# SELINSGROVE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS MINUTES OF MEETING – MAY 22, 2023

A meeting of the Selinsgrove Area School District's Board of Directors was held on Monday evening, May 22, 2023, at 7:00 p.m., in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Selinsgrove Area Middle School, 359 Seals Avenue, Selinsgrove, PA 17870.

The meeting was called to order at 7:27 p.m. by the President, Mr. David W. Hess.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited by those in attendance.

A roll call indicated a quorum with the following members present: Mr. Christopher A. Aikey, Mr. David W. Hess, Mrs. Anabel Menifee, Mr. Kenneth B. Teats, Jr., Dr. David M. Watto, and non-voting member, Dr. Frank R. Jankowski, Superintendent. Mr. William L. Bechtel, Jr., Mr. Andrew V. Paladino, Atty. Matthew A. Slivinski, and Ms. Kara L. Taylor, Board Members, were absent.

Others present were: Mr. John Bohle, Mr. Paul Bozella, Dr. Matthew Conrad, Ms. Michelle Garman, Mr. Damian Gessel, Mr. Jeffrey Hummel, Dr. Colton Moyer, Mr. Brian Parise, Mr. Justin Simpson, Mr. Mark Wolfberg, Ms. Claudia Beaver, Mike Stebila, James Muller, Cameron Trego, Cheryl Underhill, Sarah Rodriguez, Ashley Kolak, Crystal Heshmat, and several other interested individuals.

### Announcements:

Mr. Hess announced that the next regular monthly Board meeting is scheduled to be held on Monday, June 12, 2023. He also announced that an Executive Session was held prior to the Board meeting regarding personnel matters.

# **Opportunity for Public Comment**

Crystal Heshmat, of Catawissa Avenue, Sunbury, introduced herself to the Board and stated that she stands by the statements that she has made.

# ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS

#### Superintendent

Dr. Jankowski commented that there are two main agenda items, one being awarding of the bid for the 2023 paving project, and the other is personnel matters. He called the Boards' attention to the audience, noting that several candidates are in attendance that will be joining us in the 2023-2024 school year, pending Board action this evening.

# **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

# Budget and Finance: No report.

**Buildings and Grounds:** Motion by Aikey and seconded by Menifee to consider approving a recommendation to award the bid for the 2023 paving project to Dave Gutelius Excavating, Inc. at a cost of \$966,248.00, as presented. (funding from the capital reserve) (a copy of the bid recommendation to be attached and made a part of the official minutes)

Policy and Education: No report.

Extracurricular: No report.

**Personnel/Meet and Discuss:** Motion by Watto and seconded by Teats to approve the following personnel matters:

**Staff Resignations**: Nakita Robinson as a Paraprofessional at the High School, effective May 15, 2023; and Joanne Risso as a Grade 8 English Language Arts Teacher at the Middle School, effective at the end of the 2022-2023 school year

**Staff Transfers Effective with the 2023-2024 School Year:** Kiara MacMath from Middle School Emotional Support Teacher to K-2 Emotional Support Teacher; Jenna Daddario from Grade 4 Teacher to Grade 2 Teacher; Jennifer Brown from Grade 1 Teacher to Grade 2 Teacher; Tosha Varner from Grade 3 Teacher to K-5/9-12 ELL Teacher (pending receipt of required paperwork); Angela Stebila from K-5 Emotional Support Teacher to 3-5 Emotional Support Teacher; Mike Ferriero from Grade 5 Teacher to Grade 4 Teacher; Ashley Kolak from Grade 2 Teacher to Grade 4 Teacher Erica Lauver from Kindergarten Teacher to Grade 5 Teacher; Lisa Whitford from Intermediate Reading Specialist to Grade 5 Teacher; Madalyn Jankowski from Grade 5 Teacher to Intermediate Reading Specialist; Denyel Decker from Grade 8 ELA Teacher to Grade 6 ELA Teacher; Margaux Murray from Grade 6 ELA Teacher to Grade 8 ELA Teacher; Faithe Bastian from Middle School Librarian to Middle School Family & Consumer Science Teacher; Rebecca Schaffer-Neitz from Middle School Guidance Counselor to 6-12 Career Readiness Counselor; and Brett Reinard from Maintenance Worker to First Shift Head Custodian at the Middle School, effective May 30, 2023

