded vote: All Directors present voted in the affirmative.**

**MOTION** by Mr. Sleek, seconded by Mr. Alesantrino, to approve payment of the capital projects bills as listed.

**Recorded vote: All Directors present voted in the affirmative.**

Mr. Kakabar noted receipt of letters from fifth grade students concerning the use of plasticware versus silverware in the school cafeterias. Mr. Kakabar stated that he had responded to the students and notified them that the change to plasticware was due to the pandemic, and the district is planning to return to using silverware next school year.

**MOTION** by Dr. Mantini, seconded by Mr. Zahorchak, to accept the report and recommendations of the Committee of the Whole meeting held April 11, 2022 as follows:

<b>COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE</b>
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	<b>APRIL 11, 2022</b>
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The Committee of the Whole meeting of the Conemaugh Township Area School Board of Directors was held on Monday, April 11, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. in the board room with Mrs. Troxell presiding.

Members Present: Jeffrey Alesantrino, Rocco Mantini, Deanna Maurer, Susan Saylor-Stahl,  
Earl Sleek, II, Christine Troxell

Others Present: Thomas Kakabar, Stacy Dabbs, Nicole Dull, James Foster, Jarod Feathers,  
Samantha Rosa, Jane Jugan, Alan Zimmerman, Meribeth DeBarto, Kelly Digon,  
Kelly Kramer, Jakeb Rising, Kate Turner, Lisa Stevens

The following items are presented for your review and consideration:

1. Guests & Sunshine Act Public Comment Period – Jakeb Rising (Advisor) and Isaac Marsh (team member) attended the meeting to inform the Board that the MathCounts Team had won first place in the Chapter Competition. Mr. Rising noted that Brennan Lohr had placed first and Isaac had placed second in the overall competition, and that Kelly Kramer had been assisting him with the team.
2. Student Education
  - A. Recommend approval of Course Changes/Additions for the 2022-2023 school year.
  - B. Informational Item – Discipline Reports were included with the agenda.
3. School Activities
  - A. Recommend approval of the following Field Trip/Competition Requests:
    1. Permission for Kelly Birkhimer/Kara Duplin/Heather Ladika/Alyssa Lyons to accompany students (77) to Somerset County Agriculture Day on Friday, May 13, 2022 at no cost to the district (funded by Somerset County Chamber of Commerce/PA Career Link).
    2. Permission for Rebecca Conn/Nicole Dull/Amanda Evans/Jamie Kerr/Korinne May/Lori Reese to accompany fifth grade students (63) to the High School for promotion practice on Thursday, May 26, 2022 at a cost of \$264: \$200/travel; \$64/substitute for Mrs. Evans (budgeted).
    3. Permission for Kristy Curry/Christine Magistro/Deborah McMillan/Amber Roxby to accompany first grade students (62) to the Everett Railroad on Tuesday, May 17, 2022 at a cost of \$168/substitute nurse (budgeted—remainder of costs paid by PTA).
    4. Permission for Jennifer Custer/Kelly Kramer to accompany gifted students (7) to Kennywood Science Days on Friday, May 6, 2022 at a cost of \$706: \$350/registration; \$100/meals; \$256/substitutes (budgeted).
    5. Permission for Emily Del Signore/Ellen Doyle/Eric Konieczny to accompany second grade students (62) to the State Theater and Bottle Works Ethnic Arts Center on Tuesday, May 24, 2022 at a cost of \$168/substitute nurse (budgeted—remainder of costs paid by PTA).
    6. Permission for Amanda Evans/teachers to accompany elementary students to the High School Auditorium for concert rehearsals (budgeted):

Grades 2-3 (114)	Thursday, May 5, 2022	\$106/travel; \$128/substitute
Grades 4-5 (130)	Monday, May 16, 2022	\$235/travel; \$128/substitute
    7. Permission for Catherine Kasun/Tracy Durica to accompany Rotary Interact Club members (30) on a road clean-up project in Davidsville and to help with spring cleaning at Laurel View Village on Friday, May 20, 2022 at a cost of \$372: \$116/travel; \$256/substitutes (budgeted).

