

Members Present	Angela M. DeMario	Members Absent
Todd Rizzardi	Albert D. Marazas	
Christopher G. Bentz	Michael M. Mistishen	
Keith Adams	Michael Kroznuskie	
Cynthia Lubinsky	Kevin Wigoda	

The regular monthly meeting of the Minersville Area Board of Education was held in the Career & Counseling Center of the Junior-Senior High School on Wednesday evening, July 22, 2020. The meeting was called to order by President, Angela M. DeMario at 7:00 PM.

On roll call, the following responded: Angela M. DeMario, Albert D. Marazas, Todd Rizzardi, Christopher G. Bentz, Kevin Wigoda, Cynthia Lubinsky, Keith Adams, Michael M. Mistishen and Michael Kroznuskie.

Others present: Dr. Carl G. McBreen, Superintendent; Jennifer Laudeman, Business Manager; Stephen Bressi, High School Principal; Nannette Bentz, Elementary Principal, Lucas McMurtre, Assistant Principal, Mary Ann Wynosky, Special Education Supervisor, Nicholas A. Quinn, District Solicitor and Barbara Conville, Secretary to the Superintendent/Assistant to the Secretary.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A discussion ensued regarding the re-opening of schools for the 2020-2021 school year. Board members were made aware of differences between synchronous and asynchronous instruction with the virtual academy that Minersville Area is offering to students. Board members were told the differences between what the hybrid instruction and virtual learning. All Board members discussed their point of views on the reopening and the choices of instruction being offered. Dr. McBreen stated there would be a final vote on the reopening plan at a Special Meeting on August 5, 2020 at 7:00 PM. A copy of the finalized plan will be sent prior to the vote for all board members to review and offer change recommendations.

**AGENDA**

MOTION - by Marazas, seconded by Adams to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of June 29, 2020. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

Approve Meeting Minutes of 06/29/2020

MOTION - by Wigoda, seconded by Adams to approve ratify proper officers to sign the Collective Bargaining Agreement between Minersville Area Board of Education and Teamsters Local Union No. 429 for the duration July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2023. Note: In the absence of the Board President for medical reasons, the Vice President shall sign the contract and attested to by the Secretary.

Teamsters Local Union 429 approved 07/01/2020 - 06/30/2023

On a roll vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Adams, seconded by Marazas to authorize Superintendent to sign agreement to contract with Compass Academy Alternative School, as needed, located in the Schuylkill Intermediate Unit #29 for AEDY services for the 2020-2021 school year at the below costs:

AEDY services - Justice Works 2020-2021

- a. Regular Education - \$85 per day
- b. Special Education - \$95 per day

Note: No change in cost from 2018-2019

All in favor on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Adams, seconded by Bentz to authorize Superintendent to sign agreements between the Minersville Area School District and Child and Family Services, Inc., Pottsville, PA to participate in the Student Assistance Program (S.A.P.) and Elementary Student Assistance program (E.S.A.P.) for the 2020-2021 school year.

SAP and ESAP 2020-2021

On a voice vote all in favor. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Marazas, seconded by Adams to approve on the recommendation of Solicitor Quinn, the final draft of the revised Joint Articles of Agreement for the establishment and operation of the Schuylkill Intermediate Unit 29 Maple Avenue Campus Building, originally dated July 15, 1978, with an effective date of July 1, 2020, for a term of 10 years, and will include the definition of enrollment to be defined as member school district enrollment (K-12) as of October 1<sup>st</sup> each year, updated annually.

Joint Articles of Agreement with Schuylkill IU #29

On a unanimous roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Adams, seconded by Lubinsky to authorize Superintendent to sign intent to participate in the 2020-2021 Title III Language Instruction for English Learners and Immigrant Students (LIEP) Service Agreement between the Schuylkill Intermediate Unit 29 and Minersville Area School District

Title III Language Instruction for English Learners 2020-2021

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Marazas, seconded by Bentz to authorize a \$20,000 advance as per Earl Renninger, Inc.'s request for the start of 2020-2021 school year. Payment will be deducted equally from the October and November 2020 invoices.

Advance to Earl Renninger, Inc. 2020-2021

On a roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Wigoda, seconded by Rizzardi to approve on recommendation of the Athletic Director, Mr. Rich Dry, the following Volleyball coaching positions for the 2020-2021 season at the approved salaries. \*\* If state mandatory closures occur during the school year, payments will be prorated based on season length effective from the beginning of the PIAA's first official practice date.

Volleyball staff 2020-2021

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Kenton Martin	Head Coach	\$3,400
Stacie Bowers	Assistant	\$2,538
Ashton Bowers	Assistant	Volunteer

On a roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Bentz, seconded by Rizzardi to approve on recommendation of the Athletic Director, Mr. Rich Dry, the following Football coaching positions for the 2020-2021 season at the approved salaries. \*\* If state mandatory closures occur during the school year, payments will be prorated based on season length effective from the beginning of the PIAA's first official practice date.

