### SELINSGROVE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS MINUTES OF MEETING – SEPTEMBER 9, 2024

The regular monthly meeting of the Selinsgrove Area School District's Board of Directors was held on Monday evening, September 9, 2024, at 7 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 7:05 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. Michael A. Bingaman, Mr. David W. Hess, Mr. Christopher J. Kenawell, Mr. Cory A. Naugle, Mr. Kenneth B. Teats, Jr., Mr. Eric L. Watkins, Dr. David M. Watto, and non-voting member, Dr. Frank R. Jankowski, Superintendent. Mr. Andrew V. Paladino, Board Member, was absent.

Others present were: Mr. Zachary Appleman, Mr. Paul Bozella, Dr. Matthew Conrad, Mr. Erick Decker, Mrs. Renee Frederick, Mrs. Michelle Garman, Mr. Damian Gessel, Mrs. Susan Lipsey, Dr. Colton Moyer, Mr. Brian Parise, Mr. Mike Sokoloski, Mr. Ryan Solomon, Mrs. Caitlyn Swank, Mr. J. Michael Wiley, Esq., Mr. Mark Wolfberg, Ms. Claudia Beaver, Rick Zeigler, Marcia Moore (Daily Item), and Joy Hahn.

# **Consent Agenda:**

Motion by Teats and seconded by Bingaman to approve minutes, reports, and bills lists, as presented. (copies of reports and bills lists to be attached and made a part of the official minutes)

On roll call vote: 8 yes, 0 no, 1 absent

### **Announcements:**

Mr. Hess announced that the next regular monthly Board meeting is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, October 15, 2024. He announced that an executive session was held on Wednesday, September 4, 2024, regarding legal matters, as well as prior to tonight's meeting, also for legal matters, and that one will be held following adjournment for the same purpose. Mr. Hess called attention to the addendum to the agenda.

#### **ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS**

### Superintendent

Dr. Jankowski reported on a successful start to the school year. He expressed thanks to the students, staff members, and families, and for the support of the Board for making it such a successful start to the 2024-2025 school year. Dr. Jankowski announced that a K-12 Pep Rally is planned for Friday, September 13<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 p.m. in the stadium. He added that the message that surrounds the topic for the day will be "giving it your best".

#### **Assistant Superintendent**

Mr. Parise noted that the ESSER window (Covid relief funds) closes at the end of September. He reported that ESSER monitoring by the state team began today in the district and will continue throughout the week. He added that the monitoring process is going well so far, and he expressed thanks to Mr. Hummel, Mr. Sokoloski, Donna Wagner, and Carol Wink for making sure that all of the documentation and the paperwork that is required of all districts receiving ESSER monies is in order. Mr. Parise reported on a few grant opportunities that are available to the district, noting that additional PCCD grant funding has been announced and our district is eligible for up to \$145,000 to be used to fund supplemental programs, activities, and/or resources related to school security or mental health.

He noted that the administration will be conducting a needs assessment to determine the best use of funds that also meets the state's criteria of allowable expenses. Mr. Parise also announced that the district received notice today that we were funded for an environmental repairs grant. In May, the Board has voted on the ability to apply for those funds for upgrades to the original locker room space at the High School. The upgrade will be partially funded with \$789,000 applied towards that through the school construction and maintenance management portion of PDE.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Budget and Finance:** No report.

Buildings and Grounds: Mr. Teats, Chair, reported that a committee meeting was held on

September 4, 2024.

Motion by Aikey and seconded by Kenawell to consider the recommendation of the committee to replace the boiler located at the Jackson-Penn building at a cost not to exceed \$82,798 from Johnson Controls, Inc. under Costar Contract #008-E22-975 using Capital Reserve Funds.

On roll call vote: 8 yes, 0 no, 1 absent

Policy and Education: No report.

Extracurricular: No report.

**Personnel/Meet and Discuss:** Motion by Teats and seconded by Watto to approve amending the agenda to include the addendum, as presented.

