

**PEKIN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT #108
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
November 15, 2021**

MINUTES:

- CALL MEETING TO ORDER** The Board of Education of Pekin Public Schools, District 108 held a regular meeting Monday, November 15, 2021 in the District #108 Board Room. President Spanos called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m.
- ROLL CALL** The following Board members answered roll call: Mrs. Cole, Mrs. Frazier, Mr. Root, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Spanos, and Mr. Tibbs. Mrs. Dewitt was absent.
- VISITORS** No one submitted a request to address the Board of Education.
- APPROVE AGENDA** **MOTION:** by Mrs. Frazier, seconded by Mrs. Smith, to approve the agenda as presented by the Superintendent.
Roll Call: “Yeas”; Mrs. Frazier, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Spanos, Mr. Tibbs, Mrs. Cole, and Mr. Root.
Motion carried 6-0.
- APPROVE TREASURER’S REPORTS AND WARRANTS FOR OCTOBER 2021** **MOTION:** by Mr. Root, seconded by Mr. Tibbs, to approve the treasurer’s report and warrants for October 2021 in the amount of \$3,709,528.18 of which \$2,010,842.69 is payroll.
Roll Call: “Yeas”; Mr. Root, Mr. Tibbs, Mrs. Cole, Mrs. Frazier, Mrs. Smith, and Mr. Spanos.
Motion carried 6-0.
- REPORTS** The following reports were presented:
- Finance Committee Report/Projected 2021 Levy (Mrs. Caty Campbell, Business Manager)
- A-CONSENT AGENDA** **MOTION:** by Mrs. Frazier, seconded by Mr. Root, to approve Consent Agenda items 1-3 as presented by the Superintendent.
Roll Call: “Yeas”; Mrs. Frazier, Mr. Root, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Spanos, Mr. Tibbs, and Mrs. Cole.
Motion carried 6-0.
- 1) Approve Minutes The Board of Education approved the minutes of the October 18, 2021 Board of Education meeting.
- 2) Accept Gifts The Board of Education accepted the following gifts to District 108:
- Washington Intermediate School is pleased to acknowledge the receipt of a monetary gift in the amount of \$500.00 from Amanda Seelye, representative with Country Financial. This gift will be used to purchase books for Washington Intermediate School classroom libraries.
- 3) Personnel
- Employ*
- Employ Katherine Cheneler for the position of Special Education Teacher, at an annual salary of \$47,271 + TRS to be pro-rated for an effective start date of December 13, 2021 for the 2021-2022 school year.
- Separate*
- Accept the resignation of Suzanne Adcock, Literacy Leader, for retirement purposes, utilizing the District’s Early Retirement Incentive, effective the end of the 2024-2025 school year.

- Accept the resignation of Tiffany Cascia, Literacy Leader, for retirement purposes, utilizing the District’s Early Retirement Incentive, effective the end of the 2024-2025 school year.
- Accept the resignation of Kari Sturch, Special Education Teacher, for retirement purposes, utilizing the District’s Early Retirement Incentive, effective the end of the 2024-2025 school year.
- Accept the resignation of Susan Heffren, Special Education Paraprofessional, effective January 2, 2022.
- Accept the resignation of Cynthia Young, Teacher, effective December 17, 2021.

Approve

- Approve a Family Medical Leave of Absence for Kim Moore, Literacy Leader, effective November 29, 2021 through January 7, 2022 for a total of 20 days, using 20 paid sick leave days.
- Approve a Family Medical Leave of Absence for Dawn Finneran, Teacher, effective November 30, 2021 through January 17, 2022 for a total of 24 days, using 24 paid sick leave days.
- Approve Jeff Ales, Betty Alexander, and Brett Klepitch as Substitute Teachers for the 2021-2022 school year.
- Approve Cara Lane as a Substitute Social Worker for the 2021-2022 school year.

B-AUTHORIZE
PUBLICATION OF TRUTH
IN TAXATION NOTICE
FOR DECEMBER LEVY

MOTION: by Mr. Root, seconded by Mrs. Frazier, to adopt Resolution 22:907 and authorize the publication of the Truth-in-Taxation notice for the December levy.

Roll Call: “Yeas”; Mr. Root, Mrs. Frazier, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Spanos, Mr. Tibbs, and Mrs. Cole
Motion carried 6-0.

C-RENEW PROPERTY
CASUALTY INSURANCE
CONTRACT

MOTION: by Mrs. Cole, seconded by Mrs. Smith, to renew the District’s property casualty contract.

Roll Call: “Yeas”: Mrs. Cole, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Spanos, Mr. Tibbs, Mrs. Frazier, and Mr. Root
Motion carried 6-0.

OTHER BUSINESS

UPDATES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Board of Education Updates

November 15, 2021

Request to Purchase a Utility Van for Technology Center

With the recent rapid acquisition and deployment of technological hardware across all of our schools, the need to deliver new equipment and to transport equipment for replacement and repairs has drastically increased. Our Tech Center Chief Technician (Louie Penning), and Technology Department Director (Angie Arnold), have requested the purchase of a basic panel utility van so personal vehicles will not have to be used for this purpose. It is estimated that the vehicle purchase can be made for under \$40K. ESSER III Grant funds can be used because this purchase would fall within the category of technology enhancement and support as per the grant guidelines.

Board of Education Updates (Continued)

Tentative December Reports

- 2021 Levy

Tentative December Items for Action

- Establish 2021 Levy
- Authorization to solicit bids for the purchase of a utility panel van

Board of Education Announcements
November 15, 2021

November 24 (Wednesday)	Special Holiday-No School
November 25 (Thursday)	Thanksgiving Day-No School
November 26 (Friday)	Special Holiday-No School
December 10 (Friday)	SIP Day-Early Release
December 13 (Monday)	Board of Education Meeting-6:45 p.m.
December 17 (Friday)	Dismiss for Winter Break- <i>Early Dismissal</i>
January 3 (Monday)	All Day District Institute
January 4 (Tuesday)	Classes Resume

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: by Mrs. Frazier, seconded by Mrs. Smith, to adjourn the meeting at 7:13 p.m.
Roll Call: “Yeas”; Mrs. Frazier, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Spanos, Mr. Tibbs, Mrs. Cole, and Mr. Root
Motion carried 6-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Maria Galvin, Board Secretary

Chris Spanos, Board of Education President