



School Board of Directors Meeting

August 21, 2017

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, August 21, 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, Bryan Naranjo, 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 and Rodney Jones

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.

President Yoder announced that there was an executive session prior to the meeting regarding a legal matter.

2. Moment of Silence/Reflection - Pledge of Allegiance

President Yoder 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.

Mr. Ramsey indicated that there was an added action item to approve the settlement of Channel Mill Creek assessment appeal. He also noted an addition to the personnel report to extend the employment of summer worker, James Mansberger, at Columbia Borough School District until the end of the September.

Dr. Larkin introduced Mr. Jeff Starr, Principal of Garden Spot Middle School, who introduced Rebecca Chelius the new Science Teacher hire for the 2017-2018 School Year at Garden Spot Middle School.

Mr. Irvin made a motion to approve the agenda. It was seconded by Mrs. Zeiset. The motion was approved. (7-0; 2 absent)

4. 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.)

Fred Umble, New Holland, Earl Township

Mr. Umble said a prayer.

5. Special Presentation

Rational Career Exploration Summer Externship

Sponsored by Lancaster STEM Alliance & HIGH Companies

Jill Hackman, Business Education Teacher, Garden Spot High School

Jeff Martin, Social Studies Teacher, Garden Spot High School

Dr. Hollister introduced Mrs. Jill Hackman, Business Education Teacher, Garden Spot High School and Mr. Jeff Martin, Social Studies Teacher, Garden Spot High School who presented to the Board an presentation on their recent experience at the Rational Career Exploration Summer Externship, a 3-day workshop created for educators to experience what jobs are available locally regarding Science, Technology, and Math. They noted that CNH would be hosting the workshop the following year.

Dr. Hollister thanked both Mrs. Hackman and Mr. Martin for giving their time over the summer to attend the workshop.

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. Irvin made a motion to approve the consent agenda. It was seconded by Mr. Naranjo. The motion was approved. (7-0; 2 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. Authorize the Chief of Finance and Operations to sign the Non Public Transportation Contracts for 2017-18

The cost per student increases by the increase in the transportation formula, which for 2017-18 is 2.1%. The total cost may vary depending on number of students transported.

i. Approval of Bus Drivers (Public and Nonpublic) and Bus Assistants for the 2017-18 School Year

Attached is the listing for Brightbill Transportation, Inc.

Additional drivers and assistants will be approved as received; however, the district will only allow individuals to drive school district students who have satisfied the following requirements:

- a. All school bus drivers are properly licensed to operate a school bus; and
- b. All school bus drivers have obtained required criminal background checks and child abuse clearance statements before hire, and the school district has independently verified that they are eligible to transport children

j. Approval of Affidavits of Guardianship

7. Action Items

Items Removed from Consent Agenda for Separate Consideration.

a. Motion to approve settlement of Channel Mill Creek assessment appeal.

Mr. Ramsey presented action item to approve the settlement of Channel Mill Creek assessment appeal, informing the Board that a settlement had been reached to withdraw the appeal, providing the District allow Channel Mill Creek to roll into the reassessment. He noted that there was no loss in revenue for the District.

Mr. Irvin made a motion to approve the settlement of Channel Mill Creek assessment appeal. It was seconded by Mr. Wentzel. The motion was approved. (7-0; 2 absent)

8. New Business

a. Information Item - Revised Policy # 246 -School Wellness

As discussed at the 08-14-2017 Committee of the Whole meeting, attached is the draft of the revised School Wellness Policy to be used beginning with the 2017-18 school year. Final approval will be requested at the September School Board meeting

Mr. Ramsey informed the Board that based on new requirements and recommendations from the Pennsylvania Department of Education, he was requesting the Board to review the changes to the Eastern Lancaster County School District School Board Policy #246 – School Wellness to be approved at the September School Board meeting.

9. Reports

a. Lancaster County Tax Collection Bureau

No Meeting

Next meeting is September 13, 2017

Mr. Ramsey noted that there was no report and the next meeting for the LCTCB would be held on September 13, 2017.

b. Lancaster-Lebanon IU13

Mr. Irvin reported on the August 9th IU Board meeting and shared several highlights from the board meeting report: He reported that the IU13 Board approved \$16,632,955.48 in disbursements and approved several new or addition to service contracts for Business Services, Early Childhood and Special Education Services, Instructional & Technology Services, and Human Resource Services. There were thirty-five (35) resignations, four (4) terminations, one (1) retirement, one hundred fifteen (115) new hires, fifty-seven (57) changes in position or salaries, and four (4) leaves of absence. He distributed to the Board copies of the Helping Districts, Helping Students.

c. Lancaster CTC

Mrs. Readman noted that there was no report as the JOC meeting would held later that week.

d. Legislative

Dr. Hollister reported to the Board of upcoming new changes to the PSSA testing. He also reported on the recent proposed bill for an education savings account (ESA) plan that would provide \$5700 per students in private or charter schools in the bottom 15% percentile.

10. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Hollister reported to the Board on the upcoming Election of Officers for PSBA indicating that the Board would need to vote by October on the current officer positions.

Dr. Hollister also reminded the Board on the upcoming annual law workshop for Administration and Board members hosted by KKAL. He noted that if any Board members were interested, they were to contact the Board Secretary.

Dr. Hollister reported that CrossNet Ministries hosted the Garden Spot Middle School Back-to-School Night where they provided dental screenings for students and gave away 395 backpack.

Dr. Hollister updated the Board on the recent changes to the PSSA testing issued by the State. These changes included removing some sections of the test as well as shortening the math test by 48 minutes. He also indicated several good changes to the current School Performance Profile by the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

Dr. Hollister also reported on two student activities that occurred over the summer including a all-day healthcare career academy with a total of 10 students enrolled as well as 10 students who participated in the GeHeration program at Wharton Business School in Philadelphia on August 8th. Dr. Hollister thanked Mrs. Ellen Cantymagli, Lead School Counselor.

11. Announcements

Dr. Hollister invited Board members to the opening In-Service on Thursday, August 24th with breakfast started at 7:15 a.m.

Dr. Hollister also announced that there would be an executive sessions after the Board meeting to discuss a land matter and a personnel matter.

12. Adjournment

Mr. Irvin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:44 p.m. with a second by Mr. Wentzel. The motion was approved. (7-0; 2 absent)

Justin W. Johnson
School Board Secretary
August 21, 2017