April 16, 2024

At 6:00 p.m. the Board held their Committee Meeting, briefly reviewing agenda items. Bethany Peracchino, Business Manager, also gave her 24-25 Budget Presentation. The Board ended their Committee Meeting at 6:32pm to start the Regular Meeting.

The Blacklick Valley School Board met in person in Regular Session at 6:33pm for General Purposes in the Conference Room of the Blacklick Valley Jr. Sr. High School, 555 Birch Street, Nanty GIO, PA 15943 with Angela Villa, Board President, presiding and the following members present:

Michael Gdula, Elizabeth Kreashko, Larry Kupchella, Gregory O'Farrell, Jeffrey Szymusiak, Don Thomas, and Joe Villa.

Members Absent: Shawn McMullen.

Others Present: Mr. William Kanich, Superintendent, Bethany Peracchino, Business Manager/Board Secretary, Ed Alexander, High School Principal, and Ron Rhoades, Elementary Principal

Recognition of Guests- None.

Moved by Elizabeth Kreashko, seconded by Larry Kupchella, to approve the minutes from the March 20, 2024 Regular Board Meeting.

Voting on Motion:

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| Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively | Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively |
| Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively | Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively |
| Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively | Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively |
| Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively | Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively |

Motion Carried

Moved by Jeffrey Szymusiak, seconded by Don Thomas, to approve the Treasured s Report for the month ending March 31, 2024.

Voting on Motion:

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| Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively | Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively |
| Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively | Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively |
| Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively | Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively |
| Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively | Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively |

Motion Carried

Moved by Michael Gdula, seconded by Jeffrey Szymusiak, to approve the following motions:

Motion to approve the payment of the Regular Bills in the amount of $142,419.46.

Motion to approve the payment of the Cafeteria Bills in the amount of $26,555.54.

Motion to approve the estimated payment of the April 2024 General Fund Payroll in the amount of

$312,064.74, and the estimated transfer of $312,064.74 from the General Fund to the Payroll Account. Motion to approve the estimated payment of the April 2024 Cafeteria Payroll in the amount of $14,797.12 and the estimated transfer of $14,797.12 from the Cafeteria Fund to the General Fund Account.

Motion to approve the Cafeteria Fund Report for the month ending March 31, 2024, showing a balance of $429,120.85.

Motion to approve the Athletic Fund Report for the month ending March 31, 2024, showing a balance of $5.619.90.

Motion to approve the Student Activities Report for the 15t Quarter ending March 31, 2024.

Voting on Motion:

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| Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively | Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively |
| Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively | Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively |
| Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively | Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively |
| Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively | Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively |

Motion Carried

Moved by Gregory O'Farrell, seconded by Elizabeth Kreashko, to approve the Preliminary General Fund

Budget for the 2024-2025 Fiscal year with a 2.00 mill tax increase on real estate as follows:

Revenues -

Expenditures - $14,637,938

Beginning Fund Balance - $4,000,000

Ending Fund Balance - $1,493,370

Voting on Motion by ROLL CALL VOTE:

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| Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively | Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively |
| Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively | Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively |
| Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively | Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively |
| Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively | Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively |

Motion Carried

Moved by Larry Kupchella, seconded by Jeffrey Szymusiak, to waive the second and final reading of the following board policies:

1. 800 Records Management
2. 800.1 (New) Electronic Signatures/Management
3. 801 Public Records
4. 802 School Organization 804 School Day
5. 805 Emergency Preparedness and Response
6. 805.1 (New) Relations with Law Enforcement Agencies
7. 805.2 (New) School Security Personnel
8. 806 Child Abuse

807 Opening Exercises/Flag Display

1. 808 Food Services
2. 810 Transportation
3. 810.1 School Bus Drivers and School Commercial Motor Vehicle Drivers
4. 810.2 (New) Transportation - Video/Audio Recording
5. 810.3 School Vehicle Drivers
6. 811 Bonding
7. 812 Property Insurance
8. 813 Other Insurance