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8. Permission for Catherine Kasun to accompany the Concert/Jazz Band (30) to the Galleria Mall to perform on Wednesday, May 4, 2022 at no cost to the district (students providing their own transportation).
9. Permission for Catherine Kasun/Mari Grace Lingenfelter to accompany the Concert/Jazz Band (30) to perform at area nursing homes (outside) and the Elementary School on Friday, May 6, 2022 at a cost of \$556: \$300/travel; \$256/substitutes (budgeted).
10. Permission for Jamie Kerr/Korinne May to accompany the Math 24 Team (5) to Lakemont Park for the Regional Math 24 Challenge on Friday, May 20, 2022 at a cost of \$356: \$100/registration; \$256/substitutes (budgeted).
11. Permission for Kimberly Reynolds to accompany life skills students (8) to Laurel View Village on Monday, May 2, 2022 and Greenhouse Park on Tuesday, May 17, 2022 for community-based instruction experiences at a cost of \$368: \$100/travel; \$100/meals; \$168/nurses (budgeted).

B. Informational Item – The Elementary Newsletter was included with the agenda.

4. Human Development

- A. Recommend approval of additional Substitute Teachers submitted by Ignite Education Solutions/The Learning Lamp for the 2021-2022 school year: Serena DiLoreto (Grades PK-4/Special Education); Lisa Grosholz (Emergency Nurse); Loriann Hutzler (Grades K-6); Katie McGough (Grades PK-4/Special Education); Juliann Moore (Emergency Nurse); Kaley Murray (Social Studies); Kristan Niessner (Grades PK-4); Alexandra Nulton (Emergency); Devon Seymour (Emergency Nurse); Laura Wyant (Emergency Nurse).
- B. Recommend appointment of Angela Callihan and Michele Roman (Teachers) to staff the Kindergarten Readiness Program at the hourly rate as outlined in Article VIII, Section 7, of the Professional Agreement.
- C. Recommend appointment of Sonya Tresnick (Aide) to staff the Kindergarten Readiness Program at her approved hourly rate.
- D. Recommend appointment of Kelly Digon and Amber Roxby (Teachers) to staff the First Grade Summer Skills Program at the hourly rate as outlined in Article VIII, Section 7, of the Professional Agreement.
- E. Recommend approval to enter into an agreement with Ignite Education Solutions/The Learning Lamp to provide an Instructional Aide for the First Grade Summer Skills Program at a maximum cost of \$500.
- F. Recommend appointment of the following teachers for the Extended School Year program for identified students with disabilities for a maximum of 33 hours per teacher during July 2022 at the hourly rate as outlined in Article VIII, Section 7, of the Professional Agreement (cost not to exceed \$1,200 per teacher):

Kimberly Reynolds  
Korinne May

Middle/High School Level Class  
Elementary Level Class

- G. Recommend approval to enter into agreements with Ignite Education Solutions/The Learning Lamp to provide two Personal Care/Instructional Aides for two eligible and identified students with disabilities for the Extended School Year Program during July 2022 for a maximum of 28 hours per aide at a total cost not to exceed \$850.

Committee of the Whole continued—

- H. Recommend approval to enter into an agreement with Ignite Education Solutions/The Learning Lamp to provide a Nurse for the Middle/High School Extended School Year Program for a maximum of 18 hours during July 2022 at a total cost not to exceed \$505.
- I. Recommend acceptance of the resignation/retirement of Sonya Hostetler as a custodian effective August 5, 2022.
- J. Recommend appointment of Korinne May as a bona fide volunteer Assistant Varsity Cheerleading Advisor with compensation of \$2,060 for the 2022-2023 school year.
- K. Recommend approval to add Monica Hawkins to the Substitute Custodial List.
- L. Recommend approval of the following additional volunteers for the 2021-2022 school year:

Kelly Alberts	Elementary School
Lauren Bell	Elementary School
Amy Domonkos	Elementary School
Jennifer Durica	Strength & Conditioning
Carrie Garlesky	Elementary School
Kristin Hildebrand	Elementary School
Brooke Keiper	Elementary School
Dagny Kiser	Elementary School
Michelle Mock	Elementary School
Erin O'Connell	Music Department
Melanie Oswalt	High School Field Trips
Sierra Roberts	Elementary School
Amy Rose	Elementary School
Heidi Sarver	High School Field Trips
Jamie Saylor	Elementary School
John Stanko	High School Field Trips
Erin Stroz	Elementary Field Trips
Rachel Thomas-Kimmel	Elementary School
Michele Zoldey	Elementary School

5. Support Services

- A. Informational Item – The District is changing from Strawbridge Studios to Barksdale Photography (Aston, Pennsylvania) for school pictures.

