

**CHARTIERS VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting**  
**Board of School Directors**  
**June 27, 2023**

**1.0 Meeting Opening**

**A) Call to Order**

- The Regular Board Meeting of the Charters Valley Board of School Directors was called to order at 6:44 p.m. by Dr. Mariano in the District Assembly Room.

**B) Pledge of Allegiance**

**C) Roll Call**

**Present**

Mr. Jeff Choura  
Mr. Robert Kearney *(via phone)*  
Mr. Mitchell Montani  
Mr. Herbert Ohliger  
Mrs. Meghan Sexton  
Dr. Sonja Svihla  
Mrs. Lisa Trainor  
Mrs. Sandy Zeleznik, Vice President  
Dr. Darren Mariano, President

**Also Present**

Dr. Johannah Vanatta, Superintendent  
Mrs. Julie Franczyk, Assistant Superintendent  
Mr. Don Palmer, Solicitor  
Mrs. Pat Connolly, Director of Finance & Operations  
Mrs. Angela Conigliaro, Director of Communications & Strategic Partnerships  
Mrs. Kim Borza, Board Secretary  
Mrs. Courtney Saxon, Board Secretary

*Dr. Mariano introduced new Board Secretary, Courtney Saxon, and thanked retiring Board Secretary, Kim Borza, for her time and dedication.*

*Dr. Mariano stated that before we start, he would like to move to add to the agenda tonight 6.14, which is the following, we are adding this to the agenda to comply with the Superintendent's contract: The Board approves the 2022-2023 performance rating for Dr. Johannah M. Vanatta, Superintendent of Schools, on June 27, 2023. The Board had determined that the Superintendent has met the objective performance standards.*

**Seconded by Mrs. Zeleznik.**

**On a voice vote, the motion passes unanimously.**

**E) Recognitions**

- There were no recognitions.

**F) Public Comments – Agenda Items**

- There were no public comments on agenda items.

**2.0 Executive Session**

- Dr. Mariano stated that there was an executive session prior to this public meeting to discuss personnel, legal and safety matters.

**3.0 Superintendent's Reports/Presentations**

- 3.1** Annual Curriculum Update presented by Mrs. Franczyk.
- 3.2** Mrs. Conigliaro presented the Annual Report Preview.
- 3.3** Spring Sports Update given by Dr. Vanatta.

#### 4.0 Solicitor's Report

- There was no solicitor report.

#### 5.0 Informational Agenda

- A) **Pathfinder:** Mr. Ohliger said they had a board meeting on June 21<sup>st</sup>; Pathfinder graduation was held on June 5<sup>th</sup>; recent activities included Family Day, Prom, and their Summer Program.
- B) **Parkway:** Mr. Choura stated that for the 3<sup>rd</sup> year in a row, there is projected increase in enrollment; Graduation was hosted by Montour; over 600 students attended the Summer Camp for grades 6-8; new building on hold; no meeting next month.
- C) **SHASDA:** Mrs. Sexton said there was no new information.
- D) **AIU:** Mrs. Trainor said that their Spring Retreat was held on June 20<sup>th</sup>; finalized date of Fall Retreat for November 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>; monthly meeting was held on June 26<sup>th</sup>; additional updates will be added to their website to provide easier access to information; Mrs. Trainor was asked to serve a Board member to the governing body for Head Start and Early Education as well as the PSBA delegate for the AIU.
- E) **Finance Committee Report:** Mrs. Connolly stated that she will make a presentation during action/discussion.

#### 6.0 Consent Agenda

- 6.2 The Superintendent recommends and I so move to approve the Board Meeting Minutes for June 13, 2023.
- 6.3 The Superintendent recommends and I so move to approve the TSI Plan for CVMS.
- 6.4 The Superintendent recommends and I so move to approve Allegheny Children's Initiative as the 2023-24 SAP Provider.
- 6.5 The Superintendent recommends and I so move to approve the Watson Service Agreement for the 2023-2024 school year.
- 6.6 The Superintendent recommends and I so move to approve the travel request for the Thespian Society Troupe to attend the PA State Thespian Conference on November 30-December 2, 2023 at North Penn High School in Lansdale, PA.
- 6.7 The Superintendent recommends and I so move to approve the travel request for the High School Showband on April 4-7, 2024 to Toronto, Ohio.
- 6.8 The Superintendent recommends and I so move to approve the July 20-23, 2023 travel request for Varsity Cheerleading to attend the Slippery Rock Cheer Camp.
- 6.9 The Superintendent recommends and I so move to approve the Human Resources Report for June 27, 2023.
- 6.10 I so move to give the Chartiers Valley School District Superintendent authority to hire staff over the summer and ratify at the August 8, 2023 School Board Meeting.
- 6.11 The Superintendent recommends and I so move to approve the payments from May 1 to 31, 2023, in the amount of \$5,261,299.53.
- 6.12 The Superintendent recommends and I so move to approve the 2023-24 Student Meal Prices as follows: \$1.65 for Breakfast - PS, IS, MS, and HS \$2.80 for Lunch - PS and IS \$3.05 for Lunch - MS and HS.
- 6.13 The Superintendent recommends and I so move to approve the first read of Policies 830 - Security of Computerized Personal Information/Breach Notification and 830.1 - Data Governance - Storage/Security.
- 6.14 The Board approves the 2022-2023 performance rating for Dr. Johannah M. Vanatta, Superintendent of Schools, on June 27, 2023. The Board had determined that the Superintendent has met the objective performance standard.

