

UPPER PERKIOMEN SCHOOL DISTRICT
2229 East Buck Road
Pennsburg PA 18073

June 11, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Board of School Directors of the Upper Perkiomen School District was called to order by President Raeann B. Hofkin, at 7:05 p.m. as a virtual on-line meeting.

The following Board members virtually attended: Peg Pennepacker, Dr. Kerry A. Drake, Melanie R. Cunningham, Keith McCarrick, Raeann B. Hofkin, Mike W. Elliott, Judy Maginnis, Dana E. Hipszer, and Stephen L. Cunningham. Administration in virtual attendance were: Allyn J. Roche, EdD., Andrea Farina, EdD., Sandra M. Kassel, and Georgiann Fisher. Others in virtual attendance were: Kyle Somers, Dyan Hipszer, Liz Pierson, Melissa Lattanze, David Bradley, Sr., Kimberly Francis, Maggie Buckwalter, Jill Lahr, Hope Manion, Christine Schmoyer, Donna Sattler, J.P. Prego, Coren Strawbridge, Kim Hickson, Carol Elias, Felicia Zimmerman, Joseph Van Wagner, Mike Long, Vince Leskusky, Monica Oswald, Leo Quinn, Ryan Boyle, Jenn Moran, Doug Buckler, Steph Cabral, Matthew Newman, Mary Cannon, Heather Waver, Lynnette Madden, Wendy Popadak, Katrina Harman, J.R. Renna, Alyssa Fisher, Melissa Dietrich, Ryan Wallace, Lauren Ford, Christa McBride, Christie Cozzie Nester.

BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Hofkin read a statement concerning controversy over a posting on her personal social media accounts that she said unfortunately created division in the community.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Roche started off his report by announcing that we are one day away from the farewell celebration for the Upper Perkiomen High School graduating Class of 2020. He said that he is looking forward to tomorrow to see the procession of cars and vehicles and to be able to wave, celebrate and congratulate not only the students but the parents, families and friends on the completion of their thirteen years of education. Dr. Roche also announced that tomorrow at 8:00 pm. the virtual graduation ceremony that was previously recorded over the last two weeks will officially debut with the link to the You Tube video and will be shared on the district and high school web pages and on the district social media accounts. Dr. Roche reminded everyone that in the proclamation the Board approved, June 12th was declared a Celebratory Day for all seniors. He thanked the community and businesses for their support of the students. Dr. Roche also thanked Dr. Carpenter and his entire team for all of the planning to make tomorrow's celebration special. Dr. Roche congratulated the student member of the board, Carly Eidle. He thanked Carly for her two years as the student representative to the board and for being a voice of her peers.

Dr. Roche said that the ending of this school year is monumental for all of our students and parents. Dr. Roche spoke to any students who may have been listening, or asked parents to share with them, and said You Did It! He told them that their time and dedication was truly amazing and with the love and support of their families and teachers they have made it to the next grade level, and that they were the true success stories of this pandemic. He congratulated the students from the staff, the Board and Administration and said they were all extremely proud of them.

Dr. Roche announced that the K-5 schools will be celebrating the end of the year with a socially distanced celebration where families can drive through the tunnels of faculty and staff lining the driveways. He thanked the staff for giving the kids some much needed joy, happiness and closure to this school year.

Dr. Roche gave updates on the wrap up of this school year. He thanked Ms. Germinario and Mr. McFadden and the Food Service staff on the success of the Grab and Go meals, the district distributed 7,019 meals. Through the continued partnership with The Open Link they will continue to offer meals through the summer at five locations.

