

August 13, 2018

A meeting of the Galeton Area School Board was held in the Music Room of the Galeton Area School District on August 13, 2018.

The meeting was called to order by Board President Bonita Stover at 6:30 PM.

Board Members and all others present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following School Board Members were also present, as confirmed by roll call: Kyle Lehman, Charles Tameris, Dr. Mary Geiter, Rick Yonkin, Charles Bach, Tony Cimino, and Beth Fuller. Julie Lane was absent. Others present included Superintendent Alanna Huck and Business Manager/Board Secretary Penny Crowell.

Citizen Recognition: No citizens comments.

President Stover asked for a motion to consider approval of the minutes from the June 11, 2018, Board Meeting. On motion of Mr. Cimino and second of Mr. Yonkin, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the minutes.

President Stover asked for a motion to consider approval of the General Fund Bill List. On motion of Mr. Lehman and second of Dr. Geiter, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the bill list (EXHIBIT).

President Stover asked for a motion to accept the following resignation letters: Special Education Teacher Korianne McManus effective July 27, 2018, and Maintenance /Custodian Benjamin Rachiele effective July 25, 2018. On motion of Mr. Bach and second of Mr. Yonkin, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the correspondence.

Superintendent's Report:

Mrs. Huck reported on the following:

Tennis Courts – The study of the grounds is complete. To repair and replace would cost \$500,000+. There is no base material and the project would require significant draining and pumps with water levels at 2.5 feet. Does the board wish to consider a resurfacing project that would provide a projected life of 5 – 7 years? They are in very sad shape. The Board requested Mrs. Huck to obtain pricing for a resurfacing project.

Girls Tennis – We expect 6 students for the team this year. Mrs. Huck asked at what point does the Board feel we do not have a team. Mr. Cimino recommended below 6.

Summer Technology Updates – The library system was updated from XP to a cloud based system. Students may now access library resources from home. The new web site should go live next week. The employee portal is in operation. Employees will access their paystubs from the portal and be able to access more data about their employment. All regular employees are now direct deposit and administration is working on moving the remaining few temporary employees to direct deposit as well. The next technology project will be an on-line lunch payment system.

This summer the IU technology team has updated and organized the wiring closets and installed new equipment. The security camera project is underway; however, the exterior cameras are on back-order.

Call to Order
Pledge of Allegiance
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Superintendent's Report

Mansfield University Agreement – The program is now available to students—7 college course offerings are available. They are not dual enrollment, but provide a way for students to begin earning college credits early at a reduced rate. One student has registered for three courses already.

PO Procedure Upgrade – Administration has moved the process for ordering to an electronic means.

Building Issues – With the July 4th storm, the air conditioning unit for the gym was hit by lightning. Through use of our recent maintenance agreement, we were able to identify the problem quickly and obtain a part from another school that was installing a new system. Otherwise, it would have been a large expense, delayed repair and a claim to insurance.

Other maintenance – The HVAC in the District Offices has no controls—it's either on or off. The estimate to repair this system is \$5,000. The hallway carpet is showing wear. Carpet is not always preferred; however, terrazzo is cost prohibitive.

Athletic Trainer – the trainer will be here for the fall season during practice and games. UPMC is seeking a new training. In the meantime, the trainer will be shared with Coudersport School District.

Curriculum Maps – Mr. Pierce has completed the curriculum maps. This will help us identify what curricular areas to focus on next.

Ed Forum – A public forum will be held in Wellsboro at the Deane Center with the two candidates running for House of Representatives Matt Baker's position.

New Laws – The following new laws will need to be considered in the near future: LEAD testing. The borough already does this and can help us out with the requirements. Keystone Exams as a graduation requirement has been delayed until 2021. Executive Sessions may now include school safety discussions. Charter & Private Schools now have to follow attendance laws; however, the home district much file the truancy charges. School Safety requirements have increased, including a one-time per year lock-down drill in place of a fire drill. When this is arranged, parents will be notified in advance. School Funding – There has been news that Governor Wolf would be cutting funding in the budget; however, there has been a new funding formula in place for three years.

Start of School – Teachers start back Tuesday, August 21, and students will come back, Thursday, August 23.

Business Managers Report:

Mrs. Crowell provided the treasurer's report, reflecting a cash balance of \$830,000+. The internal annual audit started in June with payroll and general fund testing. The audit will continue on October 4. The state will also be auditing the district starting next week. Mrs. Huck reported that the auditors said everything was in order and they were able to complete their work in one-day as opposed to the usual three days.

Business Manager's
Report

Action Items:

President Stover asked for a motion to approve the Administration's recommendation to enter into supplemental contracts for the 2018/19 school year with the following persons:

Angela Cochran, 5th & 6th Grade Co-Advisor - \$324

Denise Valenti, 5th & 6th Grade Co-Advisor - \$324

Wanda Bunker, Jr. High Volleyball Coach - \$1,490

On motion of Mr. Cimino and second of Mr. Yonkin, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the contracts.

Supplemental Contracts

President Stover asked for a motion to approve the Administration's recommendation to continue the Agreement with Potter County Children and Youth Services for the 2018/2019 school year in the amount of \$6,000 to provide Intensive Case Management services within the District. On motion of Mrs. Fuller and second of Dr. Geiter, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the Agreement (EXHIBIT).

ICM Program

President Stover asked for a motion to approve the Administration's recommendation to continue the Agreement with Woods Services, Inc., for education services during the 2018/2019 school year in the amount of \$76,284.78. On motion of Mr. Yonkin and second of Mr. Bach, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the Agreement (EXHIBIT).

President Stover asked for a motion to approve the Administration's recommendation to approve a substitute employees' list for the 2018/19 school year. On motion of Mr. Lehman and second of Mr. Yonkin, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the substitutes (EXHIBIT).

Substitute List

President Stover asked for a motion to approve the Administration's recommendation to approve the following persons as volunteers for the 2018/19 school year:

Chuck Tameris, Volleyball

Olivia Pagano, Volleyball

Laura Parsell, Volleyball

Shannon Kurtz, Volleyball

J. C. Sunderlin, JV/Varsity Soccer

Jeremy Pagano, Jr. High Soccer

Kevin Sykora, Jr. High Soccer

On motion of Mr. Cimino and second of Mrs. Fuller, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the volunteers.

Volunteers for Athletics

President Stover asked for a motion to approve the Administration's recommendation to continue the Contract with Seneca Highlands IU 9 for the Virtual Academy to provide world languages, in-district cyber-school, and other educational offerings to students. On motion of Mr. Yonkin and second of Mr. Bach, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the contract (EXHIBIT).

Virtual Academy
Contract

President Stover asked for a motion to approve the Administration's recommendation to adopt a Resolution to Amend PIAA Classifications to Level the Competitive Arena. On motion of Mr. Cimino and second of Mr. Yonkin, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the Resolution (EXHIBIT).

PIAA Resolution

President Stover made the following announcements:

Announcements

Executive Session:

August 13, 2018, 6:00 PM, Galetton Area SD Library
RE: Personnel

Next Board Meeting:

August 27, 2018, 6:30 PM, Galetton Area SD Music Room

Board Work Session:

There are no work sessions scheduled at this time.

On motion of Mr. Bach and second of Mrs. Fuller, the Board voted 8 to 0 to adjourn the meeting.

Adjournment

Approved as read August 27, 2018

Respectfully submitted by:

Penny L. Crowell
Board Secretary

