

# Peters Township School District



MINUTES  
PETERS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS  
REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, MAY 17, 2021 AT 7:30 PM  
DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION OFFICES

CALL TO ORDER: Mr. McMurray, President, called the regular meeting of the Peters Township Board of School Directors to order at 7:37 p.m.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL ROLL CALL: Mrs. Allison, Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Bowman, Mr. Briegel, Mr. Deegan, Mrs. Grossman, Mr. McMurray, and Mr. Taylor were present. Mr. Dunleavy was absent.

Also present were: Dr. Jeannine French - Superintendent, Dr. Jennifer Murphy - Deputy Superintendent, Mr. Brad Rau - Business Manager, Mrs. Patty Kelly – Director of Pupil Services, Mr. Brandon Womer – Director of Buildings and Ground, and Ms. Jocelyn Kramer – Solicitor.

## SUPERINTENDENT’S COMMENTS

- Celebration of Excellence

**McMurray Students Earn STEM Honors** - Two teams of McMurray students took part in the recent STEM Design Challenge. Students were challenged to create or rethink a product for the home that would provide a new/different way to power the home. The 5<sup>th</sup> grade team of Derek McCullough, Zach Fagan and Jacob Hlawati came in second with their Carbon Charger that would filter CO2 into oxygen and use the rest for energy. The 4<sup>th</sup> grade team of Matthew Harmon, James Boggess, and John David Lewis created a light bulb charging station and earned 1<sup>st</sup> place and will now move on to the state level.

**McMurray Gets the Golden Ticket** – McMurray’s Library team found the golden ticket for encouraging students to visit the library this month! Promoting their annual book fair – and all around love of reading – Mr. Murray Wonka and the Oompa Loompas (aka the Library team) hid “chocolate bars” all around the building that could be redeemed in the library for a reward. A few lucky students have even found the GOLDEN ticket and redeemed one of larger prizes! For some, this has been their first trip to the library this year and many leave with a book in hand... which is really the golden ticket!

PA State National History Day Honors - Thirteen Peters Township students, representing grades 6-12, competed in the Pennsylvania state competition of the National History Day contest. Entries this year focused on the theme of “Communication in History: The Key to Understanding.” Seven of the ten Peters Township projects made the final round (top six) of judging with three projects placing in the top two of their category. These students will head to the national level of competition in June.

### First Place Awards

**Amelia D’Addieco, Robyn Strazisar, and Sophia Wilson, Grade 11**  
Senior Group Exhibit

Entry Title: "Back to the Garden:" How Woodstock Fueled a Generation for Peace

**Kaitlyn Strine**, Grade 8

Junior Individual Exhibit

Entry Title: Mr. Roger's Neighborhood: An Unconventional Approach To Communicating From A Child's Perspective

### **Second Place Awards**

**Anna Hoffmann**, Grade 9

Senior Individual Documentary

Entry Title: "Knowledge is Power!": How Schoolhouse Rock! Has Helped Generations of Children to Retain Learning through Animation and Music

### **Fourth Place Awards**

**Seowon Chang**, Grade 12

Senior Individual Exhibit

Entry Title: "Could You Patent the Sun?": How Consistent Communication between the Scientists, March of Dimes, and Society Gave Hope to Eradicate Polio

**Isabelle Meyers**, Grade 12

Senior Individual Website

Entry Title: The First Farewell: Imparting Insight to a Naïve Nation

### **Fifth Place Awards**

**Gabriella Luisi and Madelyn Sirinek**, Grade 6

Junior Group Documentary

Entry Title: Voices From Home Bring Battlefield Efficiency: WWI Female Telephone Operators at the Front

### **Sixth Place Awards**

**Zachariah Meyers**, Grade 7

Junior Individual Exhibit

Entry Title: Pirate or Privateer? The Controversial Cruise of the CSS Shenandoah

**Video Honors for PTMS** - Six members of the PTMS Works Crew were honored for their outstanding video submission in the "What's So Cool About Manufacturing" video contest. Jackson Baldassare, Emma Bell, Skyler Gaudio, Madee Rayburg, Anthony Rozzi, and Juliana Taylor worked with DMI Companies to promote Manufacturing in Southwestern PA. Their video won 1st place for "Best Use of Technology", 2nd place for "Best Manufacturing Message" and 1st place for "Best Overall Video".

**Farm Day at Bower Hill** – This month we celebrate Farm Day for Kindergarten at Bower Hill! The day was filled with lots of hands on activities! The students made scarecrows, planted grass, sheared a sheep and more! What a fun day at BH!

