



# EASTERN LANCASTER COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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## School Board of Directors Meeting December 16, 2019 Minutes

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A Regular Meeting of the Eastern Lancaster County School Board of Directors, which was properly advertised in the *LNP Lancaster Newspaper*, was held on Monday, December 16, 2019 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**

**Board Members in attendance were:** Gary Buck, Brian Conroy, Jonathan Dahl, Jacqueline Geyer, Paul Irvin, Dina Maio, Kevin McCarroll, Bryan Naranjo, and Thomas Wentzel

**Board Members not in attendance were:**

**Also in attendance were:** Robert Hollister, Justin Johnson, Nadine Larkin and Keith Ramsey

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

### **1. Welcome and Call to Order**

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

### **2. Moment of Silence/Reflection - Pledge of Allegiance**

Mr. Ramsey 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.

President Wentzel requested that New Business Item 10 be added to the Agenda for the Appointment of Board Committees.

Mr. Conroy requested that two items, the approval of Policy 000 Board Policy/Procedure/Administrative Regulations and approval of Policy 003 Functions be moved from the Consent Agenda and added under Action Items as Items 8c & 8d for discussion.

Mr. Irvin made a motion to approve the modified agenda. It was seconded by Mr. Naranjo.  
**The motion was approved. (9-0)**

#### **4. Student of the Month Presentation**

Mr. Sanger presented and congratulated the Students of the Month for the month of December:  
Grade 12: Deanna Phillips, East Earl, PA, with parents Mr. & Mrs. Todd and Rose Phillips  
Grade 11: Abigail O'Neill, East Earl, PA, with parents, Mr. & Mrs. Thomas and Carla O'Neill  
Grade 10: Emma Burger, New Holland, PA, with parents, Mr. & Mrs. Michael and Stephanie Burger  
Grade 9: Melanie Esh, New Holland, PA, with parents, Mr. & Mrs. Donald and Kathy Esh  
Dr. Hollister congratulated and thanked the students and their families.

#### **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.)

Aaron Hoffman, New Holland, PA

Mr. Hoffman thanked the Board for serving.

Karen Sauder, East Earl, PA

Ms. Sauder thanked the Board and read a prepared statement on her concerns with the change to the kindergarten programming for the 2020-2021 school year and mass customized learning initiatives.

#### **6. Special Presentation | Mr. Robert Fennimore - Restorative Justice**

Dr. Hollister introduced Mr. Robert Fennimore, SEL Support Specialist at Garden Spot High/Middle School, who presented the Board with information on the new Restorative Justice initiative being implemented districtwide. Dr. Hollister thanked Mr. Fennimore for his work.

## 7. 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. Irvin made a motion to approve the consent agenda report. It was seconded by Mr. Naranjo. **The motion was approved. (9-0)**

- 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. Approval of 2020-21 Accelerated Budget Opt Out Resolution Certifying Tax Rate within Inflation Index**
- j. Approval of POLICY 001 Name and Classification – Second/Final Reading.**
- k. Approval of POLICY 002 Authority and Powers – Second/Final Reading.**
- l. Approval of POLICY 004 Membership – Second/Final Reading.**
- m. Approve the 2020-2021 School Board of Directors Meeting Calendar.**

## 8. Action Items

Items Removed from Consent Agenda for Separate Consideration.

- a. Approve the 2020-2021 Academic School Year Calendar.**

Dr. Hollister presented the Board with a draft calendar with the first student day starting Monday, August 31, 2020. The Board and Administration discussed various options for the first day for students for the 2020-2021 school year. Dr. Hollister informed the Board that we would rework the calendar and return with various draft options for the Board to review and adopt at the upcoming meeting of the Board in January.

**b. Approve Chief of Finance & Operations Signing all Documents to Complete the Blue Ball Elementary Lot Add On and Sale of Property.**

Mr. Ramsey informed the Board that the District would work through the final stages of auctioning off the purchased lands surrounding Blue Ball Elementary School. He requested the Board to approved him to sign any and all documents on behalf of the Board to complete the Blue Ball Elementary lot add on and sale of property.