Dr. Roche talked about the transition plans for the 2020-2021 school year. He thanked families and parents for completing the survey and for the feedback. He talked about members of administration and teachers creating a task force to work on the safe reopening of schools in a face to face fashion in the fall. PDE has issued guidance on phased reopening and districts are required to have a board approved health and safety plan. Dr. Roche said that there may need to be a meeting in July to approve that and that while this is no simple task to complete they are up for the challenge and are committed to a safe and healthy return to school. Dr. Roche said that the start of PIAA athletics will also need a health and safety plan to be approved and that this topic may have more questions than answers. He reminded everyone that buildings and fields are still closed,

SOLICITOR'S REPORT/SUNSHINE ACT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Somers announced that a virtual Executive Session was held prior to the evening's meeting for the purpose of discussing matters concerning school safety and security. Mr. Somers said that in light of public comments for anyone who has not attended a meeting and wishes to speak, they must state their name and municipality they reside in. He said each speaker will be allotted a time of two minutes. He said the nature of public comments is a time to share information, offer opinion and feedback, but is not intended to be a time of debate with the Board, if administration or a board member wishes to give feedback that should be done at the end of the comments. Mr. Somers reminded everyone that the meeting is being recorded so you should be respectful and speak clearly into your microphone.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Melanie R. Cunningham, seconded by Kerry A. Drake, to approve **the agenda**.

Motion by Mike W. Elliott, seconded by Judy Maginnis, to **amend the approval of the agenda, to add a new Action Item to the agenda, to issue a joint statement from the Upper Perkiomen School District Board of Directors**. Motion carried; all voted aye.

Motion by Mike W. Elliott, seconded by Judy Maginnis, to **amend the approval of the agenda to add a new Action Item to the agenda, the censure of Raeann Hofkin as President of the School Board**. ROLL CALL VOTE: M. Cunningham – yes, S. Cunningham – yes, Drake – yes, Elliott – yes, Hipszer – yes, Maginnis – yes, McCarrick – yes, Pennepacker – yes, **Hofkin – no**. Motion passed.

Motion by Mike W. Elliott, seconded by Judy Maginnis, to **amend the approval of the agenda to add a new Action Item to the agenda, the removal of Raeann Hofkin as School Board President of the Upper Perkiomen School Board**. ROLL CALL VOTE: S. Cunningham – yes, Drake – yes, Elliott – yes, Hipszer – yes, Maginnis – yes, McCarrick – yes, Pennepacker – yes, M. Cunningham – yes, **Hofkin – no**. Motion passed.

Motion by Melanie R. Cunningham, seconded by Kerry A. Drake, to approve **the agenda**. Motion carried; all voted aye.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ACTION ITEMS

Liz Pierson, East Greenville
Melissa Lattanze, Red Hill
Kimberly Francis, Pennsburg
Maggie Buckwalter, Upper Hanover Township
Jill Lahr, Upper Hanover Township
Hope Manion, Hereford Township

Christine Schmoyer, Pennsburg
Donna Sattler, Upper Hanover Township
J.P. Prego, Pennsburg
Coren Strawbridge, Upper Hanover Township
Carol Elias, Red Hill
Felicia Zimmerman, Red Hill
Mike Long, Upper Hanover Township
Vince Leskusky, UPSD Teacher
Monica Oswald, East Greenville
Leo Quinn, Hereford Township
Ryan Boyle, Upper Hanover Township
Jenn Moran, Upper Hanover Township
Doug Buckler, Upper Hanover Township
Steph Cabral
Mary Cannon, Hereford Township
Heather Waver, East Greenville
Lynnette Madden, East Greenville
Wendy Popadak, Upper Hanover Township
Katrina Harman, UPSD Student Assistance Counselor
J.R. Renna, Pennsburg
Alyssa Fisher, East Greenville
Melissa Dietrich, UPSD Teacher
Ryan Wallace, East Greenville
Lauren Ford, Pennsburg

All expressed their thoughts and concerns about Mrs. Hofkin's social media posts and several asked for Mrs. Hofkin to be removed as the Upper Perkiomen School Board President.

David Bradley, Sr.
Kim Hickson, Green Lane
Joseph Van Wagner, Upper Hanover Township
Matthew Newman, Red Hill

All voiced support for Mrs. Hofkin and also their concerns of First Amendment Rights.

President Hofkin called for a recess at 8:53 p.m., the meeting reconvened at 8:59 p.m.

