1.0 The Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by the Board President, Kevin Raudenbush, in the LeRoy K. Seip Memorial Meeting Room of the Schuylkill Valley High School.

1.1 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

1.2 ROLL CALL
Members Present: Paul L. Bendigo, Robert M. Dempsey, Nicoleen M. Kleffel, George H. Mertz III, G., Dane Miller, Kevin Raudenbush, Alfonso F. Rossi

Board Members Linda R. Lash (who joined the meeting at 7:03 p.m.) and Jay R. Melvin were not physically present but participated and voted via speakerphone.

Secretary: Linda R. Lash

Treasurer: Changming Wang

Recording Secretary: Susan A. Christman

Administrative Staff Present: Dr. Cynthia S. Mierzejewski, Michael Billman, Robin Brightbill, Jeremy Crills, Maggie Drake, Brian Lacey, Melissa Rhoads, Changming Wang

1.3 APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Moved by Paul Bendigo and seconded by Robert Dempsey to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of November 20, 2017, and the reorganization/regular meeting of December 4, 2017, as presented.

Yeas: Bendigo, Dempsey, Kleffel, Melvin, Mertz, Miller, Raudenbush, Rossi

Motion passed unanimously.

1.4 EXECUTIVE SESSION
Mr. Raudenbush reported that the Board met in executive session on December 4, 2017, for a personnel matter, and on January 18, 2018, for personnel matters, litigation and potential student disciplinary matter.

1.5 RECOGNITION
Mr. Eldon Kibler, representing the Leesport VFW, was present to recognize the SVSD sixth grade middle school students for their letters written to veterans. This project was part of the sixth grade language arts classes of Mrs. Christine Wysocki and Mrs. Christina Miller and their study of short stories. This year the class read a story about good deeds and discussed the theme. The writing assignment was to write a letter to someone that they appreciate. The students were split into groups of three with one of the students having a connection to a veteran so they could share that experience with the group.

Each group read their letters to the Board and were presented with certificates from the VFW along with a gift certificate. First place went to the “The USA Appreciators” which included
Amber Stoudt, Kayley Weidner and Chymera Fields. Second place went to “The Liberty Bells” which included Christopher Adams, Emmitt Mackes and Kaya Laubach. The Board and Mr. Kibler congratulated the students for their excellent work.

2.0 REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND BOARD REPRESENTATIVES

2.1 PRESIDENT – Kevin Raudenbush
No report.

2.2 SECRETARY – Linda R. Lash
No report.

2.3 BERKS COUNTY I.U. BOARD – Linda R. Lash
Mrs. Lash noted that the BCIU will be voting on replacing their current CIO/Director of Information Technology, Mr. Bill Miller, with Mr. Andreas Ludwig.

2.4 BERKS CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER – Jay Melvin
Dr. Melvin reported that the next meeting will be held on January 24 and will be attended by Mr. Mertz.

2.5 TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE – Paul L. Bendigo
Mr. Bendigo reported that the contractor is currently processing the bureau over to the new system and that the transition will take place over the next four months.

2.6 PA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION LIAISON – Linda R. Lash
Mr. Miller reported that there was information provided regarding Pennsylvania’s 13-year education improvement plan and the Future Ready Index. Dr. Mierzejewski noted that this index is in the state’s ESSA plan which was just approved by the federal DOE. It replaces the School Performance Profile rating tool with a different tool called the Future Ready PA Index which is weighted less on standardized testing. There are also different components on attendance, graduation rate and career readiness.

3.0 PERSONS WHO WISH TO ADDRESS THE BOARD
Kim Harmuth, Bern Township, expressed concern regarding the proposed 300+ bed drug and alcohol mental health facility on 82 acres across from the Reading Airport. The property backs up to Gring’s Mill and there is also a daycare facility next door on the property behind Teleflex. She asked if the Board knew if the children under 18 years of age in the treatment facility are required to be bussed and educated by the district. Dr. Mierzejewski answered that she would need to check into this. Mr. Rossi added that the pamphlet states that it is a locked facility. Dr. Mierzejewski added that this may be similar to the migrant facility where the BCIU handles the education internally. Mr. Bendigo asked if there was a breakdown of what ages would be treated in the facility. Ms. Harmuth stated that at the meeting two weeks ago they were told that it would be for children all the way up to the elderly. Mr. Rossi commented that he understood this would be an in-patient facility. He stated that it should be taken up with the township as they could make the approvals with the township conditional on the use of the facility and that they could not expand this when they do the land development. Mr. Raudenbush suggested Board member representation at subsequent township meetings to stay abreast of the situation.
Mr. Miller asked if the township could require the facility to erect barriers for safety. Mr. Rossi stated that the township can put many conditions on the approval of the project however the zoning for this project is already set up in that area of the township. Mr. Bendigo added that the next meeting is on January 23 and will deal with township approval for the facility to have access to Rt. 183.