**Best High Schools Ranking** - Congratulations to our PTHS Staff! US News has ranked PTHS #3 in Pittsburgh and #11 in the state in their 2021 Best High Schools Ranking. Schools are ranked on their performance on state-required tests, graduation and how well they prepare students for college. We are #PTproud!

**PTHS Take First Place in Data Jam** - Nine teams competed for first place at the annual University of Pittsburgh Data Jam. Over the course of the school year, the teams chose a topic to research, looked at the data available to understand, process it and extracted value from it. They created a poster and power point that they used to present their findings to a panel of judges who are Pitt Professors who teach data analysis. Congratulations to our Peters Township Team who took first place in the event! (Jackson Busche, Wenhan (Larry) Lu, Maya Nagiub, Victor Yu, James Wang, Sheng Wang)

**Business Times Ranking** – Last week, the Pittsburgh Business Times released their annual Guide to Schools. This year, the publication looked at a decade of test results to see which school districts performed the best on state tests from 2010 to 2019. We are proud to announce that Peters Township ranked 5<sup>th</sup> in the region and 9<sup>th</sup> in the state. While all of the grade levels included landed in the top ten, our 8<sup>th</sup> grade and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade both ranked #1! Way to go, PT!

➤ **Excellence in the Arts**

**PTHS CoffeeHouse** – In May, Peters Township High School’s talented students took to the stage... outside at the Peters Township Amphitheater for their annual coffeehouse production. Many thanks to our dedicated High School team who staged this showcase safely for our students and community.

**Songs for a New World** – This weekend, Peters Township High School celebrates the first musical in our new Auditorium with Songs for a New World. This unique revue of songs will debut on Saturday, May 22 at 7 p.m. and Sunday and 2 p.m. Tickets are available online!

➤ **Excellence in Athletics**

**PTMS Swim Team Break Record** - Congratulations to the PTMS Swim relay team of Lauren Opitz, Katie Pazuchanics, Macie Augustynowicz and Kenzie Langlois who broke a long-standing school record in the 200 meter individual medley. To be clear, these amazing swimmer actually broke the record three times for far this spring! Way to go girls!

Congratulations to the PTMS Girls 4x400m relay team who broke the school record - setting a new time of 4:25.83. The teammates are listed above. (Paige Malley, Serafina Forlini, Kaitlyn Strine, and Addison Pirosko)

Sports Round Up –

Please join us in wishing our Spring Sports team good luck as they head into the playoffs. Congratulations to our Boys Volleyballs team for winning their section for the first time ever while undefeated in section play. In addition, our Boys Tennis doubles team of Ellian Ascencio & David Lusk took home the section double title.

Heading to Playoffs:

Boys Volleyball

Baseball

Boys Lacrosse

Girls Lacrosse

Boys Tennis & Double Team of Ellian Ascencio & David Lusk won section doubles title

### ➤ Excellence in Character

Students and staff at McMurray showed their support this month for Autism Awareness by wearing blue! Way to go, McMurray!

Kindness Club - 3rd Grade Kindness Club members help to distribute the 8 full boxes of toys, games, and personal care items that 3rd Grade collected for kids in need! 3rd grade students were motivated to complete an act of kindness at home to earn the purchase of their donation! They collected over 200 items. What a wonderful way to spread kindness!

**HERO Week Fundraiser at Pleasant Valley** - Students and staff at PV collected \$1,207.31 to donate to Kennedy's Cause, an organization that helps with awareness and research of Lymphatic Malformation. The PV community was so happy to support a student in our Pleasant Valley family!

**Pay It Forward** - Each year the Peters Township Education Foundation sponsors the Pay it Forward campaign around National Teacher Appreciation Week. The PTEF encourages students, families and the community to share their thoughts on what makes their nominee special to our school community. With more than 230 nominations this year, the following winners were randomly selected to receive a \$100 VISA gift card for use in their classroom/department.

- Bower Hill: Brent Killen
- Pleasant Valley: Jeanne Wolk
- McMurray: Nicole Muto
- Middle School: Anita Tarwater
- High School: Krysten Neff

This year these winners will also represent PT and each of our schools on the Lamar Advertising Teacher Appreciation billboard campaign! Look for them on their digital billboards this month!

### ➤ Excellence in Leadership

Safe Driving Reminders - PennDOT shared these signs with the High School in May as important safe driving reminders. They will be placed around campus for our student drivers. Good reminders for all of us! Drive safe, PT!