Staff Elections: Jaclyn Cook as a Professional Employee at Step 3 of the Master's Classification to be assigned as a Grade 8 ELA Teacher at the Middle School, effective with the 2023-2024 school year (pending receipt of required paperwork); Jesslyn D. Corman as a Temporary Professional Employee at Step 6 of the Master's Classification to be assigned as an English Teacher at the High School, effective with the 2023-2024 school year (pending receipt of required paperwork); Chrysogonus (CJ) J. Curry as a Professional Employee at Step 6 of the Master's Classification to be assigned as an Emotional Support Teacher at the Middle School, effective with the 2023-2024 school year (pending receipt of required paperwork); Amber M. Mowery as Professional Employee at Step 8 of the Bachelor's Classification to be assigned as Grade 7 ELA Teacher at the Middle School, effective with the 2023-2024 school year (pending receipt of required paperwork); James A. Muller as a Temporary Professional Employee at Step 2 of the Bachelor's Classification to be assigned as an English Teacher at the High School, effective with the 2023-2024 school year; Christina M. Rickenbach as a Temporary Professional Employee at Step 1 of the Bachelor's Classification to be assigned as a Music/Choral Teacher at the Middle School, effective with the 2023-2024 school year (pending receipt of required paperwork); Sarah O. Rodriguez as a Temporary Professional Employee at Step 1 of the Bachelor's Classification to be assigned as a Kindergarten Teacher at the Elementary School, effective with the 2023-2024 school year (pending receipt of required paperwork); Kalee N. Rothermel as a Temporary Professional Employee at Step 1 of the Bachelor's Classification to be assigned as a Grade 3 Teacher at the Intermediate School, effective with the 2023-2024 school year (pending receipt of required paperwork); Cameron K. Trego as a Professional Employee at Step 7 of the Master's Classification to be assigned as a Grade 4 Teacher at the Intermediate School, effective with the 2023-2024 school year (pending receipt of required paperwork); Cheryl A. Underhill as a Professional Employee at Step 16 of the Master's Classification to be assigned as a Grade 1 Teacher at the Elementary School, effective with the 2023-2024 school year (pending receipt of required paperwork); <u>2023 Elementary School Summer Reading Program Staff</u>: Teacher – Katie Deppen; <u>Summer 2023 Custodial Workers</u> – Alex Kadryna, Amy Stoneburg, and Benjamin Youngman (pending receipt of required paperwork); <u>2022-2023 District Volunteers</u>: Erin Eberle, Billie jo Feltman, Tor'nel Joye, Julie Sutfin, Brett Treas, and Sara Wenrich (without salary, benefits, or expectation of any other compensation); and Jenifer Voneida as a Volunteer Nurse for the 2023 Outdoor Education Program/ Fifth Grade Camp (without salary, benefits, or expectation of any other compensation)

On roll call vote: 5 yes, 0 no, 4 absent

Transportation: No report.

Technology: No report.

**SUN Area Technical Institute Joint Operating Committee:** Mr. Teats, Representative, reported that the Advertising Arts & Design class will continue to be offered for at least another year. He also reported that in the very near future they will be seeking bids for a major renovation project at the school.

**CSIU Board of Directors:** Mr. Hess, Representative, reported that the Board met on Wednesday, May 17<sup>th</sup> and approved spending on electronics, personnel, and vehicles. Prior to the meeting, the IU hosted the annual Art Gallery Reception. Mr. Hess also reported that the Board took action to appoint a PSBA voting delegate and noted that this Board will need to do so as well at the June meeting.

**PSBA:** No report.

# Adjournment:

Mr. Hess announced that an Executive Session would be held immediately following adjournment regarding personnel and legal matters.

With no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Claudia A. Beaver Recording Secretary

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