4.0 BOARD

Resolution
4.1 The Board is requested to consider and approve the resolution opposing ESA voucher programs (SB 2).

Board Action: Moved by Dane Miller and seconded by Robert Dempsey to approve the resolution opposing ESA voucher programs (SB 2).

Yea: Bendigo, Dempsey, Kleffel, Lash, Melvin, Mertz, Miller, Raudenbush, Rossi

Motion passed unanimously.

5.0 SUPERINTENDENT

5.1 Monthly Reports

5.1.1 Enrollment Year-To-Date
5.1.2 Principals' Reports
5.1.3 Dropout Report

Dr. Mierzejewski stated that in comparison to last year’s enrollment numbers, the elementary school is at about the same number which is currently 774. The middle school does have more students this year with a current enrollment of 692, and the high school is a bit lower than last year with a current enrollment of 604. At this time the projection for next year, if there are no new move-ins, the elementary school will be lower by about 40 students. The middle school will slightly decrease and high school enrollment may also increase slightly.

Comprehensive Plan Update

5.2 Dr. Mierzejewski stated that the first planning meeting was scheduled for January 17, but has been postponed due to snow until January 31 at 6:30 p.m. PDE requires school districts to submit a comprehensive plan every three years. The end result will be a comprehensive plan submitted to PDE by November 30, 2018. There will be a 30-day public review and then the Board is required to approve the plan by November 30. When the committee meets on January 31 they will be discussing review of the mission statement and vision statement values. They will be using the survey data that was completed by the professional staff, support staff, parents and students which included input on the mission statement, vision statements, and district priorities. In future meetings they will review academic data and in the spring/summer they will be setting the goals and our action plans to be ready for submission in the fall. Everyone is welcome to be a committee member. Mr. Raudenbush commented that this process is extremely interesting and he became interested in being a board member after his involvement in the comprehensive plan process. He welcomed everyone to attend the planning meetings.

5.3 Other (Old/New Business)

Dr. Mierzejewski stated that the BCIU has replaced pictures of former IU Directors in their board room with current works of art from students in Berks County schools. On January 18, the students and their families were invited to view their art at the IU. Our district is represented by Emily Wyatt who submitted a photo montage of our new stadium and track. These will be displayed for a year and then changed out on an annual basis.

Dr. Mierzejewski also noted that January is School Board Recognition month and stated that serving on a school board is done out of love for the community and a sense of civic duty. The Board members were presented with a small token of appreciation including an SV acrylic keychain created by the high school manufacturing class in the technology education department. Mrs. Drake noted that the students worked diligently on the key chains and were able to sell over 300 of them. They used the proceeds to make a donation to the Conner Kleffel Scholarship Fund. Dr. Mierzejewski again thanked the members of the Board for their service to the district.
6.0 POLICY, PERSONNEL AND PUBLIC RELATIONS

Summary of Committee Deliberations – Linda R. Lash

The Policy, Personnel and Public Relations Committee met at 6:32 p.m. on Thursday, January 18, 2018, in the Schuylkill Valley High School LeRoy K. Seip Memorial Meeting Room. The next meeting of the Committee will be held on Monday, February 12, 2018.

Committee Recommendations for Board Consideration

Be It Resolved, That the Board of School Directors:

6.1 Approves the adoption of the annual calendar for the 2018-2019 school year, as presented.

6.2 Accepts, with best wishes for the future, the retirement of Mr. Brian Lacey, Director of Special Education and Pupil Services, effective April 30, 2018.

Board Action: Moved by Dane Miller and seconded by George Mertz to approve the adoption of the annual calendar for the 2018-2019 school year, as presented; and to accept, with best wishes for the future, the retirement of Mr. Brian Lacey, Director of Special Education and Pupil Services, effective April 30, 2018.

