March 20, 2024

At 6:00 p.m. the Board held their Committee Meeting, briefly reviewing agenda items. The Board ended their Committee Meeting and entered Executive Session to discuss personnel. The Board exited Executive Session at 6:20 pm to start the Regular Meeting.

The Blacklick Valley School Board met in person in Regular Session at 6:21 p.m. 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, Shawn McMullen, Jeffrey Szymusiak, Don Thomas, and Joe Villa.

Members Absent: None.

Others Present: Mr. William Kanich, Superintendent, Bethany Peracchino, Business Manager/Board Secretary, Ed Alexander, High School Principal, and Tammy Boring, Special Ed Director.

Recognition of Guests- None.

Moved by Gregory O'Farrell, seconded by Shawn McMullen, to approve the minutes from the February 21, 2024 Regular Board Meeting.

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 |
| Shawn McMullen Voting Affirmatively | Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively |
| Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively | Motion Carried |

Moved by Elizabeth Kreashko, seconded by Jeffrey Szymusiak, to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month ending February 29, 2024.

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 |
| Shawn McMullen Voting Affirmatively | Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively |
| Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively | Motion Carried |

Moved by Michael Gdula, seconded by Larry Kupchella, to approve the following motions:

Motion to approve the payment of the Regular Bills in the amount of $182,916.91. Motion to approve the payment of the Cafeteria Bills in the amount of $26,990.24.

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

$403,330.18, and the estimated transfer of $403,330.18 from the General Fund to the Payroll Account. Motion 10 approve the estimated payment of the March 2024 Cafeteria Payroll in the amount of $13,953.12 and the estimated transfer of $13,953.12 from the Cafeteria Fund to the General Fund Account.

Motion to approve the Cafeteria Fund Report for the month ending February 29, 2024, showing a balance of $416.756.94.

Motion to approve the Athletic Fund Report for the month ending February 29, 2024, showing a balance of $6,708.99.

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 |
| Shawn McMullen Voting Affirmatively | Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively |
| Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively | Motion Carried |

Moved by Don Thomas, seconded by Larry Kupchella, to approve the Business Manager to advertise for bids for milk and school supplies for the 2024-2025 school year.

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 |
| Shawn McMullen Voting Affirmatively | Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively |
| Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively | Motion Carried |

Moved by Elizabeth Kreashko, seconded by Shawn McMullen, to approve the IU8 General Fund Operating Budget for the 2024-25 school year by a ROLL CALL Vote.

Voting on Motion By ROLL CALL:

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 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 |
| Shawn McMullen Voting Affirmatively | Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively |
| Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively | Motion Carried |

Moved by Jeffrey Szymusiak, seconded by Michael Gdula, to approve the Admiral Peary AVTS 2024-2025 preliminary budget.

Michael

Elizabeth

Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively

Shawn McMullen Voting Affirmatively Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively

Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Moved by Jeffrey Szymusiak, seconded by Michael Gdula, to approve the quote with McGraw Hill in the amount of $53,686.24 for Elementary Curriculum.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 |
| Shawn McMullen Voting Affirmatively | Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively |
| Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively | Motion Carried |

Moved by Jeffrey Szymusiak, seconded by Michael Gdula, to approve the Resolution authorizing BlacklickValley School District to participate in the Cooperative Bidding Program coordinated by Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8 to purchase school supplies in large quantities for the purpose of purchasing paper supplies for the 2024-2025 school year, and thereafter.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 |
| Shawn McMullen Voting Affirmatively | Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively |
| Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively | Motion Carried |

Moved by Jeffrey Szymusiak, seconded by Michael Gdula, to approve the 2024 Extended School YearAgreement between the Alternative Community Resource Program Inc.(ACRP) and the Blacklick Valley School |

Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively Motion Carried

District.

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

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Shawn McMullen Affirmatively | Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively |
| Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively | Motion Carried |

Moved by Jeffrey Szymusiak, seconded by Michael Gdula, to approve the agreement between Ignite Education Solutions and the Blacklick Valley School District for one seat in the elementary behavioral education classroom for the 2024-25 school year.

