

REGULAR MEETING
BROCKWAY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

North Street Elementary
Educational Service Center

May 9, 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
Jacob Newcamp

Superintendent: Jeffrey T. Vizza

Board Secretary: Laurie L. Piccirillo

Solicitor: R. Edward Ferraro
Ross Ferraro

Visitors: Heather Franci
Bailey Franci
Eric Stawecki
Judy Perrin, BAEA

Press: Andrew Bundy, Sunny 106

President Katie Bish called the meeting to order at 7:05 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 May 9, 2023 at 5:00 – 7:05 p.m. No action taken.

A motion was made by Edward Yahner, seconded by James Brown, to approve the minutes of the April 11, 2023 regular meeting. Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

B.A.E.A.

No report

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

No representative

GENERAL PUBLIC

Eric Stawecki spoke about the recent visit by the German students

JEFF-TECH – James Brown & Jeffery Ginther & Adam Campbell (Alternate)

- Enrollment – 602
- General Fund Budget Presentation
- Graduation – May 26th
- NHS Ceremony – May
- Spoke about cost/student to send our students to Jeff Tech

I.U. # 6 – Jacqueline Manno

No meeting

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES – Shaelynn Brubaker & Jacob Newcamp

Report submitted

P.S.B.A. LIAISON – Edward Yahner

No report

PA School Safety Institute visited by Lori Sabatose

PAYMENT OF BILLS

A motion was made by Edward Yahner, seconded by James Brown, to authorize administration to pay budgeted general fund bills for May 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

Capital Project Bills –

A motion was made by Katie Bish, seconded by Edward Yahner, to approve the following change orders for the Multi-Purpose Building Addition/Tennis Court Project:

C.O. #1 - \$10,791.31 – Extra excavation, concrete, & unexpected winter conditions

C.O. #2 - \$14,979.00 – Additional concrete & concrete replacement due to overhead door relocation

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 Katie Bish, seconded by James Brown, to approve the following disbursement(s) for the Multi-Purpose Building Addition/Tennis Court Project:

Fred L. Burns – Application #5 - \$44,125.36

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 April 2023 treasurer's report. Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE – Edward Yahner, Chairperson

Student Recognition:

Girls Scout – Gold Award

Savannah Ross, 12th Grade, will receive her Gold Award on Sunday, May 7, 2023.

Western PA Cares for Kids Child Advocacy Center – Art Contest

Lily Spratt – 7th-9th Grade – First Place
Trinnity Bish – 10th Grade – First Place
Ashleigh Pontious – 11th Grade – First Place
Leah Trunzo – 12th Grade – First Place
Melody Marnati – 10th Grade – Overall Winner

Tri-County Weekend/Courier Express Wrestling All-Stars

Weston Pisarchick (11th Grade) – First Team – 114 lbs. – District IX Champion – District IX Outstanding Wrestler – Northwest Regional Champion – State Medalist-3rd Place

Parker Pisarchick (10th Grade) – First Team – 133 lbs. – District IX Champion

Gavin Thompson (12th Grade) – First Team – 285 lbs. – District IX Runner-Up – Northwest Regional-3rd Place – State Medalist-5th Place

Seth Stewart (12th Grade) – Second Team – 189 lbs.

Colton Ross (10th Grade) – Honorable Mention

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

Title I Group/Sandy Preston – Delgrosso Family – June 3, 2023 – Tipton – Total cost \$1,708.00 (Paid by Title Funds)

Matt Holt, Kyle Norman, Mackenzie Pence & 6 Students – FFA State Activities Week June 13-15, 2023 – Penn State University, University Park – Total cost \$2,515.00 plus School Van (Paid by FFA Funds)

Michelle Ignasiak-Hawkins – National 2023 ASHA Convention – November 15-19, 2023 Boston, MA – Total cost \$390.00

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 Edward Yahner, seconded by James Brown, to approve our annual donation of \$700.00 to the Brockway Booster Club for the 44th Annual All-Sports Banquet. 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

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:

Brockway Old Fashioned Fourth Committee – High School Restrooms – July 4, 2023

Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

A motion was made by Lori Sabatose, seconded by James Brown, to approve the following maintenance projects for the District:

- The Floor Show – Tile the elementary library at a cost of \$6,367.11
- Lundberg Paving & Trucking, LLC – Catch Basin repairs at a cost of \$6,200.00
- Kessler Backyard Specialties, LLC – Fence installation of intermediate playground area at a cost of \$9,931.65 (PCCD Grant)
- BK Paving – Installation of additional curbing at the High School entrance at a cost of \$6,825.00. (PCCD Grant)

