



Neshannock Township School District
Office of the Superintendent

To: All Staff Members
From: Terence P. Meehan, Superintendent
Date: June 12, 2023

Subject: Report of Board Meeting – June 8, 2023

1. Personnel

A. Resignations

<u>Name</u>	<u>Effective Date & Reason</u>
Leslie Nigon Paraprofessional	June 7, 2023 (close of day) Personal Reasons
Denise Slagle Paraprofessional	June 7, 2023 (close of day) Personal Reasons

B. Leave Requests

- 1) Professional staff member #698 was granted a leave of absence under the Family & Medical Leave Act using ill days effective August 28 thru November 10, 2023.
- 2) Professional staff member #543 was granted a leave of absence under the Family & Medical Leave Act using sick days, comp days, and then unpaid leave effective October 20, 2023, thru February 14, 2024.

C. Attainment of Professional Status

The work of the following teacher who has completed three years of teaching is being certified as satisfactory to the Secretary of the Board of Directors as required by Section 1108 (b) of the School Laws of Pennsylvania:

Laura Gibson

1. Personnel – cont.

D. Election of a Teacher

- 1) Professional Contract – effective first date of 2023-24 school term. Salary established at Master’s, Step 10, of the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Veronica Torres Oquendo
Assignment – Spanish

E. Long-Term Substitute

Mrs. Desirea Watterson was elected as a long-term substitute teacher for the 2023-24 school term continuing in her assignment as Kindergarten teacher.

F. Mentor Teacher

The Board approved the Administration’s recommendation to appoint the following individual to serve as a mentor teacher for the 2022-23 school term in accordance with the Collective Bargaining Agreement:

Lauren Sheridan for Mary Fleming

G. Supplemental Contracts

The following supplemental contracts were approved for the 2023-24 school year only:

Taylor Hiler – Drill Team Advisor
Connor Proctor – Assistant Drill Team Advisor
Kim Heim – Marching Band Director
Abbey Senatore – Assistant Marching Band Director
Kim Heim – Other Band Duties
Gabi Black & Ashley Graziani – Marching Band Volunteers

H. Summer Maintenance Assistance

Scott Karns, bus driver, was approved for summer maintenance assistance effective June 12, 2023, as needed.

1. Personnel – cont.

I. Mechanical and Maintenance Assistant

The position of Mechanical and Maintenance Assistant was created and will be advertised.

J. Addition to Day-to-Day Substitute Non-Professional List

The following individual will be added to the day-to-day substitute lists, as indicated:

Paraprofessional

Denise Slagle

Secretary

Denise Slagle

2. Field Trips

The following request for student field trip using District transportation was approved:

- A. Brenda DeVincentis & Rotary Students – Crutches 4 Africa, Pizza Jones, Union Township – June 6, 2023
- B. Select Members of the Neshannock Varsity Football Team and coaching staff - 7/7 Passing Camp, University of Pittsburgh - July 14, 2023. Expenses provided by the Touchdown Club.
- C. Select members of the Neshannock Varsity Football Team and coaching staff - 7/7 Passing Camp and Big Man Challenge, Pine-Richland School District - July 22, 2023. Expenses provided by the Touchdown Club.

3. Student Overnight Travel

- A. Select members of the Neshannock Varsity Football Team and coaching staff were granted permission to travel to Penn State University on June 15-16, 2023, to participate in a 7/7 Passing Camp and Big Man Challenge. Expenses provided by the Touchdown Club.
- B. Members of the Volleyball Team and Coaches were granted permission to travel to Penn State University on July 21-23, 2023, to participate in a Penn State Volleyball Camp. Expenses and travel to be paid for by the parents.

4. Request for Use of Facilities

- A. The Neshannock Touchdown Club was granted permission for use of the Football Stadium and concession stand from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. on June 9, 2023, for set up and from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on June 10, 2023, to conduct a varsity football passing scrimmage. No fee will be assessed
- B. Lauren Gibson was granted permission for use of the Neshannock Memorial School office/conference room from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from June 27 through August 9, 2023, to conduct private tutoring for students. No fee will be assessed.
- C. Neshannock Lancerettes were granted permission for use of the Neshannock Memorial School gymnasium from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on June 28, 2023 for a Lancerette Mini Camp and thru 11:30 a.m. on June 29, 2023, for their Showcase. No fee will be assessed.
- D. Layups for Lucy was granted permission for use of the Neshannock Junior/Senior High School gymnasium, lobby, and concession stand from 12:00 noon to 10:00 p.m. on November 11, 2023, to conduct their Layups for Lucy Fundraiser. No fee will be assessed.
- E. The Neshannock High School Student Activities Department was granted permission for use of the Neshannock Memorial School and Neshannock Junior/Senior High School middle gym, gymnasium, auditorium, cafeteria, central commons area, and connecting outdoor area from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. on May 11, 2024, to conduct the Grand March and Prom. No fee will be assessed.