MINUTES

A. Motion by Melanie R. Cunningham, seconded by Kerry A. Drake, to approve the **Regular School Board Meeting Minutes of May 7, 2020, subject to review.** Motion carried; all voted aye.

PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSION

- B. Board Policy Revisions/Repeals/Adoptions – First Reading (Attachment B)
- i) Policy No. 005 – Organization (Repeal & Replace)
 - ii) Policy No. 200 – Enrollment of Students (Repeal & Replace)
 - iii) Policy No. 200.1 AR (Intent to Repeal)
 - iv) Policy No. 201 – Admission of Beginners (Repeal & Replace)
 - v) Policy No. 202 – Eligibility of Non-Resident Students (Repeal & Replace)
 - vi) Policy No. 206 – Assignment Within District (Repeal & Replace)
 - vii) Policy No. 208 – Withdrawal From School (Repeal & Replace)

- viii) Policy No. 211 – Student Accident Insurance (Intent to Repeal)
- ix) Policy No. 213 – Assessment of Student Progress (Intent to Repeal)
- x) Policy No. 220 – Student Expression (Repeal & Replace)
- xi) Policy No. 236 – Student Assistance Program (New - Adopt)
- xii) Policy No. 250 – Student Accidents (Intent to Repeal)
- xiii) Policy No. 626 – Federal Fiscal Compliance (Repeal & Replace)
- xiv) Policy No. 913- Non-School Organizations/Group/Individuals (Repeal & Replace)

Mrs. Hofkin explained that several of the policies have not been reviewed for twenty years. She urged the Board members to review the policies.

A. 2020-2021 Final Budget Presentation – Sandra Kassel

Mrs. Kassel showed a Power Point explaining the final budget. She explained that many things have happened since approving the proposed final budget in May. She said there were revenue changes due to COVID-19 and the effect it will have on some of the revenue areas. She showed expenditures changes from May 7th due to grant funding. Mrs. Kassel talked about the ESSER Funds, Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund, where schools may receive more funding to address the impact that COVID-19 has had, and continues to have, on elementary and secondary schools. Mrs. Kassel showed a slide explaining the Determining of the Millage. She explained that the Board had approved a 0% millage increase in May recognizing the financial conditions of individuals and residents in the district.

Mrs. Kassel talked about the Homestead funds that are allocated by the State, she said that after the amounts were certified there was talk about cutting the amount by 55%, which caused immediate concern by all school districts, fortunately legislators heard and the change did not happen.

OLD BUSINESS

President Hofkin said that Policy 701 is on the June 15 Policy Meeting Agenda to be discussed.

**NEW BUSINESS -
PERSONNEL REPORT**

A. PERSONNEL REPORT

Motion by Kerry A. Drake, seconded by Keith McCarrick, to approve the **Personnel Report**

i. Retirement to ii. Appointments, 1 through 8:

i. RETIREMENT

- 1. **Margaret Zifra**, Administrative Assistant, High School, intent to retire effective July, 15, 2020.

ii. APPOINTMENTS

1. PROFESSIONAL STAFF

- a. **Amber Anderson**, Reading Specialist at Hereford Elementary, to be hired subject to review of required employment history and clearances, at Masters, Step 3 for the 2020-2021 school year.
 - b. **Justin Arifaj**, Guidance Counselor, Upper Perkiomen Middle School, to be hired subject to review of required employment history and clearances at Masters, Step 5 for the 2020-2021 school year.
- 2. **EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR** Professional Employees, for a maximum of 63 hours, for the 2019-2020 school year. Rate based upon professional contract.