NSYOOY Award: Dee Miller - This month, the Bower Hill staff surprised Learning Support teacher Dee Miller with a very special honor. Miller was the recipient of the Hilda M. Sundermann Award from the National State Teacher of the Year Organization, Pennsylvania Chapter. The award is given to a Pennsylvania elementary teacher who exemplifies a positive and nurturing spirit and a love of teaching elementary students. Miller received a \$500 check for use in her classroom and was nominated for the award by colleague Lora O'Brien.

### QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

(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 reminder to state their name and address for the minutes.

## PRESIDENT’S COMMENTS

Executive Sessions were held on May 10, 2021 and immediately prior to this meeting to discuss personnel, and other items.

## OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Briegel recognized Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, Peace Officers Day, he thanked everyone for their service and sacrifice to protect the rest of us.

Mrs. Grossman discussed the new Food Service Advisory Committee. She touched on the topics that will be discussed in preparation to send out parent and student surveys before Memorial Day.

## 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 April 19, 2021.
2. Approval of the Treasurer’s Report for April 2021 with a balance of \$9,114,318,57.
3. Approval of the General Fund bills for April 16, 2021 through May 13, 2021.
4. Approval of the Capital Facilities Fund bills for April 16, 2021 through May 13, 2021.
5. Approval of the Food Service Fund bills for April 16, 2021 through May 13, 2021.
6. Approval of the McMurray Elementary School Activity Fund report for April 2021.
7. Approval of the Middle School Activity Fund report for April 2021.
8. Approval of the High School Athletic Fund report for April 2021.
9. Approval of the High School Activity Fund report for April 2021.

### **MOTION:**

Mrs. Bowman moved for approval of the Business Office recommendation items 1 through 9, seconded by Mr. Briegel.

**MOTION CARRIED**

(8-0)

II. BOARD COMMITTEES

**Personnel**

Daniel Taylor

1. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve the final resolution agreement of Grievance No. 20-21-01 on terms and conditions approved by the Solicitor.

**MOTION:**

Mr. Taylor moved for approval of Personnel recommendation item 1, seconded by Mr. Briegel.

**MOTION CARRIED**

(8-0)

2. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to create the following positions:

Two (2) Full-Time Custodian Positions

**MOTION:**

Mr. Taylor moved for approval of Personnel recommendation item 2, seconded by Mr. Briegel. Comment: Mrs. Bowman asked for the location of the positions. Mr. Taylor said that the new positions are due to the Middle School conversion.

**MOTION CARRIED**

(8-0)

3. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to authorize the purchase of a Digital Superintendent Evaluation Tool Kit from PSBA at a cost of \$600.00.

**MOTION:**

Mrs. Grossman moved for approval of Personnel recommendation item 3, seconded by Mr. Briegel.

**MOTION CARRIED**

(8-0)

**Buildings and Grounds**

Ron Dunleavy

4. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve Nello Construction Change Order No. GC-032 at a credit of (\$27,907.02) for the revised site layout per Bulletin #82 and the associated design work at a cost of \$13,500, HDG Additional Service Request No.11.

**MOTION:**

Mrs. Bowman moved for approval of Buildings and Grounds recommendation 4, seconded by Mr. Briegel.

**MOTION CARRIED**

(8-0)

5. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve Nello Construction Change Order No. GC-033 at a cost of \$1,112.58 to relocate the speakers in the band and choral rooms. This Change Order is funded by the New High School Project Construction Contingency.

**MOTION:**

Mrs. Bowman moved for approval of Buildings and Grounds recommendation 5, seconded by Mr. Taylor.

**MOTION CARRIED**

(8-0)

6. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve The Farfield Company Change Order No. EC-028 at a cost of \$4,428.00 to install lighting control devices in the cafeteria and stairtowers 5 and 6 per RFI EC-104. This Change Order is funded by the New High School Project Construction Contingency.

**MOTION:**

Mrs. Bowman moved for approval of Buildings and Grounds recommendation 6, seconded by Mr. Briegel.

Comment: Mrs. Bowman added these items were not on the original drawings.

**MOTION CARRIED**

(8-0)

7. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve The Farfield Company Change Order No. EC-029 at a cost of \$1,608.00 to relocate the light switch, door security and receptacle in room K212 for the UPS equipment. This Change Order is funded by the New High School Project Construction Contingency.