Yeas: Bendigo, Dempsey, Kleffel, Lash, Melvin, Mertz, Miller, Raudenbush, Rossi

Motion passed unanimously.

6.3 Approves the employment of the following (all elections are contingent upon receipt and district approval of all necessary pre-employment forms, certification, state-mandated physical examinations, clearances, etc.).

6.3.1 Mr. Ean Costenbader, Autistic Support Teacher at the Middle School, MS, Step 8, $61,847, to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Mrs. Jennifer Holiday, effective pending release from current assignment.

6.3.2 Mrs. Tiffany Rollman, Part-Time Non-Certified Special Education Paraprofessional at the Elementary School, at an hourly rate of $12.00, to fill the vacancy created by her resignation, effective December 5, 2017.

Board Action: Moved by Alfonso Rossi and seconded by Robert Dempsey to approve the employment in Items 6.3.1 and 6.3.2, as presented.

Yeas: Bendigo, Dempsey, Kleffel, Lash, Melvin, Mertz, Miller, Raudenbush, Rossi

Motion passed unanimously.

6.3.3 Substitutes for 2017-18 school year.

6.3.4 Volunteers for the 2017-18 school year.

Board Action: Moved by Paul Bendigo and seconded by George Mertz to approve the employment in Items 6.3.3 and 6.3.4, as presented.

Yeas: Bendigo, Dempsey, Kleffel, Lash, Melvin, Mertz, Miller, Raudenbush, Rossi

Motion passed unanimously.
6.3.5 Mrs. Deborah Werstler, to assume the role of the Ready Set Read Coordinator and be paid the remainder of the stipend, $696.00, due to the vacancy created by Mrs. Kathleen Gwiazdowski’s leave for the second half of the 2017-18 school year.

6.3.6 The change of status of Miss Amanda Wilson from Substitute Teacher to 2nd Grade Long Term Substitute Teacher at the Elementary School, BS, Step 1, $47,575, to fill the vacancy created by the sabbatical of Mrs. Kathleen Gwiazdowski, effective with the start of the 2nd semester through the conclusion of the 2017-18 school year.

6.3.7 Additional winter coach for the 2017-18 school year.

Board Action: Moved by Dane Miller and seconded by George Mertz to approve the employment in Items 6.3.5 through and including and 6.3.7, as presented.

Yeas: Bendigo, Dempsey, Kleffel, Lash, Melvin, Mertz, Miller, Raudenbush, Rossi

Motion passed unanimously.

6.4 Approves the proposed Memorandum of Understanding between the Board of School Directors of the Schuylkill Valley School District and Schuylkill Valley Education Association, regarding additional language added to Appendix B, Section D Retirement Severance Payout section.

Board Action: Moved by George Mertz and seconded by Robert Dempsey to approve the proposed Memorandum of Understanding between the Board of School Directors of the Schuylkill Valley School District and Schuylkill Valley Education Association, regarding additional language added to Appendix B, Section D Retirement Severance Payout section.

Yeas: Bendigo, Dempsey, Kleffel, Lash, Melvin, Mertz, Miller, Raudenbush, Rossi

Motion passed unanimously.

6.5 Approves the conference request from Mrs. Stephanie Jacobs to attend the PETE&C (PA Educational Technology Expo and Conference) from February 12-13, 2018, in Hershey, PA, at an approximate cost of $361.00.

Board Action: Moved by George Mertz and seconded by Robert Dempsey to approve the conference request from Mrs. Stephanie Jacobs to attend the PETE&C (PA Educational Technology Expo and Conference) from February 12-13, 2018, in Hershey, PA, at an approximate cost of $361.00.

Yeas: Bendigo, Dempsey, Kleffel, Lash, Melvin, Mertz, Miller, Raudenbush, Rossi

Motion passed unanimously.

6.6 Approves the second reading and final adoption of Policy 246: School Wellness, as revised.

6.7 Approves the second reading and final adoption of Policy 808: Food Services, as revised.

Board Action: Moved by Dane Miller and seconded by George Mertz to approve the second reading and final adoption of Policy 246: School Wellness, as revised; and to approve the second reading and final adoption of Policy 808: Food Services, as revised.

