# REGULAR MEETING BROCKWAY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

North Street Elementary **Educational Service Center**  November 14, 2023

7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Katie Bish, President

Edward Yahner, Vice President

Joseph Antonuccio James Brown Adam Campbell

Jeffery Ginther Robert Grecco Katie Morris (EA) Lori Sabatose

Student Members: Jacob Newcamp

Bailey Franci

Superintendent: Jeffrey T. Vizza

Board Secretary: Laurie L. Piccirillo

Solicitor: R. Edward Ferraro

Ross Ferraro

Visitors: Tabitha Coyne

Jackie Manno, 6th Grade Teacher Dana Esposito, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher

Don Allenbaugh, BAEA Chris Pringle, BAESPA Dan Pinchock, Nutrition, Inc. Jodi Raybuck, Nutrition, Inc.

Randy Bart

Sixth Grade Students and Parents

Press: Andrew Bundy, Courier Express

President Katie Bish called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Roll call taken by the secretary showed eight members present.

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Visitors were welcomed and acknowledged.

President Bish informed the public that there was an executive session/personnel/safety meeting on November 14, 2023 at 6:30-7:01 p.m. No action taken.

A motion was made by Edward Yahner, seconded by James Brown, to approve the minutes of the October 10, 2023 regular meeting. Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

#### B.A.E.A.

Report submitted

#### B.A.E.S.P.A.

No report

#### GENERAL PUBLIC

Dr. Manno and sixth grade students presented their geography projects. Mrs. Esposito and sixth grade students presented their 3D T-Shirt Book reports. Nutrition, Inc. presented changes for the 2023-24 menu. Tabitha Coyne spoke at various court cases and Act 1 index.

### JEFF-TECH – James Brown & Jeffery Ginther

Close to finishing negotiations New welder machine Spoke about shortage of welders

### I.U. #6 – Katie Morris

No representative

# STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES – Jacob Newcamp & Bailey Franci

Report submitted

# P.S.B.A. LIAISON - Edward Yahner

No report

#### PAYMENT OF BILLS

A motion was made by Edward Yahner, seconded by James Brown, to authorize administration to pay budgeted general fund bills for November 2023. Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

Call Vote: Aye (8) Joseph Antonuccio, Katie Bish, James Brown, Adam Campbell, Jeffery Ginther, Robert Grecco, Lori Sabatose, Edward Yahner

Absent (1) Katie Morris

Capital Project Bills -

A motion was made by Katie Bish, seconded by James Brown, to approve the following disbursements for the Multipurpose Building Addition/Tennis Courts:

Renick Brothers Construction Co. – Final Application – \$10,250.00

Summit Electrical Solutions, LLC - Final Application - \$17,863.00

Fred L. Burns, Inc. - Application #11 - \$41,614.81

Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

Call Vote: Aye (8) Joseph Antonuccio, Katie Bish, James Brown, Adam Campbell, Jeffery Ginther, Robert Grecco, Lori Sabatose, Edward Yahner

Absent (1) Katie Morris

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion was made by Edward Yahner, seconded by James Brown, to approve the October 2023 treasurer's report. Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEES

<u>ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE</u> – Edward Yahner, Chairperson

### Student Recognition:

#### Girls' Soccer

The girls' soccer team were District IX Runner ups. They lost 2-1 in OT to the Karns City Gremlins.

#### Soccer

Upper Allegheny Valley Soccer League-South Division All-Stars

#### Girls'

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Zoe Puhala – 11<sup>th</sup> Grade
Eva Bisby – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade
Mia Martino – 11<sup>th</sup> Grade
Rheanna Spinda – 10<sup>th</sup> Grade
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### Boys'

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Jacob Maze – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade
Dylan Bash – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade
Evan Botwright – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade
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#### Volleyball

#### 2023 Single A District IX PAVBCA Volleyball All-Stars

Kalina Powell – 11<sup>th</sup> Grade – 2<sup>nd</sup> Team

#### **Cross Country**

Hayden Shick, 9<sup>th</sup> Grade, qualified for the PIAA Cross Country State Competition, recently held on November 4, 2023.

