

HERMITAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, APRIL 25, 2022

The Board of Directors of the Hermitage School District convened for their regular meeting in the Central Office Board Room, 411 N. Hermitage Road, Hermitage, PA at 7:09 PM on Monday, April 25, 2022.

Directors in Attendance: Mrs. Becker, Mr. Bucci, Mr. Fustos, Mrs. Hamelly, Dr. Hand, Mr. Ristvey, Mr. Kizak

Directors Absent: Mrs. Perman, Mr. Ruffo

Also in Attendance: Dr. Bell, Mr. Shaffer, Mrs. Horvath, Mrs. Knauff, Mrs. Brest, Dr. Gill, Mrs. Gingras, Dr. Hosick, Mr. Kulbacki, Mr. Schaller, Mr. Trosch

All bowed their heads for a moment of silence.

All present pledged allegiance to the flag.

A motion was made by Mr. Ristvey and seconded by Mrs. Becker that the Board waive the reading and approve the published minutes of the March 21, 2022, work session and regular board meeting minutes.

Roll Call: 7 – Yes None – No Unanimous

Visitors (formal request): No

Visitors (informal): No

Mr. Ristvey presented the Finance Report

Finance Reports
Attachments F-1 thru F-10

On motion by Mr. Ristvey and seconded by Dr. Hand, the Board authorized the following Finance Reports be filed for audit with the understanding that the Treasurer and the Business Manager, have had the opportunity to review these Finance Reports, dated March 31, 2022; also that the School Board has had an opportunity to discuss the reports with the Administration.

- General Fund Reports
 - Cash & Investment Summary (F-1)
 - Condensed Board Summary Report (F-2)
- Wage Tax Report (F-3)
- Capital Reserve Reports
 - Balance Sheet (F-4)
 - Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance (F-5)
- Cafeteria Reports
 - Balance Sheet (F-6)
 - Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Net Assets (F-7)
 - Participation Reports (F-8)
- Student Activities (F-9)
- Fuel Quotes (F-10)

Roll Call: 7 – Yes None – No Unanimous

Payment of Bills
Attachments F-11 thru F-13

On motion by Mr. Ristvey and seconded by Mrs. Hamelly, the Board approved the payment of the following accounts payable with the understanding that the Treasurer and the Business Manager have had the opportunity to review these accounts. The School Board has had an opportunity to discuss the accounts with the Administration.

- A. General Fund Accounts Payable list for checks written March 18, 2022, to April 21, 2022, in the amount of \$1,955,859.82. (Check #77278 thru #77392) (F-11)
- B. General Fund Accounts Payable approval list as of April 25, 2022, in the amount of \$309,068.65. (Proposed Check #77393 thru #77478) (F-12)
- C. Capital Reserve Accounts Payable approval list as of April 25, 2022, in the amount of \$7,680.75. (Proposed Check #2568) (F-13)

Roll Call: 7 – Yes None – No Unanimous

Mrs. Hamelly presented the Transportation Report

Private Transportation Contracts
Attachment T-1

On motion by Mrs. Hamelly and seconded by Mr. Ristvey, the Board approved the below list of private transportation contracts for the 2020-2021 school year.

Roll Call: 7 – Yes None – No Unanimous

Mrs. Becker presented the Personnel Report

Personnel Changes
Attachment P-1

On motion by Mrs. Becker and seconded by Dr. Hand, the Board approved the attached list of resignations, retirements, supplemental contracts, substitutes, classified position changes and new hires.

Roll Call: 7 – Yes None – No Unanimous

Mr. Fustos presented the Curriculum/Special Support Services Report

Adoption of Textbooks

On motion by Mr. Fustos and seconded by Dr. Hand, the Board adopted the following textbooks according to Board Policy No. 108. These books have been evaluated by the staff according to said policy and the evaluative criteria analysis.

