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TURKEYFOOT VALLEY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

**CONFLUENCE, PA 15424**

**BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING**

**MONDAY, September 20, 2021**

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# The Turkeyfoot Valley School Board of Directors met in regular session on Monday, September 20, 2021 at the school building in Harnedsville. President Mike Diehl called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m.

# ITEM #1. ROLL CALL

A roll call vote was held with the following members present: Terry Bender, Terry Grove, Mike Diehl, David Tannehill, Patricia May, Lisa Metheney, Keith Conn and Cathy Hinzy

Absent: Frank Ryan

Others present: Superintendent Nicole Dice, Principal Chris Shilk, and Amanda Younkin

# ITEM #2. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

All present gave salute to the flag.

# ITEM #3. ADDITIONS OR REARRANGEMENTS TO THE AGENDA

Lisa Metheney moved and Cathy Hinzy seconded a motion to approve the agenda as amended. **All Directors present voted in the affirmative.**

**ITEM #4. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS**

**ITEM #5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

**A. Approval of the minutes of the Board of Directors Regular Meeting of Monday, August 16, 2021 are presented for approval**

Lisa Metheney moved and Patricia May seconded a motion to approve the Minutes of the Board of Directors Regular Meeting of Monday, August 16, 2021 as presented. **All Directors present voted in the affirmative.**

# ITEM #6. APPROVAL OF THE BOARD BILLS

Terry Grove moved and Terry Bender seconded a motion to approve the Board Bills for the month August 2021 as presented. **All Directors present voted in the affirmative.**

# ITEM #7. APPROVAL OF THE TREASURER’S REPORT

David Tannehill moved and Patricia May seconded a motion to approve the Treasurers Report for the month of August 2021 as presented. **All Directors present voted in the affirmative.**

**ITEM #8. APPROVAL OF THE BUDGETARY TRANSFERS**

There are no budgetary transfers at this time.

**ITEM #9. TRANSFER OF FUNDS**

Patricia May moved and Lisa Metheney seconded a motion to approve the transfer of funds from the General Fund to the Payroll Account for the dates of September 23, 2021 and October 11, 2021 not to exceed $120,000 at each transfer.**All Directors present voted in the affirmative.**

**ITEM #10. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

1. **Athletic Committee**
2. **Approval of Referee pay**

Lisa Metheney moved and Terry Bender seconded a motion to approve basketball referee pay $75.00 per referee for a 2 man crew; $55.00 per referee for a 3 man crew as presented. **All Directors present voted in the affirmative.**

1. **Committee Meeting Date**

No meeting needed at this time.

1. **Building and Grounds**
2. **Approval of the Request for Use of the Gymnasium and Cafeteria**

David Tannehill moved and Lisa Metheney Seconded a motion to approve the Request for Use and waive the fee of the Gymnasium and Cafeteria on September 29, 2021 from 5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. for practice and September 30, 2021 from 9:00 a.m.. – 9:00 p.m. for the Pumpkinfest Pageant as presented. **All Directors present voted in the affirmative.**

1. **Request for Use of Parking Lot**

David Tannehill moved and Lisa Metheney Seconded a motion to approve the Request for Use and waive the fee of the of the TVASD parking lot October 2, 2021 and October 3, 2021 from 4 from 9:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. for the Confluence VFD to provide shuttle service to Pumpkinfest as presented. **All Directors present voted in the affirmative.**

1. **Request for Use of Parking Lot**

David Tannehill moved and Lisa Metheney Seconded a motion to approve the Request for Use and waive the fee of the of the TVASD parking lot October 16, 2021 from 4:30a.m. -10:15a.m.. for the Pittsburgh Three Rivers Marathon, Inc. – GAP Trail Relay as presented. **All Directors present voted in the affirmative.**

1. **Buildings and Grounds Meeting**

Terry Grove moved and David Tannehill seconded a motion to approve October 11, 2021 at 6:00 PM for the Building and Grounds meeting with permission to advertise**. All Directors present voted in the affirmative.**

1. **Cafeteria**
2. **Committee Meeting Date**

No meeting needed at this time.

1. **.Curriculum Committee**
2. **Curriculum Committee Meeting Date**

No meeting needed at this time.

**E .Finance & Purchasing Committee**

1. **Finance & Purchasing Committee Meeting Date**

No meeting needed at this time.

**F. Policy Review & Development Committee**

1. **Policy Review and Development Committee Meeting Date**

Lisa Metheney moved and Patricia May seconded a motion to approve the October 18, 2021 Policy Development Committee meeting at 6:30 PM for the Policy Review and Development Committee meeting with permission to advertise. **All Directors present voted in the affirmative.**

**G.Transportation Committee**

1. **Transportation Committee Meeting Date**

No meeting needed at this time.

1. **Technology Committee**
2. **Technology Committee Meeting Date**

No meeting needed at this time.

**ITEM #11. NEW BUSINESS**

**ITEM #12. OTHER BUSINESS**

**ITEM #13. REPORTS**

1. **Guidance Office Report**-Teresa Cook-informational
2. **Nurse’s Report**-Rebekah Marietta-informational
3. **Maintenance/Custodial Report**-Doug Rugg-informational
4. **Athletic Director Report**-Jim Bower-informational
5. **Special Education Report**-Nicole Dice-informational
6. **Somerset Technology**-Mike Diehl-verbal

Mike Diehl, SCTC representative gave verbal report regarding the enrollment at the center and reminded board members about the All Board member dinner.

