

REGULAR MEETING
BROCKWAY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

North Street Elementary
Educational Service Center

March 14, 2023
7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Katie Bish, President
Edward Yahner, Vice President
James Brown
Adam Campbell
Jeffery Ginther

Robert Grecco
Jacqueline Manno
Katie Morris
Lori Sabatose

Student Members: Shaelynn Brubaker (EA)
Jacob Newcamp

Superintendent: Jeffrey T. Vizza

Board Secretary: Laurie L. Piccirillo

Solicitor: R. Edward Ferraro

Visitors: Lisa Shaffer, BAESPA
Don Allenbaugh, BAEA
Denise Bazik, Parent

Press: None

President Katie Bish called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Roll call taken by the secretary showed nine members present.

Visitors were welcomed and acknowledged.

President Bish informed the public that there was an executive session/personnel/safety meeting on March 14, 2023 at 6:15-7:03 p.m. No action taken.

A motion was made by Edward Yahner, seconded by James Brown, to approve the minutes of the February 14, 2023 regular meeting. Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

B.A.E.A.

No report

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No report

GENERAL PUBLIC

No comments

JEFF-TECH – James Brown & Jeffery Ginther

Enrollment projections
Barry Fillman's Contract was renewed

I.U. # 6 – Jacqueline Manno

Assistant Executive Director resigned
Still looking for Special Education Director
Employee Incentive Program introduced
Youth Ambassador Program

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES – Shaelynn Brubaker (EA) & Jacob Newcamp

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 March 2023. Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

Call Vote: Aye (9) Katie Bish, James Brown, Adam Campbell, Jeffery Ginther, Robert Grecco, Jacqueline Manno, Katie Morris, Lori Sabatose, Edward Yahner

TREASURER'S REPORT

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

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE – Edward Yahner, Chairperson

Student Recognition:

WrestlingDistrict IX Wrestling

Weston Pisarchick – 1st Place (3rd Year in Row)
Parker Pisarchick – 1st Place
Gavin Thompson – 2nd Place
Jack Smith – 4th Place

The wrestling team placed 5th at the District IX AA Team Championships.

Weston Pisarchick was named Outstanding Wrestler at the District IX AA Wrestling Tournament at Clarion University. This is Weston's 2nd time being named Outstanding Wrestler at the District IX AA Wrestling Tournament.

Northwest Regional Championships

Weston Pisarchick – 1st Place
Gavin Thompson – 3rd Place
Parker Pisarchick – 5th Place

Weston and Gavin advance to the PIAA State Wrestling Championships in Hershey. The tournament starts Thursday, March 9th through Saturday March 11th, 2023

Weston Pisarchick, 11th Grade, placed 3rd and Gavin Thompson, 12th Grade, placed 5th at the PIAA State Wrestling Championships at Hershey this past weekend.

Swimming:

Bailey Franci, 10th Grade, won a D9 Title in the 100-yard breaststroke at St. Marys High School. She qualified to compete at the PIAA State Swimming Championships, which is taking place today, Wednesday & Thursday at Bucknell University.

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

Justin Beimel & 12 Students – DECA State Conference – February 22-24, 2023
Hershey – Total cost \$4,164 (Paid by DECA Club & BSCEF)

April Weaver – IUM Culinary Academy Workshop – March 13, 2023 – IUP,
Punxsutawney – No cost

Eric Stawecki & Several Host Students – Pick up GAPP Group – March 22, 2023
Amtrak Train Station, Tyrone – School Van

Kevin Rush & 2 Students – PMEA Region II Band Auditions – March 23-25, 2023
Marion Center High School – Total cost \$812.76 plus School Van

Erin Schiafone & 6 Students – Social Studies Club Fieldtrip – March 30-April 1, 2023
Total cost \$1,200.00 (Paid by Social Studies Club)

Ben Donlin, Jake Heigel, Kyle Smith, Alex Shaffer-Doan, & Adam Fox – Penn State
Football Coaches Clinic – March 24-25, 2023 – Penn State University – Total cost \$225.00

Eric Stawecki, 10 Students & GAPP Group – Washington, DC Trip – April 11-13, 2023
Total cost \$2,805.93 (Paid by German Club)

Matt Holt, Kyle Norman and 30 FFA Students – Indoors Career and Leadership
Development Events (CDE) – March 31, 2023 – Redbank Valley HS –Cost of bus
(Paid by FFA Club)

John Hawkins, 15 Students –Outdoor Club– Brockway Rails to Trails – April 5, 2023
School Van.