Yeas: Bendigo, Dempsey, Kleffel, Lash, Melvin, Mertz, Miller, Raudenbush, Rossi

Motion passed unanimously.
6.8 Approves a change to the annual calendar for the 2017-18 school year for kindergarten students cancelling kindergarten classes on Friday, May 25, 2018.

NOTE: This is a half day for students and will not violate the State required number of student days per year.


Board Action: Moved by George Mertz and seconded by Nicoleen Kleffel to approve the change to the annual calendar for the 2017-18 school year for kindergarten students cancelling kindergarten classes on Friday, May 25, 2018; and to approve ratification of the leave of absence for Ms. Krista Sayer, effective November 20, 2017, through December 8, 2017.

Yeas: Bendigo, Dempsey, Kleffel, Lash, Melvin, Mertz, Miller, Raudenbush, Rossi

Motion passed unanimously.

7.0 CURRICULUM AND TECHNOLOGY

Summary of Committee Deliberations – Robert M. Dempsey

The Curriculum and Technology Committee met at 7:05 p.m. on Thursday, January 18, 2018, in the Schuylkill Valley High School LeRoy K. Seip Memorial Meeting Room. The next meeting of the Committee will be held on Monday, February 12, 2018.

Committee Recommendations for Board Consideration

Be It Resolved, That the Board of School Directors:

7.1 Approves rescinding the first half of resolution 7.1 of the February 27, 2017, Board meeting approving the agreement with Crowne Plaza Reading Hotel to reserve April 19, 2019, for the high school prom.

7.2 Approves the agreement with Crowne Plaza Reading Hotel to reserve April 12, 2019, for the high school prom, and further, authorizes the junior class advisor to execute the agreement.

Board Action: Moved by Dane Miller and seconded by George Mertz to approve rescinding the first half of resolution 7.1 of the February 27, 2017, Board meeting approving the agreement with Crowne Plaza Reading Hotel to reserve April 19, 2019, for the high school prom; and to approve the agreement with Crowne Plaza Reading Hotel to reserve April 12, 2019, for the high school prom, and further, authorizes the junior class advisor to execute the agreement.

Yeas: Bendigo, Dempsey, Kleffel, Lash, Melvin, Mertz, Miller, Raudenbush, Rossi

Motion passed unanimously.

7.3 Approves ratification of the agreement with Education Inc., to provide educational services for Student #2257 beginning December 14, 2017, at the rate of $44.00 per hour plus administrative and preparation fees, and further, authorizes the Director of Special Education and Pupil Services to execute the agreement.
Board Action: Moved by Nicoleen Kleffel and seconded by George Mertz to approve ratification of the agreement with Education Inc., to provide educational services for Student #2257 beginning December 14, 2017, at the rate of $44.00 per hour plus administrative and preparation fees, and further, authorizes the Director of Special Education and Pupil Services to execute the agreement.

Yea: Bendigo, Dempsey, Kleffel, Lash, Melvin, Mertz, Miller, Raudenbush, Rossi

Motion passed unanimously.

7.4 Approves ratification of the statement of work with Berks County Intermediate Unit to provide professional development training on December 13, 2017; January 23, 2018; and January 30, 2018, at a cost of $2,000.00, and further, authorizes the elementary building principal to execute the agreement.

Board Action: Moved by Alfonso Rossi and seconded by Dane Miller to approve ratification of the statement of work with Berks County Intermediate Unit to provide professional development training on December 13, 2017; January 23, 2018; and January 30, 2018, at a cost of $2,000.00, and further, authorizes the elementary building principal to execute the agreement.

Yea: Bendigo, Dempsey, Kleffel, Lash, Melvin, Mertz, Miller, Raudenbush, Rossi

Motion passed unanimously.

7.5 Approves the proposal from the Berks County Intermediate Unit for special education consultation services for targeted review, at a cost not to exceed $18,000.00, and further, authorizes the Director of Special Education and Pupil Services to execute the proposal.

Board Action: Moved by Dane Miller and seconded by George Mertz to approve the proposal from the Berks County Intermediate Unit for special education consultation services for targeted review, at a cost not to exceed $18,000.00, and further, authorizes the Director of Special Education and Pupil Services to execute the proposal.