**MOTION:**

Mrs. Bowman moved for approval of Buildings and Grounds recommendation 7, seconded by Mr. Briegel.

**MOTION CARRIED**

(8-0)

8. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve The Farfield Company Change Order No. EC-030 at a cost of \$10,944.00 to change the electronics associated with the AV systems per RFI EC-120. This Change Order is funded by the New High School Project Construction Contingency.

**MOTION:**

Mrs. Bowman moved for approval of Buildings and Grounds recommendation 8, seconded by Mr. Briegel.

Comment: Mrs. Bowman stated that the cables needed to be changed for compatibility from multimedia to single media.

**MOTION CARRIED**

(8-0)

9. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve The Farfield Company Change Order No. EC-031 at a cost of \$2,387.00 to install AV jack outlets in the four music practice rooms per Bulletin #122. This Change Order is funded by the New High School Project Construction Contingency.

**MOTION:**

Mrs. Bowman moved for approval of Buildings and Grounds recommendation 9, seconded by Mr. Briegel.

**MOTION CARRIED**

(8-0)

10. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to authorize Hayes Design Group (HDG) to provide additional services, on terms and conditions approved by the Solicitor, for extended construction administration at the New High School, HDG Additional Service Request No. 10. (attachment)

**MOTION:**

Mrs. Bowman moved for approval of Buildings and Grounds recommendation 10, seconded by Mr. Briegel.

**MOTION CARRIED**

(8-0)

11. **RECOMMENDATION:** Authorize the Superintendent or designee to purchase services or enter into an agreement for services provided to perform quality testing of New High School construction in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00 on terms and conditions approved by the Solicitor.

**MOTION:**

Mrs. Bowman moved for approval of Buildings and Grounds recommendation 11, seconded by Mr. Briegel.

Comment: Mr. Briegel asked if the not to exceed amount was for one test or all the testing. Mrs. Bowman answered that it would be for all testing.



**MOTION CARRIED**

(8-0)

12. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to award the Refuse and Recycling Removal Services Bid to Iron City Express, the lowest responsible bidder, commencing July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024. The cost per year will be \$32,592.00 (2021-22 school year), \$33,406.00 (2022-23 school year), and \$34,241.00 (2023-24 school year) for a total cost of \$100,239.00. (attachment)

**MOTION:**

Mrs. Bowman moved for approval of Buildings and Grounds recommendation 12, seconded by Mr. Briegel.

Comment: Mrs. Bowman thanked Mr. Womer and team for their work on cutting the cost of these services in half. She also updated the board on the amount of recycling that the district had for 2020.

**MOTION CARRIED**

(8-0)

13. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to renew the Siemens Preventive Maintenance Contract from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024. The cost per year will be \$19,918 (2021-22 school year), \$20,144.00 (2022-23 school year), and \$20,144.00 (2023-24 school year) for a total cost of \$60,811.00.

**MOTION:**

Mrs. Bowman moved for approval of Buildings and Grounds recommendation 13, seconded by Mr. Briegel.

Comment: Mrs. Bowman stated that she dislikes this product because they are single service repair and single service parts. She would like to see this get changed down the road.

**MOTION CARRIED**

(8-0)

14. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve the purchase of furniture for the New Middle School in the amount of \$27,882.10. This purchase is funded by Capital Projects. (attachment)

**MOTION:**

Mrs. Bowman moved for approval of Buildings and Grounds recommendation 14, seconded by Mr. Briegel.

Comment: Mr. Briegel asked if this furniture is replacement furniture or new furniture because there was not enough. Dr. Murphy discussed the inventory of furniture that is currently at the building and the furniture purchase is for those items needed after careful review.

**MOTION CARRIED**

(8-0)

## **Education**

Minna Allison

An Education Committee Meeting was held on Monday, May 10, 2021.

15. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve the renewal of the following on-line textbooks and materials:

### **MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL**

#### **World Language:**

Vista Higher Learning, World Language (2019-2022), 6 year subscription, Cost: \$110,630.11

Spanish – Descubre Level 1, 2 and 3 Supersite Plus + WebSAM (6 year license), 2022, ISBNs: 9781543339468, 9781543339925, and 9781543340082 (Costs included in total above)

AP Spanish – Temas 2e Supersite Plus (6 year license), ISBN: 9781543306279 (Costs included in total above)

French – D’Accord Level 1, 2 and 3 Supersite Plus + eCahier (6 year license), 2019, ISBNs: 9781680057942, 9781680058161, and 9781680058383 (Costs included in total above)

French IV Honors/AP French – Themes 2e Supersite Plus (6 year license), 2022, ISBN: 9781543340488 (Costs included in total above)

German – Mosaik Level 1, 2 and 3 Supersite Plus + WebSAM (6 year license), 2021, ISBNs: 9781543321487, 9781543321630, and 9781543321784 (Costs included in total above)

German Honors – Denk mal 3e Supersite Plus + WebSAM (6 year license), ISBN: 9781543304718 (Costs included in total above)

#### **MOTION:**

Mrs. Allison moved for approval of Education recommendation 15, seconded by Mr. Briegel.

