

**COCALICO SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Denver, PA**

The regular meeting of the Cocalico School Board of Directors was called to order on Monday, January 25, 2021 by Rev. Kevin Eshleman, President. He welcomed the visitors. A moment of silence was held, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Rev. Eshleman announced that the Cocalico School Board met for an Executive Session on Monday, January 18<sup>th</sup> to discuss matters of employment. Dr. Stephen Melnyk, Chief Darrick Keppley, and Officer Eric Fisher reported on the use of body cameras during regular police work and how that may impact the school setting when officers are called in to handle a potentially volatile situation.

Board Members - all virtual attendance

Richard Brenner	Lin Sensenig	Desiree Wagner
Pamela Blickle	Randall Renninger	Douglas Graybill
Juanita Fox	Brett Buckwalter	Rev. Kevin Eshleman

Administrators Present - all virtual attendance

Dr. Ella Musser	Dr. Stephen Melnyk	Dr. Beth Haldeman
Sherri L. Stull	Chris Irvine	Scott Bennetch
Andrew Price	Anthony DiMatteo	Samantha Bensing
Dr. Susan Snyder	Dr. Andria Weaver	Mary Rinehart
Brad Kafferlin	Sherry Luttrell	

Visitors Present - all virtual attendance

Michael DelPriore	Denise Logue	Katie Steckbeck
Eric Fisher	Aubree Fahringer	Amy Lettorale
Stuart Savin	Linford Hurst	Erin Kregar
Darrick Keppley	Suelda Hurst	Stephanie Dorshimer
Daniel Burton	Elizabeth Zimmerman	Tara Griest
Penny Leschner	Trisha Pohronezny	Katrine Martin
Laken Keehner	Jessica Campbell	Michelle Colon
Jamie Leshner	Kristine Butz	

On a motion made by Mr. Buckwalter and seconded by Mr. Sensenig, the Board approved the minutes of the School Board meetings held on December 21, 2020 and January 11, 2021. Roll call vote, all members voting yes. Motion carried 9-0. (Addenda attached)

Made to motion by Mr. Buckwalter and seconded by Ms. Wagner, the Board approved the Treasurer's Report as written. Roll call vote, all members voting yes. Motion carried 9-0.

Beginning Balance 12/1/20	\$35,326,998.72
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Receipts:

Transfer to PSDLAF (correction from last month)	120,000.00
PDE – Social Security	75,738.92
PDE – Property Tax Relief	357,429.74
PDE – Retirement	1,007,030.34
PDE – Basic Education	1,122,758.40
PDE – NP Transportation	52,745.00

PDE – SD Transportation	289,730.00
PDE – Title I	23,980.27
PDE – Title IIA	5,028.07
PDE – Title III	765.67
PDE – Title IV	2,114.53
PDE – CARES Act ESSER Fund	18,079.63
PDE – NSL	77,950.23
Commonwealth of PA – PCCD Grant	984.60
County of Lancaster – CARES Act	104,330.00
County of Lancaster – Realty Transfer Taxes	50,833.53
County of Lancaster – Delinquent Taxes	13,371.89
LCTCB – Wage Tax	228,416.47
Charter Arts School – refund	1,091.16
Lancaster Lebanon IU #13 – refund duplicate payment	22,784.98
Lancaster Lebanon IU #13 – ACCESS reimbursement	100,566.34
Denver Borough – Refund of escrow account (transfer to capital)	1,398.50
Cocalico Care Center – monthly transportation services	2,780.00
Cocalico Food Service – Salary & Benefits	70,198.83
District Magistrate – fines	25.11
School Rental	2,500.00
Ephrata Recycling	22.00
Fuel Sharing Fees	2,313.26
Mission Inspire Student Fees	175.00
Athletic Account	815.98
Insurance Receipts from Retirees	16,193.44
Insurance Receipts from Employees/Cobra	3,196.56
Miscellaneous Income	2,540.67
Interest	2,647.86

Total Receipts	\$3,780,536.98
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Total Receipts Plus Beginning Balance	\$39,107,535.70
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Expenditures:

Invoices approved for month of December	950,214.42
Invoices for Athletics for month of December	10,693.96
Payrolls – 12/4 & 12/18	2,705,329.63
Transfer to Capital Projects (19/20)	5,000,000.00
Transfer to Capital Projects – Denver Borough escrow	1,398.50
Health Insurance Transfer	600,000.00
Fulton Bank – Monthly Fee	1,158.40

Total Expenditures	\$9,268,794.91
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Net Expenditures	\$9,268,578.58
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**Ending Balance 12/31/20**

**\$29,838,957.12**

Mr. Renninger made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Fox, to approve invoices in the amount of \$1,520,769.43. Roll call vote, all members voting yes. Motion carried 9-0. (Addendum attached)

