

**OIL CITY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD MINUTES
MONDAY, JUNE 28, 2021**

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of Oil City Area School District was held on Monday evening, June 28, 2021, in the Board Room of the Administrative Office, 825 Grandview Road, Oil City, Pennsylvania. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Joseph McFadden, Board President, at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. McFadden opened the meeting with a moment of silence, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: *Present:* Mrs. Davis, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Kerr, Mr. McFadden,
Mrs. Neely, Mr. Piercy, Mr. Weaver

Absent: Mr. Disque

Administrators

Present: Dr. Weller, Mrs. Fisher, Ms. Shuffstall

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS/INVITED GUESTS

Mr. Greg Merkel, School Solicitor, Ms. Kara O’Neil, reporter for *The Derrick*, Ms. Robin Evans and Ms. Bridget Tomaszewski were also in attendance.

Ms. Lisa Shuffstall, Senior High School Assistant Principal, shared the following Summer Happenings with the Board:

- Summer School (for credit recovery) is being held June 14 – July 2, with two sessions each day. English, Math, Social Studies and Science are being offered. Breakfast and lunch are being provided as well.
- Several students are working with Venango County Human Services for the summer lunch program. Good reports have been received about the work ethic of our students.
- Work is being done on the track resurfacing project.
- The high school gym walls are being scraped and painted, and a drop ceiling is being installed. The floor will also be varnished.
- The tennis courts have been completed and need time to cure. They should be available for use by July 5.
- Outside the office, water line work is being done, and new curbing will be installed.
- On July 20, the pool gutter and caulking work will begin. Following recommendations, the heater was turned off at the end of the school year so the water will be room temperature when we begin draining the pool at the rate of one inch per hour.

Dr. Weller added that work is also being done on the main entrance to the Middle School.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Kerr, seconded by Mr. Kelly, moved to approve the minutes of the May 24, 2021 voting meeting and the June 21, 2021 work session.

The voice vote is recorded as follows: *Ayes* –Mrs. Davis, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Kerr, Mr. McFadden,
Mrs. Neely, Mr. Piercy, Mr. Weaver

Nays – None

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

Mr. Weaver, seconded by Mr. Kerr, moved to approve the following financial reports: Payment of Bills, Treasurer's Report, and Activity Report. (Copies of these reports will appear in the Minutes book.)

The voice vote is recorded as follows: *Ayes* –Mrs. Davis, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Kerr, Mr. McFadden, Mrs. Neely, Mr. Piercy, Mr. Weaver

Nays – None

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The following items were presented for approval by Mr. McFadden, Board President:

Personnel Items:

Approval to Accept Resignations

- James Donaldson, Special Education Teacher at Oil City Middle School, effective June 28, 2021
- Frank Serbati, Paraprofessional at Oil City Middle School, effective June 9, 2021

Mr. Weaver, seconded by Mr. Kelley, moved to accept the resignations as presented.

The voice vote is recorded as follows: *Ayes* –Mrs. Davis, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Kerr, Mr. McFadden, Mrs. Neely, Mr. Piercy, Mr. Weaver

Nays – None

Approval to Reassign

- Lisa Shuffstall, from Assistant Principal at Oil City Senior High School to the newly-created 204-day

Mr. Weaver, seconded by Mr. Kelley, moved to accept the resignations as presented.

The voice vote is recorded as follows: *Ayes* –Mrs. Davis, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Kerr, Mr. McFadden, Mrs. Neely, Mr. Piercy

Nays – Mr. Weaver

Approval to Fill the Following Permanent Positions for the 2010-2022 School Year

- Karen Watson, 12-month Administrative Assistant in the Business Office, beginning July 6, 2021
- Angella Scalise, Social Studies Teacher at the Oil City Senior High School, at Step 2 of the Bachelor's scale for the 2021-2022 school year

Mr. Weaver, seconded by Mr. Kerr, moved to approve filling permanent positions for the 2021-2022 school year as presented.

The voice vote is recorded as follows: *Ayes* –Mrs. Davis, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Kerr, Mr. McFadden, Mrs. Neely, Mr. Piercy, Mr. Weaver

Nays – None

Approval to Hire Temporary Teachers

- Cade Cochran, Temporary Elementary Teacher at Smedley Elementary School, at Step 1 of the Bachelor's scale
- Kristen Thompson, Temporary Elementary Teacher at Smedley Elementary School, at Step 1 of the Bachelor's scale

- Elizabeth Gourley, Temporary Elementary Teacher at Seventh Street Elementary, at Step 1 of the Bachelor's scale

Mr. Weaver, seconded by Mr. Kerr, moved to approve the temporary teachers as presented.

