

## School Board of Directors Meeting March 18, 2019 Minutes

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, March 18, 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.

## <u>Roll Call</u>

**Members in attendance were:** Gary Buck, Jonathan Dahl, Paul Irvin, Rodney Jones, Dina Maio, Bryan Naranjo, Melissa Readman, Thomas Wentzel, and Glenn Yoder

Non-Voting Members in attendance were: Robert Hollister, Justin Johnson, Nadine Larkin and Keith Ramsey Members not in attendance were:

**Staff/Public in attendance were:** Citizens of the community and staff members of the District and members of the media.

## 1. Welcome and Call to Order

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

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

Mrs. Readman led in a silent mediation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

## 3. Agenda Modification/Approval of Agenda

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

Dr. Hollister noted the addition of the Action Item to approve the Graduation Date for the Class of 2019 for Friday, June 7, 2019.

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

## 4. Students of the Month Presentation | President's Volunteer Service Award

Mr. Sanger presented and congratulated the Students of the Month for the month of March being chosen for their character trait of "Positive Attitude".

Lauren Ashcroft, New Holland, PA, unable to attend. Kevin Carvajal, New Holland, PA, unable to attend.

Mr. Sanger presented to the Board, Caiden Witmer, Denver, PA, with parents, Mr. & Mrs. Stephen & Heidi Witmer as the recipient of the President's Volunteer Service Award.

## 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.)

Jon Mentzer, Narvon, PA

Mr. Mentzer said a prayer.

The following community members and residents of the District thanked the Board and presented their concerns, thoughts, and opinions on the District's Student Privacy Policy:

Rick Hodge, New Holland, PA Diane Eberly, Stevens, PA Tim Bender, New Holland, PA Ron Garber, New Holland, PA Fred Eck, New Holland, PA Bryan Hower, New Holland, PA Rodney Bradley, New Holland, PA Priscilla Eberly, Stevens, PA Chris Buck, New Holland, PA

President Yoder thanked the Ad Hoc Committee for their work on the Student Privacy Policy.

The Board and Administration discussed options for the interim until the Student Privacy Policy was approved and the current facilities renovated.

## 6. Special Presentation - Karen Devine, Member Services Manager, PSBA Pennsylvania School Boards Association

Dr. Hollister introduced Ms. Karen Devine, Member Services Manager for PSBA, who thanked the Board and presented several offerings that the organization provided for the Board members.

## 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. It was seconded by Mr. Wentzel. **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 the Chief of Finance and Operations Signing the Agreement with Diehm & Sons The agreement is for a Boundary and Topographic Survey and Digital Base Plan Preparation at a total cost not to exceed \$16,900.
- j. Approval of Revision to Policy # 609 Investment of District Funds
- k. Approval of Affidavits of Guardianship

#### 8. Action Items

Items Removed from Consent Agenda for Separate Consideration.

# a. Conestoga Christian Day School Request for a Refund of Rollback Taxes Paid in the Total Amount of \$2,582.72

Mr. Ramsey presented the Board with the request from Conestoga Christian Day School for a refund of rollback taxes on two parcels they purchased. He noted that the property was being used for a baseball field.

Mr. Naranjo made a motion to deny the Conestoga Christian Day School's Request for a Refund of Rollback Taxes Paid in the Total Amount of \$2,582.72. It was seconded by Mr. Wentzel. **The motion was approved. (9-0)** 

#### b. Approval of Graduation for Class of 2019 on Friday, June 7, 2019

Mr. Naranjo made a motion to approve the Graduation date for the Class of 2019 as Friday, June 7, 2019. It was seconded by Mr. Wentzel. **The motion was approved.** (9-0)

#### c. Report from Ad Hoc Committee

President Yoder announced that he would extend the deadline for the report out from the Ad Hoc Committee until Monday, April 8, 2019. He noted that there would be another Ad Hoc Committee meeting held on Thursday, March 21, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

#### 9. Reports

#### a. Lancaster County Tax Collection Bureau

Mr. Ramsey indicated that the LCTCB met on March 13, 2019 with a focus on the 2018 Financial Audit Report, noting the audit was reported clean. He also reported several highlights from the meeting including the cost of collection going down from 1.69% to 1.21% from 2017 to 2018 and the approval of real estate tax collection for Columbia Borough School District.

Mr. Ramsey informed the Board that the next meeting would occur on June 12, 2019.

#### b. Lancaster-Lebanon IU13

Mr. Irvin reported on the March 13, 2019 IU Board meeting and shared several highlights from the board meeting report: He reported that the Board received a report from the Reentry Education Program Administrator, on the success of the program which helps incarcerated adults obtain jobs after they are released from prison.

He also reported that the IU13 Board approved \$7,670,640.33 in disbursements and approved new or addition to service contracts for Business Services, Early Childhood and Special Education Services, Instructional & Technology Services, and Human Resource Services.

#### c. Lancaster CTC

Mrs. Readman indicated that she had no report. She did note that the Superintendents had received a presentation about the Reserve Fund that the LCCTC was proposing.

Dr. Hollister reported that the LCCTC had proposed holding onto some of the funds that were usually returned to the school districts at the end of the year to build up a small Reserve Fund. He noted that the collected funds would be proportionate to each school district's budget.

#### d. Legislative

Mr. Wentzel reported on the current state of the Governor's budget and possible bills revising career and education as part of the new Future Ready Index. Mr. Wentzel also reported the upcoming election, May 21<sup>st</sup>, noting that there were two senate seats up for reelection. He also reported on the current shortage of full-time school nurses.

## 10. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Hollister reported to the Board that Lisa Zimmerman, Music Teacher at Blue Ball Elementary was awarded a grant for free instruments from the Music for Everyone Program. He noted that with the award she would be purchasing new ukuleles. Dr. Hollister congratulated Mrs. Zimmerman.

Dr. Hollister also reported that Lotsie Wooten, the district's Director of Technology Infrastructure was highlighted in a magazine regarding the current technology partnership between Eastern Lancaster County School District and Columbia Borough School District. Dr. Hollister congratulated Mr. Wooten and the School District.

Dr. Hollister announced that both Spring sport seasons had arrived as well as the spring musical.

#### 11. Announcements

No Announcements.

## 12. Adjournment

Mr. Irvin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 p.m. with a second by Mr. Wentzel. **The motion was approved.** (9-0)

Justin W. Johnson School Board Secretary March 18, 2019