



CENTRAL VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
NOVEMBER 21, 2019 – 7:00 PM  
CENTRAL VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA

# MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. ROLL CALL

  X   Mr. Ambrose  
  X   Ms. Belcastro  
  X   Mr. Bloom  
  X   Mr. King  
  X   Mr. Mowad

  X   Mr. O'Neill  
  X   Mr. Ross  
  X   Dr. Unis  
  X   Mr. Zaritski

\*Also Present: Dr. Perry, Mr. Halsey and Mr. Maly

## ROUTINE ITEMS

III. EXECUTIVE SESSION

An Executive Session will be held beginning at 6:45 p.m. for the purpose of personnel discussions.

IV. MINUTES

1. To approve the Voting Session Minutes from October 17, 2019. **Attachment A**

**Action required on item 1:**

Motion by Mr. Bloom                      Second by Mr. Mowad  
Motion: Carried 9 Yes, 0 No

**TREASURER’S REPORT – Mr. King, Treasurer**

**BUSINESS ITEMS**

1. The following bills and reports are submitted for approval:

A. PAY BILLS --

1. Confirm the October 2019 General Fund Payments in the amount of \$1,506,615.89.  
**Attachment B**
2. Confirm the October 2019 Cafeteria Fund Payments in the amount of \$64,640.01.  
**Attachment C**
3. Confirm the October 2019 Construction Fund Payments in the amount of \$172,063.71.  
**Attachment D**

B. REPORT --

1. To approve the October 2019 Berkheimer Report. **Attachment E**

**Action required on item 1:**

Motion by Mr. Ross  
Motion: 9 Yes, 0 No

Second by Ms. Belcastro

V. **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS** (Prior to speaking, please state your name and address for the record)

**AGENDA ITEMS**

**A. BOARD/POLICY ITEMS – Mr. Zaritski, Chairperson**

1. To approve the following Policy additions/revisions: **Attachment F**
  - 251 Homeless Students – revision
  - 255 Educational Stability for Children in Foster Care – new policy
2. To approve to authorize Resolution 2019-09 to Issue a Statement of Charges and Notice of Hearing to Employee Number 217.
3. To approve to authorize the Settlement of Various Shell Real Estate Tax Assessment Appeals filed in the Beaver County Court of Common Pleas for the period of 2017-2022 in accordance with the attached schedule. **Attachment G**
4. To approve Resolution 2019-02 authorizing the appropriate District officials to execute an agreement with Berkheimer appointing Berkheimer as the District’s collector of Business Privilege/Mercantile taxes.

5. To approve Resolution 2019-03 appointing the Business Manager as liaison between the District and Berkheimer for the purpose sharing confidential tax information.
6. To approve Resolution 2019-04 appointing Berkheimer as the District's tax hearing officer pursuant to the Local Taxpayers' Bill of Rights for the purpose of adjudicating appeals related to Business Privilege/Mercantile tax.
7. Motion to authorize Berkheimer to initiate Electronic Funds Transfers utilizing the Automated Clearing House System.
8. Motion to approve the schedule of collection costs to be imposed for delinquent Business Privilege Tax/Mercantile tax payments.
9. To approve Resolution 2019-05 authorizing the appropriate District officials to execute an agreement with Berkheimer appointing Berkheimer as the District's collector of Local Services taxes.
10. To approve Resolution 2019-06 appointing the Business Manager as liaison between the District and Berkheimer for the purpose sharing confidential tax information.
11. To approve Resolution 2019-08 appointing Berkheimer as the District's tax hearing officer pursuant to the Local Taxpayers' Bill of Rights for the purpose of adjudicating appeals related to Local Services Tax.
12. To authorize Berkheimer to initiate Electronic Funds Transfers utilizing the Automated Clearing House System
13. Motion to approve the schedule of collection costs to be imposed for delinquent Local Services tax payments.
14. Motion to adopt the rules and regulations promulgated by Berkheimer related to the collection of Local Services Tax.
15. To approve Resolution 2019-07 authorizing Berkheimer to impose and retain costs of collection on delinquent taxes.
16. To approve an Agreement in Lieu of Expulsion Hearing between the District and Student #1000283.
17. To approve an Agreement in Lieu of Expulsion Hearing between the District and Student #220041.
18. To approve a Memorandum of Understanding with the Monaca Boro to place a school resource officer in the Central Valley Middle School subject to final review and approval of the solicitor.