Name	Position
Alyssa D'Ipolito	Teacher

3. **PROFESSIONAL STAFF**, for supervision of Edgenuity Course completion, rate based on the contract, for a total of 15 hours for both (summer 2020).
 - a. Christa Paul
 - b. Todd Niemann
4. **MENTORS** for the 2019-2020 school year:

Employee	Assigned Mentor	Location
Jessica Stopper	Michelle Miller	HFD
James Crognale	Jen Hart	UPMS
Jessica Berry	Lynn Friend	HFD
Danielle Cricks	Kip Langenback	4&5
Brooke Graves	Kate Stallings	4&5
Tessa Kiesel	Heather Levan	MLB
Michael Ottinger	Ruth Guenther	UPMS
Katherine Perkins	Susan Flack	UPHS
Mia Rowan	Pam Fehnel	UPMS
Michelle Stone	Amy McPherson	UPMS
Emily Barker	Casey Lewis	UPMS
Michelle Sheets	Nancy Schwartz	4&5
Taylor Gregory	Mike Tirjan	HS
Rachel Kollar	Jen Bamford	HS
Jennifer Screnci	Alicia Mata	HS
Lauren Keebler	Ruth Guenther	MS
Brandon Bennett	Margaret Lerch	4&5, MS
Lynne Macort	Alison Johnson	MS
Sarah Petcavage 11/13	Angela Spinozzi	HS
Amanda Jaeger 10/21	Katrina Harman	4&5
Diane Csekitz 10/28	Jen Rosch	HS
Nicole Muhleisen 11/21	Laura Hilehoffer	HS
Chris Evans 11/4	Todd Niemann	HS
Mary Kate Raytek 11/24	Jacqui Keller	4&5
Rashida Larkin 10/14	Shane Thrush	HS
Kelly Rorvick - Sept	Kathy Steuer	4&5

5. **CURRICULUM ASSISTANTS** for the 2020-2021 school year:

Department	Building	First Name	Last Name	Cost
Elementary	4/5	Beth	Bianco (50%)	\$637.50
Elementary	4/5	Kate	Stallings (50%)	\$637.50

Elementary	HFD	Stephanie	Diehl (50%)	\$637.50
Elementary	MLB	Erica	Fitzgerald (50%)	\$637.50
Elementary	MLB	Dana	Rosenberger (50%)	\$637.50
Related Arts	MS	Deb	Macioge	\$1,275
Mathematics	MS	Amy	McPherson	\$1,275
ELA	MS	Hillary	Miller	\$1,275
Social Studies	MS	Dave	Pierce	\$1,275
Science	MS	Kristyn	Sparacino	\$1,275
English	HS	Michael	Calvello	\$2,535
Business	HS	Monica	Griffith	\$2,535
Health & PE	HS	Frank	Mercon	\$2,535
Mathematics	HS	Caren	Miller (50%)	\$1,267.50
Mathematics	HS	Meredith	Wickard (50%)	\$1,267.50
Related Arts	HS	Dan	Moyer	\$2,535
Social Studies	HS	Colby	Phillips	\$2,535
Science	HS	Jen	Rosch (50%)	\$1,267.50
Science	HS	Mike	Tirjan (50%)	\$1,267.50
Special Education	HS	Shane	Thrush	\$2,535
Foreign Language	HS	Rachael	Schmeckenbecher	\$2,535

6. **CURRICULUM WRITER** for the 2019-2020 school year:

Name	Course/Grade Level	Contract	Type
Colby Phillips	9 th Grade Social Studies	\$450	Shared Revision

7. **CURRICULUM WRITERS** for the 2020-2021 school year:

Name	Course/Grade Level	Contract	Type
Tonya Kulp (50%) Heather Lindenmuth (50%) (HFD)	K- SS, Sci, Play, etc.	\$2,700	New
Jaime Puzaskas (MLB)		\$900	New
Carissa Goodwin (HFD)	K ELA	\$900	New
Greta Salmons (MLB)	K Math	\$900	New
Stephanie Diehl (HFD)		\$900	New
Shae Reinhart (MLB)	1st ELA	\$900	New
Audrey Latshaw (HFD)		\$900	New