5. Financial Issues

A. Budget for 2023-24

The Board approved the final adoption of the 2023-24 school year budget with expenditures of \$23,236,471 and revenues of \$23,116,353 with millage set at 18.5802.

B. Homestead/Farmstead Exclusion Resolution

The 2023 Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion Resolution for a total property tax reduction of \$94.37 per eligible Homestead and Farmstead was approved.

5. Financial Issues – cont.

C. District Depositories

WesBanco and the Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust (PLGIT) were reappointed, in accordance with Section 621 of the PA School Code, as Neshannock Township School District's depositories for the 2023-2024 fiscal year.

D. Invitation to Bid – Interactive Classroom Displays

The Board authorized the Administration to bid interactive classroom displays and associated accessories for the 2023-24 school year.

E. Awarding of Fuel and Refuse Bids

The following bids were approved for the 2023-24 school term:

Fuel & Diesel – Reed Oil
Refuse – Aiken Refuse, Inc.

F. Awarding of Ceiling Replacement Bid – High School

GEM, Inc.

G. Awarding of Door Replacement/Hardware Upgrade Bid

GEM, Inc.

H. Cafeteria Prices

The Board approved the following cafeteria prices effective for the 2023-24 school term which represent a 25 cent increase over the previous year:

Breakfast - \$1.25
Elementary Lunch - \$2.50
Junior/Senior High Lunch - \$2.75

5. Financial Issues – cont.

I. Authorization for Payment of Bills

The Board authorized the Superintendent and Business Manager to pay July 2023 bills; to make the necessary budget transfers; and to encumber, where necessary, certain accounts for fiscal years 2022-23 and 2023-23. The Board will receive a listing of bills prior to payment.

J. Cray Compass/Horizons Agreement – Cray Youth & Family Services

An Agreement with Cray Youth and Family Services, Inc. for the period of August 15, 2023, through June 15, 2024, was approved to provide emotional/learning support programs through Cray Compass/Horizons (Cray Education Center Private Academic School.)

K. Walmo Alternative Education Agreement – Cray Youth & Family Services

An Agreement with Cray Youth and Family Services, Inc. for the period of August 15, 2023, through June 15, 2024, was approved to provide an alternative education program to meet the educational needs of students referred by the District.

L. Athletic Training Services Agreement

An Agreement for continued Athletic Training and Medical Services with UPMC Sports Medicine for a three (3) year term beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2026, was approved.

M. District Security

The Board approved contracts with Independent Contractors Robert Shaffer for providing services as an attendance officer and school security during regular school hours and outside of regular school hours for the 2023-24 school year. In addition, they approved independent contracts with Mr. Dennis Best, Mr. Roy Blackford, Mr. David Kelly, Mr. Douglas Price, Mr. Todd Scott, and Mr. James Walker for the purpose of providing school security during regular school hours and outside of regular school hours effective for the 2023-24 school year.

5. Financial Issues – cont.

N. Part-time Secretarial Services

A contract with Kelly Services, Inc. to provide continued part-time confidential secretarial services as needed effective July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024, was approved.

O. Resolution Authorizing the Incurrence of General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2023

A Resolution authorizing the incurrence of the General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2023, as prepared by Bond Counsel, was approved.

6. Board Issues

A. Student Activity Establishment

The Board approved a Memorandum of Understanding between the Neshannock Township School District and the Neshannock Township Education Association relative to the establishment of new student activities under the Supplemental Contract portion of the CBA.

B. Board Treasurer

Mrs. Karen Houk was elected Treasurer effective immediately through June 30, 2024.

C. Football Team Usage of Wilmington Field

The Board granted permission for the Neshannock Football Team and Staff to travel to Wilmington Area School District for use of their fields, as needed, during construction phases of the District's facilities.

D. Social Medical Class Action Lawsuit

Approval was granted for the District to join a class action lawsuit concerning the impact of social media on its students and to retain Levin Sedran and Berman to represent its interests.