



School Board of Directors Meeting

April 17, 2017

Minutes

A Regular Meeting of the Eastern Lancaster County School Board of Directors, which was properly advertised on April 8, 2016 in the *LNP Lancaster Newspaper*, was held on Monday, April 17, 2017 at 7:00 p.m., in Community Hall located at the Garden Spot High School and Middle Complex, 669 E. Main Street, New Holland, PA 17557.

Roll Call

Members in attendance were: Paul Irvin, Dina Maio, Melissa Readman, Thomas Wentzel, Glenn Yoder, and Jennifer Zeiset

Non-Voting Members in attendance were: Robert Hollister, Justin Johnson, Nadine Larkin and Keith Ramsey

Members not in attendance were: Jonathan Dahl, Rodney Jones, and Bryan Naranjo

Staff/Public in attendance were: Several citizens of the community and staff members of the District.

1. Welcome and Call to Order

President Yoder opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

2. Moment of Silence/Reflection - Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Thomas Wentzel led in a silent meditation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Agenda Modification/Approval of Agenda

Requests by board members to remove an item for separate consideration.

Dr. Larkin indicated that under the Consent Agenda an additional Affidavit of Guardianship was added as well as an addendum to the Personnel Report.

Mr. Wentzel made a motion to approve the agenda. It was seconded by Mr. Irvin. **The motion was approved. (6-0; 3 absent)**

4. Student of the Month Presentation

Blessing Bowman, 12th Grade, Garden Spot High School, Stevens

Layne Weber, 12th Grade, Garden Spot High School, Reinholds

Mr. Sanger introduced and congratulated the March Students of the Month for being chosen for their character trait of Compassion.

March

Blessing Bowman, Stevens, accompanied by her parents, Mr. & Mrs. Lester Bowman.

Layne Weber unable to attend.

Dr. Hollister thanked the students and their parents.

5. Citizens of the District Comments

At this time we will invite public (Citizens of the District) comment on any topic that is within the Board's jurisdiction. Please also note that the public is invited to attend our Committee Meetings where much of the discussion and deliberation of agenda topics is conducted. (Committee Meetings are held in the Community Hall at the Garden Spot Complex at 7 p.m. on the second Monday of the month.)

Deb Reimers, Earl Township

Ms. Reimers thanked the Board for everything that they do for the students and said a prayer.

6. Consent Agenda

Items listed under the Consent Agenda section of our Board Meeting Agenda are considered to be routine and are acted on by the Board in one motion. There is no Board discussion of these items individually prior to the Board vote unless a member of the Board requests that a specific item be removed from the Consent Agenda. Requests to remove an item from the Consent Agenda will be accepted at agenda section 3. Agenda Modification/Approval of Agenda. (Requests to remove an item for separate consideration). Items Removed from the Consent Agenda will be moved to agenda section "Action Items."

Mr. Wentzel made a motion to approve the consent agenda. It was seconded by Mrs. Zeiset. **The motion was approved. (6-0; 3 absent)**

a. Approval of Minutes

b. Treasurer's Report

c. Approve Personnel Report

- d. Bills Paid**
- e. Cafeteria Fund Treasurer's Report**
- f. Investments**
- g. Student Activity Account**
- h. Approve Budgetary Transfers**
- i. PlanCon Part K (Project Refinancing) Approval Letter and Attachments for 2017 Bond Issue**
- j. Increase in Breakfast, Lunch and Milk Prices effective for 2017-18 school year**

The Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act, which is effective July 1, 2011, requires schools participating in the School Nutrition Programs to price their school lunches so the reimbursement received for free meals or reduced price meals are not offsetting the cost to produce the paid meal.

For 2017-18, District's that charged less than \$2.86 for paid lunches in 2016-17 are required to adjust their lunch prices.

We are recommending increasing prices for next year per the attached document.

- k. Approve the Chief of Finance and Operations Signing the Voluntary Accident Insurance Renewal Application for 2017-18**
- l. Approval of Affidavits of Guardianship**
- m. Approval of Chapter 339 School Counseling Plan**

7. Action Items

Items Removed from Consent Agenda for Separate Consideration.

