

Peters Township School District

AGENDA PETERS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2024 AT 7:30 PM DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION OFFICES

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

> Celebration of Excellence

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA AND OTHER ITEMS

(Peters Township School District Policy 903)

Peters Township School District values parent and community engagement. Speakers listed on the agenda will be allotted a maximum of five (5) minutes for public comment. Speakers not listed on this agenda will be allotted a maximum of two (2) minutes for public comment.

Part of our communication effort involves taping and sharing videos of our Board meetings to help our community stay informed on matters before the Board. Any guest speakers or members of the public who are taking part in the meetings are reminded to come to the podium and use the microphone when making comments so that they may be heard by those of us in the room and those watching online. All speakers are reminded to state their name and resident status for the minutes.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

An Executive Session was held immediately prior to this meeting to discuss personnel and litigation matters.

NEW BUSINESS

I. BUSINESS OFFICE

RECOMMENDATION: Consider a motion to approve Business Office recommendations as follows: (attachments)

- 1. Approval of the minutes for the Regular Board Meeting dated January 20, 2024.
- 2. Approval of the Treasurer's Report for January 2024 with a balance of \$22,691,234.10.
- 3. Approval of the General Fund bills for January 12, 2024 through February 15, 2024.
- 4. Approval of the Capital Facilities Fund bills for January 12, 2024 through February 15, 2024.
- 5. Approval of the Food Service Fund bills for January 12, 2024 through February 15, 2024.
- 6. Approval of the McMurray Elementary School Activity Fund report for January 2024.
- 7. Approval of the Middle School Activity Fund report for January 2024.
- 8. Approval of the High School Athletic Fund report for January 2024.
- 9. Approval of the High School Activity Fund report for January 2024.
- 10. Approval of the High School Coffee Shop Activity Fund report for January 2024.
- 11. Approval of the Budget Transfers for January 2024.

II. BOARD COMMITTEES

Personnel

Daniel Taylor

Buildings and Grounds

Rebecca Bowman

A Buildings and Grounds Committee Meeting was held on February 7, 2024.

- 1. **RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the purchase and installation of the Alternate Product, Game On Turf System, the lowest responsible bidder, for the Peters Township Confluence Financial Partners Stadium from Shaw Sports Turf (Co-Stars #014-E23-321) in the amount of \$507,200.44, on terms and conditions approved by the Solicitor. This project is funded by the Capital Reserve Fund.
- 2. **RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the purchase and installation of the Base Product, Legion HP Turf System, the lowest responsible bidder, for the Pleasant Valley Field from Shaw Sports Turf (Co-Stars #014-E23-321) in the amount of \$525,460.00, on terms and conditions approved by the Solicitor. This project is funded by the Capital Reserve Fund.

Education

Shari Payne

The District's Comprehensive Plan is currently on display for public comment. The Plan is available at the Peters Township Public Library and District Administrative Office.

Federal Programs: Title I/II/IV Grants – Dr. Jennifer Murphy

Finance

Rolf Briegel

3. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve an hourly rate of \$175.00 per hour for Solicitor services from Weiss Burkardt Kramer, LLC commencing January 1, 2024. This is an increase of \$20.00 per hour over the previous rate. All other terms of the Solicitor reappointment remain the same.

Policy

Lisa Anderson

PSBA

Lisa Anderson

Western Area Career and Technology Center

Kathleen Chaudhari

The next Joint Operating Committee meeting will be held on February 28, 2024.

Intermediate Unit

The next Board of Directors meeting will be held on February 22, 2024.

