

SHARPSVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regular Meeting

December 6, 2021

The regular meeting of the Sharpsville Area School Board was held in the Cafeteria at the Sharpsville Area Elementary School on Monday, December 6, 2021 at 7:04 p.m. with President Jerry Trontel presiding. The following members were present: Ron Barnes, Rosemary Ferguson, Darla Grandy, Nicholas Hanahan, Michael Lenzi, Tabitha Smith, Joseph Toth, and Jerry Trontel. Michael Garcia was absent.

Also present were Superintendent John Vannoy, Business Manager/Board Secretary Jaime Roberts, Business Manager Trainee Ashley Mocker, Solicitor Robert Tesone and guests, some of whom participated virtually.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

There was a motion by Mr. Toth, seconded by Mrs. Smith, to approve the meeting agenda.

Motion carried.

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Brian Smith – Baseball

Jared Leipheimer – Baseball

Nate Bissell - Baseball

SECRETARY REPORT

Board Secretary Jaime Roberts had no official action to report.

CONSENT AGENDA

There was a motion by Mr. Barnes, seconded by Mrs. Grandy, to approve the following consent agenda items:

1. Board Minutes for the following meetings:
 - a. November 15, 2021 Regular Meeting
 - b. November 22, 2021 Special Meeting

2. The monthly financial activity of the Payroll, General Fund, Capital Project, Capital Reserve Accounts, Middle School and High School Activity Accounts and Cafeteria Account will be reviewed at the January 2022 meeting.
3. To authorize payment of the December bills for the General Fund, Capital Project Fund and Capital Reserve Fund with retro-active approval at the January 2022 Board meeting.

Approved: Barnes, Ferguson, Grandy, Hanahan, Lenzi, Smith, Toth, and Trontel

Opposed: None

Motion Carried.

FINANCE REPORT

Chairperson Jerry Trontel recommended the following action:

SIGNATURE AUTHORITY

There was a motion by Mr. Trontel, seconded by Mrs. Ferguson, to approve a Resolution with First National Bank for signature authority of Board Officers.

Approved: Barnes, Ferguson, Grandy, Hanahan, Lenzi, Smith, Toth, and Trontel

Opposed: None

Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION 10 OF 2021

There was a motion by Mr. Trontel, seconded by Mr. Barnes, to approve Resolution 10 of 2021 stating the Board of Directors of the Sharpville Area School District has determined that there will be no increase in the rate of any tax for the support of its public schools for the 2022-2023 fiscal year by more than the Index, established by the Department of Education for the District, whereas, the adjusted index for the District is 5%. The Resolution is attached to and a part of these minutes.

Approved: Barnes, Ferguson, Grandy, Hanahan, Lenzi, Smith, Toth, and Trontel

Opposed: None

Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION 11 OF 2021

There was a motion by Mr. Trontel, seconded by Mr. Toth, to approve the following 2022 Voting Delegates to the Mercer County Tax Collection Committee:

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| 1. Primary Delegate | Business Manager |
| 2. First Alternate | Superintendent |
| 3. Second Alternate | Chairperson of the Finance Committee |

Approved: Barnes, Ferguson, Grandy, Hanahan, Lenzi, Smith, Toth, and Trontel

Opposed: None

Motion Carried.

POLICY REPORT

Mr. Lenzi had no official action to report.

CURRICULUM/TECHNOLOGY REPORT

Mrs. Grandy had no official action to report.

PERSONNEL REPORT

Mr. Barnes recommended the following action:

CAFETERIA NEW HIRE

There was a motion by Mr. Barnes, seconded by Mrs. Smith, to approve Cassandra Holler as a 2.5 hour per day Cafeteria General Worker with salary and benefits as per the AFSCME Agreement effective November 19, 2021.

Approved: Barnes, Ferguson, Grandy, Hanahan, Lenzi, Smith, Toth, and Trontel

Opposed: None

Motion Carried.