Yea: Bendigo, Dempsey, Kleffel, Lash, Melvin, Mertz, Miller, Raudenbush, Rossi

Motion passed unanimously.

7.6 Approves the agreement with Carousel Connections, to provide behavioral support services for Student #10136, at a cost not to exceed $26,030.00, from January 19, 2018, through June 8, 2018, and further, authorizes the Director of Special Education and Pupil Services to execute the agreement.

7.7 Approves the quote from CDW-G for the purchase of 180 laptops for administrators and teachers, at a cost of $125,640.00, to be paid from the Technology Reserve Fund, and further, authorizes the Director of Instructional and Information Technology to execute the proposal.

Board Action: Moved by Dane Miller and seconded by George Mertz to approve the agreement with Carousel Connections, to provide behavioral support services for Student #10136, at a cost not to exceed $26,030.00, from January 19, 2018, through June 8, 2018, and further, authorizes the Director of Special Education and Pupil Services to execute the agreement; and to approve the quote from CDW-G for the purchase of 180 laptops for administrators and teachers, at a cost of $125,640.00, to be paid from the Technology Reserve Fund, and further, authorizes the Director of Instructional and Information Technology to execute the proposal.

Yea: Bendigo, Dempsey, Kleffel, Lash, Melvin, Mertz, Miller, Raudenbush, Rossi
Motion passed unanimously.

8.0 BUDGET AND FINANCE

Summary of Committee Deliberations – Jay R. Melvin

The Budget and Finance Committee met at 7:22 p.m. on Thursday, January 18, 2018, in the Schuylkill Valley High School LeRoy K. Seip Memorial Meeting Room. The next meeting of the Committee will be held on Monday, February 12, 2018.

Committee Recommendations for Board Consideration

Be It Resolved, That the Board of School Directors:

8.1 Approves/ratifies the payment of bills in the following amounts from November 17, 2017, to January 23, 2018, as presented.

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8.2 Approves the Treasurer’s Reports and the Financial Reports for November and December 2017.

Board Action: Moved by Dane Miller and seconded by Robert Dempsey to approve/ratify the payment of the bills in Item 8.1 from November 17, 2017, to January 23, 2018, as presented; and to approve the Treasurer’s Reports and the Financial Reports for November and December.

Yea: Bendigo, Dempsey, Kleffel, Lash, Melvin, Mertz, Miller, Raudenbush, Rossi

Motion passed unanimously.

8.3 Approves exonerating the school district tax collectors from collecting unpaid April 2017 interims billed July 1, 2017, which are delinquent after December 31, 2017, and that the Board approve submitting the taxes to the Berks County Tax Claim Bureau for collection. There are 2 bills totaling $83,92 (last year there were 2 bills totaling $80.30).

8.4 Approves exonerating the school district tax collectors from collecting unpaid July 2017 real estate taxes which are delinquent after December 31, 2017, and that the Board approve submitting the taxes to the Berks County Tax Claim Bureau for collection. There are 198 bills totaling $538,850.36 (last year there were 201 totaling $545,610.20).

8.5 Approves exonerating the school district tax collectors from collecting unpaid 2017 per capita taxes after December 31, 2017, and that the Board approve submitting the taxes to Berkheimer Associates for collection. There are 1,654 bills totaling $16,540.00 (last year there were 1,580 totaling $15,800.00).

Board Action: Moved by Paul Bendigo and seconded by George Mertz to approve the actions in Items 8.3 through and including 8.5, as presented.

Yea: Bendigo, Dempsey, Kleffel, Lash, Melvin, Mertz, Miller, Raudenbush, Rossi

Motion passed unanimously.
8.6 Approve the following tax collector designated deputies:

Jami Neuin, Bern Township, appoints Beth Showalter
Beth Showalter, Centre Township, appoints Jami Neuin
Darlene Savage, Centerport Borough, appoints Ruth Borkey
Mary Jane Lauser, Leesport Borough, appoints Beth Showalter
Donna Lash, Ontelaunee Township, appoints Beth Showalter,

and authorizes the Board President to execute the Appointment of a Deputy Tax Collector forms and direct the administration to obtain revised surety bonds reflecting the appointment of the deputy tax collectors.