1. **Principal’s Report**-Christopher Shilk-informational

**Executive Session**

Terry Grove moved and David Tannehill seconded the motion to approve the Board go into Executive Session for Personnel/Student matters at 7:22 p.m. **All Directors present voted in the affirmative.**

***The Board of Directors resumed their regular meeting at 8:44 p.m.***

1. **Superintendent’s Report**-Nicole Dice-informational

Mrs. Dice shared the following information with the board:

The Order of the acting secretary of the Pennsylvania Department of Health directing face coverings in school entities was issued on August 31, 2021, and went into effect on September 7, 2021.  In the Order each teacher, child, student, staff, or visitor working, attending, or visiting a school entity shall wear a face covering indoors, regardless of vaccination status, except as set forth in section 3. Section 3 includes exceptions to the covering requirement which was previously provided to all board members along with a copy of the Order.  A school entity must require and enforce the requirement that all teachers, children, students, staff, and visitors (subject to the exceptions in section 3) wear a face covering indoors, regardless of whether the Order is reflected in a school entity's health and safety plan.  The Pennsylvania Department of Education has released guidance that was also provided to the board.  In PDE's guidance school entities must require all individuals 2 years of age and older to wear a face covering with exceptions in accordance with section 3 of the Order.  However, before an individual is accepted from the Order, all alternatives should be exhausted.  PDE recommends any exception be in accordance with eligibility under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act or IDEA following the district's eligibility process.

Terry Grove moved and Keith Conn seconded to approve a new student face covering exemption request form which is applicable under Section 3 of the Order of the Acting Secretary of the Pennsylvania Department of Health.  **All directors present voted in the affirmative.**

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Terry Grove moved and Keith Conn seconded to direct the Superintendent to follow the updated Health and Safety Plan with inclusion of the new student face covering exemption form which is applicable under Section 3 of the Order of the Acting Secretary of the Pennsylvania Department of Health.  **All directors present voted in the affirmative.**

1. **Approval of Donation**

Terry Grove moved and Keith Conn seconded a motion to approve the donation of play equipment and classroom furniture from ABC School House, with a letter of thanks to be sent, as presented. **All Directors present voted in the affirmative.**

1. **Approval of Donation**

Terry Grove moved and Keith Conn seconded a motion to approve the donation of tissues, notebooks, staplers, paperclips, wipes, and file folders from the Confluence First National Bank, with a letter of thanks to be sent, as presented. **All Directors present voted in the affirmative.**

1. **Approval of MOA with TVEA**

Terry Grove moved and Keith Conn seconded a motion to approve the MOA with TVEA for the 2021-2022 school year as presented. **All Directors present voted in the affirmative.**

1. **Approval of ACT 13 LEA Selected Measure**

Terry Grove moved and Keith Conn seconded a motion to approve the ACT 13 LEA Selected Measure for Educator Effectiveness as presented. **All Directors present voted in the affirmative.**

1. **Approval of Request**

Terry Grove moved and Keith Conn seconded a motion to appoint Nicole L. Dice as the School Safety and Security Coordinator as presented. **All Directors present voted in the affirmative.**

1. **Approval of Summit Fall Convening**

Terry Grove moved and Keith Conn seconded a motion to approve Ashleigh Myers, Maria Woodmancy, Hannah Short and Brenna Barsic to attend the Summit Fall Virtual Convening on November 1, 2021 and November 18, 2021 as presented. **All Directors present voted in the affirmative.**

1. **Approval of District Emergency Operation Plan**

Terry Grove moved and Keith Conn seconded a motion to approve the 2021-2022 School District Emergency Operations Plan as presented. **All Directors present voted in the affirmative.**

1. **Approval of Donation to the Confluence and Addison Volunteer Fire Departments**

Terry Grove moved and Keith Conn seconded a motion to approve a donation to the Confluence and Addison Volunteer Fire Departments in the amount of $125.00 to each department as presented. **All Directors present voted in the affirmative.**

**ITEM #14. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

1. **Approval to hire High School History Teacher**

David Tannehill moved and Keith Conn seconded a motion to approve the hiring of Brenna Barsic as a High School History Teacher at the salary of $28,825.00 including benefits to be made retro-active August 26, 2021 for the 2021-2022 school year pending all necessary clearances and paperwork as presented. **All Directors present voted in the affirmative.**

1. **Approval of Part-time Custodial Worker**

David Tannehill and Keith Conn seconded a motion to approve the hiring of Michelle Cameron as a part-time custodial worker at the hourly rate of $7.50 per hour for the 2021-2022 school year pending all necessary clearances and paperwork as presented. **All Directors present voted in the affirmative.**

1. **Approval to hire Assistant Varsity Boys Basketball Bona fide Volunteer**

David Tannehill and Keith Conn seconded a motion hiring Derrick Megown as the Assistant Varsity Boys Basketball Bona fide Volunteer Coach with a stipend of $1,000.00 for the 2021-2022 school year, pending all necessary clearances as presented. **All Directors present voted in the affirmative.**

**ITEM #15. NEGOTIATIONS AND GRIEVANCES COMMITTEE**

**ITEM #16. VISITOR COMMENTS**

**ITEM #17. ADJOURNMENT**

Terry Grove moved and Lisa Metheney seconded a motion to adjourn at 8:49 p.m. **All Directors present voted in the affirmative.**

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia R. (Patsy) Younkin, TVASD Board Secretary