Tessa Kiesel (MLB)	1st Math	\$900	New
Kathy Fehr (HFD)		\$900	New
Lynn Smith (MLB)	2nd ELA	\$900	New
Lisa Greco (HFD)		\$900	New
Sarah Goslin	K Music	\$225	New
Brigid McGovern	K Library	\$225	New
Alex Gruber	4th Social Studies	\$1,800	New
Beth Bianco	Compacting 4,5 & 5,6 Math	\$1,800	New
Lori Cascioli	HS Physical Education	\$450	Revision
Alicia Beer		\$450	Revision
Lori Cascioli	HS Health I	\$450	Revision
Chris Lonergan		\$450	Revision
Alicia Beer	HS Health II	\$450	Revision
Chris Bieler		\$450	Revision
Deb Burns	Desktop Publishing	\$900	Revision
Diane Grandizio	Microsoft Word Applications (Professional Communication II)	\$450	Revision
Deb Burns		\$450	Revision
Monica Griffith	Web Design & Development (Web Design I & II)	\$450	Revision
Deb Burns		\$450	Revision
Meredith Wickard	Algebra I Proficiency	\$900	Revision
Rachel Schmeckenbecher	Spanish I	\$900	Revision
Briana Wolfgang	Spanish II	\$900	Revision

8. **SUMMER CUSTODIANS** for summer seasonal employment effective June 22, 2020 (tentatively). New hourly rate effective July 1, 2020:

Name	2019-2020 rate	Max Hours/week
Reiley Knize	10.71/ hour	32 (8 per day)
Abigail Breyer	10.71/hour	32 (8 per day)
Tegan Farina	10.71/hour	32 (8 per day)
Anna Goodman	10.71/hour	32 (8 per day)
Jessica Pyne	10.71/hour	40
Jennifer Dilks	10.71/hour	40
Jamie Squiccimara	10.71/ hour (returning)	32
Deb Benner	11.25/ hour (returning)	32
Gina Bryan	11.25/ hour (returning)	32
Halana Wall	10.71/hour	32
Emily Keeney	11.25/hour (returning)	32

Motion carried; all voted aye.

Motion by Keith McCarrick, seconded by Stephen L. Cunningham, to approve the **Personnel Report, ii. Appointments, 9:**

9. SUPPLEMENTAL SPORTS POSITIONS 2020-2021 school year:

AREA	POSITION	NAME	SALARY	SCHEDULE
Administration	Ticket Manager	Frank Mercon	\$4,109.00	A
Administration	Seasonal Game Manager	Rick Rossiter	\$1,375.00	A
Football	Varsity Coach	Thomas Hontz	\$10,814.00	A
Football	Assistant Coach	Bill Maximuck	\$6,486.00	A
Football	Assistant Coach	Chris Bieler	\$6,486.00	A
Football	Assistant Coach	Jason Kulp	\$6,486.00	A
Football	Assistant Coach	Brian Peoples	\$6,486.00	A
Football	Assistant Coach	Tobias Cole	\$6,486.00	A
Football	Assistant MS Coach	Shawn Leh	\$3,458.00	A
Football	Assistant MS Coach	Ben Kunkle	\$3,458.00	A
Cross Country	Varsity HS Coach	Todd Niemann	\$4,325.00	A
Cross Country	Assistant HS Coach	David Dusza	\$2,200.00	A
Cross Country	MS Coach	Clayton Mowrer	\$2,000.00	A
Cross Country	MS Assistant Coach	Rachel Plank	\$1,020.00	A
Golf	Varsity HS Coach	John Brittain	\$4,325.00	A
Golf	Assistant HS Coach	Joseph Dulin	\$1,836.00	A
Girls' Hockey	Varsity HS Coach	Jamie Warren	\$5,842.00	A
Girls' Hockey	Assistant HS Coach	Rachel Steinman	\$4,086.00	A
Girls' Hockey	MS School Coach	Antoinette Arner	\$2,920.00	A
Girls' Hockey	MS Assistant Coach	Deborah Macioge	\$2,338.00	A
Boys' Soccer	Varsity HS Coach	Kyle Fisher	\$5,842.00	A
Boys' Soccer	Assistant HS Coach	Doug Needs	\$4,086.00	A
Boys' Soccer	MS Coach	Carla Sokel	\$2,920.00	A
Boys' Soccer	MS Assistant Coach	Scott Cole	\$2,338.00	A
Girls' Soccer	Varsity HS Coach	Michael Freed	\$5,842.00	A
Girls' Soccer	Assistant HS Coach	Casey Lewis	\$4,086.00	A
Girls' Soccer	MS Coach	Don Cuomo	\$2,920.00	A
Girls' Soccer	MS Assistant Coach	Alicia Beer	\$1,870.00	B
Girls' Tennis	Coach	John Williamson	\$4,325.00	A
Girls' Tennis	Assistant Coach	Daniel Hawthorne	\$2,487.00	A
Water Polo	Coach	Brien Kalnoski	\$4,325.00	A
Cheerleaders	Advisor, High School	Kristen Funk	\$4,325.00	A

