

The regular meeting of the Pennsville Board of Education was called to order at 6:00pm on Monday, September 18, 2017 by Mrs. Bodine.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Board members present were Messrs. Acton, Chambers, Hassler, Lang, Nugent, Thomas, Mrs. Staffieri-Morris, and Mrs. Bodine. Mrs. Phillips was absent. Also present were Dr. Brodzik and Mr. Davidson.

ROLL CALL

Mrs. Bodine led the board in the salute to the flag and asked for a moment of silence.

FLAG SALUTE

Mrs. Bodine read the following statement and requested it be made a part of the minutes:

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

The meeting is held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act and advance notice was provided to the SOUTH JERSEY TIMES and the COURIER POST and posted at 30 Church Street on September 12, 2017.

The board, as a Committee of the Whole, reviewed the agenda items for the September 25, 2017 board meeting and there was no discussion.

REVIEW OF AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Davidson had no communications.

COMMUNICATIONS

Dr. Brodzik thanked the public for attending and gave a brief overview of the construction progress and stated that he would give a tour of the updated facilities after the board meeting.

SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

Mrs. Baker-Plale announced the proposed 2018 spring musical. (Attachment "A")

SPRING MUSICAL

Dr. Brodzik thanked Mrs. Baker-Plale for her dedication to the auditorium renovations.

Mr. Chambers moved the board go out of agenda order. Mr. Thomas seconded the motion which was unanimously approved on voice vote.

OUT OF AGENDA ORDER

Mr. Biebel of 106 Riviera Drive, Pennsville, New Jersey thanked the school district for the school improvements.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ms. Smith of 4 Fordham Road, Pennsville, New Jersey spoke about the auditorium's sound system.

Mrs. Bodine stated that the following block of New Business resolutions will be considered with a roll call vote: 1NB-6NB. She asked if any board member had a resolution for withdrawal from the block to be voted on separately. No one did.

On recommendation of the Superintendent, Mr. Chambers moved the board:

Approve to accept with regret the resignation of Kristin Craner, Special Education Teacher at the Pennsville Middle School, effective October 29, 2017, or sooner, if a suitable replacement is found.

RESIGNATION:
K. CRANER

Approve the following event game personnel for the 2017-2018 school year:

2017-18 EVENT GAME PERSONNEL

Home Football Event Staff (Assist w/PVPD) (\$50/per event)	Ammey Kennedy
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Approve a contract with ALD Therapy (Bridgett O'Brien), Certified Physical Therapist, to provide Physical Therapy services to eligible students at the rate of \$75.00 per hour, not to exceed \$60,000, beginning September 1, 2017.

2017-18 PT SERVICES: ALD THERAPY

Approve the following individuals, who hold a substitute teaching certificate and criminal history background check, to Schedule "C" Extra-Curricular positions at the contractual stipends listed, as per the negotiated agreement for the 2017-2018 school year:

SCHEDULE "C": EXTRA-CURRICULAR POSITION

Matthew Necelis	Asst. Marching Band Director	\$2,423
Colleen Fitzgerald	Band Front Advisor	\$1,574

Approve the following workshop, meals plus mileage not to exceed the state travel reimbursement requirements set forth by the Department of Treasury:

WORKSHOP

Cynthia Silver to attend the "What's Happening in Special Education Law?" to be held in Dover, Delaware on October 13, 2017 with a registration fee of \$175.00.

Approve the following Field Trip:

FIELD TRIP

September 26, 2017 for 15 Students, 2 Adults

Mr. Acton seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion were Messrs. Acton, Chambers, Hassler, Lang, Nugent, Thomas, Mrs. Staffieri-Morris, and Mrs. Bodine. Total 8. Mrs. Phillips was absent. Total 1. Motion carried.

Discussion occurred regarding the success of the marching band and the stadium opening. Mr. Acton also thanked Mrs. Baker-Plale and the other administrators for their commitment to the district.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

There were no public comments.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Acton moved the meeting be adjourned. Mr. Chambers seconded the motion which was unanimously approved on voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:43 pm.

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The following materials were available for public review at this meeting:
Agenda.

MATERIALS AVAILABLE
FOR REVIEW

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard Davidson", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Richard Davidson
Secretary

Pennsville School District School Board of Education

2017-18 Musical Proposal

Ladies and gentleman of the 2017-18 School Board, my name is Courtney Rousak and this is my fourth year as the musical director in Pennsville. Last year, we had great success with our musical *Mary Poppins* and I am hoping that we can continue our legacy of great, family musical entertainment this year. For the 2017-18 school year, I wanted to leave the "Disney Musicals" behind and go back to our roots and perform a classic musical that all generations can enjoy. I am confident that I have found a musical that will do just that.

I am proposing that this year we perform *Guys and Dolls*. This is a fantastic musical that has many well known numbers, great characters and is a staple in classic musical theater repertoire. The musical premiered on Broadway in 1950 and was later turned into a major motion picture starring Marlon Brando and Frank Sinatra in 1955. As our new auditorium will be opening this year, I wanted to choose a musical that could have been performed when our first auditorium opened. I want to encourage people that have graduated from Pennsville since that time to come in, see the new auditorium, and see how wonderful our students are.

Guys and Dolls requires a large cast. We need at least twelve leads (many of them men) and an ensemble capable of being "Hot Box Dancers," "Salvation Army Participants," "Gamblers," "City Folk," and so many more. The variety of characters in this show will allow us to put students in groups that make them feel comfortable with different levels of singing and dancing. This year, we have so many males that are willing and able to participate in the musical that I wanted to shift to a male heavy production to encourage their participation and hopefully involve even more of our male population to come out to audition, as well.

I have no doubt that this show will be new to most of our students. In years past, we have performed musicals that many of our students already knew through their Disney popularity. I am looking forward to involving them in a musical that they feel they will be "learning from scratch." This will force students to really think about their characterization, learn brand new music, and perform on a level that has not been required of them thus far.

Lastly, *Guys and Dolls* will be especially special for me to direct. In 2004, Sarah Polk directed this musical and I had the privilege of playing the role of Sarah Brown under her direction. I am so excited to use the skills that I learned right here at Pennsville Memorial High School under that wonderful educator in order to inspire our students to continue to participate and support the arts, just as I know Sarah Polk did for so many of her students.

I am very excited to start working with both you and the students again this year. I have enjoyed every minute of my time here in Pennsville, and look forward to many more years to come. I know that this year's musical will be a great success for us all and I thank you in advance for your consideration. Of course if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at any time at crousak@pv-eagles.org.

Regards,

Courtney Rousak