Football staff 2020-2021

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Justin Frantz	Head Coach	\$4,532
Jeff Polinsky	Assistant	\$2,538
Scott Schwalm	Assistant	\$2,538
Matt Hirsch	Assistant	\$2,538
Chad Marquardt	Assistant	\$2,538
Dan Hopkins	Assistant	\$2,538
Jeff Tobin	Assistant	\$2,538
Scott Yagielniskie	Assistant	Volunteer
Steve Smulley	Assistant	Volunteer
Mike Litwak	Assistant	Volunteer
Joe Liptok	Assistant	Volunteer
Dylan Reber	Assistant	Volunteer
Dave King	Assistant	Volunteer
Gino Yourey	Assistant	Volunteer
Brett Polinsky	Assistant	Volunteer

On a roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Wigoda, seconded by Rizzardi to approve on recommendation of the Athletic Director, Mr. Rich Dry, the following Cross Country coaching positions for the 2020-2021 season at the approved salaries. \*\* If state mandatory closures occur during the school year, payments will be prorated based on season length effective from the beginning of the PIAA's first official practice date.

Cross Country staff  
2020-2021

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Jason Burgess	Head Coach	\$3,400
Jennifer Burgess	Assistant	\$2,538
Craig Lowthert	Assistant	Volunteer
Brandon Oakill	Assistant	Volunteer
Bridget Dougherty	Assistant	Volunteer
Kevin Dougherty	Assistant	Volunteer
Joseph Scribbick	Assistant	Volunteer

On roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Marazas, seconded by Rizzardi to approve on recommendation of the Athletic Director, Mr. Rich Dry, the following Girls' Soccer coaching positions for the 2020-2021 season at the approved salaries. \*\* If state mandatory closures occur during the school year, payments will be prorated based on season length effective from the beginning of the PIAA's first official practice date.

Girls' Soccer staff  
2020-2021

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Jeff Rinaldo	Head Coach	\$3,400
Brandon Kopinetz	Assistant	Volunteer

On roll call vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

MOTION by Rizzardi, seconded by Marazas to approve on recommendation of the Athletic Director, Mr. Rich Dry, the following Boys' Soccer coaching positions for the 2020-2021 season at the approved salaries. \*\* If state mandatory closures occur during the school year, payments will be prorated based on season length effective from the beginning of the PIAA's first official practice date.

Boys' Soccer staff  
2020-2021

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Jeanne Purcell	Head Coach	\$3,400
Scott Onest	Assistant	Volunteer
Madelyn Purcell	Assistant	Volunteer

All in favor on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Rizzardi, seconded by Adams to approve on recommendation of Mr. Stephen Bressi, High School Principal, the following appointments and stipend effective the start of the 2020-2021 school year.

Department Chairs  
2020-2021

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Lisa Ferguson	Department Chair, HS, Mathematics	\$ 500
Denise Motley	Department Chair, HS, Science	\$ 500
Marissa Gee	Department Chair, HS, Social Studies	\$ 500
Kelly Howells	Department Chair, HS, English Language	\$ 500
Lisa Frantz	Department Chair, EC, English Language	\$ 500
Amanda Muraczewski	Department Chair, EC, Mathematics	\$ 500
Katlin Kelly	Department Chair, EC, Science & Social	\$ 500

All in favor on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Wigoda, seconded by Adams to approve the following to Extra-Curricular staff positions on recommendation of the Activities/Athletic Director for the 2020-2021 school year:

Extra-curricular staff  
2020-2021

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Advisor, Class of 2021	Kristi Adams	\$1,345
Co-Advisor, Class of 2022	Denise Motley	\$ 672.50
Co-Advisor, Class of 2022	Kelly Howells	\$ 672.50
Co-Advisor, Class of 2023	Rachelle Jones	\$ 538
Co-Advisor, Class of 2023	Heidi Hashin	\$ 538
Co-Advisor, Class of 2024	Danielle Raczka	\$ 538
Co-Advisor, Class of 2024	Jesse Kopinetz	\$ 538
National Honor Society	Brian Wolff	\$1,193
Student Council	Joel Motuk	\$1,193
Choir Director, HS	Colleen Slovick	\$2,690
Choir Director, EC	Colleen Slovick	\$1,345
Yearbook Advisor	Albert Matakonis	\$3,613
Yearbook Assistant Advisor	Mary K Rinaldo	\$1,807
Spelling Bee Coach	Rich Dry	\$1,193
SADD	Erika Cassell	\$ 924
Band Director	Colleen Slovick	\$4,745
Assistant Band Director	Megan Siminitus	\$2,756
Activities Director	Rich Dry	\$7,247
Assistant Activities Director	Brian Wolfe	\$3,691
Science Fair Coordinator, EC	Katlin Kelly	\$ 756
Cheerleading Advisor	Jennifer Andruchek	\$2,690
Aft Club	Abigail Kauffman	\$ 924
Annual Play Director	Sharon Angelo	Volunteer
Annual Play Assistant	Mary Nell Starner	\$ 655
Annual Play Assistant	Colleen Slovick	\$ 655

On the question, Bentz asked if extra curricular salaries would be prorated if a school closure occurs. Payments would be at the discretion of the Superintendent. All in favor on a unanimous roll call vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Bentz, seconded by Adams to record in minutes the receipt of the following proposals for the School Resource Officer (SRO) /School Security Officer (SSO):