- 4. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to nominate Dr. Shari Payne to stand for election or appointment to the Intermediate Unit 1 Board of Directors in accordance with the provisions of Sections 910-A and 911-A of the Public School Code of 1949, as amended.
- 5. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve Resolution No. 2024-02-20A for the 2024–2025 Intermediate Unit 1 General Operational Budget in the amount of \$549,552.00 with Peters Township School District's contribution of \$67,583.75. Our contribution for the 2023–2024 school year was \$67,728.03. (attachments)

SUPERINTENDENT'S AGENDA

III. CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

RECOMMENDATION: Consider a motion to approve Certificated Personnel recommendations subject to all required pre-employment history reviews and clearance requirements as follows:

1. Approve the following leave of absence:

February 2023-2024-01

2. Accept the following **resignation:**

Name: Andrea Gearhart Position: Chemistry Teacher

Assignment: High School Effective: February 2, 2024

3. Approve the following **long term substitute:** (attachment)

Name: Catherine Lund

Position: Special Education Teacher
Assignment: Bower Hill Elementary
Salary: Bachelors, Step 1 (pro-rated)

Effective: February 21, 2024 through end of the 2023-2024 School Year

Replaces: Newly Created Position

4. Approve the following **student teachers/observers/interns** for the 2023–24 school year. All compliance documents for the following individuals are on file.

Name: Taylor Arnoni
Dates of Assignment: 2/21/24 - 5/8/24
College or University: Duquesne University
Curriculum Major: Special Education

PTSD Teacher & Bldg.: Jessica Neidermeyer/Middle School

Assignment: Field Experience (15 hours)

Name: Mackenzie Bole
Dates of Assignment: 2/21/24 - 5/8/24
College or University: Duquesne University
Curriculum Major: Special Education

PTSD Teacher/Bldg.: Jessica Neidermeyer/Middle School

Assignment: Field Experience (15 hours)

5. Approve the following as **day-to-day substitute certificated personnel** for the 2023–24 school year:

Crystal Kuzma - Elementary K-6, English 7-12 and English as a Secondary Language Kelly Landy - Elementary K-6 and Ment and/or Phys Handicapped K-12 Krista McParland - Grades PK-4 Kelli O'Connor - Grades PK-4 Bethany Ward - Elementary & Secondary School Counselor PK-12

6. Approve the following **teachers** to instruct **2024 Summer Physical Education Courses**, at the teacher contractual rate, not to exceed 34 hours per session:

Timothy Farrell Charles Helbig John Kerekes Joseph Scaglione

7. Approve the following **teachers** for the **2024 Extended School Year (ESY) Program** at the contractual rate, from June 24, 2024 through July 25, 2024, 2 in-service half days and 19 instructional days, 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday:

Nikki Economou Catherine Gannon Jessica Hanson Kenady Hubbard Megan Kelly Laura Shehab Brittany Shoup

8. Approve the following **nurses** for the **2024 Extended School Year (ESY) Program** at the contractual rate, from June 24, 2024 through July 25, 2024, 2 in-service half days and 19 instructional days, 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday:

Rebecca Wagner (Split 40% w/Mahoney) Erica Mahoney (Split 60% w/Wagner)

9. Approve the following **teachers** for the **2024 Elementary Summer Reading Support-Special Circumstances Program** at the contractual rate, from June 24, 2024 through July 25, 2024 with 1 in-service half day and 19 half instructional days:

Kristi Barzanty Catherine Gannon (PM only) Genevieve Rae

IV. NON-CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

RECOMMENDATION: Consider a motion to approve Non-Certificated Personnel recommendations subject to all required pre-employment history reviews and clearance requirements as follows:

1. Approve the following leave of absence:

February 2023-2024-02

2. Accept the following **resignations:**

Name: Matthew Crisson

Position: Part Time Mail Carrier/Inventory Clerk

Assignment: Buildings and Grounds

Effective: January 16, 2024

Name: Carrie Ace

Position: Paraprofessional Assignment: Middle School Effective: February 15, 2024

Name: Carol Earley

Position: Cafeteria Food Service General Helper

Assignment: Middle School Effective: February 16, 2024

Name: Robin Resciniti
Position: Custodian
Assignment: Middle School
Effective: March 6, 2024

3. Approve the following **new hires:**

Name: Cheyanne Rice
Position: Custodian
Assignment: High School
Salary: \$19.48/hr.
Effective: March 8, 2024
Replacing: Todd Millington