Motion carried; all voted aye.

B. ACTION ITEMS

- i. Motion by Stephen L. Cunningham, seconded by Melanie R. Cunningham to approve the **Budget Resolution for the 2020-2021** with a 0% millage rate increase as set forth in the attachment. (Attachment C). **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Drake – yes, Elliott – yes, Hipszer – yes, Maginnis – yes, McCarrick – yes, Pennepacker – yes, M. Cunningham – yes, S. Cunningham – yes, **Hofkin – no.** Motion passed.
- ii. Motion by Keith McCarrick, seconded by Melanie R. Cunningham, to **adopt the Homestead/Farmstead Exclusion Resolution for the 2020-2021 Budget.** (Attachment D) Motion carried; all voted aye.

Motion by Stephen L. Cunningham, seconded by Judy Maginnis, to approve **Action Items iii and iv:**

- iii. Motion to approve the **2020-2021 Montgomery County Intermediate Unit Intergovernmental Agreement for Shared Student Services** in the proposed amount of \$396,238.81. Final costs will be based on actual services provided. (Attachment E)
- iv: Motion to **adopt the attached Resolution regarding the transfer of \$150,000 to the Capital Reserve Account.** (Attachment F)

Motion carried; all voted aye.

Motion by Stephen L. Cunningham, seconded by Melanie R. Cunningham, to approve **Action Items v, vi, vii, and viii:**

- v. Motion to approve **authorization to make the necessary budgetary transfers in the 2019-2020 Budget to comply with state mandated GAAP (General Accepted Accounting Principle) regulations.**
- vi. Motion to **give Sandra Kassel, Business Administrator, the authority to assign a portion(s) of the fund balance for the turf fields.** These funds would then be transferred to the Capital Reserve Account.
- vii. Motion to approve **the Intermunicipal Agreement between Upper Hanover Township, Red Hill Borough and the District regarding the hiring and supervision of school crossing guards.** (Attachment G)
- viii. Motion to approve **Deduct Change Order EC-016 with Albarell Electric, Inc. in the amount of \$101,158.97.** This Credit Change Order is to reimburse the School District for unused amounts in accordance with the provisions of Specification Section 012129 "Quantity/Material Allowances", paragraph 1.3.C.

Motion carried; all voted aye.

Motion by Stephen L. Cunningham, seconded by Keith McCarrick, to approve **Action Items ix, x, and xi:**

- ix. Motion to approve **Advanced Protection Company, 101 Schuylkill Avenue, Norristown, PA, for the 2020-2021 school year to provide services for client**

facilities, athletic and specialty events as needed at the contracted rate of \$22.00 per hour. Hourly rate for holidays and overtime will be paid at the cost of \$33.00 per hour. (Attachment H)

- x. Motion to approve **Advanced Protection Company, 101 Schuylkill Avenue, Norristown, PA, for the 2020-2021 school year to provide services for client Facilities, or facilities services which currently are at the High School** at the contracted rate of \$22.00 per hour. Hourly rate for holidays and overtime will be paid at the cost of \$33.00 per hour. (Attachment I)
- xi. Motion to approve **the recommended Athletics and Training Supplies quotes for the 2020-2021 school year.** (Attachment J)

Motion carried; all voted aye.