814 Copyright Material

1. 815 Acceptable Use of Internet, Computers and Network Resources
2. 816 (New) District Social Media
3. 818 Contracted ServicesPersonnel
4. 819 Suicide Awareness, Prevention and Response
5. 822 Automated External Defibrillator (AED)/Cardiopu[monary Resuscitation (CPR)
6. 823 (New) Naloxone
7. 824 (New) Maintaining Professional Adult/Student Boundaries aa) 828 Fraud bb) 830 Security of Computerized Personal Information/Breach Notification cc) 830.1 (New) Data Governance-Storage/Security

Voting on Motion:

Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively

Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively

Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively

Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively

Motion Carried

Moved by Larry Kupchella, seconded by Jeffrey Szymusiak, to retire the following policies:

1. 819 Student at Risk
2. 825 State Mandate Waivers

Voting on Motion:

Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively

Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively

Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively

Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively Motion Carried

Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively

Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively

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| Moved by Larry Kupchella, seconded by Jeffrey Szymusiak, to approve the Business Manager to advertise for the 2024-2025 Fuel Bids.Voting on Motion:

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| Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively | Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively |
| Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively | Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively |
| Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively | Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively |
| Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively | Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively |

Motion CarriedMoved by Larry Kupchella, seconded by Jeffrey Szymusiak, to approve the quote from INSTITUTIONAL SPECIALTIES, INC. in the amount of $9,300.00 for the purchase and installation of stadium delay of game clocks.Voting on Motion:

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| Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively | Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively |
| Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively | Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively |
| Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively | Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively |
| Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively | Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively |

Motion CarriedMoved by Larry Kupchella, seconded by Jeffrey Szymusiak, to approve the payment of $4,000 to the NantyGIO Borough Municipal Authority for the 23-24 field rental.Voting on Motion:

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| Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively | Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively |
| Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively | Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively |
| Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively | Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively |
| Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively | Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively |

Motion CarriedMoved by Larry Kupchella, seconded by Jeffrey Szymusiak, to approve the payment of $1,500 to the NantyGIO Borough Municipal Authority for the 23-24 Park & Pool donation. |

Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively Voting on Motion:

Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively

Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively

Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively

Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively

Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively

Motion Carried

Moved by Larry Kupchella, seconded by Jeffrey Szymusiak, to approve the quote from Primero Edge in the amount of $3,585.00 for a one-time implementation fee and annual subscription for the Cafeteria POS system and online payments.

Voting on Motion:

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| Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively | Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively |
| Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively | Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively |
| Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively | Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively |
| Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively | Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively |

Motion Carried

Moved by Larry Kupchella, seconded by Jeffrey Szymusiak, to approve the agreement between Camco Physical and Occupational Therapy, LLC (CAMCO) and the Blacklick Valley School District beginning August 1, 2024 to July 31, 2026.

Voting on Motion:

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| Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively | Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively |
| Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively | Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively |
| Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively | Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively |
| Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively | Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively |

Motion Carried

Moved by Larry Kupchella, seconded by Jeffrey Szymusiak, to approve Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8 ESL

Consortium Agreement for the 2024-25 school year at a cost of $4,700.00.

Voting on Motion:

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| Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively | Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively |
| Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively | Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively |
| Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively | Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively |
| Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively | Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively |

Motion Carried

Moved by Jeffrey Szymusiak, seconded by Don Thomas, to approve the partially unpaid FMLA leave for employee number 90135, tentatively beginning 4/29/24, and for the duration of the 23-24 school year.

Voting on Motion:

Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively

Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively

Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively

Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively Motion Carried

For the good of the organization:

Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively

Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively

Larry Kupchella complemented Brianna McGhee and the BVHS students who worked on science projects and posters that were included at an Il-JP event last week. He said that he is very proud to be on the Board and live in our District.

Jeff Szymusiak announced that there will be a basketball program for Blacklick Valley students grades 712 held this summer. It will take place in June and July on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays and will be free to the students. It will be for both boys and girls.

Greg O'Farrell stated that he thought that having the signing days for our students is wonderful! He also complimented the new track staff for this season.

Moved by Jeffrey Szymusiak, seconded by Larry Kupchella, to adjourn the meeting.

Voting on Motion:

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| Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively | Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively |
| Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively | Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively |
| Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively | Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively |
| Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively | Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively |

Motion Carried

The meeting adjourned at 6:42p.m.



Bethany Peracchino, Board Secretary