- 1. Discovery Education, 7th Grade Social Studies, Social Studies Techbook: Digital textbook aligned with C3 Framework, complete with formative/summative assessments, activities, teacher supports, and more. Each student license comes with access to US History, World History, World Geography and Cultures, and Civics and Government. The pricing is based on a standard 3-year term. Quantity of 70. Total cost is \$5,100.
- 2. McGraw Hill, Our Democracy - Grade 10 and American Democracy Now - Grade 11. Total Cost of \$16,308.32.
 - Our Democracy - Grade 10
 - US Government Our Democracy Student Suite with Learnsmart, 6-year Subscription/Bundle. ISBN: 978-0-07-678193-5, Quantity of 60
 - US Government Our Democracy Teacher Suite with Learnsmart, 6-year Subscription/Bundle. ISBN: 978-0-07-678196-6, Quantity of 2

- American Democracy Now - Grade 11
 - Harrison American Democracy Now AP ED 2022 7E Student Print Digital Bundle, 2-year Subscription, Quantity of 60. ISBN: 978-1-26-440502-2
 - Harrison American Democracy Now AP ED 2022 7E Online Teacher Edition, 6-year Subscription, Quantity of 2. ISBN: 978-1-26-431918-3
 - Harrison American Democracy Now AP Teacher Edition 2022 7E, Quantity of 2. ISBN: 978-1-26-431914-5

Roll Call: 7 – Yes None – No Unanimous

HSD Comprehensive Plan

On motion by Mr. Fustos and seconded by Mrs. Hamelly, the Board approved the Hermitage School District Comprehensive Plan, which has been reviewed by the board since the March 21, 2022, regular board meeting. A copy of the plan is on file in the Director of Curriculum’s office.

Roll Call: 7 – Yes None – No Unanimous

Mr. Shaffer presented the Legal Report

**Agreements
Attachments as Listed**

On motion by Dr. Hand and seconded by Mrs. Becker, the Board approved the below list of agreements.

1. Linkage Agreement with Community Counseling Center of Mercer County. [\(L-1\)](#)
2. Cooperative Agreement with Whole Life Services, Inc. [\(L-2\)](#)
3. Agreement with Harris Education Solutions for a 3-year locked cost of our annual edInsight support and maintenance. [\(L-3\)](#)
4. Delahunty Middle School TSI Non-Title I School Plan.
5. Agreement for PennDot Multimodal Transportation Fund Grand Matching Funds. [\(L-5\)](#)
6. Agreement with Pittsburgh Applied Behavior Analytic Therapies and Services, LLC. [\(L-6\)](#)

Roll Call: 7 – Yes None – No Unanimous

William McConnell, Real Estate Tax Assessment Appeal Settlement

On motion by Mrs. Hamelly and seconded by Dr. Hand, the Board approved the real estate tax assessment appeal settlement recommendation of an assessment of \$691,378 for the property known as the Shenango Valley Mall, designated as Tax Map No. 11 145 233 000 100 and owned by William G. McConnell, Et. al., effective in the tax year 2022 as submitted by Andrews & Price, LLC.

Roll Call: 7 – Yes None – No Unanimous

Lindy Paving, Inc. Real Estate Tax Assessment Appeal Settlement

On motion by Mrs. Becker and seconded by Dr. Hand, the Board approved the real estate tax assessment appeal settlement recommendation of an assessment of \$192,500 for the property designated as Tax Map No. 12 170 017 001 and owned by Lindy Paving, Inc., effective in the tax year 2022 as submitted by Andrews & Price, LLC.

Roll Call: 7 – Yes None – No Unanimous

**Revised Board Policy for Review
Attachment L-4**

The attached “revised” School Board Policy below is presented for review by the Board members. Final adoption will be recommended for Board action at the Monday, May 16, 2022, regular board meeting.

- Policy No. 626 - Federal Fiscal Compliance [\(L-4\)](#)

Mr. Bucci presented the Student Activities/Academics Report

Student Activity Requests
Attachment SA-1

On motion by Mr. Bucci and seconded by Dr. Hand, the Board approved the attached list of student activity requests for the 2021-2022 school year.

Roll Call: 7 – Yes None – No Unanimous

HSD Club Reinstatement

On motion by Mr. Bucci and seconded by Mrs. Becker the Board approved the reinstatement of the 8th Grade Art Club starting with the 2022-2023 school year as a Hickory High School Student Activity Club to operate for the benefit of the Hermitage School District students.

Roll Call: 7 – Yes None – No Unanimous

There being no further business, a motion was made by Dr. Hand and seconded by Mrs. Becker that the meeting be adjourned at approximately 7:22 PM. An Athletic meeting was held immediately after the regular board meeting.

Respectfully submitted,



Barbara Knauff, Board Secretary