On roll call vote: 8 yes, 0 no, 1 absent

Motion by Aikey and seconded by Teats to consider approving the following personnel matters:

**Staff Resignations**: Paige Ulrich as a Learning Support Paraprofessional at the High School, effective August 20, 2024; Malarie Warren as a Cook at the Intermediate School, effective August 30, 2024; Nathan Fisher as a School Police Officer, effective August 20, 2024; and Linda Herrold as a Learning Support Paraprofessional at the Middle School, effective December 31, 2024, due to retirement

**Staff Transfers**: Lori Kenney as a Reading Intervention Tutor at Selinsgrove Elementary to a 1:1 Paraprofessional at the Selinsgrove Elementary, effective retroactive to the start of the 2024-2025 school year; and Steve Shambach from Main Office Secretary at the Middle School, to Administrative Assistant to the Middle School Principal, effective September 9, 2024

Staff Elections: 2024-2025 Teacher Mentor – Katie Deppen; Volunteer JH Assistant Football Coach - Eric Hackenberg (pending receipt of required paperwork) (without salary, benefits, or expectation of any other compensation); 2024-2025 New Winter Coach with Extracurricular Contract - Head Varsity Bowling – Zachary Williams (pending receipt of required paperwork); 2024-2025 District Volunteers – Kelsey Beaver, Melissa Brown, Lindsey Corbin, Melissa Glass, Erin Graybill, Kara Herb, Denise Hubbert, Wendy Hummel, Shari Mangels, Amanda Miller, Adam Mowery, Kim Porter, Nicole Ressler, and Katie Shingara (without salary, benefits, or expectation of any other compensation)

**Leave of Absence**: Employee #000-00-2684 for a childbearing leave of absence, tentatively effective November 14, 2024, through March 3, 2025

**Substitutes:** Day-to-Day Predictable Substitute Teachers (per building or based upon operational needs) – Dana Brandt (IS), and Amy Ward (HS), effective during the 2024-2025 school year, retroactive to August 21, 2024; <u>Teachers</u> – Andria Mullan and Daniel Smith (pending receipt of required paperwork); <u>Guest Teachers</u> – Sarah Erdman and Isabela Salazar (pending receipt of required paperwork); and <u>Education Major</u> – Allie Keister (pending receipt of required paperwork)

**Other Matters**: Entering into Professional Contracts with the following individuals for successfully completing three (3) years of teaching, effective August 23, 2024: Emily Brion, Michael Ferriero, Erica Lauver, Darby Orris, Anne Parise, Madison Rice, Lindsay Schaff, and Evonne Workman.

On roll call vote: 8 yes, 0 no, 1 absent

**Transportation:** Motion by Teats and seconded by Watkins to consider the recommendation of the Transportation Coordinator to approve fleet lists, drivers, emergency care facilities list, and a list of occupational health care facilities for random drug and alcohol testing for Rohrer Bus Service, effective during the 2024-2025 school year. (a copy of the lists to be attached and made a part of the official minutes)

On roll call vote: 8 yes, 0 no, 1 absent

Motion by Teats and seconded by Aikey to consider the recommendation of the Transportation Coordinator to approve Susan Ritter as an additional driver for Rohrer Bus Service, and Carol Moore as a driver for Weikel Busing, effective during the 2024-2025 school year.

On roll call vote: 8 yes, 0 no, 1 absent

Motion by Bingaman and seconded by Watto to consider the recommendation of the Transportation Coordinator to approve a fleet list, a list of drivers, and list of Workers' Compensation Insurance Carriers for Weikel Busing, effective during the 2024-2025 school year. (a copy of the lists to be attached and made a part of the official minutes)

On roll call vote: 8 yes, 0 no, 1 absent

**Technology:** No report.

**SUN Area Technical Institute Joint Operating Committee:** Mr. Teats, Chair, referred to the highlights of the JOC meeting held on August 15, 2024. He reported that the construction project is almost complete and that a special meeting is scheduled for September 19, 2024, to pay the bills for the project. (a copy of the highlights to be attached and made a part of the official minutes)

**CSIU Board of Directors:** Mr. Hess, Representative, referred to the highlights of the Board of Directors' Meeting held on August 21, 2024. (a copy of the highlights to be attached and made a part of the official minutes)

**PSBA:** No report.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

# Requests for Residence Rights to Free School Privileges:

Motion by Watkins and seconded by Watto to approve five (5) requests for residence rights to free school privileges.

The motion was unanimously carried.

# 2024-2025 ATSI School Plan - Selinsgrove Area High School:

Motion by Aikey and seconded by Bingaman to consider the request of the Assistant Superintendent to approve the 2024-2025 ATSI School Plan for the High School. (a copy of the plan to be attached and made a part of the official minutes)

The motion was unanimously carried.

# Adjournment:

Mr. Hess reminded everyone that an Executive Session of the Board would be held immediately following adjournment.

With no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Claudia A. Beaver Recording Secretary

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