POLICY COMMITTEE – Robert Grecco, Chairperson

Presentation and First Reading:

Revised Policy No. 137 Home Education Program

Revised Policy No. 137.1 Extracurricular Participation by Home Education Students

FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE – Jeffery Ginther, Chairperson

A motion was made by Jeffery Ginther, seconded by James Brown, to review and approve the 2023-24 proposed General Operating Budget of the Riverview I.U. in the amount of \$1,488,687.00. (an increase of \$42,043)

Brockway's Share	23-24	\$13,524
	22-23	\$12,817
	21-22	\$12,783

Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

Call Vote: Aye (9) Katie Bish, James Brown, Adam Campbell, Jeffery Ginther, Robert Grecco, Jacqueline Manno, Katie Morris, Lori Sabatose, Edward Yahner

A motion was made by Jeffery Ginther, seconded by James Brown, to approve an agreement between the Riverview Intermediate Unit 6 (IU) and the Brockway Area School District, whereby the IU will provide a Regional Wide Area Network (RWAN) (internet service) from Zito Media for a period of 36 months. Starting July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2026 for an annual cost of \$3,483.00. Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

Call Vote: Aye (9) Katie Bish, James Brown, Adam Campbell, Jeffery Ginther, Robert Grecco, Jacqueline Manno, Katie Morris, Lori Sabatose, Edward Yahner

A motion was made by Jeffery Ginther, seconded by James Brown, to authorize administration to enter into the following support agreements with EMS LINQ for accounting software:

- a. Annual software support, maintenance, and hosting agreement for ALIO accounting software – May 1, 2023 – April 30, 2024 at a cost of \$15,047.54
- b. Annual software support, maintenance, and hosting agreement for LINQ ERP accounting software – July 1, 2023 to April 30, 2029 at an annual cost of \$15,799

ALIO software is being converted to LINQ ERP effective July 1, 2023. A credit for any remaining service from the ALIO agreement will be applied to the first year of the LINQ ERP agreement.

Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

Call Vote: Aye (9) Katie Bish, James Brown, Adam Campbell, Jeffery Ginther, Robert Grecco, Jacqueline Manno, Katie Morris, Lori Sabatose, Edward Yahner

INSTRUCTIONAL AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE – Jacqueline Manno, Chairperson

Title I Report – No report

A motion was made by Jacqueline Manno, seconded by James Brown, to approve the retirement of Christina Decker, aide, effective the end of 22-23 school year. Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

A motion was made by Jacqueline Manno, seconded by James Brown, to accept the letter of retirement of Richard Esposito, teacher, effective the end of 22-23 school year. To allow eligibility in the District's retirement severance package, the board also approves the waiving of the requirement to notify the District 90 days prior to retirement to qualify. Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

A motion was made by Jacqueline Manno, seconded by James Brown, to set Commencement Exercises for the Class of 2023 for Wednesday, May 24, 2023 at 8:00 p.m. at the Varischetti Field Complex. Rain date will be Thursday, May 25, 2023. Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

A motion was made by Jacqueline Manno, seconded by James Brown, to approve the 2023-24 school calendar. Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

As required by PA School Code, the District has made available for public inspection the Brockway Area School District Special Education Plan for the period 2023 to 2026. The Plan is available for inspection for a 28-day period at the District Business Office during normal work hours and on the District website.

A motion was made by Jacqueline Manno, seconded by James Brown, to approve the High School summer school program - June 5th to June 12th, 2023 – 8 a.m. to Noon – supervised by Wendy McKinley at an hourly rate of \$28.25. (ESSERS) Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

Call Vote: Aye (9) Katie Bish, James Brown, Adam Campbell, Jeffery Ginther, Robert Grecco, Jacqueline Manno, Katie Morris, Lori Sabatose, Edward Yahner

A motion was made by Jacqueline Manno, seconded by James Brown, to authorize the District to submit an application to the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency (PHEAA) to provide temporary summer employment to the District as part of the State Work Study Program. The employees will be paid through a cooperative relationship between the District, the Varischetti Foundation and PHEAA. The employees may be used to provide services from a variety of categories. Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

Call Vote: Aye (9) Katie Bish, James Brown, Adam Campbell, Jeffery Ginther, Robert Grecco, Jacqueline Manno, Katie Morris, Lori Sabatose, Edward Yahner

A motion was made by Jacqueline Manno, seconded by James Brown, to authorize administration to advertise for temporary PHEAA State Work Study summer workers – up to 5 positions at \$10.00/hr.

Workers must:

- Be a Pennsylvania resident
- Be enrolled at least half-time in a PHEAA approved higher Education Institution, in a program of study at least two years in length
- Be a State Grand recipient (PHEAA eligible)
- Not be in default or pending default on an education loan or owe a State Grant refund
- Resident of the Brockway Area School District

Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

Call Vote: Aye (9) Katie Bish, James Brown, Adam Campbell, Jeffery Ginther, Robert Grecco, Jacqueline Manno, Katie Morris, Lori Sabatose, Edward Yahner

A motion was made by Jacqueline Manno, seconded by James Brown, to authorize administration to advertise for one Non-PHEAA Work Study worker at \$10.00/hr. Worker must be a resident of the school district, a high school graduate by the time of employment, and is currently enrolled in higher education. Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

Call Vote: Aye (9) Katie Bish, James Brown, Adam Campbell, Jeffery Ginther, Robert Grecco, Jacqueline Manno, Katie Morris, Lori Sabatose, Edward Yahner

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>City</u>
Lisa Neidich	Special Education PreK-12/Sub	Brockway

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Shiela Cleveland	Emergency/Sub	DuBois
Ray Hertel	Girls' Soccer Head Coach/Assistant Coach	Brockway
Michael Puhala	Girls' Soccer Head Coach	Brockway

Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The next scheduled regular board meeting is Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Jacqueline Manno, seconded by Jeffery Ginther, to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 p.m. Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

Katie Bish, President
Brockway Area School District

Laurie Piccirillo, Board Secretary
Brockway Area School District

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