**B. NEGOTIATION ITEMS – Mr. King, Chairperson**

**C. EDUCATION ITEMS – Ms. Belcastro, Chairperson**

1. To approve/confirm the released time/staff development requests:

<b>Conference – Location</b>	<b>Individual</b>	<b>Date</b>
PAPBS Meeting, BVIU	Kayse Hicks	10/18/2019
Shell Energy Workshop, Pittsburgh	Karen Lyons, Monica Taylor	10/29/2019
PSCA Conference, Pittsburgh	Bernadette Mattica, Shannon Istik	11/21/2019
CPI Refresher Training, BVIU	Ken Klemencic, Megan Kryzwick, David Bell, William King, Ken McLaughlin, Krista DiBiagio, Nicole Suhayda, Bristol Ellefson, Carla Kosanovich, Amber McKim, Jeff Verner, & Jake Savisky	11/21/2019

**Action required on item 1:**

Motion by Mr. Mowad                      Second by Mr. O’Neill  
 Motion: Carried 9 yes, 0 No

FYI: Added to the Supplemental List for 2019-2020, Maureen Hulme, HS Yearbook.

**D. TECHNOLOGY – Dr. Unis, Chairperson**

**E. ATHLETICS – Mr. O’Neill, Chairperson**

1. To approve the following individuals for the Central Valley intramural basketball program at a stipend of \$12.00/hour not to exceed 225 total hours:
  - a. Brian Emler
  - b. Bill King
  - c. Jim Dran
  - d. Brett Pfeifer
  - e. Adam Cosnek
  - f. Ray Antonelli
  
2. To approve the following wrestling coaches for the 2019-2020 season pending receipt, review and acceptance of all clearances:

a. Matt Dickinson	Jr. High Coach	\$1,000.00
b. Herb Mroz	Volunteer Assistant	\$0
  
3. To authorize preliminary approval for the girls’ softball team spring trip to Pigeon Forge, Tennessee – Ripken Experience March 26, 2020 – March 29, 2020. **Attachment H**
  
4. To approve the resignation of Jonathan Miller, girls’ varsity soccer coach, effective November 4, 2019. **Attachment I**
  
5. To approve the resignation of Louis Armezzani, assistant wrestling coach, effective November 21, 2019.

**Action required on items 1 - 5:**

Motion by Mr. Bloom                      Second by Mr. Mowad  
Motion: Carried 9 Yes, 0 No

**Discussion:**

- Mr. Ambose asked for the average number of participants in the intramural basketball? Dr. Perry said he will find out.



**F. EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES – Mr. Ross, Chairperson**

1. To preliminarily approve an Eighth Grade Honors overnight field trip to Gettysburg from May 5, 2020 through May 7, 2020. **Attachment J**

**Action required on item 1:**

Motion by Mr. Mowad                      Second by Mr. Ambrose  
 Motion: Approved 9 Yes, 0 No

**FYI – Field Trips**

<b>Destination</b>	<b>Group</b>	<b>Date</b>
CCAC West Hills	HS Students	10/23/2019
Robert Morris University	HS SAEM	10/30/2019
Aviation Center, Chippewa	HS Students	11/6/2019
Westminster College	HS Band	11/12/19 & 12/12-12/14/2019
Heinz Field	HS Gifted	11/19/2019
Beaver HS	7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Band	11/20 & 11/21/2019
Cinemark, Monaca	Grade 8	11/27/2019
Butler Intermediate Unit	HS Band	2/13 – 2/15/2020
Carnegie Science Center	Grade 4	6/3/2020

**G. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS – Mr. Mowad, Chairperson**

1. To approve/confirm the following Building Usage requests:

<b>Building</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Purpose</b>
HS Auditorium	Roxanne Delon, SAEM Class	12/14/2019	E-Sports Tournament

**Action required on item 1:**

Motion by Mr. O'Neill                      Second by Ms. Belcastro  
Motion: Carried 9 Yes, 0 No