4. Approve the following day-to-day non-teaching substitutes for the 2023–24 school year:

Theresa DeBor - Paraprofessional and Cafeteria Food Service Carol Earley - Cafeteria Food Service Kimberly Jackson - Paraprofessional

V. EXTRA-DUTY PERSONNEL/PROGRAMS

RECOMMENDATION: Consider a motion to approve Extra-Duty Personnel/Program recommendations subject to all required pre-employment history reviews and clearance requirements as follows:

1. Accept the following extra-duty Athletics personnel resignation for the 2023–24 school year.

HIGH SCHOOL

Spring

Lacrosse, Girls Assistant Coach Allison Hurley

2. Approve the following **renewal of extra-duty Athletics personnel** for the 2023–24 school year.

HIGH SCHOOL

Spring

Tennis, Boys Assistant Coach Virginia Barnicoat

3. Approve the following **extra-duty Athletic personnel** for the 2023–24 school year: (attachments)

HIGH SCHOOL

Winter

Swimming and Diving, Volunteer Coach Isabella Manzari

Spring

Baseball, Assistant Coach Thaddeus Herback

(Split 81% w/Dzanaj, Joyce, and Pyles)

Lacrosse, Girls Volunteer Coach Adrianna Costanza

4. Approve the following **renewal of extra-duty Athletics personnel** for the 2024–25 school year.

HIGH SCHOOL

Fall

Cross Country, Assistant Coach Nicholas Altland Cross Country, Assistant Coach Timothy Wu Field Hockey, Assistant Coach Madison Devine Field Hockey, Assistant Coach Greta Schratz Field Hockey, Volunteer Coach Melanie Hamilton Football, 1st Assistant Coach Troy Grunseth Football, 1st Assistant Coach Morris Richardson Football, 2nd Assistant Coach Christian Breisinger Football, 2nd Assistant Coach James Coleman Football, 2nd Assistant Coach Clayton Evans Football, 2nd Assistant Coach Robert Kitchen Football, 2nd Assistant Coach Leroy McMillon

Football, 2nd Assistant Coach Edwin Brueggman, Jr. (Split 50% w/Dugan)

Football, 2nd Assistant Coach

Football, 2nd Assistant Coach

Football, 2nd Assistant Coach

Football, 3rd Assistant Coach

Football, 3rd Assistant Coach

Football, 3rd Assistant Coach Football, 3rd Assistant Coach Golf, Boys Assistant Coach Golf, Boys Volunteer Coach Golf, Boys Volunteer Coach Golf, Girls Assistant Coach Soccer, Boys Assistant Coach Soccer, Boys Assistant Coach Soccer, Boys Assistant Coach Soccer, Boys Assistant Coach

Soccer, Boys 9th Grade Head Coach Soccer, Boys 9th Grade Head Coach

Soccer, Girls Assistant Coach Soccer, Girls Assistant Coach Soccer, Girls Assistant Coach Soccer, Girls Volunteer Coach Tennis, Girls Volunteer Coach Volleyball, Girls Assistant Coach Volleyball, Girls Volunteer Coach Volleyball, Girls Volunteer Coach

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Fall

Cross Country, Head Coach Cross Country, Assistant Coach Field Hockey, Head Coach Field Hockey, Assistant Coach

Football, Head Coach Football, Assistant Coach Football, Assistant Coach Swimming, Head Coach

Volleyball, Girls Head Coach Volleyball, Girls Assistant Coach Volleyball, Girls Assistant Coach Volleyball, Girls Assistant Coach William Dugan (Split 50% w/Brueggman)

Gary McCullough (Split 50% w/Swoope) Timothy Swoope

(Split 50% w/McCullough) Edwin Brueggman, Jr. (Split 50% w/Dugan)

William Dugan

(Split 50% w/Brueggman)

Gary McCullough (Split 50% w/Swoope) Timothy Swoope (Split 50% w/McCullough)

Charles DiPardo Jeffery Chastel Timothy Farrell Scott Sussman

Lucas Heasley (Split 93% w/Kelly) Mario Mastrangelo (Split 93% w/Kelly) Lewis Osborne (Split 93% w/Kelly) Ryan Kelly (Split 21% w/Heasley,

