

CHARTIERS VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Minutes of the Legislative Meeting
Board of School Directors
February 25, 2025

1.0 Meeting Opening

1.1) Call to Order

- The Regular Board Meeting of the Charters Valley Board of School Directors was called to order at 7:08 p.m. by Dr. Mariano in the Intermediate School Auditorium.

1.2) Pledge of Allegiance

1.3) Roll Call

Present

Mr. Ed Brosky
Mr. Jeff Choura
Mrs. Kate Drury
Mr. Mitchell Montani
Mr. Herbert Ohliger
Mrs. Megan Sexton
Mrs. Lisa Trainor
Ms. Louise Huehn, Vice President
Dr. Darren Mariano, President

Also Present

Dr. Daniel R. Castagna, Superintendent
Dr. Michael E. Sable, Assistant Superintendent
Mr. Matthew Racunas, Solicitor
Mrs. Beth Wright, Director of Finance & Operations
Mrs. Kelly Irvine, Board Secretary

2.0 Announcements and Recognitions

2.1 Spring Musical – Something Rotten

Chartiers Valley Theater will be presenting the musical Something Rotten on March 5, 6, 7, and 8th.

2.2 Student Athlete Awards

Dr. Sable gave an update on student athletes.

2.3 Safety and Security Updates

Dr. Castagna said the weekly wage that is going to Kellington Security for the bus garage will now go towards security at the entrance to the high school and middle school.

2.4 Possible Program Curtailments

Dr. Castagna spoke about the \$9 million deficit, program curtailments and budget cuts that will need to be made. This will result in a \$7.5 million reduction in expenditures.

3.0 Public Comments on Agenda Items: The following people spoke on agenda items:

Name	Address	Municipality	Topic
Eric Wilson	750 Mill St	Bridgeville	Email regarding school board meeting
Brady Bart	136 Baldwin Rd	Collier	HR Report and Curriculum
Wesley Madge	477 Orchard Spring	Scott	Teacher furloughs
Mariann Fox	305 Greenfield Dr	Collier	HR report, furloughs, program curtailments
Dustin Giffin	345 Monteverdi Dr	Collier	Teacher furloughs, program curtailments
Haylee Poploski	609 Elm St	Bridgeville	Curtailments
Pam Ludwig	1913 Elmbrook	Scott	Furloughs
Samantha Folmer	1452 Greentree Rd	Scott	Furloughs, program curtailments

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Lascionna Payne	630 Idlewood Ave	Scott	HR Report
Ashley Murphy	157 Orchard Spring	Scott	HR Report
Layla Ashley	1342 Main St	Bridgeville	HR Report, program curtailments
Alexa Seretti	276 Sunrise Dr	Collier	HR Report, furloughs and curtailments
Marisa DiBello	1559 Spreading Oak	Scott	Furloughs
Leslie Bioni	256 Eisner Ave	Bridgeville	CV crest, furloughs
Nicole Costello	332 Saint Clair St	Bridgeville	HR Report, furloughs and curtailments
Pam Bucci	442 Prestley St	Collier	Furloughs and curtailments
Adam Rubritz	Student	Scott	Curtailment concerns
Olivia Mastren-Williams	336 Rockhill Rd	Scott	HR report, furloughs
Denise O'Neill	1110 Sarah St	Bridgeville	Program curtailments and furloughs
Gerard Mahon	3 Ewing St	Bridgeville	Issues with school district

4.0 Executive Session

- Dr. Mariano announced that there was an Executive Session prior to this public meeting to discuss personnel, legal, and safety matters.

5.0 Superintendent's Report

5.1 Superintendent's Report

- Dr. Castagna asked the board for permission to begin building the plan of studies for the high school so course selections may begin and then ratify the adoption of our plan of studies at the next voting meeting.

