

Minutes for the Meet and Discuss Meeting of the Ambridge Area School District held virtually on Wednesday, June 10, 2020.

**I. Call to Order Mrs. Fischer called the meeting to order at approximately 7:44 p.m.**

The Meet and Discuss Board Meeting of the Ambridge Area School District is held on Wednesday, June 10, 2020. This meeting is being held to go over the agenda for the regular monthly Board Meeting that will be held on Wednesday, June 17, 2020 at 7:00 P.M. virtually.

**II. Flag Salute-Please rise Mrs. Fischer asked all to rise**

**III. Notice. Mrs. Fischer read the following:** This meeting is being recorded for District purposes. It is or may be published in part or in its entirety on the District’s website without the express permission of meeting participants.

**IV. Roll Call**

- Mrs. Cathy Fischer, President
- Mr. Scott Angus, Vice President
- Mrs. Mary Jo Kehoe, Treasurer
- Ms. Jodi Gill
- Mrs. Terry Mylan
- Ms. Valerie Pedigo
- Ms. Meagan Trimbur
- Ms. Valerie Young

Others President

- Dr. Joseph W. Pasquerilla, Substitute Superintendent
- Mr. Barry J. King, Director of Academics
- Mr. L. Douglas McCausland, Director of District Operations
- Ms. Megan Turnbull, Solicitor
- Mrs. June Mueller, Board Secretary

**V. Correspondence**

**VI. Student/Teacher Recognition**

Mrs. Fischer - would like to recognize the following Ambridge Area School District teacher

**Ms. Nicole Darroch** was named one of the 12 finalists for The 2020 Pennsylvania Teacher of the Year by the Wolf administration.

Congratulations and thank you for being such an inspirational teacher!!

**VII. Presentations**

Budget presentation – Mr. Douglas McCausland

**VIII. Public Comment (Regarding Agenda Items Only).**

The Meet and Discuss Meetings are open to the public. At this time, DISTRICT RESIDENTS may come forward to comment or ask questions on agenda items only. Each person must state their first and last name and address prior to speaking. Each person will be allowed three minutes and can speak only once during this half-hour period. There will be no discussion during this time, but any board member or administrator desiring to address questions or concerns may do so at the conclusion of the committee reports.

**IX. Committee Reports****Education and Technology****Ms. Trimbur**1. Mission Vision Service

It is recommended the Mission Vision Program for State Street Elementary School be approved for the 2020-2021 school year. The program provides free vision screenings and glasses to students who need them but cannot afford them. The District does not incur any expense or liability.

2. On-Site Dental Care

It is recommended to approve the Miracle Dental Association On-Site Team to provide dental care to all students with the District. This will replace the Smile Program, Mobile Dentist. This is at no cost to the District.

3. Adagio Health (AHI) Memorandum of Understanding – PowerUp

It is recommended to approve a MOU between the Ambridge Area School District and Adagio Health to implement the PowerUp Eat Right Nutrition Education Program.

**Finance and Budget****Ms. Pedigo**1. School District Monthly Bills and Salaries

It is recommended that the monthly school district bills in the amount of \$704,713.84 and the monthly school district personnel salaries in the amount of \$1,985,269.61 be paid.

2. Cafeteria Monthly Bills and Salaries

It is recommended that the monthly cafeteria bills in the amount of \$8,057.67 and the monthly cafeteria personnel salaries in the amount of \$61,792.90 paid.

3. Final Budget for the 2020-2021 School Year

It is recommended to approve Resolution 2019-2020-8 adopting the Final General Operating Fund Budget for the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year with revenues of \$49,160,992.00 and expenditures of \$51,727,933.00. This budget will utilize \$2,566,941.00 of fund balance in order to meet operational expenditures. The millage increase is zero mills.

4. Resolution – Homestead/Farmstead Exclusion

It is recommended Resolution 2019-2020-9 implementing the Act 1 Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion be adopted.

5. 2020-2021 Food Service Fund Budget

It is recommended to adopt the 2020-2021 Food Service Fund Budget with revenues of \$1,819,393.00 and expenditures of \$1,709,560.00 and estimated net profit of \$109,833.00.

