

SAINT CLAIR AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
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The mission of the Saint Clair Area School District is to work with the community to provide a safe, welcoming, student-oriented learning environment in which each student is challenged to reflect, question, and create.

A regular meeting of the Saint Clair Area School District Board of School Directors was held at 6:00 PM on January 15, 2020 in the cafetorium of the Elementary/Middle School, 227 South Mill Street, Saint Clair, PA 17970-1338.

1. Call to Order by President, Michael Holobetz
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call

Virginia Bartashus	<u>Present</u>
Scott Clews	<u>Present</u>
Jennifer Fegley	<u>Present</u>
Michael Holobetz	<u>Present</u>
Thomas Kaledas	<u>Present</u>
Bernard Kuperavage	<u>Present</u>
Erin Murhon	<u>Absent</u>
Dr. Erin Portland	<u>Present</u>
Jeanette Zembas	<u>Present</u>

4. The Secretary announced that a quorum was present and business could proceed. Others present were 1 citizens; Superintendent, Sarah Yoder, Ed.D.; Assistant Principal, Samuel Kochenberger; Solicitor, Thomas J. Campion, Jr. and 0 members of the press.

NOTICE OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Saint Clair Area Board of Directors conducted an executive work session on December 4, 2019 from 7:03 PM to 7:57 PM and January 8, 2020 from 7:00 PM to 10:10 PM to discuss personnel and legal issues. No vote or formal action was taken at that time.

Members of the Public may speak at this time on any items on the Agenda.

5. Moved by Zembas and Portland to approve the following motions:
(Presented prior to Meeting)

Approval of Minutes of December 4, 2019

Approval of Invoices presented for payment

Approval of the Treasurer's Report for the period ending November 30, 2019

Approval of the Tax Report for the period ending November 30, 2019

Approval of the Cafeteria Fund Report for the month of November

Approval of the Correspondence for the month of December

Approval of the Federal Projects Report for the month of November

ROLL CALL:

All members present voted. Motion passed 8 – 0.

6. Moved by Bartashus and Holobetz to approve the North Schuylkill Agreement for School Psychologist Services as presented.

ROLL CALL:

All members present voted. Motion passed 8 – 0.

7. Moved by Kaledas and Clews to approve the following quotations:

Padfield Estimate for Replacement of Weil McLain Boiler Section

AR Technology Solutions Surveillance Cameras

Fast Signs (Banner)

ROLL CALL:

All members present voted. Motion passed 8 – 0.

8. Moved by Kaledas and Zembas to approve the following resignations:

Heather Skripko – Part Time Paraprofessional (effective January 3, 2020)

Michael Mihalsky – Part Time Cleaning (effective December 6, 2019)

ROLL CALL:

All members present voted. Motion passed 8 – 0.

9. Moved by Zembas and Bartashus to approve the following hiring pending required clearances on file and as per contract.

Katherine Cardova – STC Student/Cooperative Paraprofessional Paid through Career Link at the Business Partnership Rate (Retroactive)

Sandee Mickonis – Schuylkill Achieve Program Teacher (Retroactive)

Lori Hoffman – Part Time Paraprofessional (Retroactive to January 6, 2020) at an hourly of \$8.50

Kayla Murrell – Per Diem Paraprofessional at an hourly rate of \$8.25

David Dodds – Per Diem Cleaning (Retroactive) at an hourly rate of \$8.25

William Reed – Head Softball Coach at a stipend of \$1,500

ROLL CALL:

All members present voted. Motion passed 8 – 0.

10. Moved by Zembas and Portland to approve the following Leave without Pay Requests:

Employee ID: 3269 December 12, 2019 (2.5 hours)

Employee ID: 3245 December 20, 2019

Employee ID: 3260 January 20-24, 2020

ROLL CALL:

All members present voted. Motion passed 8 – 0.

11. Moved by Clews and Holobetz to approve Student Discipline Agreement 002-2019 as presented.

ROLL CALL:

All members present voted. Motion passed 8 – 0.

12. Moved by Bartashus and Zembas to rescind Motion 11 – December 4, 2019 (to recommend withdrawing from the Schuylkill Educational Technology Advisory Council (SETAC), and withdrawing authorization for the Schuylkill Intermediate Unit to submit E-rate funding/support on behalf of Saint Clair Area School District for the consortium purchase of Regional Wide Area Network services. In doing so, the Board considered the fact that the 2016 Services Agreement (E-Rate) is between Comcast and IU #29, not SETAC, and that neither the 2016 Services Agreement (E-Rate) nor the SETAC by-laws provide for termination fees to be paid by the terminating party); due to replacement of organization name.

ROLL CALL:

All members present voted. Motion passed 7 – 1 – 0. (Portland abstained)

13. Moved by Holobetz and Clews to recommend withdrawing from Regional Wide Area Network (RWAN), and withdrawing authorization for the Schuylkill Intermediate Unit to submit E-rate funding/support on behalf of Saint Clair Area School District for the consortium purchase of Regional Wide Area Network services. In doing so, the Board considered the fact that the 2016 Services Agreement (E-Rate) is between Comcast and IU #29, not RWAN, and that neither the 2016 Services Agreement (E-Rate) nor the RWAN by-laws provide for termination fees to be paid by the terminating party.

ROLL CALL:

All members present voted. Motion passed 7 - 1 – 0. (Portland abstained)

14. Moved by Clews and Holobetz to approve the following Superintendent’s Motions:

Approval of Policies 115, 116, 119, 122, 124, 125

Approval of 2020 Board Committees

Approval of Student Teacher Alana Jones (Western Governors University) for Special Education to be placed with Ms. Jones

Approval to Advertise for Per Diem Office Staff and Part Time Cleaning

Approval of Facility Usage – Schuylkill Valley Legion Sports, Inc.

Accept, Receive, and Files the Informational Items:

2019 At a Glance 2019 State of Education Report

Counseling for Careers Classroom Project Funding

Letter from PDE regarding 2020 – 2021 Tax Rates

2019 Data Walk Comparison within the County (Future Ready Index, Cumulative School Performance Profile Scores, and Republican Herald comparisons of attendance and PSSA scores)

VOICE VOTE:

Ayes: 8 Nays: 0 Absent: 1

REMARKS

15. Moved by Kaledas and Zembas to authorize to advertise for an Elementary/Middle School Principal.

ROLLCALL:

All members present voted. Motion passed 7 – 0 – 1. (Kuperavage voted No)

16. Moved by Bartashus and Portland that the meeting be adjourned at 7:35 P.M.

ROLL CALL:

All members present voted. Motion passed 8 – 0.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

January 15, 2020 – 90th Day of School

January 15, 2020 – End of Marking Period

January 20, 2020 – Teacher In-Service (Confidentiality and Executive Functioning)

January 21, 2020 – Report Cards Issued

February 5, 2020 – Finance Committee Meeting @ 5:30 PM – PFM Presentation

February 5, 2020 – Work Session @ 6:00 PM

February 12, 2020 – Finance Committee Meeting @ 5:30 PM

February 12, 2020 – Board Meeting @ 6:00 PM

February 14, 2020 – Valentine’s Day Dance @ 7:00 PM (Grades 6 – 7 – 8)

February 17, 2020 – President’s Day (School Closed)