#### **MOTION CARRIED**

(8-0)

## **Finance**

Thomas McMurray

16. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to adopt the Proposed Final General Fund Budget for 2021-2022 school year in the amount of \$74,250,401.00. (attachment)

**MOTION:**

Mrs. Bowman moved for approval of Finance recommendation 16, seconded by Mr. Briegel. Comment: Mr. McMurray confirmed with Mr. Rau that there were no changes to the budget numbers. Mr. Rau stated that the figures are the same that were presented at the April Finance Committee Meeting. There are no Finance Committee Meetings scheduled, unless information is received that requires changes be made.

**MOTION CARRIED**  
(8-0)

**Policy**

Lisa Anderson

17. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve the second reading and adoption of the following policies. (attachments)

100 Programs

Policy No. 150 Title I – Comparability of Services

200 Pupils

Policy No. 218.3 Discipline of Student Convicted/Adjudicated of Sexual Assault

800 Operations

Policy No. 810.1 School Bus Drivers and School Commercial Motor Vehicle Drivers

Policy No. 810.3 School Vehicle Drivers

**MOTION:**

Mrs. Anderson moved for approval of Policy recommendation 17, seconded by Mr. Briegel. Comment: Mrs. Anderson provided an update on the Parents as Coaches Policy, including a meeting held with Dr. French and Mr. Geyer where they discussed additional trainings and conflict of interest policies.

**MOTION CARRIED**  
(8-0)

18. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to amend the Extracurricular Health and Safety Plan to permit team meals and banquets provided those events follow all required COVID mitigation rules.

**MOTION:**

Mrs. Anderson moved for approval of Policy recommendation 18, seconded by Mr. Briegel.

**MOTION CARRIED**  
(8-0)

19. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to amend the District Health and Safety Plan and the District Extracurricular Health and Safety Plan to follow Pennsylvania Department of Education and CDC recommendations and regulations.

**MOTION:**

Mrs. Anderson moved for approval of Policy recommendation 19, seconded by Mr. Taylor.  
Comment: Dr. French provided an overview of the recent CDC and PDE guidance, including the recommendation to maintain mask mandates through the end of the school year. Mr. Taylor stated that as permitted the mandates need revoked. Mr. Deegan agreed. Mrs. Allison provided information on student vaccine numbers.

**MOTION CARRIED**

(8-0)

**PSBA**

Lisa Anderson

20. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve the purchase of the Pennsylvania School Boards Association, Inc. (PSBA) All-Access membership for the 2021–22 school year at a cost of \$15,840.42. There is no change in cost from the 2020–21 school year. (attachment)

**MOTION:**

Mrs. Anderson moved for approval of PSBA recommendation 20, seconded by Mr. Briegel.  
Comment: Mrs. Anderson stated that a meeting will be held on Wednesday for all members and a Virtual Charter School rally will be held the following Tuesday.

**MOTION CARRIED**

(8-0)

**Western Area Career and Technology Center**

Rebecca Bowman

The next Joint Operating Committee Meeting will be held on May 26, 2021.

21. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve the 2021–22 WACTC budget in the amount of \$5,986,454.00 with Peters Township School District's share estimated at \$225,506.86 based on an enrollment of thirty (30) students. This is a decrease of \$18,331.96 from the 2020–21 WACTC budget. (attachment)

**MOTION:**

Mrs. Anderson moved for approval of Western Area Career and Technology Center recommendation 21, seconded by Mr. Briegel.  
Comment: Mrs. Bowman shared that the National Technology Honor Society held their ceremony. The Western Area Career and Technology Center entered into an agreement with the

Pittsburgh Tech College with a program allowing for a possible 88 credit hours over 24 courses, in 12 different programs.