6. District or Business Planning

- A. Mr. Kakabar reminded the Board that a Budget meeting had been scheduled for Monday, April 25, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. (dinner at 6:00 p.m.).

7. Buildings & Grounds

- A. Recommend approval of the following Use of Facilities Requests:

- 1. C. T. Travel Team/Soccer Practice  
High School Soccer Practice Fields  
Tuesdays & Fridays, April through May 2022 (6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.)  
Eric Roman

Committee of the Whole continued—

2. C. T. AYSO/Picture Day  
Elementary School Gym or Multipurpose Room  
Saturday, April 23, 2022 (8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.)  
Use of Facilities Fee: \$30.00 per hour for two (2) hours per Mrs. Dull  
Jessica Elliott
  3. C. T. Rotary Interact Club/SHOFCO Soccer Tournament  
High School Stadium Field/Concession Stand/Bathrooms  
Tuesday, May 31, 2022 (8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.)  
Tracy Durica/Catherine Kasun
  4. Summer Piano Lessons  
Elementary Music Room  
Selected Days, June 9 through August 18, 2022 (9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.)  
Amanda Evans
  5. C. T. Special Education/Extended School Year Program  
Elementary School Rooms 120 & 121/Hallway/Fifth Grade Door/Playground  
July 18-29, 2022 (8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.)  
Jane Jugan
8. Budget & Finance
- A. Recommend acknowledgment of receipt of changes in Occupation Valuation Classification as follows:  
Dianna L. Baldish – Totally Disabled; Michael A. Bartoloma – Totally Disabled; Randy E. Gary – Retired; Amy L. Rose – Housewife; Kimberly C. Rose – Totally Disabled;
  - B. Recommend acceptance of the Offer to Purchase Property at Private Sale from Jeremiah Marone for Paint Township Property No. 34-1-031410 at a sum of \$11,915.99, which is the full amount of delinquent taxes due.
9. Other Items
- A. Mr. Kakabar reported that the advertisement had been published to solicit bids for the Elementary School Restroom Project and that Brett Stahl would be attending the May 9 Committee meeting to review the scope of the project. The bids are due on Monday, May 16, 2022.
  - B. Mr. Kakabar noted that Catherine Kasun had received the Outstanding Young Educator Award from the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association.

The meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

**Recorded vote: All Directors present voted in the affirmative.**

**MOTION** by Mrs. Byer, seconded by Mrs. Stumpf, to approve the following requests:

1. Permission for Beth Ott to serve as a volunteer for High School Field Trips during the 2021-2022 school year.
2. Acknowledgment of receipt of a change in Occupation Valuation Classification as follows:  
Randy G. Brant – Totally Disabled.

**Recorded vote: All Directors present voted in the affirmative.**

**MOTION** by Dr. Mantini, seconded by Mrs. Stumpf, to adopt the “RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING (1) A LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CONEMAUGH TOWNSHIP AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT, FERNDAL AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT, FOREST HILLS SCHOOL DISTRICT, GREATER JOHNSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT, RICHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT, WESTMONT HILLTOP SCHOOL DISTRICT AND WINDBER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT (THE “PARTICIPATING DISTRICTS”), AS OWNERS AND LESSORS, AND THE BUTLER COUNTY GENERAL AUTHORITY, AS LESSEE; (2) A SUBLEASE BETWEEN THE BUTLER COUNTY GENERAL AUTHORITY, AS SUBLESSOR, AND GREATER JOHNSTOWN CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER (“GJCTC”) AND EACH OF PARTICIPATING DISTRICTS, INCLUDING THIS SCHOOL DISTRICT, AS SUBLESSEES, UNDER WHICH GJCTC'S BUILDING AND FACILITIES, INCLUDING IMPROVEMENTS, SHALL BE SUBLEASED FROM THE AUTHORITY; (3) AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE LEASE, SUBLEASE AND NOTE DOCUMENTS AND APPROPRIATE ACTION IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROJECT; AND (4) DIRECTING AND AUTHORIZING THE TAKING OF ALL RELATED NECESSARY AND APPROPRIATE ACTION RELATING THERETO.”