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 Lori Sabatose, seconded by James Brown, to purchase 25 desks and chairs for High School classroom from VIRCO at a cost of \$6,575.75. 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

Opening of the bids for the 2023-24 general supplies and equipment.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE – James Brown, Chairperson

No report

POLICY COMMITTEE – Robert Grecco, Chairperson

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

Revised Policy No. 122 Extra Curricular Activities
Revised Policy No. 123 Interscholastic Athletics
Revised Policy No. 123.1 Concussion Management
New Policy No. 123.2 Sudden Cardiac Arrest

Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

Presentation and first reading:

Revised Policy No. 114 Gifted Education

FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE – Jeffery Ginther, Chairperson

Presentation of the 2023-24 Budget.

A motion was made by Jeffery Ginther, seconded by James Brown, to adopt the Brockway Area School District Tax Exoneration Policy for 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

A motion was made by Jeffery Ginther, seconded by James Brown, to authorize administration to file an application for Participation in the Education Leading to Employment and Career Training (ELECT) grant. The grant will be used for the Guidance Center's Project RAPPORT program for all pregnant and parenting teens, including expectant fathers and teen dads. Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

A motion was made by Jeffery Ginther, seconded by James Brown, to approve the following technology purchases:

- a. 28 HP computers for the elementary computer lab and 2 HP computers for the technology department from ViG Solutions, PEPPM Vendor, at a cost of \$14,070.00. (Rural Low Income School Grant)
- b. 30 Chromebooks and licenses for District wide from SHI at a cost of \$8,632.20. (Rural Low Income School Grant and CARES Funds)
- c. 4 HP Computers for District Cafeterias from ViG Solutions, PEPPM Vendor, at a cost \$1,876.00.

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

Review of the 2023-24 Jeff Tech Budget of \$11,707,990 (increase of \$256,510).

Brockway's Share	23-24	\$805,034
	22-23	\$806,252

Mail ballots (hand out) – Budget and Capital Resolution

INSTRUCTIONAL AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE – Jacqueline Manno, Chairperson

Title I Report – Submitted

A motion was made by Jacqueline Manno, seconded by James Brown, to approve the list of members of the Brockway Area High School Class of 2023 for graduation provided all necessary requirements are met. Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

A motion was made by Jacqueline Manno, seconded by James Brown, to approve the following unpaid leave:

Denise Henretty, cafeteria worker, May 1-24, 2023, medical reasons

Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

A motion was made by Jacqueline Manno, seconded by James Brown, to accept the retirement of Donald Rouch, school police officer, effective with the end of the 2022-23 school year. Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

A motion was made by Jacqueline Manno, seconded by James Brown, to approve the Flexible Instruction Days Plan for the 2023-24, 2024-25, 2025-26 school years. The Board may review the use of this plan annually during the course of this agreement. Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

A motion was made by Jacqueline Manno, seconded by James Brown, to approve an agreement between the District and Camco Physical and Occupational Therapy LLC for speech services as needed, at a rate of \$62.00/hour for the 2023-24 school year. 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 the employment of Haley Woodward, special education teacher, at the appropriate salary step and according to the provisions of the professional agreement, effective for the 2023-24 school year. 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 accept the retirement of Jeff Vizza, superintendent of schools, effective at the end of the school day on Friday, February 2, 2024. Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

A motion was made by Jacqueline Manno, seconded by James Brown, to approve the following services and providers for the District's extended year program at the rates agreed upon per existing contract agreements:

Hearing, OT, PT and Vision provided by Intermediate Unit #6
Speech provided by Camco Physical and Occupational Therapy, LLC

Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

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>
Shannon Martini	Special Education	Brockway
Lisa Neidich	Special Education	Brockway
Britnee Thorwart	Special Education	Ridgway
Julia Gonsman	Special Education	Altoona
Edward Dombroski	Superintendent	DuBois
Heather Newland	Custodian	Brockport

Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The next scheduled regular board meeting for budget and general purposes is Tuesday, May 23, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Jeffery Ginther, seconded by Adam Campbell, to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m. Motion unanimously carried by all members present.

Katie Bish, President
Brockway Area School District

Laurie Piccirillo, Board Secretary
Brockway Area School District

MINUTES (Cont'd)
Brockway Area School District

May 9, 2023

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