Mr. Naranjo made a motion to approve Mr. Keith Ramsey, Chief of Finance & Operations, to sign all documents to complete the Blue Ball Elementary lot add on and sale of property. It was seconded by Mr. Naranjo. **The motion was approved. (9-0)**

**c. Approval of POLICY 000 Board Policy/Procedure/Administrative Regulations – Second/Final Reading**

**d. Approval of POLICY 003 Functions – Second/Final Reading.**

Mr. Conroy request clarification on changed language in both Policy 000 and Policy 003. The Board and Administration discussed the various language changes by PSBA in the policies and requested Dr. Hollister receive further clarification from PSBA before the Board approved policies.

Mr. Irvin made a motion to delay the approval of POLICY 000 Board Policy/Procedure/Administrative Regulations and approval of POLICY 003 Functions until the next Board meeting. It was seconded by Mrs. Geyer. **The motion was approved. (9-0)**

## **9. Reports**

**a. Lancaster County Tax Collection Bureau**

Mr. Ramsey indicated that he had no report and that the LCTCB would next meet on January 8, 2020.

**b. Lancaster-Lebanon IU13**

Mr. Irvin reported on the December 11<sup>th</sup> IU Board meeting and shared several highlights from the board meeting report: He reported the that IU Board welcomed two new Board members from Cocalico and School District of Lancaster. Mr. Irvin also reported that the IU13 Board approved \$8,319,393.88 in disbursements and approved new or addition to service contracts for Business Services, Instructional & Technology Services, and Human Resource Services. There were nine (9) resignations, one (1) termination, thirty (30) new hires, fifteen (15) changes in position or salaries, and two (2) leaves of absences. He also distributed to the Board copies of the Helping Districts, Helping Students newsletter.

**c. Lancaster CTC**

Mrs. Maio reported on her first Lancaster County CTC JOC meeting, indicating that five new JOC members were added and Mr. Millard Eppig of Warwick School District was appointed Chair. She also reported that the new JOC members would have a new orientation on January

28<sup>th</sup> and highlighted, Willow Street Student of the Month, Josh Blaine, Garden Spot High School student. Mrs. Maio also reported on several LCCTC program initiatives, including a CTC program to Bachelor's program with Eastern Mennonite University and a pilot Welding program for sophomores.

#### **d. Legislative**

Mr. Wentzel reported on Act 91 regarding school safety and additional training for school resource officers. Dr. Hollister informed the Board that Officer Stoltzfus had met all his training requirements.

Mr. Wentzel also reported on a house bill that would standardize the election code of collecting ten names of support in order to have name placed on voting ballot for board members and township supervisors. He also reported on several possible election races in the future.

### **10. New Business - Appointment of Committees**

Mr. Wentzel presented the Appointment of Board Committees:

<b>Management</b>	<b>Program</b>	<b>Property and Services</b>
Thomas Wentzel – Chair	Dina Maio – Chair	Bryan Naranjo – Chair
Gary Buck	Jonathan Dahl	Brian Conroy
Paul Irvin	Jacqueline Geyer	Kevin McCarroll

Mr. Naranjo made a motion to approve the Appointment of Committees. It was seconded by Mr. Irvin. **The motion was approved. (9-0)**

### **11. Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Hollister reported to the Board about Mr. Jon Long's Middle School class who was partnering with CNH working with engineers to work on real-life problem solving design.

Dr. Hollister also reported that he received an email from Mrs. Bev Libell from Brecknock Elementary indicating that 60 veterans attended an event to honor veterans at the school on Veteran's Day.

Dr. Hollister reported that Mr. Steinmacher, Technology Education Teacher at Garden Spot High School, received a \$14,000 grant to purchase a laser cutter for his classroom through CNH.

### **12. Announcements**

Dr. Hollister announced that there would be an executive session held after the meeting to discuss a legal matter with Special Counsel.

Mr. Wentzel announced that the January & February School Board meetings would be moved to the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month due to Martin Luther King, Jr. Day in January and President's Day in February.

### **13. Adjournment**

Mr. Irving made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:14 p.m. with a second by Mrs. Naranjo. The motion was approved. **(9-0)**

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Justin W. Johnson  
School Board Secretary  
December 16, 2019