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR NEW HIRE

There was a motion by Mr. Barnes, seconded by Mrs. Ferguson, to hire Paul Graban as the Athletic Director for the 2021-2022 school year at the rate of \$8,500.00, pro-rated effective December 7, 2021.

Approved: Barnes, Ferguson, Grandy, Hanahan, Lenzi, Smith, Toth, and Trontel

Opposed: None

Motion Carried.

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR CELL PHONE STIPEND

There was a motion by Mr. Barnes, seconded by Mr. Lenzi, to approve a cell phone stipend for Athletic Director Paul Graban in the amount of \$50.00 per month.

Approved: Barnes, Ferguson, Grandy, Hanahan, Lenzi, Smith, Toth, and Trontel

Opposed: None

Motion Carried.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS REPORT

Mrs. Grandy had no official action to report.

NEGOTIATIONS REPORT

Mr. Barnes had no official action to report.

PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT

Mr. Hanahan noted that he enjoyed serving the kindergarten students their Thanksgiving feast.

CAFETERIA REPORT

Mr. Toth had no official action to report.

ATHLETIC REPORT

Mr. Lenzi recommended the following action:

GIRLS' BASKETBALL RECREATIONAL COACH

There was a motion by Mr. Lenzi, seconded by Mr. Hanahan, to approve the following Recreational Girls' Basketball Volunteer Coaches for the 2021-2022 school year:

1. Michael Lenzi
2. Christa Masters

Approved: Barnes, Ferguson, Grandy, Hanahan, Lenzi, Smith, Toth, and Trontel

Opposed: None

Motion Carried.

WRESTLING COACH CHANGE OF STATUS

There was a motion by Mr. Lenzi, seconded by Mrs. Ferguson, to change Thomas Findley from a First Assistant Wrestling Coach to a Volunteer Wrestling Coach for the 2021-2022 school year.

Approved: Barnes, Ferguson, Grandy, Hanahan, Lenzi, Smith, Toth, and Trontel

Opposed: None

Motion Carried.

VOLUNTEER WRESTLING COACHES

There was a motion by Mr. Lenzi, seconded by Mrs. Grandy, to approve the following Volunteer Wrestling Coaches for the 2021-2022 school year:

1. David Hast
2. Curt Springer
3. Keith Knicely

Approved: Barnes, Ferguson, Grandy, Hanahan, Lenzi, Smith, Toth, and Trontel

Opposed: None

Motion Carried.

FIRST ASSISTANT WRESTLING COACHES

There was a motion by Mr. Lenzi, seconded by Mrs. Grandy, to approve the following ½ First Assistant Wrestling Coaches effective with the 2021-2022 school year:

1. George Colich – ½ Step 70%
2. Jeffrey Myers – ½ Step 70%

Approved: Barnes, Ferguson, Grandy, Hanahan, Lenzi, Smith, Toth, and Trontel

Opposed: None

Motion Carried.

BOYS' BASKETBALL COACHES

There was a motion by Mr. Lenzi, seconded by Mrs. Smith, to approve Andrew Kimpan as a Boys' Basketball Recreational Coach for the 2021-2022 school year.

Approved: Barnes, Ferguson, Grandy, Hanahan, Lenzi, Smith, and Trontel

Opposed: Toth

Motion Carried.

BOYS' BASKETBALL ASSISTANT COACH

There was a motion by Mr. Lenzi, seconded by Mr. Hanahan, to approve Jake Lorent as the First Assistant Boys' Basketball Coach for the 2021-2022 school year with salary (Step 70%) as per the SAEA Agreement effective December 2, 2021.

Approved: Barnes, Ferguson, Grandy, Hanahan, Lenzi, Smith, Toth, and Trontel

Opposed: None

Motion Carried.

BASEBALL HEAD COACH

There was a motion by Mr. Lenzi, seconded by Mrs. Ferguson, to approve Ryan Morris as the Head Baseball Coach for the 2021-2022 school year with salary as per the SAEA Agreement (Step 70%) pending submission of all required paperwork.