**MOTION CARRIED**

(8-0)

**SHASDA**

Rolf Briegel – no report

**Intermediate Unit**

Thomas McMurray

The next Board of Directors Meeting will be held on May 27, 2021.

**Ad Hoc Committee:**

**Fundraising**

Minna Allison and Jen Grossman – no report

**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 **leaves of absence:**

May 2020-2021-01  
May 2020-2021-02  
May 2020-2021-03  
May 2020-2021-04  
May 2020-2021-05

2. Approve the following **resignation:**

Name: Michelle Hanna  
Position: Elementary Teacher  
Assignment: McMurray Elementary  
Effective: June 11, 2021

3. Approve the following **new hires:** (attachments)

Name: Amanda Albright  
Position: Elementary Teacher  
Assignment: Pleasant Valley Elementary  
Salary: Masters, Step 3  
Effective: 2021-2022 School Year  
Replaces: Elizabeth Wardzinski

Name: Lauren Yearsley  
Position: Reading Specialist  
Assignment: Pleasant Valley Elementary  
Salary: Masters, Step 3  
Effective: 2021-2022 School Year  
Replaces: Kristen Spolter

Name: Amanda Slagle  
Position: Elementary Teacher  
Assignment: Pleasant Valley Elementary  
Salary: Masters, Step 4  
Effective: 2021-2022 School Year  
Replaces: Danielle DeCarlucci

4. Approve the following **student teachers/observers/interns** for the 2021–22 school year. All compliance documents for the following individuals are on file.

Name: Jillian Breckenridge  
Dates of Assignment: 10/11/2021 - 12/6/2021  
College or University: Indiana University of Pennsylvania  
Curriculum Major: Health and Physical Education  
PTSD Teachers/Bldg.: Dr. Jackie Conkle and William Amend/Middle School  
Assignment: Student Teacher

Name: Jillian Breckenridge  
Dates of Assignment: 8/23/2021 - 10/8/2021  
College or University: Indiana University of Pennsylvania  
Curriculum Major: Health and Physical Education  
PTSD Teacher & Bldgs.: Joseph Scaglione/Pleasant Valley Elem. & Bower Hill Elementary  
Assignment: Student Teacher

Name: Colby Settles  
Dates of Assignment: 8/24/2021 - 12/22/2021  
College or University: Indiana University of Pennsylvania  
Curriculum Major: Music Education  
PTSD Teacher & Bldg.: Ryan Perrotte/High School  
Assignment: Pre-Student Teacher

5. Approve the following **teachers** for the **2021 Extended School Year (ESY) Program** at the contractual rate, from June 28, 2021 through July 29, 2021, 2 in-service days and 20 instructional days, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday:

Danielle Hackworth  
Catlyn Preffer

6. Approve the following **substitute teachers** for the **2021 Extended School Year (ESY) Program** at the contractual rate, from June 28, 2021 through July 29, 2021, 2 in-service days and 20 instructional days, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday:

Michelle Chenevert  
Aubrey Frye  
Mallory Stump

7. Approve the following **nurses** for the **2021 Extended School Year (ESY) Program** at the teacher contractual rate, from June 28, 2021 through July 29, 2021, 1 in-service day and 20 instructional days, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday:

Amy Caputo - (shared w/Fidler, Kowalczyk, Luppe, Motosicke, and Stiegel)  
Jennifer Fidler - (shared w/Caputo, Kowalczyk, Luppe, Motosicke and Stiegel)  
Gail Kowalczyk - (shared w/Caputo, Fidler, Luppe, Motosicke and Stiegel)  
Michele Luppe - (shared w/ Caputo, Fidler, Kowalczyk, Motosicke and Stiegel)  
Lori Motosicke - (shared w/Caputo, Fidler, Kowalczyk, Luppe, and Stiegel)  
Crystal Stiegel - (shared w/Caputo, Fidler, Kowalczyk, Luppe, and Motosicke)

8. Approve the following as **day-to-day substitute certificated personnel** for the 2020–21 school year:

Catlyn Preffer - Grades PK-4 and Special Education PK-8

**MOTION:**

Mr. Briegel moved for approval of Certificated Personnel recommendation items 1 through 8, seconded by Mr. Taylor.