#### Band

On January 11-13, 2024, West Shamokin High School will host the PMEA District III Band Festival.

The following students will compete:

Austin Lindemuth – 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Colin Keith – 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Adam Carnahan – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Myer Tretick – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Mackenzie Holmes – 10<sup>th</sup> Grade

#### Chorus

On January 24-26, 2024, Freeport High will host the PMEA District III Chorus Festival.

The following students will compete:

Zona Calhoun – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Adam Carnahan – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Trevor Murray – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Mia Hynds – 11<sup>th</sup> Grade Wesley Wolfe – 11<sup>th</sup> Grade Connor Carnahan – 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Ozzy Erickson – 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Colin Keith – 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Zane McFadden – 10<sup>th</sup> Grade

A motion was made by Edward Yahner, seconded by James Brown, to approve the following conferences/workshops/fieldtrips:

Justin Beimel - Career Ready PA Camp - October 10, 2023 - Total cost \$120.00

Pam Hartzfeld and 3 Students – Engineering Visitation Day – October 26, 2023 – Penn State, DuBois – School Van

Tom Bussard – Health & Physical Education Collaborative – November 1, 2023 – Riverview I.U. 6, Clarion – Total cost \$185.85

Dana Rindosh – STEELS Instruction Methods Training – November 7 & December 14, 2023 Riverview I.U. 6, Clarion – Total cost \$240.00

Shay French – STEELS Instruction Methods Training – November 7, 2023 – Riverview I.U. 6, Clarion – Total cost \$166.55

Delaney McMeekin, Alec Shaffer-Doan and 2 Students – Unified Sports Summit – November 8, 2023 – Happy Valley Sports Center – University Park – School Van

Lesley Martini – CPR Instructor Re-Certification – November 13, 2023 – Clarion Hospital, Clarion – No cost

Shawn Gifford and 12 Students – Chess Tournament – November 13, 2023 – Riverview I.U. 6, Clarion – Total cost \$120.00

Shannon Yeager – Act 55 "Train the Teacher" Conference – November 29, 2023 – Riverview I.U. 6, Clarion – No cost

Shawn Gifford and 3 Students – Edge of Extinction Tournament – December 4, 2023 – Penn West-Clarion – Total cost \$30 plus School Van

Shawn Smith and 20 Students – Model European Union Simulation – December 5, 2023 University of Pittsburgh – Total cost \$1,420.00 (Paid by Mengle Funds)

Shawn Gifford – Gifted Consortium Training – December 14, 2023 – Riverview I.U. 6, Clarion No cost

Matt Oknefski and 30-100 Students – Holiday Valley Ski Trips – January 6 & 20, February 3 & 17, March 2, 2024 – School Bus (Paid by Ski Club Funds)

Kevin Rush and 5 Students – PMEA District III Band Festival – January 11-13, 2024 – Total cost \$980.78 plus School Van

Breanna Rush, Judy Perrin, Sue Olsakovsky & Jennifer Rogos – STEELS Instruction Methods Training – January 16, 2024 – Riverview I.U. 6, Clarion – Total cost \$480.00

Candace Patricelli – STEELS Training for Principals – January 22, 2024 – Riverview I.U. 6, Clarion – Total cost \$47.00

Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

Call Vote: Aye (8) Joseph Antonuccio, Katie Bish, James Brown, Adam Campbell, Jeffery Ginther, Robert Grecco, Lori Sabatose, Edward Yahner

Absent (1) Katie Morris

American Education Week is Monday, November 13-17, 2023.

The Brockway Area Junior-Senior High School Drama Club will present "Peter Pan, Jr." on the following dates & times:

Friday, December 8, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. Saturday, December 9, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. Sunday, December 10, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.