Approved: Barnes, Ferguson, Grandy, Hanahan, Lenzi, Smith, and Trontel

Opposed: Toth

Motion Carried.

MERCER COUNTY CAREER CENTER REPORT

Mr. Hanahan had no report.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Vannoy recommended the following action:

2022 MEETING DATES

There was a motion by Mr. Barnes, seconded by Mr. Lenzi, to approve the 2022 Board Meeting dates, the same being attached to and a part of these minutes.

Approved: Barnes, Ferguson, Grandy, Hanahan, Lenzi, Smith, Toth, and Trontel

Opposed: None

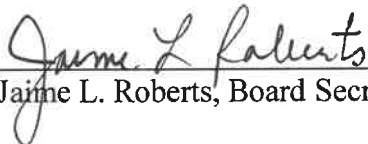
Motion Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There was a motion by Mr. Toth, seconded by Mrs. Grandy, to adjourn the meeting.

Motion Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.


Jaime L. Roberts, Board Secretary

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NAME BRIAN SMITH

RESIDENCE 25 WAKEFIELD

DATE 12/6/2021

Baseball

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NAME Jared LePheimer

RESIDENCE 2975 SPRINGWOOD DRIVE

DATE Monday December 6

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NAME Nate Bissell

RESIDENCE 110 Koehler Drive

DATE 12-6-21

SHARPSVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. 10 OF 2021

WHEREAS, on June 27, 2006, the Pennsylvania legislature passed Act 1 of Special Session 2006, entitled the “Taxpayer Relief Act” (hereinafter “Act 1”);

WHEREAS, Act 1 requires school districts to limit tax increases to the level set by an inflation index unless the tax increase is approved by voters in a referendum or the school district obtains from the Department of Education or a court of common pleas certain referendum exceptions;

WHEREAS, Act 1 does, however, allow a board of school directors to elect to adopt a resolution indicating that it will not raise the rate of any tax for the support of the public schools for the following fiscal year by more than its index, provided this resolution must be adopted no later than 110 days prior to the date of the election immediately preceding the upcoming fiscal year;

WHEREAS, the adjusted index for the 2022-23 fiscal year is 5.0%;

WHEREAS, the Sharpsville Area School District Board of Directors has made the decision that it shall not raise the rate of any tax for the support of the Sharpsville Area School District for the 2022-23 fiscal year by more than its index.

AND NOW, on this 6th day of December, 2021, it is hereby **RESOLVED** by the Sharpsville Area School District (hereinafter “District”) Board of Directors (hereinafter “Board”) the following:

1. The Board certifies that it will not increase any school district tax for the 2022-23 school year at a rate that exceeds the index as calculated by the Pennsylvania Department of Education.
2. The Board certifies that it will comply with the procedures set forth in Section 687, of the Pennsylvania Public School Code (hereinafter “School Code”), 24 P.S. §6-687, for the adoption of its proposed and final budget.
3. The Board certifies that increasing any tax at a rate less than or equal to the index will be sufficient to balance its final budget of the 2022-23 fiscal year.
4. The Administration of the District will submit the District’s information on a proposed increase in the rate of a tax levied for the support of the District to the Pennsylvania Department of Education on the uniform form prepared by the Pennsylvania Department of Education no later than five days after the Board’s adoption of this Resolution.
5. The Administration of the District will send a copy of this Resolution to the Pennsylvania Department of Education no later than five days after the Board’s adoption of this Resolution.

6. The Board understands and agrees that by passing this Resolution it is not eligible to seek referendum exceptions under Section 333(f) of Act 1 and is not eligible to request approval from the voters through a referendum to increase a tax rate by more than the index as established for the 2022-23 fiscal year.
7. Once this Resolution is passed, the Administration of the District is not required to comply with the preliminary budget requirements set forth in paragraphs (a) and (c) of Section 311 of Act 1. Provided, however:
 - (a) The Board understands and agrees that, upon receipt of the information submitted by the District as set forth in paragraphs 4 and 5 above, the Pennsylvania Department of Education shall compare the District's proposed percentage increase in the rate of the tax with the index.
 - (b) Within ten days of the receipt of this information, the Pennsylvania Department of Education shall inform the District whether its proposed tax rate increase is less than or equal to the index.
 - (c) If the Pennsylvania Department of Education determines that the District's proposed increase in the rate of the District's tax exceeds the index, the District is subject to the preliminary budget requirements as set forth in paragraph (a) and (c) of Section 311 of Act 1.

