October 10, 2022

Page 4860

The Fairfield Area School Board met on Monday evening, October 10, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the district boardroom for a regular Board Meeting. The following members were in attendance: Mrs. Jennifer Holz, presiding; Mrs. Lauren Clark, Mr. Matthew DeGennaro, Mrs. Lashay Kalathas, Mr. Jack Liller, and Mrs. Lisa Sturges. Absent were Board members Mrs. Kelly Christiano, Mrs. Candace Ferguson-Miller, and Mr. Ted Sayres. Also present were Mr. Thomas Haupt, Superintendent; Mrs. Sonja Brunner, Assistant to the Superintendent for Curriculum, Special Education & Student Services; Mr. Tim Stanton, Business Manager; and Attorney Leigh Dalton, Solicitor. Prior to the meeting on September 26, 2022 the Board meet in Executive Session to discuss personnel and legal issues.

**Minutes**

A motion was made by Mrs. Lauren Clark to approve the minutes of the September 26, 2022 board meeting and was seconded by Mr. Matthew DeGennaro Motion carried (6-0).

**Presentations/Reports:**

The following individuals are responsible for updating the board on the current operations of their supervised areas. If you would like their full report, please follow this link: https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLEPDJP9udALGyQSlPPBEbCvcT-62mW2sY

* Superintendent
* Assistant to the Superintendent for Curriculum, Special Education & Student Services
* Business Manager

The district solicitor Attorney Leigh Dalton provided a statement explaining protections for transgender students and restroom accommodations. Attorney Dalton stated this issue was addressed in a federal court decision of Doe vs. Boyertown Area School District.

**Public Comment** **Agenda Items** – There was no public comment concerning agenda items.

**Consent Agenda**

Background: The following routine operational matters are presented for action by the Board of School Directors. Items that require special attention may be removed from the consent agenda upon request of a Board member.

A motion was made by Mr. Jack Liller to approve the consent agenda, items A thru G and was seconded by Mr. Matthew DeGennaro. Motion carried (6-0)

October 10, 2022

Page 4861

**Administrative**

**Actions** A. Approved an Independent Study Contract request from Kylee Partilla, for Spanish III, during the second semester of the 2022-2023 school year.

**Budget** B. Approved the addition of the following individual(s) to the van / bus driver list for the 2022-2023 school year. The contractor is noted.

Melisa Smith - Jacoby Transportation

Glenn Kern - Jacoby Transportation

C. Approved an agreement for services and contract assignment between Fairfield Area School District and Next Level Speech Therapy for speech and language services at the rate of $80.00 per hour.

Background: This is for the part-time speech and language position.

**Personnel** D. Approved the employment of Christian L. Hocker as a long-term substitute MS/Elem Phys. Ed. Teacher effective October 11, 2022 with salary and benefits per the Collective Bargaining Agreement pending all certification and paperwork is complete. Bachelors, Step 1 / $52,857

E. Approved the employment of Jill W. McKenzie as a part-time elementary classroom aide with salary and benefits per the Support Staff Agreement effective October 3, 2022.

F. Accepted a resignation from Ken Kincaid, HS Ass’t Cross Country Coach, effective immediately.

G. Approved a supplemental contract for Jared Donmoyer as the HS Ass’t Girls’ Basketball Coach for the 2022-2023 school year with salary per the Collective Bargaining Agreement. ($2,596)

**Public Comment**

Three individuals made statements to the Board regarding gender identity and the use of bathrooms.

**Adjournment**

All were in favor following a motion by Mr. Matthew DeGennaro and a second by Mr. Jack Liller to adjourn the General Board meeting at 7:28 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Mrs. Jennifer Holz Mr. Tim Stanton

Board President Board Recording Secretary

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_