

EASTERN LANCASTER COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

School Board of Directors Meeting September 16, 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, September 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, Jonathan Dahl, Jacqueline Geyer, Paul Irvin, Dina Maio, Bryan Naranjo, Melissa Readman, and Thomas Wentzel

Board Members not in attendance were: Glenn Yoder

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

Vice President Maio opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

2. Moment of Silence/Reflection - Pledge of Allegiance

Vice President Maio 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.

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4. Student of the Month Presentation

Mr. Sanger presented and congratulated the Students of the Month for the month of September being chosen for their character trait of "Leadership".

Grade 12: Yoshi Allen, New Holland, PA

Grade 11: Angelia Brenneman, Bowmansville, PA

Grade 10: Lejla Hamzic, New Holland, PA Grade 9: Blake Weaver, New Holland, PA

Dr. Hollister thanked and congratulated the students on what they accomplished.

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.)

Kim Eby, New Holland, PA

Ms. Eby 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. Jeffrey Starr, Principal of New Holland Elementary introduced Maria Buck as the new Administrative Assistant for New Holland Elementary front office.

Mr. Irvin made a motion to approve the consent agenda report. It was seconded by Mr. Wentzel. **The motion was approved.** (7-0; 1 abstain (Mr. Gary Buck abstained from voting due to his relation to a new employee on the personnel report.) 1 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. Approval of Bus Drivers (Public and Nonpublic) and Bus Assistants for the 2019-20 School Year
- i. Approval of Affidavits of Guardianship
- j. Approval of the Superintendent Focus Areas (Goals)
- k. Approval of overnight Senior Trip to Florida from April 8th to April 11th.
- I. Approval of updated Administrative and Supervisory Line and Staff Chart.

7. Action Items

Items Removed from Consent Agenda for Separate Consideration.

a. PSBA Officer Elections. Board will need to discuss and vote on candidates for various leadership positions at PSBA.

The Board discussed the Slate of Candidates for the 2019-2020 PSBA Officer Elections.

Mr. Wentzel made a motion to approve for the following slate of candidates for the 2019-2020 PSBA Officers Elections: President-Elect: Art Levinowitz, Upper Dublin School District (Montgomery Co.), Vice President: David Hein, Parkland School District (Lehigh Co.), Central At Large: Julie Preston, Northern Tioga School District (Tioga Co.), Section 7 Advisor: Tricia Steiner, Derry Township School District (Dauphin Co.), PSBA Insurance Trust Trustees (term to end Dec. 31, 2022): Kathy Swope, Lewisburg Area School District and Mark B. Miller, Centennial School District. It was seconded by Mr. Irvin. **The motion was approved. (8-0; 1 absent)**

Mr. Irvin made a motion to vote for the recommended slate of candidates for the 2019 PSBA Officers Election: School Board Secretary Forum Steering Committee (term to end Dec. 31, 2021): Bethanne Zeigler – Shikellamy School District, Crystal Mance – Cheltenham Township School District, and Jennifer Davidson – Manheim Township School District. It was seconded by Mr. Wentzel. **The motion was approved.** (8-0; 1 absent)

8. Reports

a. Lancaster County Tax Collection Bureau

Mr. Ramsey reported that the LCTCB met on September 11th and informed the Board of the agreement the Lancaster County Tax Bureau made with their current Programmer, who has decided to leave the Bureau, to continue to provide the tax collection service program.

b. Lancaster-Lebanon IU13

Mr. Irvin reported on the September 11th IU Board meeting and shared several highlights from the board meeting report: Mr. Irvin reported that the IU13 Board approved \$11,325,074.79 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. He informed the Board that the IU currently had 70 unfilled position and would be investing in tv promotion ads to hire employees. There were eighteen (18) resignations, eleven (11) terminations, three (3) retirements, sixty-one (61) new hires, forty-two (42) changes in position or salaries, and one (1) leave of absence. He also distributed to the Board copies of the Helping Districts, Helping Students newsletter

c. Lancaster CTC

Mrs. Readman indicated that there was no report.

d. Legislative

Mr. Wentzel reported that the General Assembly was back in session and noted one item on their agenda to update the state Science standards. Dr. Hollister informed the Board that the State would be working on updating both the Science and Technology standards.

Mr. Wentzel updated the Board on the current study regarding pushing back secondary school starting times.

He also reported several articles in the paper regarding the final review of the Special Education Funding Commission which was due by November 30th and the issues with automobiles disregarding the bus safety lights.

The Board and Administration discussed the possible cost of cameras to be installed on buses to capture identity of automobiles running the bus safety lights.

9. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Hollister introduced Mr. Jeff Martin, the President of the Teacher Association, who made remarks in response to a comment made by a community member regarding a classroom display of Mr. David Trok, Social Studies Teacher at Garden Spot High School. He indicated that Mr. Trok was an excellent and model teacher.

Dr. Hollister informed the Board that it was requested by Mrs. Hilary Martin's Journalism class to hold an event for National Registration Day to recruit students to register to vote on September 24th from 9:15-10:15a. He noted that he approved the event and invited any Board member to drop-in if they were interested.

Dr. Hollister reported to the Board regarding the article in the most recent PSEA publication about Mr. Lei Williams, ESL Teacher for the Garden Spot Secondary Campus.

Dr. Hollister also informed the Board about an invitation from the Hourglass Foundation on the evening of October 30th.

Dr. Hollister reported that the District was revisiting their field trip policy due to the shortage of buses and bus drivers. He noted that there is a lack of transportation for school field trips and the District would be working on finding new ways of transporting and not cancelling fields trips.

10. Announcements

No Announcements.

11. Adjournment

Mr. Irvin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 p.m. with a second by Mr. Wentzel. The motion was approved. **(8-0; 1 absent)**

Justin W. Johnson School Board Secretary September 16, 2019