#### **H. PERSONNEL ITEMS – Mr. Bloom, Chairperson**

1. To accept the resignation of Carly George, MS Spanish and ESL teacher at the middle school effective December 3, 2019. **Attachment K**
2. To approve Aimee Steele as a long-term substitute at the middle school from October 24, 2019 through June 5, 2020 at \$130/day pending receipt, review, and acceptance of all clearances.
3. To accept the resignation of Sarah Castania, cafeteria general worker, effective November 1, 2019. **Attachment L**
4. To accept the resignation of Joanne Basko, cafeteria general worker, effective November 22, 2019. **Attachment M**
5. To approve the addition of Sarah Castania and Joanne Basko to the 2019-2020 cafeteria substitute list.
6. To approve an unpaid leave of absence for a custodian from October 30, 2019 to January 2, 2020.
7. To approve Barb Hrelec as a part time custodian at a rate of \$13.50/hr. in accordance with the CVESP Agreement pending receipt, review, and acceptance of all clearances, effective November 22, 2019.
8. To approve Rebecca Pisano as a paraprofessional at a rate of \$13.50/hr in accordance with the CVESP Agreement pending receipt, review, and acceptance of all clearances, effective December 9, 2019.
9. To approve Kimberly Wherry a paraprofessional at a rate of \$13.50/hr in accordance with the CVESP Agreement pending receipt, review, and acceptance of all clearances, effective December 9, 2019.
10. To accept the resignation of Melissa Ruttan, part-time custodian effective immediately.

#### **Action required on items 1-10:**

Motion by Bloom                      Second by Mr. Ross  
Motion: Carried 9 Yes, 0 No

**I. FINANCE ITEMS – Mr. Ambrose, Chairperson**

1. To approve the audit report for the Central Valley School District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019 as presented by Cypher & Cypher, Certified Public Accountants.

**Action required on item 1:**

Motion by Mr. Bloom                      Second by Mr. King  
Motion: Carried 9 Yes, 0 No

**J. SUPERINTENDENT’S ITEMS/COMMENTS**

- Dr. Perry reminded the board that he was extremely happy that the 2018-2019 General Fund balance had increased by \$108,039 which was \$845,358 better than the \$737,319 budget deficit that was anticipated when the 2018-2019 budget was passed. He thanked everyone in the District for recognizing the budget crisis and accepting “convenience cuts” that were made that did not affect educational staffing or classroom programs. He reminded the board that the budget issues should come as no surprise and that he has informed the board every year that the General Fund balance has been dwindling. Dr. Perry cited the audit report recommendation of a 6% General Fund balance as the standard for a healthy district and that the current fund balance of \$325,081 represents only 1% here at Central Valley. He stressed concern that there is little capital funds to maintain building operations should things begin to fail. Dr. Perry also stated the audit report identifying revenue from growth, expenditure reductions and tax increases as the only way to make up budget deficits. He reminded the board of the proactive measures that have been taken to reduce expenditures such as renegotiation of contracts, debt restructuring, operational cuts to include a director of curriculum and instruction, and the decision not to replace certain positions that were not teaching staff due to retirements. He stated everyone is doing more to help the cause. According to Dr. Perry taxes are increased every year but cannot generate enough revenue to outweigh mandated expenses for things such as PSERS and salaries and benefits. He also stated that he anticipates a \$421,373 surplus in the 2019-2020 budget year but stressed that he will not know if that will come to fruition until the books are audited at the end of the year citing that out of District tuition for special education and cyber charter schools can never be 100% predicted.

**K. BOARD MEMBERS’ COMMENTS**

- Dr. Unis asked why there is discussion of moving the intramural season? Dr. Perry said it is being explored because it interferes with the regular season of basketball.
- Dr. Unis also asked about a high school trip to Europe with Ms. Delon. He wanted to know if this is a school sponsored event. Dr. Perry said he is unaware of the District sponsoring a trip to Europe. He will get more details and let the Board know.
- Mr. Ambrose said he wants to echo Dr. Perry’s comments regarding Cypher & Cypher.
- Mr. Ross congratulated the football team and asked about sending a letter of recognition. Dr. Perry said that we will send to the football team, band and cheerleaders after the season is over.

- Mr. Bloom inquired about the Board representative to the WPIAL. Dr. Perry said he will look into it for him.
- Mr. O'Neill asked about student driving for sports and liability. Mr. Halsey responded saying the school is not liable.

**L. PUBLIC COMMENTS** (Prior to speaking, please state your name and address for the record)

**ADJOURNMENT**

1. To adjourn the meeting.

**Action required on item 1:**

Motion by Mr. Bloom      Second by Ms. Belcastro  
Motion: Carried 9 Yes, 0 No