

A Business Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Saucon Valley School District was held on Tuesday, September 14, 2021 in the High School Audion. Present were Directors Edward Andres, Susan Baxter, Cedric Dettmar, Bryan Eichfeld, Michael Karabin, Tracy Magnotta, Sandra Miller, Dr. Shamim Pakzad, and Shawn Welch. Also present were Dr. Craig Butler, Superintendent; David Bonenberger, Board Secretary and Mark Fitzgerald, District Solicitor.

I. Call to the Order – 7:10 pm - *Susan Baxter, President, presiding*

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Recording of Attendance – *David Bonenberger, Secretary*
8-present, 1-absent (Andres)

Director Miller filed a verbal protest that a member of the audience is not wearing a mask and the President of the Board refuses to ask him to wear a mask.

IV. Motion to Approve Agenda – Director Karabin, seconded by Director Dettmar moved to approve the Agenda. Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 1-absent (Andres)

V. Announcement of Executive Session – September 14, 2021

VI. Approval of Minutes – Director Karabin, seconded by Director Eichfeld move to approve the minutes of August 24, 2021. Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 1-absent (Andres)

VII. Recognition – None

VIII. Presentation – None

IX. Superintendent's Report – *Dr. Craig Butler, Superintendent* – Dr. Butler extended thanks to all administrators, staff, and teachers for the start of the school year.

X. Courtesy of the Floor to Visitors – Agenda Items Only – None

XI. Presentation of Bills – *David Bonenberger*

A. General Expenditures – \$993,880.45

B. Cafeteria Expenditures – \$11,296.48

C. Health Benefits – None

D. Capital Projects – None

1. Approve the above presentation of bills.

Director Dettmar, seconded by Director Eichfeld moved to approve the Presentation of the Bills. Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 1-absent (Andres)

XII. Treasurer's Report – *Cedric Dettmar/David Bonenberger*

A. Cash Investment and Bond Activity - None

B. Condensed Board Summary Report – None

C. Capital Project Finance Report – None

- D. Budget Transfers – None
- E. Middle School Activity Report – July 31,2021
- F. High School Activity Report – None

- 1. Approve the above Treasurer’s Report.

Director Dettmar, seconded by Director Miller moved to approve the Treasurer’s Report.
 Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 1-absent (Andres)

A. Education

- A. Academic and Personnel Minutes – August 25, 2021

No Reports or Recommendations

B. Personnel

- 1. Approve the Board’s acceptance of the retirement of Dr. Craig Butler, Superintendent of Schools, effective October 14, 2021.

Director Miller, seconded by Director Karabin moved to approve Personnel Item #1.
 Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 1-absent (Andres)

- 2. Approve the following resignation:
 Logan Hanley, long term middle school social studies teacher, effective September 1, 2021.
 Terri Lynn Snyder – paraprofessional, effective August 1, 2021.
 Terrienne Strunk – food service, effective August 23, 2021.

- 3. Approve Peter Marth as Part Time General Kitchen Help at an hourly rate of \$12.00 with benefits per the current Food Service Compensation & Benefits Plan, effective upon completion of all employment paperwork.

- 4. Approve David Sell as Full Time Bus Driver at an hourly rate of \$27.02 with benefits per the current Saucon Valley Educational Support Professionals Contract, effective September 20, 2021.

- 5. Approve the extension of an unpaid leave for Lori Ross, middle school family consumer science teacher, beginning August 23, 2021 and continue until approximately December 30, 2021. Mrs. Ross was to return approximately October 11, 2021. Mrs. Ross’s unpaid leave which will run concurrently with FMLA. She has applied for income protection.

- 6. Approve the following 2021-22 homebound instructors. Salary is \$40 per hour.

Rachel Alderfer	Alison Odin	Ryan McCann
Brianne Barona	Chad Shirk	
Martin Lewis	Sarah Thatcher	

7. Approve the co-curricular positions for the 2021-22 school year:
- Elementary School**
Emily Aragona Young – Student Council – \$1,119.50*
Joanna Lemay – Student Council – \$1,119.50*
Emily Aragona Young – Choral Director – \$2,239
- Middle School**
Meredith Lesney – Reading Olympics – \$746*
Colleen Wetmore – Reading Olympics - \$746*
Sarah Thatcher – Student Council – \$1,119.50*
Jason Stern – Student Council – \$1,119.50*
Corinne Rivero – National Junior Honor Society – \$746
Amanda Holveck – Yearbook – \$1,492
Lauren Sakasitz – Cameratta Chorus – \$2,196
Sarah Thatcher – Knitting Club – Volunteer
Katie Roberts – Swimming Director 1 – 868
David Jost – Swimming Director 2 – \$868
David Jost – Archery Club – \$868
Meredith Lesney – Inclusion Club – Volunteer
Michele Brozoski – Inclusion Club – Volunteer
Amy Faccinetto – Inclusion Club – Volunteer
Cedric Dettmar – Math Club – Volunteer
Rosemary Butterly – Stage Band/Jazz Band – \$2,196 * - Splitting Salary
8. Approve the following dedicated day to day substitute for the 2021-22 school year working four days of a five day school/work week where needed in assigned school buildings effective September 7, 2021. Salary will be \$175 per day, no benefits.
Rebecca Markham – High School
9. Approve the following 2021-22 substitute teachers:
Nancy Heintzelman – Elementary/Special Education
Abby Ingaglio – SV Emergency Certified
Sergio Lowemberg-Rivera – SV Emergency Certified
Olivia Reichley – English
Laurissa Rex – IU Emergency Certified
Julie Santoro – SV Emergency Certified
Linda Stiansen – IU Emergency Certified

Director Karabin, seconded by Director Miller moved to approve Personnel Items #2-9.
Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 1-absent (Andres)

C. Facilities

No Reports or Recommendations

D. Finance

No Reports or Recommendations

E. Community Updates –

- **SV Partnership** – *Michael Karabin and Shawn Welch*
- **Hellertown/Lower Saucon Chamber of Commerce** – *Michael Karabin*
- **Saucon Valley Foundation for Educational Innovation** – *Tracy Magnotta*

Director Magnotta wanted to acknowledge a donation of \$10,000 from Embassy Bank.

Dr. Butler thanked the Talitha Diggs family for a donation for a Track & Field school record board.

- **Northampton Community College** – *Susan Baxter*

F. Bethlehem Area Vo-Tech School – *Cedric Dettmar and Bryan Eichfeld*

BAVTS is currently working on how to spend their ESSER grant funds.

G. Colonial Intermediate Unit – *Bryan Eichfeld*

H. New Business - None

I. Old Business - None

XIII. Citizens' Inquiries and Comments –

S. Houck – Commented on the school lunches.

K. Gerstenberg – Commented on masking

R. Hill – Commented on masking.

XIV. Announcements

Future Meetings ~

September 28, 2021 – 7 pm – Business Meeting – High School Audion

October 12, 2021 – 7 pm – Business Meeting – High School Audion

October 26, 2021 – 7 pm – Business Meeting – High School Audion

XV. Motion to Adjourn Meeting

Director Pakzad, seconded by Director Dettmar moved to adjourn the meeting.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no

7:40 PM

ATTEST: _____

Secretary

President