Board Action: Moved by Paul Bendigo and seconded by Robert Dempsey to approve the tax collector designated deputies, as presented; and to authorize the Board President to execute the Appointment of a Deputy Tax Collector forms and direct the administration to obtain revised surety bonds reflecting the appointment of the deputy tax collectors.

Yeas: Bendigo, Dempsey, Kleffel, Lash, Melvin, Mertz, Miller, Raudenbush, Rossi

Motion passed unanimously.

8.7 Approve the BCIU Joint purchasing bid for copy paper for January – June 2018 in the amount of $8,937.30.

Board Action: Moved by Dane Miller and seconded by George Mertz to approve the BCIU Joint purchasing bid for copy paper for January – June 2018 in the amount of $8,937.30.

Yeas: Bendigo, Dempsey, Kleffel, Lash, Melvin, Mertz, Miller, Raudenbush, Rossi

Motion passed unanimously.

8.8 Authorize administration to establish the following two scholarship accounts:

1. Conner A. Kleffel Scholarship
2. Raymond E. Bauder Scholarship

Board Action: Moved by George Mertz and seconded by Paul Bendigo to authorize administration to establish the scholarship accounts in Item 8.8, as presented.

Yeas: Bendigo, Dempsey, Lash, Melvin, Mertz, Miller, Raudenbush, Rossi
Abstain: Kleffel

Motion carried.

8.9 Approve accepting a grant from Lehigh Hanson, Inc., in the amount of $4,594.00.

8.10 Approve the mileage reimbursement rate of 54.5 cents per mile as per Internal Revenue Service Regulations, effective January 1, 2018.

8.11 Approve accepting a donation of ten sheets of 1” veneer particle board from Fleetwood Fixtures.

Board Action: Moved by George Mertz and seconded by Nicoleen Kleffel to approve the actions in Items 8.9 through and including 8.11, as presented.

Yeas: Bendigo, Dempsey, Kleffel, Lash, Melvin, Mertz, Miller, Raudenbush, Rossi
Motion passed unanimously.

8.12 Other (Old/New Business)
Mr. Bendigo stated that several months ago the topic of eliminating the district’s per capita tax was discussed. At that time it was recommended that the district meet with the township supervisors. Mr. Bendigo suggested that the district host a meeting and invite all of the township supervisors from the municipalities within the school district and have Mrs. Boarder give the same presentation that was given for the budget presentation. This way feedback could be received all at one time and they could hear what the district is considering. Mr. Raudenbush stated that he was okay with this and asked the Board if they agreed. The Board agreed and Mr. Raudenbush added that an invitation should be provided and also asked for a date to be set.

9.0 BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Summary of Committee Deliberations – Paul L. Bendigo

The Buildings and Grounds Committee met at 7:39 p.m. on Thursday, January 18, 2018, in the Schuylkill Valley High School LeRoy K. Seip Memorial Meeting Room. The next meeting of the Committee will be held on Monday, February 12, 2018.

Committee Recommendations for Board Consideration

Be It Resolved, That the Board of School Directors:

9.1 Approve the change order for the high school stadium authorizing Grace Industries Inc. to construct an additional discus pad, per the discussion at the November 13, 2017 committee meeting, at a cost of $9,100.00, per the change order request dated December 19, 2017, and further, authorizes the Director of Buildings and Grounds to execute any documents necessary to carry out the change.

9.2 Approve the client services agreement with Provident Energy Consulting LLC, to allow the district to participate in the Berks County Schools Natural Gas Purchasing Consortium, and further, authorizes the Director of Buildings and Grounds to execute the agreement and also to sign any documents required to complete the actual commodity purchase or purchases as agreed upon by the consortium.

Board Action: Moved by Dane Miller and seconded by George Mertz to approve the actions in Items 9.1 and 9.2, as presented.

Yeas: Bendigo, Dempsey, Kleffel, Lash, Melvin, Mertz, Miller, Raudenbush, Rossi

Motion passed unanimously.

9.3 Approve the addendum to the sponsorship agreement between the Schuylkill Valley School District and Tompkins VIST Bank.

9.4 Approve the addendum to the sponsorship agreement between the Schuylkill Valley School District and Reading Tractor and Equipment.

Board Action: Moved by George Mertz and seconded by Paul Bendigo to approve the addendums to the sponsorship agreements in Items 9.3 and 9.4, as presented.

