

PONTIAC TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 90
1100 E. Indiana Avenue, Pontiac, IL 61764
BOARD OF EDUCATION - REGULAR MEETING
Monday, May 16, 2022

Call to Order, Pledge, and Roll Call: The Pontiac Township High School District No. 90 Board of Education held its regularly scheduled meeting in the Dr. Ronald J Yates Memorial Library at 7:00pm. Mr. Schrock called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Board Members Mr. Schrock, Mrs. Brainard, Mr. Lambert, Mr. Sartoris, Josh Anderson and Mr. Masching answered roll call. Also present were Administrators Jon Kilgore, Eric Bohm, and Board Secretary Kelly Carter.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes from our regularly scheduled board meeting on April 11, 2022 were approved. Motion by Mrs. Brainard and seconded by Mr Masching. Motion passed on a voice vote.

Approval of Bills and Requisitions: A motion was made by Mr. Lambert and seconded by Mr. Sartoris to approve the High School and LACC Finance Reports; the High School, OM and LACC bills; and the High School and LACC SBAA Activity Reports and Cafeteria Reports. Mr. Schrock, Mr. Lambert, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Sartoris, Mr. Masching and Mrs. Brainard voted “yea” on a roll call vote. Motion passed.

Recognition of Guests: Jake Heller, Prospective Board Member, Chad Shepherd, Math Dept. Chair. Brian Verdun, Krista Verdun, Aaron Verdun, Nolan Verdun, Susan Popejoy, and Jordan Hornickel.

Presentations: Chad Shepherd gave his report for the Math Department on the progress they have made this year. He discussed how there are transitioning to College Math and some of the challenges they faced during this school year. The department as a whole met their goals and covered all the material as planned.

Communications: Mr. Kilgore presented the outgoing Board members, Mary Brainard & Josh Anderson with their service plaques. Mr. Clemmer was unable to attend.

Public Comment: Several guests from the Boys and Girls Club Robotics Team addressed the BOE thanking them for their monetary donation for their team and they gave some highlights of their year. They also discussed some challenges they are facing this upcoming year with low enrollment numbers.

Financial Report: Mr. Kilgore reported that our FY 2022 budget is right on target with two months remaining in the fiscal year and reiterated that we are right where we should be for this time of year. The cash flow projections are at or beyond what we have budgeted. We have been receiving our state aid funds as anticipated. He also mentioned that our sales tax funds are coming in regularly and feels we will finish strong.

Funds Totals \$1,209,677.69 + Investments \$9,463,220.40 = \$10,672,898.09

FUND BALANCES: Ed Fund \$4,527,229.04 O&M Fund \$816,423.92, Debt Fund \$20,889.56, Transportation Fund \$2,291,893.64, IMRF/SS Fund \$142,960.58, Capital Projects Fund \$2,569,738.19, Working Cash Fund \$92,464.26, Tort Fund \$57,468.34, Life Safety Fund \$153,830.56.

Board Business:

Summer Projects Update: Mr. Kilgore reported the following projects will be going on this summer: Broad Band Project, Courtyard Projects, Asbestos removal in the Commons.

Board Vacancies: Mr. Kilgore stated that there are (3) openings for seats on the Board currently.

Board Meeting Dates: Mr. Kilgore presented the BOE with the 2022-2023 board meeting dates.

Discipline Hearing Officer: Mr. Kilgore recommends Joe Burgess as a Hearing Officer for expulsion hearings to be used on an as needed basis.

Principal Report: Mr. Bohm said this year's PTHS Awards Night was a success and a great evening. Mr. Durbin did a nice job as Master of Ceremonies. He also reminded the board of Final exam week schedule for May 23rd-25th. Final day for the teachers is May 26th.

LACC Report: Mrs. Graves reported that LACC had their awards nigh on May 5th and they recognized Program awards, Business Scholarships and Student of the Month winners. She also shared that they had 33 students compete in the Skill USA in Peoria to compete at the state level and 21 students placed in the top ten. CTEI funds have all been received except two payments.

A motion was made by Mary Brainard and seconded by Nick Sartoris to add Thad Siwecki to the agenda for personnel recommendations as he submitted his letter of resignation late. Mr. Schrock, Mr. Masching, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Sartoris, Mr. Lambert, and Mrs. Brainard voted "yea" on a roll call vote. Motion passed.

Personnel Recommendations:

Mr. Kilgore is also recommending the approval of the following employees:

- **Resignation of Thomas McElwee for Spring Musical, Jack Bristow for his Intent to Retire in June 2026 and Thad Siwecki as a Paraprofessional.**
- **Leave of Absence for Betsy Westergreen from Aug 15-Oct 11, 2022.**

- **New Hires: John Neisler, Associate Athletic Director (2022-2023); Athletic Director (2023-2024), Avery Horning and Grace Mathus for Summer Technology, Madelyn Doran for Substitute Teacher, Maddie Dohleman as Volunteer Basketball Coach and Kevin Dyck as Volunteer Football Coach.**

Closed Session: Not Needed

Action Items:

Approve the Proposed Board of Education Meeting Dates for FY2022-2023:

A motion was made by Mr. Sartoris and seconded by Mr. Masching to approve the meeting dates as presented. Mr. Lambert, Mrs. Brainard, Mr. Schrock, Mr. Anderson, Mrs. Masching, and Mr. Sartoris voted “yea” on a roll call vote. Motion passed.

Approve Joe Burgess to serve as Expulsion/Suspension Hearing Officer as needed:

A motion was made by Mr. Lambert and seconded by Mrs. Brainard to approve Joe Burgess as presented. Mr. Schrock, Mr. Masching, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Sartoris, Mr. Lambert, and Mrs. Brainard voted “yea” on a roll call vote. Motion passed.

Approve the Personnel Recommendations as presented: A motion was made by Mr. Sartoris and was seconded by Mr. Anderson to approve the Leave of Absence for Betsy Westergreen for the period of August 15, 2022 to October 11, 2022 and also to approve the resignations for Thomas McElwee as Spring Musical Director, Jack Bristow for his intent to retire at the end of 2026 school year and Thad Siwecki as Paraprofessional. Mr. Lambert, Mrs. Brainard, Mr. Schrock, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Masching, and Mr. Sartoris voted “yea”. Motion Passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Anderson and seconded by Mr. Sartoris to approve the new hire of John Neisler as Associate Athletic Director starting July 1, 2022 and Athletic Director July 1, 2023 as presented. Mr. Lambert, Mrs. Brainard, Mr. Schrock, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Masching and Mr. Sartoris voted “yea” on a roll call vote. Motion passed.

A motion was made Mr. Lambert and seconded by Mr. Masching to approve the new hires for Summer Technology, Substitute, and volunteer coaches as presented: Avery Horning, Summer Technology, Grace Mathus, Summer Technology, Madelyn Doran, Substitute Teacher, Maddie Dohleman, Volunteer Basketball Coach, and Kevin Dyck as Volunteer Football Coach. Mr. Lambert, Mrs. Brainard, Mr. Schrock, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Masching, and Mr. Sartoris voted “yea”. Motion Passed.

Other Matters of Discussion: None

Upcoming Items, Activities and Meetings

Finance Committee – Monday, June 20, 2022 @ 5:45 p.m.

Next BOE Meeting – Monday, June 20, 2022 @ 7:00 p.m.

PTHS Retirement Celebration: May 23, 2022 3:30-5:30 at Joes Stationhouse Patio.

Adjournment – A motion was made by Mr. Sartoris and seconded by Mr. Masching to adjourn the meeting at 8:25pm. Motion passed on a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Dale Schrock, President

Kelly Carter, Board Secretary