**MOTION CARRIED**  
(8-0)

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:**

May 2020-2021-06

2. Approve the following **retirements:**

Name: Deanne Lugar  
Position: Cafeteria Food Service General Helper  
Assignment: High School  
Effective: June 10, 2021

Name: Sandra Dunkerley

Position: Paraprofessional  
Assignment: McMurray Elementary  
Effective: June 30, 2021

Name: Patricia Forbrich  
Position: Paraprofessional  
Assignment: High School  
Effective: June 30, 2021

3. Approve the following **changes of assignment**:

Name: Cathy Mills  
From: Cafeteria Food Service General Helper (3.00 hours daily)  
Bower Hill Elementary  
To: Cafeteria Food Service General Helper (3.75 hours daily)  
Bower Hill Elementary  
Effective: April 28, 2021  
Replacing: Lisa Adams

Name: Mary Lou Fraticelli  
From: Class III Clerical, McMurray Elementary  
To: Class II Clerical, McMurray Elementary  
Effective: June 22, 2021  
Replacing: Patricia Buck

4. Approve the following **new hire**:

Name: George Diesing  
Position: Driver  
Assignment: Bus Garage  
Salary: \$16.21/hr.  
Effective: May 18, 2021  
Replacing: Glenn Girol

5. Approve the following **paraprofessionals** for the **2021 Extended School Year (ESY) Program** at the paraprofessional contractual rate, from June 28, 2021 through July 29, 2021, 1 in-service day and 20 instructional days, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday:

Michelle Chenevert  
Glenn Girol  
Lisa Harrison  
Pamela McCloskey (split w/Ponchione)  
Ryan Ponchione (split w/McCloskey)  
Mallory Stump

6. Approve the following **day-to-day non-teaching substitute** for the 2020–21 school year:

Tonette Dudgeon - Custodian



**MOTION:**

Mr. Briegel moved for approval of Non-Certificated Personnel recommendation items 1 through 6, seconded by Mr. Taylor.

**MOTION CARRIED**  
(8-0)

V. EXTRA-DUTY PERSONNEL/PROGRAMS

**NO ACTION ITEMS AT THIS TIME**

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)

Names: Cameron Brydon – Social Studies Teacher, High School  
Activity: AP Summer Institute – AP Macro/Microeconomics  
Dates: June 28 – July 2, 2021  
Location: Allegheny Intermediate Unit 3, Homestead, PA  
Estimated Cost: \$800.00

Names: Sarah Palermo – Business Computer Information Technology Teacher,  
High School  
Activity: AP Summer Institute – AP Computer Science A  
Dates: June 28 – July 2, 2021  
Location: Allegheny Intermediate Unit 3, Homestead, PA  
Estimated Cost: \$800.00

**MOTION:**

Mr. Briegel moved for approval of Professional Conferences, Trainings, and Trips recommendation items 1, seconded by Mr. Taylor.

**MOTION CARRIED**  
(8-0)

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** activity:

Organization: Cross Country Boosters – High School

Purpose: Team expenses  
Dates: July 25 – August 8, 2021  
Location: Community  
Activity: Virtual 5-K Race

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

Organization: Track and Field Team – High School  
Advisor: Justin Pinto  
Event: PIAA State Track and Field Individual Finals  
Dates: May 28 – 29, 2021  
Location: Hershey, PA  
Est. Cost to Dist.: \$2,602.20

Organization: Boys Lacrosse Team – High School  
Advisor: Michael Kaplan  
Event: PIAA State Boys Lacrosse Team Finals  
Dates: June 11 – 12, 2021  
Location: West Chester, PA  
Est. Cost to Dist.: \$4,373.52

Organization: Girls Lacrosse Team – High School  
Advisor: Audrey Wilcox  
Event: PIAA State Girls Lacrosse Team Finals  
Dates: June 11 – 12, 2021  
Location: West Chester, PA  
Est. Cost to Dist.: \$4,373.52

Organization: Boys Volleyball Team – High School  
Advisor: Tyler Fiely  
Event: PIAA State Boys Volleyball Team Finals  
Dates: June 11 – 12, 2021  
Location: State College, PA  
Est. Cost to Dist.: \$2,850.20

Organization: National History Day – High School and Middle School  
Advisor: Josh Elders  
Event: 2021 National History Day – National Competition  
Dates: June 13 – 19, 2021  
Location: Virtual  
Est. Cost to Dist.: \$750.00

Organization: Boys Baseball Team – High School  
Advisor: Michael Plassio  
Event: PIAA State Boys Baseball Team Finals  
Dates: June 16 – 18, 2021  
Location: State College, PA  
Est. Cost to Dist.: \$5,164.20

**MOTION:**

Mr. Briegel moved for approval of Educational Programs and Student Activities recommendation items 1 and 2, seconded by Mr. Taylor.