SRO/SSO proposals

a. Minersville Police Department, Minersville, PA	SRO	\$49,680
b. Coal Region Consulting & Investigations LLC, Pottsville, PA	SSO Armed	\$48,750
c. Standing Stone Consulting, Inc., Huntingdon, PA	SRO	\$55,000
d. Standing Stone Consulting Inc., Huntingdon, PA	SSO Armed	\$49,000
e. Standing Stone Consulting Inc., Huntingdon, PA	SSO Un-Armed	\$36,000

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Adams, seconded by Lubinsky to record in minutes notice by Superintendent to the Board of Education that the following temporary professional employees, whose work has been certified as satisfactory during the third year of employment, has become a tenured professional employee and is to be officially notified of this status:

Tenured Staff

- a. Rochelle Jones
- b. Abigail Kauffman
- c. Jamie Philyaw
- d. Scott Yagielniskie

All in favor on roll call. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Adams, seconded by Rizzardi to accept with regret the resignation of Mrs. Jennifer Andruchek, a part-time instructional aide, effective July 27, 2020 for the purpose of other employment. {5 years' part-time service to the District}

J. Andruchek resignation

All in favor on an accepted voice vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Marazas, seconded by Bentz to accept with regret the resignation of Ms. Donna Burke, a professional employee, effective September 2, 2020 for the purpose of retirement. {47 years' service to the District}

D. Burke retirement resignation

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Adams, seconded by Rizzardi to accept with regret the resignation of Mrs. Renee Kanaskie, a professional employee, effective August 16, 2020 for the purpose of relocation. {8 years' service to the District}

R. Kanaskie resignation

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Adams, seconded by Bentz to approve the request for a leave of absence for Mr. James Quinn, beginning on Thursday, July 16, 2020 for medical reasons with an approximate return date to be determined at a later date.

J. Quinn medical leave

On a voice vote, all in favor. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Rizzardi, seconded by Lubinsky to approve the request for a paid leave of absence for Mark Fessler to attend Military Annual training with the 340<sup>th</sup> MP Bn July 24, 2020 through August 6, 2020.

M. Fessler military leave

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Adams, seconded by Bentz to authorize Superintendent to advertise for a secondary English teacher for the 2020-2021 school year.

Advertise Sec. English position

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

**SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA**

MOTION - by Marazas, seconded by Wigoda to approve contracted services with the Minersville Police Department for a School Resource Officer in the amount of \$49,680 for the 2020-2021 school year. A formal Memorandum of Understanding to follow.

SRO contract 2020-2021

All in favor on a roll call. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Adams, seconded by Bentz to accept with regret the resignation of Mrs. Melissa Schuler, full-time LPN, effective July 31, 2020 for the purpose of other employment. {8 years' service to the District}

M. Schuler resignation

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Adams, seconded by Rizzardi to authorize proper signatures on the 2020-2021 Language Instruction for English Learners (LIEP) Service Agreement between the Schuylkill Intermediate Unit 29 and Minersville Area School District.

2020-2021 Title III - LIEP agreement

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Lubinsky, seconded by Rizzardi to authorize Superintendent to sign contract for services between the Minersville Area School District and Behavioral Health Associates, 50 Mauch Chunk Street, Lehighton, PA for the 2020-2021 school year. Charges vary from \$110 to \$370 per day depending on the program utilized.

BHA contract 2020-2021

All in favor on a roll call vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Bentz, seconded by Adams to authorize Superintendent to advertise and hire for the following positions with ratification of hire at an upcoming meeting:

Advertise positions

- a. Special Education teacher
- b. Secondary Science teacher
- c. LPN

On voice vote, all in favor. Motion passed.

STAFF REPORTS

Staff reports and Attorney Quinn's report were distributed in the monthly meeting packets for review.

Staff Reports

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

MOTION - by Marazas, seconded by Lubinsky to approve the Treasurer's Report as prepared and submitted. On a voice vote - all voted yes; Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

MOTION - by Adams, seconded by Bentz to ratify the payment of bills for June from the General Fund in the amount of \$2,525,491.09; Cafeteria Account in the amount of \$13,243.80; 21st CCLC - Schuylkill Achieve Account in the amount of \$84.47; Federal Programs Account in the amount of \$0.00; High School Athletics in the amount of \$5,208.56; High School Activities Account in the amount of \$2,802.80 for a total bills payable \$2,546,830.72.

Pay bills

All in favor on a voice vote. Motion carried.

MOTION - by Marazas, seconded by Adams to approve Statement of Taxes as prepared and submitted. All in favor on a voice vote. Motion passed.

Statement of Taxes

COMMITTEE REPORTS

No reports.

Committee Reports

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

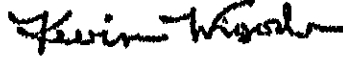
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OLD BUSINESS

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There being no further business to report or discuss, the meeting adjourned on MOTION by Lubinsky, seconded by Rizzardi at 8:14 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Kevin Wigoda, Secretary



Barbara J. Conville, Assistant to the Secretary