8. Reports

a. Lancaster County Tax Collection Bureau

Met on April 12, 2017

Received and approved the 2016 Audit Report

- LCTCB's procedures and processes are commendable
- Tax Collection Costs - 1.30% of total Revenues

Compliance efforts continue on Delinquent Employers

Approved moving forward to collect Real Estate Taxes for Conestoga Valley SD beginning July 1, 2017

Responding to Mifflin County's RFP - Total Collections of \$9.5 million, which could bring in \$250,000 in Fees

Special Board Meeting on May 10, 2017 - Hiring of Executive Director

Mr. Ramsey reported that the LCTCB met on April 12th with the meeting's main purpose to receive and approve the 2016 Audit. He also reported that they were moving forward with collecting real estate taxes for Conestoga Valley School District beginning July 1st and at their next meeting they would be hiring an executive director who would be working with Terry Hackman before he retires at the end of year.

b. Lancaster-Lebanon IU13

Mr. Irvin reported on the April 12th IU Board meeting and shared several highlights from the Board meeting report: Mr. Irvin reported that the IU13 Board elected a new Columbia Borough School District representative and commented on the Special Education programs being offered at the IU13. He also reported that the Board approved \$12,479,648.33 in disbursements and approved several new or additional service contracts for Business Services, Early Childhood and Special Education Services, Instructional Services, Technology Services, and Human Resource Services. There were eleven (11) resignations, four (4) terminations, five (5) retirements, forty-four (44) new hires, fifteen (15) changes in position or salaries, and eight (8) leave of absences.

He distributed to the Board copies of the Helping Districts, Helping Students IU13 newsletter.

c. Lancaster CTC

Mrs. Readman reported that the JOC met on March 23rd and received a presentation from the Early Childhood Department demonstrating the certifications and marketability that students have when they graduate from the CTC program. She also reported on the tiny house build, showing a video to the Board on the build and completion of the project. Mrs. Readman informed the Board that the new dental hygiene program was on track to start in the Fall of this year.

d. Legislative

Mr. Wentzel reported on the current status of the Pennsylvania state budget. He also reported on House Bill 197 which allows the Charter School committees to expand the number of members on the Charter School Appeal Board with only one member from traditional brick & mortar schools and House Bill 397 which amends the Pennsylvania Game Code to increase the availability of certified hunter education courses in our public schools.

9. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Hollister reported to the Board on several items including the tentative sale of the Caernarvon property to Caernarvon Township. He indicated that the Board would need to pass a resolution for the sale of the property with at least 2/3 of the Board approving the Sale.

He also reported that Mr. Ed Yapsuga, the current Athletic Director for Eastern Lancaster County School District was being honored by the National Scholastic Athletics Association.

Dr. Hollister updated the Board on several students from the Pathways to Success program who received scholarships to take their accreditation tests through Careerlink.

Dr. Hollister informed the Board on an interview in the Pennsylvania School Board Association Bulletin from the new Education Committee Chair, Eichelberger and noted his concerns.

He also congratulated the New Holland Chess Team for coming in 3rd place in a recent Chess Tournament and the Elementary Music Department for their recent participation in the district-wide concert which included 162 students from over 42 elementary schools 4 which came from Eastern Lancaster County School District.

10. Announcements

Dr. Hollister announced again that Mr. Justin Johnson, Board Secretary and Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent's Office was awarded the Educational Office Professional of the Year and also the Award of Merit for his work on the (LLAEOP) Lancaster Lebanon Association of Education Office Professionals' newsletter.

Dr. Hollister also announced that the IU Showcase Event was Wednesday, April 19th and Board members were welcome to attend.

11. Adjournment

Mr. Wentzel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 p.m. with a second by Mr. Irvin. **The motion was approved. (7-0; 2 absent)**

Justin W. Johnson
School Board Secretary
April 17, 2017