The voice vote is recorded as follows: *Ayes* –Mrs. Davis, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Kerr, Mr. McFadden, Mrs. Neely, Mr. Piercy

Nays – Mr. Weaver

Approval of Fall Coach

- Scot Weller, Girls Tennis Volunteer

Mr. Kerr, seconded by Mrs. Neely, moved to approve Scot Weller as a Girls Tennis volunteer as presented.

The voice vote is recorded as follows: *Ayes* –Mrs. Davis, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Kerr, Mr. McFadden, Mrs. Neely, Mr. Piercy, Mr. Weaver

Nays – None

Approval of Field Trip Request

- The Cross Country team requests approval to hold their annual camp at Cook Forest State Park on July 26-30, 2021.

Mr. Weaver, seconded by Mrs. Neely, moved to approve the request from the Cross Country team to hold their annual camp at Cook Forest State Park as presented.

The voice vote is recorded as follows: *Ayes* –Mrs. Davis, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Kerr, Mr. McFadden, Mrs. Neely, Mr. Piercy, Mr. Weaver

Nays – None

Approval of Fundraiser Request

- The Envirothon team requests approval to sell Daffin's candy bars to raise money for Envirothon, equipment, and transportation.

Mr. Weaver, seconded by Mr. Kelley, moved to approve the request from the Envirothon team to sell Daffin's candy bars as presented.

The voice vote is recorded as follows: *Ayes* –Mrs. Davis, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Kerr, Mr. McFadden, Mrs. Neely, Mr. Piercy, Mr. Weaver

Nays – None

Approval of Non-Bargaining Unit Salaries for the 2021-2022 School Year

Mr. Kerr, seconded by Mr. Johnson, moved to approve the non-bargaining unit salaries for the 2021-2022 school year as presented.

The voice vote is recorded as follows: *Ayes* –Mrs. Davis, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Kerr, Mr. McFadden, Mrs. Neely, Mr. Piercy, Mr. Weaver

Nays – None

Mr. McFadden also requested approval of the following items:

Approval of the 2021-2022 Budget as Presented

Mr. Weaver, seconded by Mrs. Neely, moved to approve the 2021-2022 budget, as presented.

The voice vote is recorded as follows: Ayes –Mrs. Davis, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Kerr, Mr. McFadden, Mrs. Neely, Mr. Piercy, Mr. Weaver

Nays – None

Approval to Set the Tax Rate at 16.61 Mills

Mr. Weaver, seconded by Mrs. Neely, moved to approve the setting of the tax rate at 16.61 mills.

The voice vote is recorded as follows: Ayes –Mrs. Davis, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Kerr, Mr. McFadden, Mrs. Neely, Mr. Piercy, Mr. Weaver

Nays – None

Approval of the Resolution to Set the Homestead/Farmstead Rate at \$306.62

Mr. Weaver, seconded by Mrs. Neely, moved to approve the resolution to set the Homestead/Farmstead rate at \$306.62.

The voice vote is recorded as follows: Ayes –Mrs. Davis, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Kerr, Mr. McFadden, Mrs. Neely, Mr. Piercy, Mr. Weaver

Nays – None

Approval of State-Certified Tuition Rates for the 2021-2022 School Year

- Elementary - \$10,124.63
- Secondary - \$11,339.68

Mr. Weaver, seconded by Mrs. Neely, moved to approve the State-certified tuition rates as presented.

The voice vote is recorded as follows: Ayes –Mrs. Davis, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Kerr, Mr. McFadden, Mrs. Neely, Mr. Piercy, Mr. Weaver

Nays – None

Approval to Participate in the Head Check Program Provided by Youth Alternatives at a Cost of \$2,450 for the 2021-2022 School Year

Mr. Weaver, seconded by Mrs. Neely, moved to approve participation in the Head Check program provided by Youth Alternatives at a cost of \$2,450 for the 2021-2022 school year.

The voice vote is recorded as follows: Ayes –Mrs. Davis, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Kerr, Mr. McFadden, Mrs. Neely, Mr. Piercy, Mr. Weaver

Nays – None

Approval of Payment not to Exceed \$1,000.00 to Wagner Family Eye Care for Providing Vision Screenings for Children Entering Kindergarten in 2021-2022

Mr. Weaver, seconded by Mr. Kerr, moved to approve payment not to exceed \$1,000.00 to Wagner Family Eye Care for providing vision screenings for children entering kindergarten in 2021-2022.