5.2 Student Representatives Brady Baranowski and Layla Asbury gave the following updates:

- Juniors and seniors attended a meeting with Dr. Castagna to discuss the panel he would like to put together to talk to students to understand their day to day lives in the district.
- Student counsel will be hosting a recognition breakfast from Panera for the athletes who have excelled this winter season.
- Tickets for the spring musical "Something Rotten" are on sale and the show is on March 5th through March 8th.
- On March 11th the Students Against Destructive Decisions Club (SADD) will be conducting an all-day student led traffic safety program at the primary school.
- Reading day in April to share stories and activities about nutrition and mindfulness.
- AP research students are in final stages of research designs for college board and thanks everyone to everyone who completed surveys to assist in their projects.
- Brady reported that safety issues were discussed during the superintendent panel meeting.

6.0 Solicitor's Report

- Nothing to report

7.0 Informational Agenda

A) South Hills Area School Districts Association (SHASDA)

**7.1 Consortium of school districts interacting to improve public education in the South Hills.
Board Representative: Megan Sexton**

- Nothing to report

B) The Pathfinder School

7.2 The Pathfinder School serves 5 to 21-year-old special education students within CVSD. Board Representative: Herb Ohliger.

- Mr. Ohliger reported they voted on AIU Pathfinder agreement and summer project items were voted on.

C) Allegheny Intermediate Unit#3

7.3 Regional public education agency supporting school districts in Allegheny County. Board Representative: Lisa Trainor

- Mrs. Trainor stated that March 27th is meet the candidates evening and is being televised live. Candidates for the 5 open positions will present speeches.
- Board and executive leadership counsel workshop will be held on June 18th at the AIU offices. AIU's belief statements, goals and policies will be talked about.

D) Parkway West Career and Technology Center

7.4 An extension of 12 school districts in Allegheny County providing 16 different programs aimed to prepare students for college or future careers. Board Representative: Jeff Choura

- Mr. Choura reported Parkway is having an open house March 4th at Robert Morris and approved summer camp for incoming 9th grade students - 2-day camp to experience Parkway. Fifteen students from Chartiers Valley made honor roll.

E) Finance Committee

8.0 Board Meeting Minutes

8.1 Motion to approve the Board Meeting Minutes for February 25,2025.

**Motion to approve item 8.1,
Moved by Ms. Heuhn, seconded by Mr. Ohliger,
On a voice vote, the motion passes unanimously.**

9.0 Education

10.0 Athletics and Activities

10.1 Motion to approve Noah Woodward, Chanel Paige and Leeanna Basehore to travel to Waynesburg University from March 19th-March 21st, 2025 to attend the PMEA Region 1 Choir Festival.

**Motion to approve item 10.1,
Moved by Mr. Choura, seconded by Mr. Montani,
On a voice vote, the motion passes unanimously.**

10.2 Motion to approve the 2nd annual Chartiers Valley Athletics Top Golf fundraiser on July 10th and the seasonal digital media guides fundraiser program.

**Motion to approve item 10.2,
Moved by Ms. Huehn, seconded by Mr. Choura,
On a voice vote, the motion passes unanimously.**

11.0 Personnel

11.1 Motion to approve the Furlough Resolution as per the District Solicitor.

Motion to approve item 11.1,

**Moved by Ms. Heuhn, seconded by Mrs. Drury,
On a roll call vote, the motion passes with 6 – Yes and 3 - No.**

Mr. Brosky	Yes	Mrs. Sexton	No
Mr. Choura	Yes	Mrs. Trainor	No
Mrs. Drury	Yes	Ms. Huehn	Yes
Mr. Ohliger	Yes	Dr. Mariano	Yes
Mr. Montani	No		

11.2 Human Resources Report: Motion to approve the Human Resources Report for February 25, 2025.

**Motion to approve 11.2,
Moved by Ms. Heuhn, seconded by Mr. Brosky,
On a roll call vote, the motion passes 6 – Yes and 3 – No.**

Mr. Brosky	Yes	Mrs. Sexton	No
Mr. Choura	Yes	Mrs. Trainor	No
Mrs. Drury	Yes	Ms. Huehn	Yes
Mr. Ohliger	Yes	Dr. Mariano	Yes
Mr. Montani	No		

