

October 16,2024

The Susquehanna Community School Board of Directors held an Executive meeting on October 14, 2024 before the Information Session Meeting.

The regular monthly meeting of the Susquehanna Community School Board of Directors met on September 16, 2024 at 7:00 P.M. in the Administration Office of the Elementary Building with eight (8) members present:

Jennifer Bixby (A)	Jordon Downton (P)
Amanda Cook (A)	Kristen Lawrence (P)
Anne Cook (P)	Oscar Miller (P)
Evelyn Cottrell (P)	Rachael Thomas (P)
Audrey Waterman (P)	

Others Present: Mr. Rushefski, Mr. Soden, Mr. Tom Ballard, and other Guests.

The Susquehanna Community School Board of Directors meeting was called to order by President Amanda Cook at 7:00 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance recited by all in attendance. Roll Call was taken by Secretary Evelyn Cottrell finding eight (8) members present.

Motion was made by Waterman, second by Lawrence, and carried by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the September 18, 2024 Board Meeting as presented.

Motion was made by Anne Cook, second by Waterman, and carried by unanimous vote to file the Treasurer's Report as presented.

Motion was made by Lawrence, second by Waterman, and carried by unanimous vote to approve the General Fund Bills as presented.

Motion was made by Anne Cook second by Waterman, and carried by unanimous vote to approve the Food Service Report as presented.

Motion was made by Lawrence, second by Cottrell, and carried by unanimous vote to file the Activity Fund and Athletic fund reports as presented.

Motion was made by Thomas, second by Waterman, and carried by unanimous vote to grant permission for John Rushefski, Superintendent, to attentively hire pending Board Approval for any vacancies between October 17, 2024 and December 3, 2024.

Motion was made by Thomas, second by Anne Cook, and carried by unanimous vote to grant permission to the Business Office to pay bills that may Occur between October 17, 2024 and December3, 2024, pending Board Approval.

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Motion was made by Lawrence, second by Waterman, and carried by seven (7) yes votes and one (1) abstention vote to approve the Transportation Contracts for 2024/25 school year. Oscar Miller abstained.

Motion was made by Miller, second by Downton, and carried by unanimous vote to approve the estimate from Nate Wademan Flooring to replace a classroom floor in the High School at a cost of \$5,500.00.

Motion was made by Waterman, second by Miller, and carried by unanimous vote to approve the PHEAA Participation Agreement Local Education Agency or Non-Public School. PA Student Teacher Support Program.

Motion was made by Waterman, second by Lawrence, and carried by unanimous vote to approve Hudl for streaming Services and Athletic Film Management at a cost of \$8,500.00.

Motion was made by Miller, second by Lawrence, and carried by unanimous vote to accept Shirley Decker's intent to retire as Permanent Part Time Nurse effective the End of the 2024/25 school year.

Motion was made by Waterman, second by Cottrell, and carried by unanimous vote to approve the following Policies:

- a) 103 -discrimination/harassment Affecting Students.
- b) 103.1 – Nondiscrimination – Qualified Students with Disabilities.
- c) 104 – Discrimination/Harassment Affecting Staff.
- d) 234 – Pregnant/Parenting/Married Students.
- e) 246 – School Wellness.
- f) 247 – Hazing.
- g) 252 – Dating Violence.
- h) 317.1 – Educator Misconduct
- i) 336 – Personal Necessity Leave.
- j) 339 – Uncompensated Leave.
- k) 824 – Maintaining Professional Adult/Student Boundaries.

Motion was made by Lawrence, second by Anne Cook, and carried by unanimous vote to approve the resignation of Christen Beamer – 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Basketball Score Keeper.

Motion was made by Waterman, second by Lawrence, and carried by unanimous vote to approve the following hires pending all approved clearances on file with the exception of (c. Kyle Cook)

- a) Valarie Faigle – Permanent Part-Time Personal Aide.
- b) Robert Wade – Substitute Maintenance.

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- c) Kyle Cook – Junior High Boys Basketball bookkeeper. Amanda and Anne Cook abstained from this vote. (relative)

Motion was made by Waterman, second by Lawrence, and carried by unanimous vote to approve the following requests:

- a) Bridget Milos and Kim Legg to take 20 Students to Marywood University on November 18, 2024. Cost one substitute.
- b) Brent Soden to attend Crisis Management for School Leaders on October 23,24, 2024. No cost to District.
- c) Tammy Stone and Andrea Venesky to attend a Training on Eating Disorders at NEIU on October 25, 2024. No cost to the District.
- d) Wes Parks to take 15 Students to The National Apprenticeship Day at NEIU on November 15, 2024. Cost one substitute and transportation.
- e) Student Council to host a Blood Drive in coordination with the Red Cross on Tuesday November 5, 2024 from 9:00 A.M. – 2 P.M. The donors will be limited to students and staff of district.
- f) Peter Supko and Bridget Milos to attend the Educator on Campus-Petroleum and Natural Gas Programs Professional Development Series at Lackawanna College (Tunkhannock Center). Cost is Mileage for Bridget Milos.
- g) Student Council to open the School Store in the High School with SAAB for the 2024/25 School Year starting in Mid October. Hours would be 3:20 – 4:00 p.m. every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. The Student Council will provide food and drink for the store and profit from food/drink will be theirs. Student Council Members will be in charge of running the store.
- h) Carly Batzel to take 20 Seniors to Wilkes University on November 13, 2024. Cost will be one Substitute and Transportation.
- i) Leanne Woodruff, Sue Whitney, and Michele Conklin to attend the Transforming Disruption into Learning Training Series at the NEIU on October 30, 2024, November 12, 2024, and January 8, 2024. Cost is \$295.00 per person and three substitutes.
- j) The Susquehanna County DARE Program to be presented to 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Students during the 2024/25 school year.

Motion was made by Downton, second by Waterman, and carried by unanimous vote to approve the list of fundraisers.

Motion was made by Lawrence, second by Waterman, and carried by unanimous vote to approve the resignation of Bradley Cottrell from Junior High Boys Basketball Coach.

Motion was made by Miller, second by Cottrell, and carried by unanimous vote to approve the hiring Bryce Baldwin as Boys Junior High Basketball Head Coach.

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Motion was made by Lawrence, second by Waterman, and carried by unanimous vote to approve the request from Carly Batzel and one other adult to take 10 Dual Enrollment Environmental Sciences Students to Coxton Lake Woods for Lab Field Studies beginning on October 15, 2024 and continue through out the 2024/25 school year.

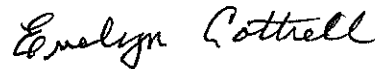
Motion was made by Waterman, second by Miller, and carried by unanimous vote to approve TamCo as Construction Manager at a cost of \$18,000.00 for the High School Chiller Replacement Project and the Elementary School ERV Exhaust Fan Replacement Project.

Motion was made by Lawrence, second by Miller, and carried by unanimous vote to approve Bogumil for the Elementary School ERV Exhaust Fan Replacement Project at a cost of \$24,400.00.

Motion was made by Waterman, second by Downton, and carried by unanimous vote to approve Bogumil for the High School Chiller Replacement Project at a cost of \$374,250.00.

Motion was made by Miller, second by Lawrence, and carried by unanimous vote to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,



Evelyn Cottrell/Board Secretary