Mr. Sensenig made a motion, seconded by Mr. Renninger, to approve the Capital Project Fund Account Register in the amount of \$14,445.60. Roll call vote, all members voting yes. Motion carried 9-0. (Addendum attached)

Dr. Michael DePriore provided updates on CTC budgeting details. Mr. Buckwalter made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sensenig, for Board approval of the Lancaster County Career and Technology Center Budget for the 2021-2022 school year. Roll call vote, all members voting yes. Motion carried 9-0. (Addendum attached)

Mr. Sensenig a motion, seconded by Mrs. Fox, for Board approval of a Resolution to reject all bids received for the Roofing Construction Contract. Roll call vote, all members voting yes. Motion carried 9-0. (Addendum attached)

Mr. Brenner made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sensenig, for Board approval of a Costars agreement for the High School Partial Roof Replacement project. Roll call vote, all members voting yes. Motion carried 9-0. (Addendum attached)

Mr. Buckwalter made a motion, seconded by Mr. Renninger, for Board approval of renewal of pollution liability insurance. Roll call vote, all members voting yes. Motion carried 9-0. (Addenda attached)

Mr. Buckwalter made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sensenig, for Board approval of delinquent taxes relating to the Lancaster County Tax Claim Bureau. Roll call vote, all members voting yes. Motion carried 9-0. (Addendum attached)

Mr. Buckwalter made a motion, seconded by Mr. Renninger, for Board approval of a special education supplemental contract. Roll call vote, all members voting yes. Motion carried 9-0. (Addendum attached)

Mr. Buckwalter made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sensenig, for Board approval of the 2021-2022 school calendar. Roll call vote, all members voting yes. Motion carried 9-0. (Addendum attached)

## **PERSONNEL**

Mr. Sensenig made a motion, seconded by Mr. Buckwalter, for Board approval of the resignation of Mary Rinehart, Director of Special Services, for the purpose of retirement, effective June 30, 2021. Roll call vote, all members voting yes. Motion carried 9-0.

Mr. Buckwalter made a motion, seconded by Mr. Renninger, for Board approval of the following personnel actions:

- (a) Approval of the following professional staff leaves of absence:
  - (1) Katherine Robb, Denver Elementary School Teacher, amended sabbatical leave effective the 2020-2021 school year

- (2) Samantha Hatt, Reamstown Elementary School Teacher, child rearing leave effective April 13, 2021 through the 1<sup>st</sup> semester of the 2021-2022 school year
- (3) Melissa Whitcomb, Denver Elementary School Teacher, sabbatical leave effective the 1<sup>st</sup> semester of the 2021-2022 school year
- (b) Approval of the following long term substitute teachers, per diem rate, based on starting teacher's salary:
  - (1) Paige Roell, Denver Elementary School Special Education Teacher, effective January 4, 2021 through the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year
  - (2) Allyson Butz, Middle School Mathematics Teacher, effective the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester of the 2020-2021 school year
  - (3) Rebecca Voler, Middle School Computer Teacher, effective the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester of the 2020-2021 school year

Roll call vote, all members voting yes. Motion carried 9-0.

Mr. Renninger made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sensenig, for Board approval of the following personnel actions:

- (a) Approval of PSERS Special Sick Leave
- (b) Approval of following support staff resignations:
  - (1) Kenneth Thompson, full-time Custodian, effective January 5, 2021
  - (2) Samantha Kehoe, full-time Licensed Nurse, effective January 3, 2021
  - (3) Mary Witmer, part-time Paraprofessional, effective January 8, 2021
- (c) Approval of the hiring of Cynthia Legezdh, part-time Human Resources Office Assistant, effective January 4, 2021
- (d) Approval of supplemental contracts for the 2020-2021 school year
- (e) Approval of academic tutors
- (f) Approval of STS-employed guest teachers
- (g) Approval of a sport event worker
- (h) Approval of athletic program volunteers per their continued completion of district and state requirements for the 2020-2021 school year

Roll call vote, all members voting yes. Motion carried 9-0.

Mr. Buckwalter shared information about the most recent I.U.#13 Board meeting and the staffing challenges that the I.U. is facing.

Mr. Brenner and Dr. Stuart Savin provided updates on CTC enrollments and new student opportunities.

Dr. Beth Haldeman provided information about ESSERS II grant funding and the approval of Cocalico School District's Comprehensive Plan. She also presented library books that were ordered for each of the schools on behalf of the School Board members.

Mr. Chris Irvine shared information about changes in course offerings listed in the 2021-2022 Educational Planning Guide for high school students.

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Dr. Musser presented School Board members with certificates of appreciation and recognized them for their tireless service to the district. She also shared a certificate of appreciation for Cocalico School District's involvement in helping with the 2020 census collection.

On a motion made by Mr. Buckwalter, seconded by Mr. Renninger, and unanimously agreed to by the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Sherri L. Stull  
Secretary