

The School Board met in executive session prior to tonight's meeting to discuss legal, personnel, safety and labor matters.

The public will be able to comment on agenda items only prior to any vote during the regular meeting. Citizen comments on non-agenda items, from those who put in a request, will be heard at the conclusion of the regular Board meeting.



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Steel Valley School District

School Board Meeting
High School Library
In-Person and Via Live Stream
February 23, 2023
7:00 p.m.

Roll Call
Flag Salute
Acknowledgements
Moment of Silence

- Motion to place an appropriate selection of books into the school libraries in memory of the Steel Valley Family members acknowledged this evening.

Reports:

President of the School Board

Student Representatives to the School Board

Superintendent

Assistant Superintendent

Director of Pupil Services

Citizen Comments on Agenda Items

Solicitor

Action Items

Board Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes of:

- January 23, 2023 worksession meeting
- January 26, 2023 regular meeting

1.0 Financial Management

Budget, Finance, Insurance, Audit, Funding, Taxes

Mr. McLaughlin, Chair

Ms. Guy, Co-Chair

Mr. Colasante

- 1.1 Motion to approve the list of bills:
 - 1.1.01 General Fund and Food Service Invoices for February 2023 for \$677,016.99
 - 1.1.02 General Fund and Food Service Hand Checks for January 2023 for \$1,359,948.19
 - 1.1.03 General Fund and Food Service Income Statements for January 2023
 - 1.1.04 General Fund and Food Service Balance Sheet for January 2023
 - 1.1.05 Athletics Fund Balance Sheet & Disbursement Report January 2023
 - 1.1.06 Middle School Activities Balance Sheet & Disbursement Report for January 2023
 - 1.1.07 HS Student Activities Balance Sheet & Disbursement Report for January 2023
 - 1.1.08 External Groups Balance Sheet & Disbursement Report for January 2023
- 1.2 Motion to accept the Letter of Authorization to confirm that Kristin Van Strien, acting on behalf of Van Strien Consulting, LLC, is authorized to represent the Steel Valley School District in matters related to the Federal Universal Service Discount Program known as E-Rate for the funding year of 2023-2024 at the rate of \$4,000 per year.
- 1.3 Motion to approve the budgetary Statement of Work for the Steel Valley School District to procure and implement Act 80 data sorting and reporting information utilizing Method Automation for \$1,225.
- 1.4 Motion to acknowledge that the 2019 Pension Bond proceeds were completely used to make PSERS payments in the prior year ending June 30, 2022, and in the current year ending June 30, 2023. These payments will result in a reduction of the restricted fund balance for pension payments to \$0.00 for the year ending June 30 2023, unless further action is taken by the Board to designate fund balance as restricted.
- 1.5 Motion to approve the designations of fund balance for fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, by releasing the restricted balance of \$1,929,300 in conjunction with PSERS payments made with proceeds of the 2019 pension bonds, releasing the \$1,500,000 assigned in prior years and adding assigned fund balance of \$2,000,000 for increasing health care, PSERS and charter costs.

2.0 Operations

Capital Improvement, Update, Repair and Maintain Facilities and
Equipment, Municipal Relations, Safety and Environment

Ms. Guy, Chair

Mr. Colasante, Co-Chair

Mr. Rojtas

- 2.1 Motion to approve the facility usage requests as presented.
- REVISED 2.2 Motion to approve the purchase of one (1) Evolv Express single lane metal detector at a total cost of \$120,898, which includes installation, training and software. Total amount will be billed annually in the amount of \$34,459 in year one (1) and the final three (3) years will be billed in the amount of \$28,813.
- NEW 2.3 Motion to approve the purchase and installation of twelve (12) HALO Smart Sensor all-in-one security and health devices to be installed throughout the High School and Middle School at a cost of \$18,865.00.

3.0 Co-Curricular Leadership

Activities, Athletics, Food Service, PTO

Mr. Colasante, Chair

Mr. McLaughlin, Co-Chair

Mrs. Carstetter

- 3.1 Motion to approve fundraising requests as presented.

4.0 Special Assignments

Steel Center Career & Technical Education,
Southeastern Special Schools, Board Policy

Mrs. Karstetter, Chair

Mr. Carter, Co-Chair

Mrs. Yuhas

- 4.1 Motion to reaffirm the Principles of Governance and Leadership as set forth in Policy 001: Advocate Earnestly, Lead Responsibly, Govern Effectively, Plan Thoughtfully, Evaluate Continuously, Communicate Clearly and Act Ethically.

