

Committee of the Whole Meeting March 11, 2019 Minutes

A Committee Meeting of the Eastern Lancaster County School Board of Directors, which was properly advertised in the LNP *Lancaster Newspaper*, was held on Monday, March 11, 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, Paul Irvin, Rodney Jones, Dina Maio, 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: Jonathan Dahl and Bryan Naranjo

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

2. Moment of Silence/Reflection - Pledge of Allegiance

President Yoder led in a silent mediation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. 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.

Rick Naranjo, Morgantown, PA

Mr. Naranjo thanked the Board and the Administration and said a prayer.

David Horst, East Earl, PA

Mr. Horst apologized to the Board for any comments that he made at a previous Board meeting that may have offended any of the Board members.

4. Approve Personnel Report

Mr. Wentzel made a motion to approve the personnel report. It was seconded by Mr. Irvin. **The motion was approved.** (7-0; 2 absent)

5. Property and Services

a. Action Item - 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 a request from Conestoga Christian Day School for a refund of rollback taxes from a land purchase for the purpose of a baseball field. The Board and Administration discussed as to whether the request was valid. It was noted that the Board would vote on request at the upcoming Board meeting as a separate action item.

b. Action Item - 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.

Mr. Ramsey requested the Board to approve his signing an Agreement with Diehm & Sons to perform boundary, topographical, and aerial surveys of Blue Ball Elementary.

c. Action Item - Revision to Policy # 609 - Investment of District Funds

Mr. Ramsey presented the Board with the updated Policy #609 Investment of District Funds for its second reading to be approved at the next Board meeting.

6. Program

a. Action Item - Affidavits of Guardianship

Dr. Larkin requested the Board to approved Affidavits of Guardianship.

7. Management

a. Information Item - Exploring Potential Co-op with Pequea Valley for Field Hockey

Dr. Hollister informed the Board of some early discussions regarding a request from Pequea Valley School District to allow their field hockey players to join the Garden Spot field hockey team due to their need to close their field hockey program. The Board and Administration discussed the pros and cons of adding additional players to the Garden Spot team. Dr. Hollister noted that he would return to the Board with more information and a recommendation.

b. Information Item - Discussion regarding the tentative date of Friday, June 7, 2019 for Class of 2019 Graduation

Dr. Hollister recommended to the Board that they set the graduation date for Friday, June 7, 2019.

Dr. Hollister informed the Board that PSBA had provided a report on the state of education for their review.

Dr. Hollister reported that the Administration and several Board members attended the Legislative Breakfast and noted that the meeting had been much more optimistic than it has ever been.

8. Announcements

Dr. Hollister announced that there would be an executive session after the Board meeting to discuss legal matter related to a grievance filed by the Association at the end of last school year.

An announcement was made that the next Ad Hoc Committee Meeting would occur that upcoming Thursday at 6:00 p.m. in Community Hall.

9. Adjournment

Mr. Wentzel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:23 p.m. with a second by Mr. Irvin. **The motion was approved. (7-0; 2 absent)**

Justin W. Johnson School Board Secretary March 11, 2019