The voice vote is recorded as follows: Ayes –Mrs. Davis, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Kerr, Mr. McFadden, Mrs. Neely, Mr. Piercy, Mr. Weaver

Nays – None

Approval of the Insurance Package as Proposed by Argonaut/Trident in the Amount of \$85,949.00, effective July 1, 2021. This includes coverage for Property, Boiler & Machinery, Flood, Earthquake, Inland Marine, Crime, General Liability, Educators' Legal Liability, Automobile Physical Damage, and Excess Liability.

Mr. Weaver, seconded Mr. Kerr, moved to approve the insurance package as proposed by Argonaut/Trident in the amount of \$85,949.00, effective July 1, 2021, as presented.

The voice vote is recorded as follows: Ayes –Mrs. Davis, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Kerr, Mr. McFadden, Mrs. Neely, Mr. Piercy, Mr. Weaver

Nays – None

Approval of the Workers' Compensation Insurance Policy as Proposed by UPMC Work Partners in the Amount of \$58,538.00

Mr. Weaver, seconded by Mrs. Neely, moved to approve the Worker's Compensation Insurance policy as proposed by UPMC Work Partners in the amount of \$58,538.00.

The voice vote is recorded as follows: Ayes –Mrs. Davis, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Kerr, Mr. McFadden, Mrs. Neely, Mr. Piercy, Mr. Weaver

Nays – None

Approval of a Three-Year Contract with Facility Management Services (FMS) Beginning July 1, 2021, as Follows:

- \$1,329,576.00 for July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022
- \$1,365,000.00 for July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023
- \$1,399,126.00 for July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024

Mr. Weaver, seconded by Mr. Kerr, moved to approve the three-year contract with Facility Management Services (FMS) beginning July 1, 2021, as presented.

The voice vote is recorded as follows: Ayes –Mrs. Davis, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Kerr, Mr. McFadden, Mrs. Neely, Mr. Piercy, Mr. Weaver

Nays – None

Approval of Revised Addendum to the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Oil City Area Education Association Regarding Tuition and Tuition Scholarships

Mr. Weaver, seconded by Mrs. Neely, moved to approve the revised Addendum to the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Oil City Area Education Association regarding tuition and tuition scholarships.

The voice vote is recorded as follows: Ayes –Mrs. Davis, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Kerr, Mr. McFadden, Mrs. Neely, Mr. Piercy, Mr. Weaver

Nays – None

Approval of the Memorandum of Understanding with the Oil City Area Education Association Related to the Creation of an Act 93 Position, Specifically “PIMS Administrator”

Mr. Kerr, seconded by Mr. Weaver, moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the Oil City Area Education Association related to the creation of an Act 93 position, specifically “PIMS Administrator,” as presented.

The voice vote is recorded as follows: *Ayes* –Mrs. Davis, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Kerr, Mr. McFadden, Mrs. Neely, Mr. Piercy, Mr. Weaver

Nays – None

Approval of the Memorandum of Understanding with Riverview Intermediate Unit 6 for the Provision of Special Education Services at Pathways Adolescent Center

Mr. Weaver, seconded by Mr. Kelley, moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Riverview Intermediate Unit 6 for the provision of special education services at Pathways Adolescent Center.

The voice vote is recorded as follows: *Ayes* –Mrs. Davis, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Kerr, Mr. McFadden, Mr. Piercy

Nays – Mr. Weaver

Abstentions – Mrs. Neely

INFORMATIONAL

July 19 Meetings – Dr. Weller reminded Board members that next month, both the work session and voting meeting will be held on the same night, July 19, 2021. The work session is scheduled for 6:00 p.m., with the voting meeting to follow at 7:00 p.m.

FEDERAL PROGRAMS

None.

OLD BUSINESS OF THE BOARD

None.

ADMINISTRATORS’ REPORTS

Reports were emailed to Board members prior to the meeting.

VENANGO TECHNOLOGY CENTER REPORT

Mrs. Neely noted the great accomplishments of the students during the past school year.

RIVERVIEW INTERMEDIATE UNIT 6 REPORT

None.

PSBA LIAISON REPORT

None.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

None.

NEW BUSINESS OF THE BOARD

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Weaver and seconded by Mrs. Neely. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shirley D. McLaughlin
Board Secretary