5.0 Educational Leadership

Curriculum and Instruction, Career & Technical Education, Instructional Media Services, Special Education Services and Programs, Intermediate Unit Programs and Services, Strategic Planning, Instructional Supplies and Equipment

Ms. Adams, Chair
Mrs. Yuhas, Co-Chair
Mr. Carter

- 5.1 Motion to approve the agreement between Steel Valley School District and ProCare Therapy to provide daily services of a License Professional Nurse (LPN) at a rate of \$64/hour to a student at Barrett Elementary that requires one-on-one nursing services due to medical needs.
- 5.2 Motion to approve a Letter of Agreement for The Meadows School to provide educational services in the even that a student from Steel Valley is hospitalized at The Meadows Psychiatric Center.
- 5.3 Motion to approve the Tuition Agreement for a student to attend New Story School at a rate of \$341/day until it is determined that the educational placement is no longer necessary or appropriate, retroactive to February 13, 2023.
- 5.4 Motion to approve Rideshare Agreement with KidzRide, LLC to provide transportation as needed to students experiencing unique circumstances and that are unable to be transported through the district's current transportation company.
- 5.5 Motion to accept a donation from the Campbell Educational and Community Foundation in the amount of \$10,000 for the Middle School and High School Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) Teams.
- 5.6 Motion to approve the Supporting Expansion and Enhancement of K-12 School-Based Social, Emotional Supports ("Project SEEKS SES") Grant Participation Agreement that is between the Allegheny Intermediate Unit (AIU) and Steel Valley School District funded by the Allegheny County Health Department, not to exceed the amount of \$585,000, effective February 23, 2023, through July 31, 2024.

NEW

6.0 Communications and Technology

Public Relations, Communications, Marketing, Media Relations, Community Relations, Strategic Planning, Technology and Information Services

Mr. McLaughlin, Chair
Mr. Carter, Co-Chair
Ms. Adams

- 6.1 Update

7.0 Personnel Management

Human Resources, Compensation, Fringe Benefits, Negotiations, Recruitment, Selection, Staffing of Professional and Non-Professional Positions

Mr. Rojtas, Chair
Ms. Guy, Co-Chair
Mr. Colasante

- 7.1 Motion to accept, with regret, the retirement of Sharon Kampe, High School Choir, Middle School Music/Chorus/Music Tech teacher, under the terms and conditions of Article XXVIII Retirement Incentive Program in the current SVEA collective bargaining agreement and the Early Retirement Incentive M.O.U., effective June 5, 2023.
- 7.2 Motion to approve Joanna Graham to be a substitute teacher for the 2022-2023 school year at a rate of \$150/day, effective immediately. Clearances and pre-employment screenings are on file.
- 7.3 Motion to approve Derek Kleinhans to be placed on our substitute call list for the paraprofessional department of \$12.00/hr, retroactive to February 14, 2023, for the 2022-2023 school year. Clearances and pre-employment screenings are on file.
- 7.4 Motion to appoint the following Core-Subject Assessor for High School Cyber Program \$1,000 stipend positions for the following subjects, Barb Ferson for History; Michelle Maddigan for Science; Ryan Dunmire for Math; Jodi Geyer for ELA, effective for the 4th quarter grading period of the 2022-2023 school year.
- 7.5 Motion to approve the elimination of the Accounts Payable secretary position, effective January 18, 2023.
- 7.6 Motion to create the ESSER III funded Dean of Students position for the Senior High School. This position is funded by federal ESSER III funding and will terminate at the conclusion of the 2023-2024 school year.
- 7.7 Motion to accept, with regret, the resignation of Sara Altman from High School Musical Instrumental and Vocal supplemental positions, effective immediately.

- 7.8 Motion to approve the list of Spring Athletic Coaching position for the 2022-2023 school year.
- 7.9 Motion to approve JoAnn Molnar to be a long-term substitute for Special Education at the High School at a prorated salary of \$48,722 based upon Step 4 with a Bachelor's degree according to Policy No. 328.1 plus benefits, for the remainder of the 2022-2023 school year, retroactive to January 10, 2023. Clearances and pre-employment screenings are on file.
- 7.10 Motion to accept, with regret, the retirement of Tammy Law, 2nd grade teacher at Park Elementary, under the terms and conditions of Article XXVIII Retirement Incentive Program in the current SVEA collective bargaining agreement and the Early Retirement Incentive M.O.U., effective June 5, 2023.
- 7.11 Motion to accept, with regret, the retirement of Linda Terrick, Kindergarten teacher at Park Elementary, under the terms and conditions of Article XXVIII Retirement Incentive Program in the current SVEA collective bargaining agreement and the Early Retirement Incentive M.O.U., effective July 7, 2023.
- 7.12 Motion to accept, with regret, the retirement of Jill Watson, special education teacher at Park Elementary, under the terms and conditions of Article XXVIII Retirement Incentive Program in the current SVEA collective bargaining agreement and the Early Retirement Incentive M.O.U., effective June 5, 2023.

Citizen Comments

Erin Noblet	State of affairs at the Middle School
Christine Schott	Finances, general issues and other issues brought up in the meeting
Jim Deutsch	No accountability for people who fail our district financially and not upholding policies and superintendent search

Adjournment