DULY ADOPTED, by the Board of School Directors of this School District, this 6th day of December, 2021.

SHARPSVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Sharpsville, Pennsylvania

By: 
President

ATTEST:


Secretary
(SEAL)

SHARPSVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO. 11 of 2021

2021 TCC Voting Delegate Appointment Resolution

Background. Act 32 § 505(b) requires the governing bodies of school districts, townships, boroughs, and cities that impose an earned income tax to appoint one voting delegate and one or more alternate delegates to be their Tax Collection Committee (TCC) representatives. The purpose of this resolution is to appoint the required delegates. The appointed individuals have consented to appointment.

RESOLVED, by the governing body of the Sharpsville Area School District that the following individuals are appointed as TCC delegates for the Sharpsville Area School District:

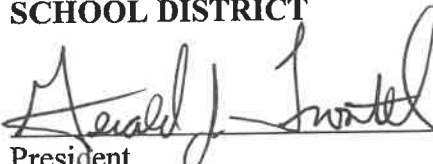
1. Primary voting delegate: Business Manager/Board Secretary
2. First alternate voting delegate: Superintendent
3. Second alternate voting delegate: Finance Committee Chairperson
4. If the primary voting delegate cannot be present for a TCC meeting, the first alternate voting delegate shall be the representative at the TCC meeting. If both the primary voting delegate and the first alternate voting delegate cannot be present for a TCC meeting, the second alternate voting delegate shall be the representative at the TCC meeting.
5. These appointments are effective January 1, 2022 and shall continue until successors are appointed. Delegates shall be appointed each year in November or December or as soon thereafter as possible. All delegates shall serve at the pleasure of this governing body and may be removed at any time.

Certification of adoption. The undersigned certifies that the above Resolution was adopted at a public meeting on December 6, 2021.

ATTEST:


Jaime Roberts, Secretary

**SHARPSVILLE AREA
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

By: 
President



BOARD MEETING DATES FOR 2022

REGULAR MEETINGS

January 18, 2022 (Tuesday)	Sharpville Elementary Cafeteria	7:00 PM
February 22, 2022 (Tuesday)	Sharpville Elementary Cafeteria	7:00 PM
March 21, 2022	Sharpville Elementary Cafeteria	7:00 PM
April 19, 2022 (Tuesday)	Sharpville Elementary Cafeteria	7:00 PM
May 16, 2022	Sharpville Elementary Cafeteria	7:00 PM
June 20, 2022	Sharpville Elementary Cafeteria	7:00 PM
July 2022	No Meeting	
August 15, 2022	Sharpville Elementary Cafeteria	7:00 PM
September 19, 2022	Sharpville Elementary Cafeteria	7:00 PM
October 17, 2022	Sharpville Elementary Cafeteria	7:00 PM
November 21, 2022	Sharpville Elementary Cafeteria	7:00 PM
December 5, 2022	Sharpville Elementary Cafeteria	7:00 PM

(Reorganization and Regular Meeting – No Work Session)

Committee Meetings (No Official Board Action)

Committee Meetings will be held at 6:00 p.m. on the second Monday of each month. Finance Committee Meetings may be held at 6:00 p.m. each Monday in January through June for Budget review. Meetings will be held in the Administrative Offices.

Work Sessions (No Official Board Action)

A Work Session will be held at 7:00 p.m. on the second Monday of each month with the Discussion Session first followed by the Executive Session. Meetings will be held in the Sharpville Area Elementary Cafeteria.