**Recorded vote: All Directors present voted in the affirmative.**

**MOTION** by Mrs. Saylor-Stahl, seconded by Mr. Alesantrino, to adopt the Greater Johnstown Career and Technology Center Joint Board “RESOLUTION APPROVING OF (1) A LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CONEMAUGH TOWNSHIP AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT, FERNDAL AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT, FOREST HILLS SCHOOL DISTRICT, GREATER JOHNSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT, RICHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT, WESTMONT HILLTOP SCHOOL DISTRICT AND WINDBER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT (THE “PARTICIPATING DISTRICTS”), AS OWNERS AND LESSORS, AND THE BUTLER COUNTY GENERAL AUTHORITY, AS LESSEE; (2) A SUBLEASE BETWEEN THE BUTLER COUNTY GENERAL AUTHORITY, AS SUBLESSOR, AND GREATER JOHNSTOWN CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER (“GJCTC”) AND EACH OF PARTICIPATING DISTRICTS, AS SUBLESSEES, UNDER WHICH GJCTC'S BUILDING AND FACILITIES, INCLUDING IMPROVEMENTS, SHALL BE SUBLEASED FROM THE AUTHORITY; (3) AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE LEASE, SUBLEASE AND NOTE DOCUMENTS; AND AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATE ACTION IN CONNECTION WITH A CAPITAL PROJECT.”

**Recorded vote: All Directors present voted in the affirmative.**

**MOTION** by Mrs. Stumpf, seconded by Mrs. Maurer, to assign \$2,300,000 of the General Fund Fund Balance for the prorated principal and interest debt service payments for the Greater Johnstown CTC building project for the period from September 1, 2022 through March 15, 2042.

**Recorded vote: All Directors present voted in the affirmative.**

**MOTION** by Mrs. Saylor-Stahl, seconded by Mrs. Byer, to approve a 48-month print management contract with CBM to supply and maintain 54 printers throughout the district at a per copy cost of \$.0425 (black) and \$.0950 (color). [COSTARS Contract #003-016—same rate as 2014 contract]

**Recorded vote: All Directors present voted in the affirmative.**

**MOTION** by Mrs. Stumpf, seconded by Mr. Zahorchak, to enter into an Agreement with Kratzenberg & Associates, Inc., d/b/a Keystone Collections Group for collection of the current and delinquent Local Services Tax.

**Recorded vote: All Directors present voted in the affirmative.**

**MOTION** by Mr. Sleek, seconded by Mr. Alesantrino, to approve a debt service payment of \$132,201.26 (2019 Bond Issue) to The Bank of New York Mellon.

**Recorded vote: All Directors present voted in the affirmative.**

**MOTION** by Mrs. Saylor-Stahl, seconded by Mr. Alesantrino, to approve the Appalachia I. U. 8 General Fund Budget for 2022-2023 as presented.

**Recorded vote: All Directors present voted in the affirmative.**

Ballots for the election of I. U. 8 Directors were distributed and completed by the board members.

Financial Report – A Newsletter, Capital Reserve Account Report, Cash Balance/Investment Report, and Self-Funding Analysis for February were included with the agenda.

Superintendent’s Report – Mr. Kakabar reviewed his list of recent activities/meetings and upcoming events. He noted that the Federal Programs Virtual Monitoring would take place on April 21 and reminded the Board of the upcoming budget workshop on April 25.

Greater Johnstown CTC Report – Dr. Mantini stated that the renovation project had begun.

Mrs. Dull noted that she had brought samples of art work from the elementary students for the Board to view.

An executive session was held from 7:39 p.m. to 9:25 p.m. to discuss personnel and contractual matters.

There being no further business, Mrs. Troxell declared the meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Earl E. Sleek, II, Secretary