- xii. Motion by Stephen L. Cunningham, seconded by Kerry A. Drake, to approve **purchase of textbooks/resources listed below**, recommended through curriculum review process, and budgeted for 20-21 School Year.

Grade Level	Course/ Subject	Textbook/resource requested	Number of teacher resources needed	Number of student licenses	Cost
5th	Social Studies	Houghton Mifflin Harcourt (HMH) Student Print & Digital Licenses 9780358401315 Into Social Studies Student License Print/Digital 6 Year Grade 5 Beginnings to the Civil War		310	\$26040
5th	Social Studies	Houghton Mifflin Harcourt (HMH) Teacher Print & Digital Licenses 9780358401315 Into Social Studies Print/Digital 6 Year Grade 5 Beginnings to the Civil War	7		\$728
TOTAL COST					\$26,768

Motion carried; all voted aye.

Motion by Stephen L. Cunningham, seconded by Melanie R. Cunningham, to approve **Action Items xiii, xiv, and xv:**

- xiii: Motion to approve **AG Administrators for student and extra-curricular insurance for 2020-2021**, through United States Fire Insurance Company at an annual premium, for the extra-curricular insurance, at a flat fee of \$14,378.00. The student coverage will be made available for purchase by the parents at the following premiums:

1. School Time Rate \$ 28.00
2. 24 Hours Rate \$124.00

- xiv: Motion to **award district elevator maintenance services from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 to Tri-State Elevator Company Inc.** for a cost of \$327 per quarter. An option

exists to extend this contract for two additional one-year terms at the pleasure of the district.

- xv: Motion to approve **the chiller rental proposal with Johnson Controls for the High School in the amount of \$64,416.88 for a 5 month period.** This is a temporary emergency replacement. The contract is also part of COSTARS a cooperative contract. (Attachment K)

Motion carried; all voted aye.

Motion by Stephen L. Cunningham, seconded by Judy Maginnis, to approve **Action items xvi, xvii, xviii, and xix:**

- xvi. Motion to approve **an agreement with the Montgomery County Intermediate Unit to provide E-rate services to the District** for the amount of \$3,150.00. (Attachment L)

- xvii. Motion to approve **the agreement with Pediatric Therapeutic Services for the 2020-2021 school year** at the following rates: \$68.49 per hour for Speech, \$68.49 per hour Occupational Therapy, \$68.49 per hour for Physical Therapy, \$57.99 per hour for COTA, \$78.99 for Board Certified Behavior Analyst, \$89.49 for Psychology, \$56.99 per hour for Registered Behavior Technician and \$36.99 for Behavior Technician. (Attachment M)

xviii. Special Education Services:

1. Motion to approve **Agreement with Buxmont Academy for the 2020-2021 academic school year** for one special education slot at a 10% discounted rate of \$144.68 per day. (Attachment N)
2. Motion to approve **Agreement with Lakeside Educational Network for the 2020-2021 school year tuition**, from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021, for one special education reserved slot at the cost of \$37,265.40. (Attachment O)

xix. Special Education Services – Extended School Year:

1. Motion to approve **Agreement with Milagre Kids School** for student #275953 for summer school session from June 8, 2020 through August 21, 2020 (with exception of July 3rd) in the amount of \$7335.00 per month.
2. Motion to approve **Agreement with Fairwold Academy** for the Extended School Year for tuition for student #265925, attending from July 1, 2020 through August 7, 2020 in the amount of \$2,997.
3. Motion to approve **Agreement with The Pennsylvania School for the Deaf** for the Extended School Year for tuition for student #274304, attending from July 6, 2020 through July 31, 2020 in the amount of \$6,200.
4. Motion to approve **Agreement with The Camphill School** for the Extended School Year for tuition for student #257147, attending from June 22, 2020 through July 17, 2020 in the amount of \$5,000.
5. Motion to approve **Agreement with The Camphill School** for the Extended School Year for tuition for student #272747, attending from June 22, 2020 through July 17, 2020 in the amount of \$5,000.

Motion carried; all voted aye.