**Motion to approve items 6.2 to 6.14 listed above.**

**Moved by Mrs. Zeleznik, seconded by Mr. Montani.**

**On a voice vote, the motion passes unanimously.**

## 7.0 Action/Discussion

**7.2** The Superintendent recommends and I so move to approve the Agility Agreement between the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation and the Chartiers Valley School District.

**Motion to approve item 7.2 listed above.**

**Moved by Dr. Mariano, seconded by Mr. Kearney.**

**On a voice vote, the motion passes unanimously.**

**7.3** Motion to approve the CVHS Gym Alteration Repair Bid Award, as recommended by Thomas & Williamson, to Graham Construction not to exceed \$168,690.00.

**Motion to approve item 7.3 listed above.**

**Moved by Dr. Mariano, seconded by Mrs. Trainor.**

**On a voice vote, the motion passes; 8-yes, 1-no.**

**7.4** Motion to approve Construction Engineering Consultants, as recommended by Thomas & Williamson, to provide various testing services for the exterior athletic projects.

**Motion to approve item 7.4 listed above**

**Moved by Dr. Mariano, seconded by Mrs. Zeleznik.**

**On a voice vote, the motion passes; 8-yes, 1-no**

**7.5** The Superintendent recommends and I so move to approve the attached 2023-2024 Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion Resolution authorizing Act 50 and Act 1 homestead and farmstead exclusion for real estate tax deductions for the school year beginning July 1, 2023.

**Motion to approve item 7.5 listed above**

**Moved by Dr. Mariano, seconded by Mrs. Zeleznik.**

**On a voice vote, the motion passes unanimously.**

**7.6** The Superintendent recommends and I so move to approve the 2023-24 Capital Reserve Budget in the amount of \$487,514.

**Motion to approve item 7.6 listed above**

**Moved by Dr. Mariano, seconded by Mrs. Zeleznik.**

**On a voice vote, the motion passes unanimously.**

**7.7** Motion to adopt and approve the General Fund Budget of the Chartiers Valley School District in the amount of \$76,501,386 for the fiscal year beginning the first day of July, 2023 with the necessary revenue for the same period of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023 provided by an earned income tax resolution, a deed transfer tax resolution, a realty transfer tax resolution and an occupation privilege tax resolution adopted May 25, 2004, and a realty transfer tax resolution dated January 9, 2007; and by a school tax on real estate which is hereby levied and assessed at a rate of 20.1909 mills or at a rate of \$2.02 on each \$100 of assessed valuation of taxable property, and to adopt and approve the Chartiers Valley School District Budget Resolution dated June 27, 2023. All taxpayers required to pay tax on real estate imposed by the School District shall be entitled to a 2% discount within two months after the date of tax notice, shall be charged a penalty of 10% if paid more than four months from the date of notice and all delinquent real estate taxes shall be charged 10% interest unless taxpayers elect to pay such taxes in installments. The Board Secretary is hereby directed to append a copy of the budget to the minutes and to give notice to the Department of Community and Economic Development of the Act 511 taxes as required by law.

<b>Board of School Directors Roll Call Votes - June 27, 2023 2023-2024 Final Budget</b>			
Mr. Choura	No	Dr. Svihla	Yes
Mr. Kearney	Yes	Mrs. Trainor	Yes
Mr. Montani	Yes	Mrs. Zeleznik	Yes
Mr. Ohliger	No	Dr. Mariano	No
Mrs. Sexton	Yes		

Mr. Choura	No	Dr. Svihla	Yes
Mr. Kearney	Yes	Mrs. Trainor	Yes
Mr. Montani	Yes	Mrs. Zeleznik	Yes
Mr. Ohliger	No	Dr. Mariano	No
Mrs. Sexton	Yes		

**Motion to approve item 7.7 listed above**

**Moved by Mrs. Zeleznik, seconded by Mr. Kearney**

**On a roll call vote, the motion passes; 6-yes, 3-no.**

## **8.0 Public Comments ~ non-agenda items**

- The following two people spoke on non-agenda items:
  - Marisa DiBello-Scott Twp.: spoke on no contract and threatening texts received.
  - Beth Eckenrode – Collier Twp.: spoke on school district data.

## **9.0 Adjournment**

**Motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 7:45 p.m.**

**Moved by Mrs. Trainor, seconded by Mr. Montani.**

**On a voice vote, the motion passes unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Courtney Saxon". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Courtney Saxon  
Board Secretary