11.3 Motion to approve the Settlement Agreement with employee # 1053.

**Motion to approve 11.3,
Moved by Ms. Heuhn, seconded by Mr. Choura,
On a voice vote, the motion passes unanimously.**

11.4 Motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with employee # 3364.

**Motion to approve item 11.4,
Moved by Ms. Huehn, seconded by Mrs. Drury,
On a voice vote, the motion passes unanimously.**

12.0 Budget and Finance

12.1 Motion to approve the contract with The Scoring Factory to utilize the District's facilities beginning March 1, 2025 and ending March 29th, 2028.

**Motion to approve item 12.1,
Moved by Ms. Huehn, seconded by Mr. Montani,
On a voice vote, the motion passes unanimously.**

13.0 Policy

13.1 Motion to approve the first read Policy 626 – Procurement – Federal Programs.

**Motion to approve item 13.1,
Moved by Mrs. Trainor, seconded by Ms. Huehn,
On a voice vote, the motion passes unanimously.**

14.0 Action/Discussion

A) Education

B) Budget and Finance

14.1 Motion to approve the advertisement for the request for Proposal (RFP) for Insurance Brokerage and Risk Management Services.

**Motion to approve item 14.1,
Moved by Ms. Huehn, seconded by Mr. Choura,
On a voice vote, the motion passes unanimously.**

14.2 Motion to approve the advertisement for the Request for Proposal for Security Services.

**Motion to approve item 14.2,
Moved by Ms. Huehn, seconded by Mr. Brosky,
On a roll call vote, the motion passes with 6 – Yes and 3 – No.**

Mr. Brosky	Yes	Mrs. Sexton	No
Mr. Choura	Yes	Mrs. Trainor	No
Mrs. Drury	Yes	Ms. Huehn	Yes
Mr. Ohliger	Yes	Dr. Mariano	Yes
Mr. Montani	No		

14.3 Motion to approve the advertisement for request for proposal for Unified Door Access & Camera System.

**Motion to approve item 14.3,
Moved by Ms. Huehn, seconded by Mrs. Drury,
On a voice vote, the motion passes unanimously.**

14.4 Motion to approve the construction invoices for completed work through February 20, 2025.

**Motion to approve item 14.4,
Moved by Mr. Choura, seconded by Ms. Huehn,
On a voice vote, the motion passes unanimously.**

C.) Transportation

15.0 Public Comments on Non-Agenda items: The following people spoke on Non-Agenda Items:

Name	Address	Municipality	Topic
Mariann Fox	305 Greenfield Dr	Collier	Addressed school board
Lauren Hartz	1138 Meadowlark Dr	Scott	Budget
Suanne Estatico	Not given	NA	Concerns with board, budget, furloughs
Kim Galdo	25 McMichael Rd	Collier	Transportation
Pam Ludwig	1913 Elmbrook Ln	Scott	Transportation, security
Kevin Ludwig	1913 Elmbrook Ln	Scott	Transportation, security
Samantha Folmer	1452 Greentree Rd	Scott	Addressed solicitor, furlough concerns, budget concerns
Lascionna Payne	630 Idlewood Ave	Scott	Program curtailments
Ashley Murphy	157 Orchard Spring	Scott	Integrity
Colin Feroni	512 Orchard Rd	NA	District email
Marisa DiBello	1559 Spreading Oak	Scott	Spoke about getting involved more, expand on open door policy
Michele Rutkowski	Not provided	Bridgeville	CV students have pride and honor
Christine West	Not provided	Scott	Furloughs
Denise O'Neill	Not provided	Bridgeville	Security, budget

16.0 Adjournment

16.1 Next Board Meeting Announcement: The next Board Meeting will be on March 11, 2025.

16.2 Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 10:05 p.m.

Moved by Ms. Huehn, seconded by Mr. Choura.

On a voice vote, the motion passes unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kelly Irvine".

Kelly Irvine
Board Secretary