- xx. Motion by Mike W. Elliott, seconded by Judy Maginnis, **to issue a joint statement from the Upper Perkiomen School District Board of Directors, regarding social media posts by the Board President.** “Those posts do not speak for us and we know for certain that they do not speak for the Upper Perkiomen School District, we believe in inclusion for all”. Motion carried; all voted aye.
- xxi. Motion by Mike W. Elliott, seconded by Judy Maginnis, to approve **the censure of Raeann Hofkin as President of the School Board.** ROLL CALL VOTE: Elliott – yes, Hipszer – yes, Maginnis – yes, McCarrick – yes, Pennepacker – yes, M. Cunningham – yes, S. Cunningham – yes, Drake – yes, Hofkin – yes. Motion passed.
- xxii. Motion by Mike W. Elliott, seconded by Judy Maginnis, to **remove Raeann Hofkin as President of the Upper Perkiomen School Board** due to inappropriate comments made on social media. ROLL CALL VOTE: Hipszer – Yes, Maginnis – yes, McCarrick – yes, Pennepacker – yes, M. Cunningham – yes, S. Cunningham – yes, Drake – yes, Elliott – yes, **Hofkin – no.** Motion passed.
- xxiii. Motion by Stephen L. Cunningham, seconded by Mike W. Elliott, to **nominate Kerry Drake for Board President.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NEW ACTION ITEM

Maggie Buckwalter, Upper Hanover Township
Jenn Moran, Upper Hanover Township
Hope Manion, Hereford Township
Christa McBride, East Greenville
Christie Cozzie-Nester, Upper Hanover Township

All thanked and appreciated Dr. Drake for accepting to step into the position of Board President.

Motion by Stephen L. Cunningham, seconded by Mike W. Elliott, to **nominate Kerry Drake for Board President.** ROLL CALL VOTE: M. Cunningham – yes, S. Cunningham – yes, Drake – yes, Elliott – yes, Hipszer – yes, Maginnis – yes, McCarrick – yes, Pennepacker – yes, Hofkin – yes. Motion passed.

BUSINESS REPORTS

Motion by Stephen L. Cunningham, seconded by Keith McCarrick, to approve the **payment of bills, in the amount of \$1,465,952.34 from the General Fund.** Motion carried; all voted aye.

Motion by Stephen L. Cunningham, seconded by Keith McCarrick, to approve the payment of bills **in the amount of \$34,247.21 from the Capital Projects & Capital Reserve Accounts.** Motion carried; all voted aye.

NEW FOLLOW UP ITEMS

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jenn Moran, Upper Hanover Township, talked about the difference between students and staff and the Board and accountability.

Mary Cannon, Hereford Township, said the PIAA rules seem a bit confusing and asked about the school grounds being opened for practices. She also asked about being able to reference back to assignments from the on-line learning.

Christine Schmoyer, Pennsburg, asked about the accountability of School Board Directors and to consider changing guidelines going forward, would like to see something established.

BOARD COMMENTS

Mike Elliott, said that it was a difficult night. He appreciated the community speaking and said many of the comments were powerful and moving. He is proud of all the Board and district has accomplished by working together, but said you can always continue to improve on creating an inclusive culture and welcoming everybody.

Melanie Cunningham, addressed the emotion of the evening. She said that everyone on the board gets along well and works together properly and well. She said that all the board members were emotional about the evening's meeting.

Judy Maginnis, said that the Upper Perkiomen Chamber of Commerce awarded Dr. Roche the Perk Up Award for Education. She echoed the sentiments of Mrs. Stauffer, from the UP Chamber on how Dr. Roche stepped right in to the district with students, staff and also the community. Mrs. Maginnis congratulated Dr. Roche on his accomplishments.

Kerry Drake, congratulated the graduates and told them that this will certainly be a year to remember.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Stephen L. Cunningham, seconded by Melanie R. Cunningham, that **the meeting be adjourned at 10:41 p.m.** Motion carried; all voted aye.

Sandra M. Kassel, Board Secretary