Mastrangelo, & Osbourne) Ryan Hillen (Split 10% w/Kelly) Ryan Kelly (Split 10% w/Hillen)

Brendan Albright Elizabeth Albright David Molisee Cullen Vereb Phyllis DeRienzo Alexandra Storm Mark Felbinger Margaret Syverson

Brian Griffin Lisa Clark Amy Casciola Adrianna Costanza Keith Compeggie Gary Bole

James Kubina (Split 50% w/Open)

Alexander Hardwick William Amend Joshua Elders Dante Mamone Taryn Sherry 5. Approve the following **extra-duty Athletic personnel** for the 2024–25 school year: (attachments)

HIGH SCHOOL

Fall

Tennis, Girls Assistant Coach Virginia Barnicoat

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Fall

Football, Assistant Coach
Swimming, Assistant Coach
Sarah Hartman

VI. PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES, TRAININGS AND TRIPS

1. Approve the following **professional conference(s), training(s) and trip(s):** (attachments) (Employees/Representatives will not be reimbursed for meals included in the conference.)

Brian Griffin, Technology Education Teacher – Middle School Name:

2024 South by Southwest Edu Conference Activity:

Dates: March 3 - 7, 2024

Austin, TX Location: **Estimated Cost:** \$1,398.71

Name: Scott Sussman, AP Statistics Teacher – High School

College Board 2024 AP Reader Activity:

Early Table Leader and Reader for Statistics

Dates: May 27 – June 7, 2024

Location: Tampa, FL **Estimated Cost:** \$1,350.00

Deborah Kendrick, AP Chemistry Teacher – High School Name:

Activity: College Board 2024 AP Reader for Chemistry

June 1 - 7, 2024 Dates: Location: Tampa, FL (remote)

Estimated Cost: \$750.00

Susan Hlebinsky, AP Physics Teacher – High School Name:

Activity: College Board 2024 AP Reader for Physics

June 9 - 17, 2024Dates:

Location: Tampa, FL **Estimated Cost:** \$0.00

Name: Krysten Neff, AP Physics Teacher – High School

Activity: College Board 2024 AP Reader for Physics

June 9 - 17, 2024Dates:

Tampa, FL Location: Estimated Cost: \$0.00

VII. EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND STUDENT ACTIVITIES

RECOMMENDATION: Consider a motion to approve the Educational Programs and Student Activities subject to cancelation or change by the Superintendent for health and safety reasons as follows:

1. Approve the following **fundraising** activities:

Organization: Boys Tennis Boosters – High School

Purpose: Team Expenses
Dates: March 4 – 11, 2024

Location: Community

Activity: Sport Specific T-Shirt Sales

Organization: Senior Class – High School

Purpose: Class Expenses
Dates: March 7, 2024
Location: High School
Activity: Trivia Night

Organization: Girls Lacrosse Boosters – High School

Purpose: Team Expenses
Dates: March 8 – 15, 2024

Location: Community

Activity: Sport Specific T-Shirt Sales

Organization: Junior Class – High School

Purpose: Class Expenses
Dates: March 11 – 15, 2024

Location: High School

Activity: St. Patrick's Day Raffle

Organization: Girls Lacrosse Boosters – High School

Purpose: Team Expenses

Dates: March 11 – April 15, 2024

Location: Community

Activity: Snap! Raise Website Sales

Organization: Thespian Boosters – High School

Purpose: Group Expenses
Dates: March 14 – 17, 2024

Location: High School Activity: Raffle Baskets Organization: Dance Team Boosters - High School

Purpose: **Team Expenses** March 23, 2024 Dates: Location: High School Activity: Dance Clinic

Organization: Boys Tennis Boosters - High School

Purpose: **Team Expenses** March 29 - 30, 2024Dates:

Location: Community Activity: Easter Egg Hunt

Organization: Peters Township Education Foundation

Purpose: Foundation Expenses

Dates: June 7, 2024 Stadium Location:

Activity: **Graduation Concessions**

Organization: Cross Country Boosters – High School

Purpose: **Team Expenses** June 22, 2024 Dates: Location: Peterswood Park

Activity: 5K Race

Organization: Cheerleading Boosters – High School

Purpose: **Team Expenses** Dates: June 29, 2024

Rolling Hills Park Community Day Location:

Seat Cushion Sales Activity:

Organization: Cheerleading Boosters – High School

Purpose: **Team Expenses** Dates: July 25 - 26, 2024

Location: **High School**

Youth Cheer Camp Activity:

2. Approve the following **student trips:** (attachments)

Organization: Music Department – High School

Advisor: David Young

Pennsylvania Music Educators Association (PMEA) Purpose:

Western Region Band Festival

Dates: February 22 - 24, 2024

Cheswick, PA Location: Cost to Dist.: \$1,462.59

Organization: Wrestling Team – High School

Advisor: Derrick Evanovich

Purpose: PIAA State Wrestling Individual Finals

Dates: March 6 - 10, 2024

Location: Hershey, PA Cost to Dist.: \$3,984.00

Organization: Swimming and Diving Team – High School

Advisor: Alexander Hardwick

Purpose: PIAA State Swimming and Diving Individual Finals

Dates: March 12 – 15, 2024 Location: Lewisburg, PA

Cost to Dist.: \$5,825.00

Organization: Forensics Speech and Debate Club – High School

Advisors: Kristin Groninger and Alyssa Patton

Purpose: Pennsylvania High School Speech League (PHSSL)

State Forensics Tournament

Dates: March 14 – 16, 2024 Location: Bloomsburg, PA

Cost to Dist.: \$1,821.00

Organization: Music Department – High School

Advisor: Stephen McGough

Purpose: Pennsylvania Music Educators Association (PMEA)

Western Region Orchestra Festival

Dates: March 21 - 23, 2024

Location: Butler, PA Cost to Dist.: \$941.24

Organization: Boys Basketball Team – High School

Advisor: Joseph Urmann

Purpose: PIAA State Basketball Team Finals

Dates: March 21 - 23, 2024

Location: Hershey, PA Cost to Dist.: \$6,757.48

Organization: Girls Basketball Team – High School

Advisor: Steve Limberiou

Purpose: PIAA State Basketball Team Finals

Dates: March 21 - 23, 2024

Location: Hershey, PA Cost to Dist.: \$5,907.48 Organization: Boys Lacrosse Team – High School

Advisor: Jacob Bow

Purpose: Buffalo Tournament Dates: April 19 – 20, 2024

Location: Buffalo, NY

Cost to Dist.: \$0.00

VIII. OTHER

RECOMMENDATION: Consider a motion to approve other recommendations as follows:

- 1. Accept a \$300.00 grant from the National Energy Foundation to Peters Township School District for McMurray Elementary School to purchase books for the library on the topic of energy.
- 2. Accept a donation of 305 Energy Education Kits from First Energy to Peters Township School District for students at McMurray Elementary School. The kits are valued at \$50.00 each and contain energy saving items such as LED light bulbs, and information to help families conserve energy for a total value of \$15,250.00.
- 3. Accept a \$1,000.00 donation from Mr. Guy Cipriano to Peters Township School District for the Golf Practice Facility at the High School.
- 4. Authorize Administration to advertise for replacement school buses.
- 5. Approve the purchase of High School Band Uniforms from Stanbury Uniforms LLC (Co-Star #037-E22-034) and Banding Together LLC (Co-Star #037-e22-037) in the amount of \$71,833.10. (attachment)

BOARD INFORMATION

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

CORRESPONDENCE AND MATTERS OF INFORMATION

March Board Meeting:

Monday, March 18, 2024 at 7:30 p.m. Regular Board Meeting

April Board Meeting:

Monday, April 15, 2024 at 7:30 p.m. Regular Board Meeting

Monday, April 29, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. Joint Meeting with the Township

Hosted by Peters Township School District

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