# CHARLEROI AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

# Regular Meeting of Tuesday, November 15, 2022 7:00 PM Charleroi Area High School Community Room

#### **MINUTES**

Prior to the regular meeting, the Board met in Executive Session at 6:32 p.m. in the High School Community Room, 100 Fecsen Drive, Charleroi PA 15022 to discuss personnel matters. Persons present were: Mr. Caruso, Mrs. Hopkins, Mrs. Keranko, Mr. Nutting, Mrs. Pappasergi, Mrs. Mrs. Pepper, Mr. Wiltz and Mr. Yakich.

Mr. Wiltz, Board President, announced that the Board had been in executive session since 6:32 p.m. and then called the regular meeting of the Charleroi Area School District Board of School Directors to order at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Community Room, 100 Fecsen Drive, Charleroi PA 15022.

Upon roll call, members present were: Mr. Caruso, Mrs. Hopkins, Mrs. Keranko, Mr. Nutting, Mrs. Pappasergi, Mrs. Pepper, Mr. Wiltz, and Mr. Yakich.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

#### **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Upon motion of Mr. Yakich, seconded by Mrs. Pappasergi, it was resolved to approve the agenda for the Regular Meeting of the Charleroi Area School District Board of School Directors for November 15, 2022.

# STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

Student Representatives Colton Palonder and Triniti Powell-Boyer spoke with the Board about events in the high school.

#### **ROUTINE BUSINESS:**

Upon motion of Mrs. Pepper, seconded by Mrs. Keranko, with all in favor, it was resolved to approve the following routine business items for the month of November 2022:

a. Approval of the Minutes for the Regular Meeting of October 18, 2022

# **CORRESPONDENCE**

The following correspondence was read at the meeting:

#### a. November Subsidies

The following Federal and State Funds have been or will be received for the month of November 2022:

| FUNDING                             | AMOUNT         |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| PROPERTY TAX RELIEF PAYMENT         | \$405,798.20   |
| S D TRANSPORTATION                  | \$55,527.00    |
| BASIC EDUCATION FUNDING             | \$1,375,671.00 |
| EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT | \$2,256,385.80 |
| REN SUBSIDY                         | \$979,307.86   |
| LEVEL-UP SUPPLEMENT                 | \$69,219.00    |
| SOCIAL SECURITY                     | \$142,195.82   |
| S D SPECIAL EDUCATION               | \$215,800.00   |

# **EDUCATION AND CURRICULUM**

Upon motion of Mr. Yakich, seconded by Mr. Nutting, it was resolved to approve all EDUCATION AND CURRICULUM resolutions as presented by the Administration and subject to review by the District Solicitor as follows:

- a. Approval of Spring 2023 Student Teacher Placements
- b. Approval of Children of Non-Resident Staff member Application Enrollment
- c. Approval of Sunday Facility Request February 5, February 19, February 26, and March 5, 2023, for Charleroi Varsity Baseball Hitting Camp, with a starting time of 12:00 p.m.

# ROLL CALL:

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Mr. Caruso Yes , Mrs. Hopkins Yes , Mrs. Keranko Yes ,
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Mr. Nutting <u>Yes</u>, Mrs. Pappasergi <u>Yes</u>, Mrs. Pellegrini <u>Absent</u>,

Mrs. Pepper Yes, Mr. Yakich Yes, Mr. Wiltz Yes.

# POLICIES/ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS

Upon motion of Mr. Yakich, seconded by Mrs. Keranko, it was resolved to approve all POLICIES/ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS resolutions as presented by the Administration and subject to review by the District Solicitor as follows:

- a. Final Reading of Revised Policy 236.1 Threat Assessment
- b. Final Reading of Revised Policy 805 Emergency Preparedness and Response
- c. Final Reading of Revised Policy 805.2 School Security personnel
- d. Final Reading of Policy 810.5 Motorcycle Usage
- e. First Reading of Revised Policy 113 Special Education

#### ROLL CALL:

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Mr. Caruso <u>Yes</u>, Mrs. Hopkins <u>Yes</u>, Mrs. Keranko <u>Yes</u>, Mrs. Nutting <u>Yes</u>, Mrs. Pappasergi <u>Yes</u>, Mrs. Pellegrini <u>Absent</u>, Mrs. Pepper <u>Yes</u>, Mr. Yakich <u>Yes</u>, Mr. Wiltz <u>Yes</u>.
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# **PERSONNEL**

Upon motion of Mrs. Keranko, seconded by Mrs. Hopkins, it was resolved to approve all PERSONNEL resolutions as presented by the Administration and subject to review by the District Solicitor as follows:

- a. Name Cook's Helper, 5.75 hours per day, Rosemary Walker, salary per CESPA Bargaining Agreement
- b. Approval of Correction of May 17, 2022, Special Education Teacher Salary
- c. Approval of Assistant Nurse Contract 2023-2026
- d. Approval of Request for Uncompensated Leave, Sara Eidel, November 1, 2022 to December 5, 2022
- e. Name Substitute Support Personnel: Natalie Waggoner (Van Monitor), retroactive to September 15, 2022, salary as per CESPA Bargaining Agreement

#### ROLL CALL:

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Mrs. Hopkins <u>Yes</u>, Mrs. Keranko <u>Yes</u>, Mr. Nutting <u>Yes</u>,
Mrs. Pappasergi <u>Yes</u>, Mrs. Pellegrini <u>Absent</u>, Mrs. Pepper <u>Yes</u>; abstain from Item e,
Mr. Yakich <u>Yes</u>, Mr. Wiltz <u>Yes</u>, Mr. Caruso <u>Yes</u>.
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# **FINANCE AND SUPPORT AREAS**

Upon motion of Mr. Nutting, seconded Mrs. Caruso, it was resolved to approve all FINANCE AND SUPPORT AREA RESOLUTIONS as presented by the Administration and subject to review by the District Solicitor as follows:

- a. Approval of Monthly Secretary Treasurer Reports for the Month of October 2022 as follows: General Fund, Restricted Savings, Digital Revenue, Payroll, Capital Project Fund, Food Service Fund, PCCD Grant Fund and Bond Fund
- b. Approval of General Fund, Food Service Fund and Athletic Fund Bill Lists for the Month of November 2022
- c. Approval of Interim Bill List for October 2022/November 2022
- d. Approval of High School, Middle School, Elementary Center and Athletic Activity Account Reports for October 2022
- e. Approval of the Tax Collection Report for the Month of October 2022
- f. Approval of the Lien Report for the Month of September 2022
- g. Approval of the Monthly Revenues and Expenditures Report for October 2022
- h. Approval of Extra Duty Time Reports for October 2022
- i. Approval to Pay December 2022 Invoices
- j. Approval to Not Increase Property Taxes Above the Index
- k. Approval of Disabled Veterans Real Estate Tax Exemption
- 1. Approval of Esignature Resolution
- m. Approval to Increase Substitute Bus/Van Driver Pay Rate to \$75 per day
- n. Approval to Increase Bus Driver Buildings and Grounds Extra Work Pay Rate to \$15 per hour
- o. Approval to Increase Transportation Aides Pay Rate to \$13 per hour
- p. Approval to Purchase Auditorium Sound System from Baughman Sound Systems, in the amount of \$18, 176
- q. Approval to Purchase Auditorium Projector and Screen from Dobil Laboratories, in the amount of \$38,118
- r. Approval to Purchase Driveway Banners from Mon Valley Signs, in the amount of \$2,400 NOT APPROVED
- s. Approval to Open Additional Checking Account with cfsBank
- t. Approval of Donation of Capital Assets, Van 5, to Mon Valley Career and Technology Center

#### **ROLL CALL:**

Mrs. Keranko <u>Yes</u>, Mr. Nutting <u>Yes</u>; No to <u>Item r</u>, Mrs. Pappasergi <u>Yes</u>; No to <u>Item r</u>, Mrs. Pellegrini <u>Absent</u>, Mrs. Pepper <u>Yes</u>; No to <u>Item r</u>, Mr. Yakich <u>Yes</u>; No to <u>Item r</u>, Mr. Wiltz <u>Yes</u>, Mr. Caruso <u>Yes</u>, Mrs. Hopkins <u>Yes</u>; No to <u>Item r</u>.

# **REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT**

Dr. Zelich shared with the Board that he will be attending the Western Pennsylvania Forum for Superintendents November 30 – December 2, 2022.

Dr. Zelich informed the Board that currently, the District will be delivering 53 Thanksgiving meal baskets to families on Tuesday, November 22, 2022.

#### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

Dr. Zelich informed the Board that he received some concerns that there is an "epidemic" with students wearing their hoods up in our buildings. Dr. Zelich assured the Board that this information is false.

Dr. Zelich shared with the Board that a Charleroi resident posted on social media that our District has put litter boxes in our bathrooms and nurse's office for "furries" to use. Dr. Zelich stated that he toured our buildings, and this information is an unfounded rumor. Ms. Triniti Powell, Student Board Representative, was not surprised with the rumor, stating that last school year, our MIRROR Club was blamed for encouraging litter boxes for students to use.

Upon motion of Mr. Yakich, seconded by Mr. Caruso, the meeting was adjourned at 7:31 p.m.