



EASTERN LANCASTER COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

School Board of Directors Meeting October 17, 2016 Minutes

A Regular Meeting of the Eastern Lancaster County School Board of Directors, which was properly advertised on April 8, 2016 in the *LNP Lancaster Newspaper*, was held on Monday, October 17, 2016 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, Rodney Jones, Dina Maio, Bryan Naranjo, Melissa Readman, Thomas Wentzel, 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 Glenn Yoder

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

Acting President, Mr. Jones, opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

2. Moment of Silence/Reflection - Pledge of Allegiance

Acting President, Mr. Jones, 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 noted that Consent Agenda Item 6i. Approval of Payoff of the 2014A Note and Refinancing of 2015 Note, would be moved from the Consent Agenda and placed as a separate action item for a Roll Call Vote.

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

4. Student of the Month Presentation

Zachary Skinner, 12th Grade, Garden Spot High School, New Holland
Hannah Ashcroft, 12th Grade, Garden Spot High School, New Holland

Mr. Sanger introduced and congratulated the October Students of the Month for being chosen for their character trait of Integrity.

October

Zachary Skinner, New Holland, accompanied by his parents, Mr. & Mrs. Michael Skinner
Hannah Ashcroft, New Holland, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Joanne Ashcroft.

Dr. Hollister thanked both students for being chosen for the character trait of Integrity and commented on the obligation that comes along with being chosen as student of the month.

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.)

No Comments.

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. Wentzel made a motion to approve the consent agenda. It was seconded by Mr. Irvin.
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. Approve Budgetary Transfers
- j. Approval of Addition to the 2016-17 Bus Driver and Bus Assistant Approved Listing

The following have been added to the approved list:

Driver

Regina Bair
Crystal Hynds
Tracy Finegan

Assistant

Dawn Diano

- k. Approval of the Transfer of \$1,791,618.56 from the General Fund to Capital Reserve Fund
- l. Approval of Affidavits of Guardianship
- m. Approval of Change in Expulsions

The high school administration is recommending that two students who were expelled through the end of the 2016-2017 school year have their expulsion reduced to the end of the last day of quarter 1 of the 2016-2017 school year.
- n. Approval of POLICY 609 - INVESTMENT OF DISTRICT FUNDS

Updates to Policy in Order to comply with Act 10 of 2016.
- o. Approval of Bonita Stone as a non-stipendiary Volunteer Coach representing Garden Spot High School at all PIAA sanctioned swimming events.

7. Action Items

Items Removed from Consent Agenda for Separate Consideration.

a. Approval for Administration to obtain Appraisal for Caernarvon Property

Mr. Irvin made a motion to approve the Administration to obtain an appraisal for the Caernarvon Property. It was seconded by Mr. Wentzel. **The motion was approved. (7-0; 2 absent)**

b. Approval to Enter PlanCon Part H & PlanCon Part J Approval Letters into the Minutes.

Mr. Naranjo made a motion to approve to enter the PlanCon Part H & PlanCon Part J Approval Letters into the Minutes. It was seconded by Mrs. Zeiset. **The motion was approved. (7-0; 2 absent)**

i. Approval of Payoff of the 2014A Note and Refinancing of 2015 Note

Mr. Wentzel made a motion to approve to the Payoff of the 2014A Note and Refinancing of 2015 Note. It was seconded by Mr. Irvin. Mr. Jones called for a Roll Call Vote on Payoff of the 2014A Note and Refinancing of 2015 Note. **The motion was approved. (7-0; 2 absent)**

8. Reports

a. Lancaster County Tax Collection Bureau

No meeting this month

Next meeting - November 16, 2016

Mr. Ramsey reported that there was no meeting and the next meeting would be held November 16, 2016.

b. Lancaster-Lebanon IU13

Mr. Irvin reported on the October 12th IU Board meeting and shared several highlights from the board meeting report: He reported that Dr. Marty Hudak, a former Superintendent, presented on school funding in PA and what could be done to change it. He also reported that the Board was shown an IU Job training video prepared by students. The Board also approved the 4 year contract with the Executive Director of the IU13, Dr. Barnhart, starting July 17, 2017 to 2021. Mr. Irvin reported that the IU13 Board approved \$10,368,585.18 in disbursements and approved several new or addition to service contracts for Business Services, Early Childhood and Special Education Services, Instructional Services, Technology Services, and Human Resource Services. There were sixteen (16) resignations, one (1) termination, four (4) retirements, forty-nine (49) new hires, eighteen (18) changes in position or salaries, and five (5) leave of absences.

Mr. Irvin also reported that the Board approved the new IU13 Organizational Chart, now public record.

c. Lancaster CTC

Mrs. Readman was unable to attend the last JOC meeting. There was no report.

d. Legislative

Mr. Wentzel reported on the end of the Legislative Session on November 30th and remarked on chances for Charter School and Pension Reforms being added to the House discussion in the new Legislative Session. He also remarked on a recent article regarding the cost of Charter Schools in Berks County. Mr. Wentzel announced the upcoming Election Day and encourage voters to consider not only the presidential race, but the senate house positions as well.

9. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Hollister presented the Board with several updates regarding Eastern Lancaster County School District. He also commented that the action the Board took with the Payoff of the 2014 and Refinancing of the 2015 Note would leave the District debt free in just over 5 year.

Dr. Hollister acknowledged and congratulated Mr. Sanger and Garden Spot High School Faculty on the recent announcement of the School Performance Profile.

Dr. Hollister announced that he recently spoke at the New Holland Mennonite Church with an update on the School District and was very well received.

He also announced that there was to be a collaboration of Community Services meeting spearheaded by Meredith Dahl of Cross Connections that any Board Member was welcome to attend. This meeting was being held to discuss the duplication of services and the possibilities of merging some of these services.

Dr. Hollister updated the Board on the Pre-Kindergarten Sessions that the District was offering indicating the great success of those sessions already completed.

He also announced on upcoming Homecoming and the recent Hall of Fame induction that he attended.

Dr. Hollister updated the Board on the Bus Tracking System put in placed noting that all buses were now using the system with students scanning on and off the bus. He also noted there had been only small issues with forgotten IDs by student.

10. Announcements

Mr. Jones announced that he attended a counseling department meeting with Ellen Cantymagli and the Counselor Advisory Council on October 10th discussing the role of counselors, the new economy, and the job market. He praised the Counseling department on their efforts.

11. Adjournment

Mr. Wentzel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:29 p.m. with a second by Mr. Irvin. **The motion was approved. (7-0; 2 absent)**