

HOPEWELL AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
2354 BROADHEAD ROAD  
ALIQUPPA, PA 15001

BOARD BUSINESS MEETING

TUESDAY, AUGUST 22, 2023

CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION BOARD ROOM AND VIRTUAL

7:00 P.M.

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- I. Call to Order
  - II. Pledge of Allegiance
  - III. Roll Call
  - IV. The President will announce if there was an Executive Session since the last meeting.  
This announcement is being made to be in compliance with Act 84 of 1986,  
Pennsylvania's Sunshine Law, as amended.
  - V. Motion to approve Agenda as written.
  - VI. Approval of Minutes  
  
Regular Business Meeting – July 11, 2023  
Regular Work Meeting – August 8, 2023
  - VII. Financial Reports  
  
Tax Collection – June 2023 and July 2023  
Treasurer's Report – June 2023 and July 2023  
Financial Statements – June 2023 and July 2023
  - VIII. Buildings and Grounds Update by Ed West, Director of Buildings and Grounds
  - IX. Visitors  
  
Effective October 12, 2021, a maximum of thirty minutes total will be reserved during  
the Board meeting for community members who request to speak. At any time, the  
Board may allow additional time for the visitors portion of the Board meeting.

Whether the community member is participating virtually, or in-person, the community member will:

- State their name
- Have up to three minutes to make a statement and/or ask a question to the Board
- Only be able to speak once during the visitors portion of the board meeting
- Have their time begin when the individual begins to speak

It is recommended that community members wishing to speak during the visitors portion email the Board Secretary prior to the board meeting, however the online chat will be monitored during the visitors portion of the meeting for anyone wishing to speak.

A response may be given during the meeting, however, it is also possible that no response be provided during the Board meeting. The Board will instruct the Superintendent, the Business Administrator and/or the Solicitor to either respond to the inquiry or do further research and report back to the Board and/or the resident. For any question that requires a response, the District will contact the individual directly to respond or will share responses at the following Board meeting.

X. Committee Discussion/Recommendations

**Education/Curriculum/Instruction:** Dr. Erickson, Chair; Mrs. Pistorius, Co-Chair

Recommendation to approve the following:

1. Agreement with the Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit to provide Title One Services to students at Our Lady of Fatima and Saints Peter and Paul for the 2023-2024 school year at a per pupil allocation of \$1,049.47.
2. Senior High School club and activity sponsors for the 2023-2024 school year.
3. Junior High School club and activity sponsors for the 2023-2024 school year.
4. Agreement with the Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit to provide ESL (English as a Second Language) for the 2023-2024 school year at a cost of \$105.00 per hour.
5. Request of Dr. Kartychak for the Senior High School marching band and choir to travel to Williamsburg, Virginia from April 12, 2024 through April 14, 2024.
6. Student handbooks for the Senior High School, Junior High School and Elementary Schools.
7. Review of the District's Health and Safety Plan, pursuant to ESSER requirements. At this time, there are no recommended changes to the Plan.

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8. Day Student Education Agreement with Glade Run Lutheran Services, dba St. Stephens Lutheran Academy and St. Stephens Academy Utica, for the 2023-2024 school year. **(New Item)**
9. Partnership Agreement by and between the Pennsylvania Family, Career and Community Leaders of America and Hopewell Senior High School for the 2023-2024 school year. **(New Item)**
10. Client Services Agreement with Soliant Health, LLC to provide psychological evaluation services beginning August 23, 2023 through July 30, 2024. **(New Item)**
11. Agreement with Southwood Psychiatric Hospital to provide services to students on an as needed basis for the 2023-2024 school year. **(New Item)**
12. Agreement with the Pennsylvania School Board Association to review and update the District's Board Policy Manual at a cost of \$6,900.00. **(New Item)**
13. Request of Dr. Kartychak for the Senior High School Cheerleading sponsors to host a homecoming dance in the auditorium lobby on Saturday, October 14, 2023. **(New Item)**
14. McKenzie Shatzer, a student at Geneva College, to complete her field studies at the Junior High School, under the supervision of Bryan Testa. **(New Item)**

**Buildings and Grounds:** Daniel Caton, Chair; Vicki Gill, Co-Chair

Recommendation to approve the following:

1. Request of the Viking Pride Marching Band to use the Junior High School cafeteria on September 30, 2023 for a craft show.
2. Request of the Knights of Columbus Hopewell Township to use the Senior High School soccer practice fields on September 30, 2023 for a skills competition.
3. Request of the Lady Viking Basketball Boosters to use the stadium parking lot on October 10, 2023 from 3:30 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. for Food Truck Night. **(New Item)**
4. Proposal from Renick Brothers (Quote #23-069S) to replace two boiler heat exchangers at the junior high school at a cost of \$35,790, per COSTARS program. **(New Item)**
5. Proposal from Johnson Controls Security to add and install a card reader and Aiphone box to the exterior doors at the main entrance of Margaret Ross

Elementary School. The project will cost \$9,658.94 and will be attributed to PCCD Grant funding. **(New Item)**

6. Proposal from Johnson Controls Security to add and install a card reader and Aiphone box to the exterior doors at the main entrance of Hopewell High School. The project will cost \$7,935.26 and will be attributed to PCCD Grant funding. **(New Item)**

**Finance and Budget:** Mrs. Zupsic, Co-Chair; Mrs. Miller, Co-Chair

Recommendation to approve the following:

1. Payment of Bills: **(Roll Call)**

- a. General Fund List of Bills in the amount of \$895,397.09
- b. Cafeteria Fund List of Bills in the amount of \$39,180.10

Payments to be ratified:

- c. Payments to be ratified for June 2023 in the amount of \$4,717,978.73
- d. Payment to be ratified for July 2023 in the amount of 3,004,300.53

2. Request of Hopewell Township to purchase parcel 65-094-0123.001 located in Hopewell Township out of the Beaver County Repository. All delinquent taxes from 2022-2023 tax year and prior years are exonerated. **(Roll Call) (New Item)**

**Personnel:** Mrs. Zupsic, Chair; Dr. Erickson, Co-Chair

Recommendation to approve the following:

1. Continuation of current SRO/Inter-agency agreement for the 2023-2024 school year. Discontinuation of this agreement can occur at any time by either party with 30 days notice. **(Roll Call)**.
2. Sabbatical leave of absence for restoration of health for Deborah Ross for the 2023-2024 school year. **(New Item)**
3. Employment of Ashley Ashbaugh, paraprofessional at Hopewell Elementary School, effective August 21, 2023. **(New Item)**
4. Employment of Crystal Hough, transportation aide, effective August 15, 2023. **(New Item)**
5. Resignation of Arlene Nalli, part-time Junior High School art teacher, effective August 16, 2023. **(New Item)**

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6. Resignation of Maegan Johnson, paraprofessional at the Junior High School, effective August 16, 2023. (**New Item**)
7. Change of employment status for Steve Leeper from full-time bus driver to substitute driver, effective August 18, 2023. (**New Item**)
8. Employment of Raymond Karlheim, substitute bus driver, effective August 21, 2023. (New Item).

### XI. Other Business

### XII. Superintendents Report

### XIII. Solicitors Report

### XIV. Upcoming School Board Meetings

September 12, 2023, 7:00 p.m. – Board Room and Virtual

September 26, 2023, 7:00 p.m. – Board Room and Virtual

### XV. Adjournment