**MOTION CARRIED**

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VIII. OTHER

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

1. Accept an Educational Enrichment Grant from Peters Township PTA Area Council to Peters Township School District for Pleasant Valley Elementary School in the amount of \$2,400.00.
2. Accept an Educational Enrichment Grant from Peters Township PTA Area Council to Peters Township School District for Bower Hill Elementary School in the amount of \$3,300.00.
3. Accept an Educational Enrichment Grant from Peters Township PTA Area Council to Peters Township School District for McMurray Elementary School in the amount of \$4,500.00.
4. Accept an Educational Enrichment Grant from Peters Township PTA Area Council to Peters Township School District for the Middle School in the amount of \$3,100.00.
5. Accept an Educational Enrichment Grant from Peters Township PTA Area Council to Peters Township School District for the High School in the amount of \$6,700.00.
6. Accept a donation of \$2,712.00 from the High School Parent Teacher Student Association (PTSA) to Peters Township School District for the purchase of eight (8) Lab Pro/Logger Pro Systems to be used in the High School Physics' Room.
7. Accept a donation of \$5,000.00 from Mr. William G. Mills and Mrs. Kathleen C. Mills to Peters Township School District for the High School.
8. Reappoint Washington Financial Bank as Treasurer of Record for the 2021–22 school year under the existing terms and conditions.
9. Approve an Educational Services Agreement between Intermediate Unit 1 and Peters Township School District for services and programs, commencing July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. (attachment)
10. Authorizes Peacock Keller, LLP to enter into a Stipulation to settle Elsie Butti v. Washington County Board of Assessment, et. al., Case Nos. 2019-7301, 7302, and 7303 consolidated at No. 2019-7304 for \$778,400.00.
11. Approve a subscription for the Instructure Canvas Cloud Learning Management System at a cost of \$29,497.40 for the 2021-2022 school year. (attachment)

12. Approve the purchase of various equipment for Peters Township High School Coffee Tree Roasters partnership in the amount of \$21,020.56 funded through ACCESS. (attachment)
13. Approve the purchase of twenty-four (24) replacement bus cameras from SEON Mobile Surveillances using the PA COSTARS Contract #012-0145 pricing at a cost of \$23,205.60.
14. Approve the agreement between Mlaker L.L.C. Student Transportation and Peters Township School District, on terms and conditions approved by the Solicitor, for payment of remote learning days at 75% of the daily rate. (attachment)
15. Approve the Student Assistance Program Agreement between the Center for Community Resources and Peters Township School District, on terms and conditions approved by the Solicitor, to provide Student Assistance Liaison (SAP) Services for the 2021-22 school year. (attachment)

**MOTION:**

Mr. Briegel moved for approval of Other recommendation items 1 through 12, seconded by Mr. Taylor.

Comment: Mrs. Bowman acknowledged all the gifts and donations, Mrs. Anderson, Mr. Deegan, and Mr. Taylor were in agreement. Mr. Briegel thanked Mr. and Mrs. Mills for their donation to the High School.

Mrs. Anderson asked if the replacement bus cameras were because of damage. Mr. Rau stated that the cameras are for an upgrade in the system. She also asked if the Instructure Canvas Cloud Learning Management System subscription was an annual fee. Dr. French responded it is an annual subscription with a reduced price from last year.

Mr. McMurray commented and thanked Mlaker for the good job they have done over the years.

**MOTION CARRIED**

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**BOARD INFORMATION**

Mrs. Bowman discussed the transparency of the board. She stated that all committee meetings are public and open for discussion and public comment. Mr. McMurray added that all meetings are recorded and available on the district website along with the meeting minutes.

**SOLICITOR’S REPORT** – Ms. Kramer delivered report items during executive session.

**QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD ON AGENDA ITEMS**

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Mr. McMurray acknowledged the receipt of the email from Ms. Beth Mary regarding graduation attendance.

Mr. Briegel conveyed community member’s positive feedback commending the Administration and Teachers on their hard work through this school year.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

June Board Meeting:

Monday, June 14, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.            Policy Committee Meeting

Monday, June 28, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.            Regular Board Meeting

July Board Meeting:

No meetings have been scheduled at this time.

August Board Meeting:

Monday, August 16, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.            Regular Board Meeting

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Mr. Taylor moved for adjournment at 8:41 p.m., seconded by Mr. Briegel.

**MOTION CARRIED**  
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Board Secretary

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Board President