The Brockway Rover Marching Band competed at the following competitions:

Tournament of Bands District Competition at Conemaugh Township High School Class  $1A - 2^{nd}$  Place

Tyrone Competition at Tyrone High School – Class 1A – 6<sup>th</sup> Place

Little Toby Classic at Frank Varischetti Field – 4<sup>th</sup> Place

Autumn Leaf Festival Parade at Clarion – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place

A motion was made by Edward Yahner, seconded by James Brown, to authorize administration to donate the following gate proceeds for Make-A-Wish:

December 1, 2023 - Girls' Basketball Tip Off Tournament

December 5, 2023 – Boys' Basketball vs. St Marys

December 6, 2023 – Wrestling vs. Brookville

Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

Call Vote: Aye (8) Joseph Antonuccio, Katie Bish, James Brown, Adam Campbell, Jeffery Ginther, Robert Grecco, Lori Sabatose, Edward Yahner

Absent (1) Katie Morris

### BUILDING, SUPPLIES, & CAFETERIA COMMITTEE - Lori Sabatose, Chairperson

A motion was made by Lori Sabatose, seconded by James Brown, to approve the following requests for use of facilities according to school district guidelines and in accordance with the district's athletic health & safety plan:

34<sup>th</sup> Annual Citizen of the Year Dinner – January 27, 2024 – High School Cafeteria 3:00-9:00 p.m.

Frank Varischetti Foundation – Music in the Park – June 16, 23, & 30, July 7, 14, 21, & 28, 2024 – High School Auditorium – 5:00-8:00 p.m. (Alternate site in case of rain)

Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

A motion was made by Lori Sabatose, seconded by James Brown, to approve change order #8 for \$2,000 to install scoreboard and complete connections for the Multipurpose addition project. Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

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Absent (1) Katie Morris

A motion was made by Lori Sabatose, seconded by James Brown, to approve change order #1 for the Cafeteria Window Security Film project, reduction in cost of (\$4,486.66). Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

Call Vote: Aye (8) Joseph Antonuccio, Katie Bish, James Brown, Adam Campbell, Jeffery Ginther, Robert Grecco, Lori Sabatose, Edward Yahner

Absent (1) Katie Morris

# TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE - James Brown, Chairperson

A motion was made by James Brown, seconded by Robert Grecco, to approve the following bus driver:

Anemone Barr for Shawn Patton

Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

#### POLICY COMMITTEE - Robert Grecco, Chairperson

A motion was made by Robert Grecco, seconded by James Brown, to approve the following policies:

Amended Policy No. 204 Attendance Amended Policy No. 217 Graduation Amended Policy No. 233 Suspension and Expulsion

Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

Presentation and First Reading of the following policy:

Amended Policy No. 827 Conflict of Interest

#### FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE – Jeffery Ginther, Chairperson

A motion was made by Jeffery Ginther, seconded by James Brown, to approve the purchase and installation of Multipurpose Building entrance door with Clark Contractors, Inc., member of the

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Keystone Purchasing Network, at a cost of \$14,869.37. (Paid through PCCD Safety Grant) Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

Call Vote: Aye (8) Joseph Antonuccio, Katie Bish, James Brown, Adam Campbell, Jeffery Ginther, Robert Grecco, Lori Sabatose, Edward Yahner

Absent (1) Katie Morris

A motion was made by Jeffery Ginther, seconded by James Brown, to approve Shannon Yeager as authorized signature for the District Activity Checking Account. Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

A motion was made by Jeffery Ginther, seconded by James Brown, to adopt the Resolution as per Act 1, Taxpayer Relief Act, indicating the Brockway Area Board of School Directors will not raise any school district taxes for the 2024-25 school year at a rate that exceeds the index as calculated by the PA Department of Education. Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

Call Vote: Aye (8) Joseph Antonuccio, Katie Bish, James Brown, Adam Campbell, Jeffery Ginther, Robert Grecco, Lori Sabatose, Edward Yahner

Absent (1) Katie Morris

# INSTRUCTIONAL AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - Katie Bish, President

Title I Report - Comparability Report Submission

A motion was made by Katie Bish, seconded by James Brown, to approve the Title I Family Engagement Plans as recommended by the Title I teachers and parents. Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

A motion was made by Katie Bish, seconded by James Brown, to approve the employment of Erin Welsh, as a full-time special needs aide, effective for the 2023-24 school year, according to provisions of the support professional agreement and provided the necessary clearances are obtained as required by the district. Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

Call Vote: Aye (8) Joseph Antonuccio, Katie Bish, James Brown, Adam Campbell, Jeffery Ginther, Robert Grecco, Lori Sabatose, Edward Yahner

