

**CHARTIERS VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting**  
**Board of School Directors**  
**August 26, 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 6:31 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. Megan 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. Courtney Saxon, Board Secretary

**E) Recognitions**

- There were no recognitions

**F) Public Comments – Agenda Items**

- Those listed below spoke on Agenda Items
  - Kate Drury ~ Scott ~ Sunshine Act and transparent communication.

**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 The student representative Brady Baranowski gave an update on CV academics, athletics, and activities.
- 3.2 CVSD Finance Update including Food Service
  - Nutrition Group Regional Manager, Kelly Patterson, gave a 2022-2023 recap and what to expect for the 2023-2024 school year.
  - Mrs. Connolly, Director of Finance and Operation gave a financial update presentation.
- 3.3 AP – CiHS Presentation – Mrs. Franczyk gave an overview and presentation on Advanced Placement and College in High School Classes.

**4.0 Solicitor's Report**

- There was no solicitor report.

**5.0 Informational Agenda**

- A) **Pathfinder:** Mr. Ohliger reported on the upcoming activities at Pathfinder and that the students are enjoying the new TeachTown Curriculum.
- B) **Parkway:** Mr. Choura stated that there is a continued increase in enrollment. Since 2013, Parkway has seen 127% increase in students. He reported that the NOCTI pass rate for 2022-2023 of 98.2%.
- C) **SHASDA:** Nothing new to report.
- D) **AIU:** Mrs. Trainor stated they received a report from the AIU Trauma Supports and Resources for School Districts and Community. Representatives will be attending the Oct. 11<sup>th</sup> meeting with state legislatures. The Head Start Program is in need of classroom and instructional aides.
- E) **Finance Committee Report:** Report given earlier in the meeting by Mrs. Pat Connolly.

## **6.0 Consent Agenda**

- 6.2 Motion to approve the Board Minutes for September 12, 2023.
- 6.3 Motion to approve the Human Resources Report for September 26, 2023.
- 6.4 Motion to approve the disposal of obsolete equipment.
- 6.5 Motion to accept the 2023-2024 Tugboat Grant.
- 6.6 Motion to approve payments including Charter Schools, August 1-31, 2023.

**Motion to approve items 6.2 to 6.6 listed above.**  
**Moved by Mr. Montani, seconded by Mrs. Zeleznik.**  
**On a voice vote, the motion passes unanimously.**

## **7.0 Action/Discussion**

- 7.2 Motion to approve Construction Payment Report 9-26-23

**Motion to approve item 7.2 listed above.**  
**Moved by Mr. Kearney, seconded by Dr. Svihla.**  
**On a voice vote, the motion passes 8 – Yes, 1 - No**

- 7.3 Motion to Table change order GC-005 for Ticket Booths Siding and Electrical Building Siding.

**Motion to Table item 7.3 listed above.**  
**Moved by Mr. Ohliger, seconded by Dr. Mariano.**  
**On a voice vote, the motion was Tabled unanimously.**

- 7.4 Motion to approve change order GC-006 for Ticket Booths and Electrical Building Roofing Pitch.

**Motion to approve item 7.4 listed above.**  
**Moved by Mr. Kearney, seconded by Mrs. Zeleznik.**  
**On a voice vote, the motion passes 8 – Yes, 1 - No.**

- 7.5 Motion to approve Black Track Surfacing Color and Black Exchange Zones.

- Discussion on this item included the options of a red or black track as well as the cost of a different color in the exchange zones.

**Motion to approve item 7.5 listed above.**  
**Moved by Mr. Montani, seconded by Dr. Svihla.**  
**On a voice vote, the motion passes 7 – Yes, 2 - No.**

**7.6 Motion to approve 2024 PSBA Officers Collective Vote as listed below**

- **President-Elect – Allison Mathis**
- **Vice President – Sabrina Backer**
- **Treasurer – Karen Beck Pooley**
- **Western Zone Representative – Marsha Pleta**
- **Section W-3 Advisor – Erik Meredith**
- **PSBA Insurance Trust Trustees – Marianne Neel and Mike Faccinetto**
- **Forum Steering Committee – Abstain**

**Motion to approve item 7.6 listed above.**

**Moved by Mr. Choura, seconded by Mr. Kearney.**

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

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

- Those listed below spoke on Non-Agenda items
  - Joan Welsh ~ Scott ~ Spoke on PYPO
  - Bob Fryer ~ South Fayette ~ Spoke on Traffic in Bridgeville
  - Ed Brosky ~ Scott ~ Spoke on No Place for Hate Walk

*Prior to adjourning, Dr. Mariano announced that the Board would go back into an Executive Session after adjourning the Public Session.*

**9.0 Adjournment**

**Motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 8:28 p.m.**

**Moved by Mrs. Trainor, seconded by Mrs. Zeleznik.**

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

Respectfully submitted,

  
Courtney Saxon  
Board Secretary