Yeas: Bendigo, Dempsey, Kleffel, Lash, Melvin, Mertz, Miller, Raudenbush, Rossi

Motion passed unanimously.
9.5 Approve the change order for the high school stadium authorizing Grace Industries Inc. to issue a credit for six (6) bags of crumb rubber infill for synthetic turf, at a total deduction of $2,405.00, per the change order request dated January 12, 2018, and further, authorizes the Director of Buildings and Grounds to execute any documents necessary to carry out the change.

Board Action: Moved by Dane Miller and seconded by George Mertz to approve the change order in Item 9.5, as presented.

Yeas: Bendigo, Dempsey, Kleffel, Lash, Melvin, Mertz, Miller, Raudenbush, Rossi

Motion passed unanimously.

9.6 Other (Old/New Business)
Mr. Mertz stated that on January 18 after the Board meeting he was unable to drive across the front of the high school as parents were parallel parked between the cones and there was a school bus blocking the other side. All of the backup spaces were empty as everyone was parked along the front of the building. The cones and no parking signs are not helping with this issue. Mr. Miller stated that he had spoken with Chief Horner about this issue and he believes we have everything we need to have this enforced. Dr. Mierzewenski added that she believed Miss Deibler had also spoken with the chief. Mr. Raudenbush stated that parents say it is only for a minute or two, but you cannot get through and it creates a hazard. Mr. Bendigo asked if we could direct the students out the back of the building, at the Board meeting entrance, and have the parents pick them up there. Mr. Miller stated that if one person gets a ticket this will stop. Mr. Bendigo stated he is trying to avoid a conflict. Dr. Mierzewenski stated that if students choose to, they can exit out the other exits. Mr. Bendigo added that if we had this as a safer pickup area we could instruct students that this is where they need to come out of the building. Mr. Mertz suggested making a district-wide announcement that we will be ticketing whether you are there for a one minute pick up or not. Mr. Raudenbush stated that he heard two ideas. One is to have a designated drop off and pick up area somewhere other than the front of the school, however how that can be enforced or what we do to communicate that is an issue. The second idea is to get the police involved and start ticketing. Mr. Rossi added that it may be better to have a different drop off area because if you have people walking across the traffic lane that could be even worse. Mr. Dempsey stated that it may be worthwhile to put a notice on Facebook with one last warning that due to the issue we've been having, if the violations continue, the police have been notified and tickets will be forthcoming. Mr. Miller stated that we do not want to see anyone get hurt. Dr. Mierzewenski added that we also run into this in the summer and fall when there are practices on the field in front of the high school. There are a lot of families and small children in that area and speed bumps were put in place to slow down the traffic. Mr. Raudenbush summarized that if we put a notice on Facebook, is it a good idea to say where the designated drop off area will be. This would need to be planned out and marked. Mr. Bendigo stated that it would be educating the students and also coaches telling the students where to exit the building. Dr. Mierzewenski stated she would look at other options for a better pick up and drop off and she will discuss this with Miss Deibler.

10.0 EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Summary of Committee Deliberations – G. Dane Miller

The Extracurricular Activities Committee met at 8:01p.m. on Thursday, January 18, 2018, in the Schuylkill Valley High School LeRoy K. Seip Memorial Meeting Room. The next meeting of the Committee will be held on Monday, February 12, 2018.

Committee Recommendations for Board Consideration

There were no Committee recommendations.
10.1 Other (Old/New Business)
Mr. Miller noted that Colin Gwiazdowski was listed in the 2017-18 Best of Berks for his swim times in the 50 free and the 100 free. He was also a double winner at the Muhlenberg Mayhem Invitational along with the SV girls capturing first in two of the three girls relays. They won the 400 free relay and the 200 medley.

11.0 OTHER BUSINESS/GOOD OF THE ORDER

12.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION
Mr. Raubenbush announced that there would be an executive session immediately following the meeting to discuss two personnel matters.

12.0 ADJOURNMENT
Moved by Dane Miller and seconded by Paul Bendigo, there being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting be adjourned.

Yeas: Bendigo, Dempsey, Kleffel, Lash, Melvin, Mertz, Miller, Raubenbush, Rossi

Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

[Signature]
Linda R. Lash, Secretary
Board of School Directors