Absent (1) Katie Morris

A motion was made by Katie Bish, seconded by James Brown, to approve the unpaid leave of April Weaver, family & consumer teacher, for January 16, 2024. Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

A motion was made by Katie Bish, seconded by James Brown, to appoint the following individuals to the Agriculture Occupational Advisory Committee in accordance with the State and PDE regulations:

Shannon Yeager – School Principal
Larry Youngdahl – Woodworker/Retired Machinist
George Kutskel – President, Allegheny Mountain Chapter of Trout Unlimited
Dave Miller – PA Game Commission
Taylor Walborn – State Employee/Local Farmer
Dan Hawkins, Local Farmer
Jim Berry – Local Farmer
Amanda Kanauff – Penn State University Extension
Bill Smith – Local Farmer
Toni Smith – Local Farmer
Fred Barefield – Local Landscaper
Justin Smith – Local Farmer
Mandy Fremer – Parent Representative
Mayson Fremer – Student Representative

Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

Weston Smith - Local Farmer

A motion was made by Katie Bish, seconded by James Brown, to hire the following teachers for the 2023-24 high school detention program at a rate of \$26.50/hr:

Andrew Bundy

Beth McMeekin

Shawn Smith Matt Holt

Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

Call Vote: Aye (8) Joseph Antonuccio, Katie Bish, James Brown, Adam Campbell, Jeffery Ginther, Robert Grecco, Lori Sabatose, Edward Yahner

Absent (1) Katie Morris

A motion was made by Katie Bish, seconded by James Brown, to approve the recommendation of Troy Braddock, wrestling head coach, to hire/rehire the following additional wrestling coaching staff, effective for the 2023-24 school year:

# Jr. High

Brandon Boleen – Jr. High Head Coach - \$700.00 Curtis Markle – Jr. High Assistant Coach

#### **Varsity**

Eric Johnson – Volunteer Coach

#### JO/Elementary

Kyle Boleen – Volunteer Coach Steve Clinger – Volunteer Coach Jake Harriger – Volunteer Coach Trey Halko – Volunteer Coach Bill Khamis – Volunteer Coach

Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

Call Vote: Aye (8) Joseph Antonuccio, Katie Bish, James Brown, Adam Campbell, Jeffery Ginther, Robert Grecco, Lori Sabatose, Edward Yahner

Absent (1) Katie Morris

A motion was made by Katie Bish, seconded by James Brown, to approve the recommendation of Peter Grecco, athletic/transportation director, to hire the following sideline cheerleading staff, effective for the 2023-24 school year:

Marissa Zocco – Varsity Head Sideline Cheerleading Advisor - \$750.00 Macy Knox – Assistant Sideline Cheerleading Advisor - \$500.00

Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

Call Vote: Aye (8) Joseph Antonuccio, Katie Bish, James Brown, Adam Campbell, Jeffery Ginther, Robert Grecco, Lori Sabatose, Edward Yahner

Absent (1) Katie Morris

A motion was made by Katie Bish, seconded by James Brown, to approve the recommendation of administration to hire Alissa Bickar, as a volunteer-parent chaperone for the ski club, effective for the 2023-24 school year, and provided the necessary clearances are obtained as required by the district. Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

A motion was made by Katie Bish, seconded by James Brown, to approve the recommendation

of Rick Clark, boys' basketball head coach, to hire Jon Wood as a volunteer coach, effective for the 2023-24 school year. Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

A motion was made by Katie Bish, seconded by James Brown, to approve and place on file the following applications.

<u>Name</u>	Position	<u>City</u>
William Hrinya	Elementary/Sub	Brockway
Robert Rice	Physical Education/Sub	Brockway
Jon Wood	Boys' Basketball Volunteer Coach	Brockway
Macy Knox	Sideline Cheerleading Assistant Advisor	Brockway
Marissa Zocco	Sideline Cheerleading Head Advisor	Brockway
Brandon Boleen	Wrestling	Brockport

Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The next scheduled reorganization and general purpose board meeting is Monday, December 4, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

#### ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Jeffery Ginther, seconded by Robert Grecco, to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

Laurie Piccirillo, Board Secretary Brockway Area School District