6. 2020-2021 Capital Reserve Budget

It is recommended to adopt the 2020-2021 Capital Reserve Budget with revenues of \$25,000.00 and expenditures of \$125,000.00 and utilization of fund balance of \$100,000.00.

7. Insurance Coverage

It is recommended the Board approve the following insurance premiums obtained through the district broker, Arthur J. Gallagher, for the 2020-2021 school year at a total cost of \$324,918.00.

Package	CM Regent	\$183,604.00
(Property/Casualty, General Liability, Auto, Legal Liability, and all Commercial Coverages)		
Cyber Coverage	ACE	\$ 10,688.00
Workers Compensation	UPMC	\$130,626.00

\*The Workers Compensation is a savings of \$14,876.00 or 10%. The overall insurance package is a savings of \$6,096.00 or 2%.

8. Student/Athletic Insurance

a) It is recommended that United States Fire Insurance Company (PSBA endorsed) be approved for **voluntary** student insurance coverage for the 2020-2021 school term beginning August 1, 2020. Goodwin & Gruber Agency will act as the insurance broker. The medical limits are \$250,000.00 with a one year period. The rate for school-time coverage is \$22.50 and \$90.00 for 24-hour coverage.

b) It is recommended that United States Fire Insurance Company be approved for student **athletic** coverage at a cost of \$10,915.00 to insure interscholastic athletes, band, and cheerleaders. The medical limit for sports is \$1,000,000.00 with a two year benefit period. Plan 1 which pays all medical expenses “Usual & Customary” will be used. The premium includes a field trip endorsement for all one-day field trips (in Pennsylvania) for coverage up to \$2,500.00 per student.

\*This is no increase from the prior year.

9. 2020-2021 Beaver County Career & Technology Center Operating Budget

It is recommended to approve the 2020-2021 Beaver County Career & Technology Center Operating Budget for \$6,136,989.00. It is further recommended the Board President and Board Secretary be authorized to execute the BCCTC 65 Resolution form.

10. Services Agreement Reinstatement

It is recommended to approve the Third Party Administrative Services Agreement Reinstatement for continuation of 403(b)/457(b) administration services by the Omni Group for the 2020-2021 school term as per the Fee Schedule for 2020-2021.

11. Lease Proposal

It is recommended to approve the addendum to the existing Master Lease Agreement and capital lease proposal dated May 21, 2020 for technology equipment in the amount of \$679,045.84 with First American Education Finance for a term of three years, with the annual payment of \$232,070.71 for the 2020-2021 school year.

12. Ambulance Service

It is recommended to approve an agreement with the Non-Profit Emergency Services of Beaver County, Medic Rescue, for a period of one year commencing on July 1, 2020, at an annual fee of \$3,400.00.

\*This is no increase from the prior year.

**Buildings and Grounds**

**Mr. Angus**

**Athletics**

**Mr. Campalong**

**Public Relations**

**Open**

**Steering and Rules**

**Mrs. Kehoe**

**Legislative**

**Ms. Young**

**X. Sunshine Law Mrs. Mueller read the following**

The Board of School Directors held an Executive Session on Wednesday, June 10<sup>th</sup> to discuss:

- Personnel matter(s)
- Matters subject to attorney client privilege and other confidentiality laws
- Litigation or threatened litigation matters
- Salary Schedule and Labor Relations

Comments:

Ms. Mylan moved to have Administration and staff back in buildings by July 1<sup>st</sup>, following the CDC social distancing guidelines. All in favor.

Dr. Pasquerilla commented that working remotely for the Administration and staff has been very effective. Dr. Pasquerilla is working on a plan to return to the buildings and will implement that for July 1<sup>st</sup>.

The Athletic Director will work on a waiver and a plan for the reintegration of sports to begin on July 1<sup>st</sup>.

The Board took a vote on having the Prom on June 26<sup>th</sup>. All in favor.

Ms. Gill gave a shout out to Ms. Zupsic and Mrs. Phillips for all of their hard work in making the senior graduation a success.

Ms. Phillips went over the social distancing guidelines that will take place at the Prom and also said there would be no grand march but in place of would be a live streaming Red Carpet affair at the venue.

**XI. Motion to Adjourn**

At 9:07 p.m., Mr. Angus made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Gill. All in favor.