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 |
| Shawn McMullen Voting Affirmatively | Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively |
| Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively | Motion Carried |

Moved by Jeffrey Szymusiak, seconded by Michael Gdula, to waive the first 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

805 Emergency Preparedness and Response

1. 805.1 (New) Relations with Law Enforcement Agencies
2. 805.2 (New) School Security Personnel 806 Child Abuse
3. 807 Opening Exercises/Flag Display
4. 808 Food Services

810 Transportation

1. 810.1 School Bus Drivers and School Commercial Motor Vehicle Drivers
2. 810.2 (New) Transportation - Video/Audio Recording
3. 810.3 School Vehicle Drivers
4. 811 Bonding
5. 812 Property Insurance  813 Other Insurance
6. 814 Copyright Material
7. 815 Acceptable Use of Internet, Computers and Network Resources
8. 816 (New) District Social Media
9. 818 Contracted ServicesPersonnel
10. 819 Suicide Awareness, Prevention and Response
11. 822 Automated External Defibrillator (AED)/CardiopuImonary Resuscitation (CPR) 823 (New) Naloxone

z. 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

Michael

Elizabeth

Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively

Shawn McMullen Voting Affirmatively Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively

Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Moved by Jeffrey Szymusiak, seconded by Michael Gdula, to retire the following policies:  819 Student At Riskb. 825 State Mandate WaiversVoting 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 |
| Shawn McMullen Voting Affirmatively | Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively |
| Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively | Motion Carried |

Moved by Jeffrey Szymusiak, seconded by Michael Gdula, to approve the quote from Beauty Lawn in the amount of $2,786.24 for lawn services at McMullen Field.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 |
| Shawn McMullen Voting Affirmatively | Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively |
| Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively | Motion Carried |

Moved by Jeffrey Szymusiak, seconded by Michael Gdula, to discontinue speech services with the Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8 for the upcoming 24-25 School Year. |

Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively Motion Carried

Voting on Motion:

Michael Gdula Voting Affirmatively

Elizabeth Kreashko Voting Affirmatively

Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively

Shawn McMullen Voting Affirmatively Gregory O'Farrell Voting Affirmatively

Jeffrey Szymusiak Voting Affirmatively Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively

Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively

Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively Motion Carried

Moved by Michael Gdula, seconded by Joe Villa, to approve the following as Volunteer Baseball Coaches, pending receipt of all clearances:

Don Thomas

Brad Mosley

Eric Sheesley

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 |
| Shawn McMullen Voting Affirmatively | Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively |
| Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively | Motion Carried |

Moved by Michael Gdula, seconded by Joe Villa, to approve Lynn Hockenberry as a substitute cleaner.

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 |
| Shawn McMullen Voting Affirmatively | Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively |
| Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively | Motion Carried |

Moved by Michael Gdula, seconded by Joe Villa, to approve the following bus drivers for Mlaker:

Michael Britton

Emily Sarver

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 |
| Shawn McMullen Voting Affirmatively | Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively |
| Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively | Motion Carried |

Moved by Michael Gdula, seconded by Joe Villa, to accept the resignation of Miranda Saxon as a paraprofessional effective March 29, 2024.

Voting

Michael

Elizabeth

Larry Kupchella Voting Affirmatively

Shawn McMullen Voting Affirmatively Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively

Don Thomas Voting Affirmatively

Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively Motion Carried

For the good of the organization: The Board and Administration praised the students and staff for the fantastic performance of the school play this year.

Moved by Don Thomas, seconded by Jeffrey Szymusiak, to adjourn the meeting.

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 |
| Shawn McMullen Voting Affirmatively | Angela Villa Voting Affirmatively |
| Joe Villa Voting Affirmatively | Motion Carried |

The meeting adjourned at 6:27p.m.



Bethany Peracchino, Board Secretary