



Committee of the Whole Meeting November 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, November 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.

Roll Call

Board Members in attendance were: Gary Buck, Jonathan Dahl, Jacqueline Geyer, Paul Irvin, Dina Maio, Bryan Naranjo, Melissa Readman, Thomas Wentzel, and Glenn Yoder

Board Members not in attendance were:

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 several 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

President Yoder led in a silent meditation 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.

Chris Buck, New Holland, PA

Mr. Buck thanked the Board for their service and said a prayer.

4. Approve Personnel Report

Mrs. Kara Martin, Director of Special Education and Gifted Services introduced Dr. Daniel Cane as the new incoming School Psychologist for Garden Spot High School.

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

5. Property and Services

a. Action Item - Approval of Easement Agreement with PP&L at the Garden Spot Campus

PP&L is paying the District \$51,000 for the easement

Mr. Ramsey requested the Board to approve the Easement Agreement with PP&L at the Garden Spot Secondary Campus indicating that the District would receive \$51,000 for the easement. He noted that the District Solicitor had reviewed and approved the agreement.

b. Action Item - Award the Auditorium HVAC Bid to Myco Mechanical and to Authorize the Chief of Finance & Operations to Sign All Documents

The District received 3 bids. Myco Mechanical was the lowest bidder with a total base bid of \$317,000.

Mr. Ramsey requested the Board to award the Auditorium HVAC Bid to Myco Mechanical and to Authorize the him to sign any necessary documents. Mr. Ramsey informed the Board that Myco Mechanical proposed the lowest bid and even though the District had not worked with the company in the past, the District's Engineer had worked with the company before.

6. Program

a. Presentation - Elementary Structure: Full Day Kindergarten

Dr. Larkin presented the Board with a model that the District was proposing for implementing full day kindergarten at the elementary schools, indicating that this would take affect at the start of the 2020-2021 school year. Dr. Larkin informed the Board that the plan was to rearrange teachers and space to accommodate the additional students and classrooms needed.

The Administration and Board discussed the logistics of implementing full day kindergarten regarding transportation, a half-day kindergarten option, and possible increase in cost.

Dr. Hollister thanked Dr. Larkin for getting the feedback from teachers for implementing this plan. Dr. Hollister informed the Board that it was the District's plan to not continue with mid-day transportation for half-day kindergarten in the 2020-2021 school year.

7. Management

a. Information Item - POLICY 000 Board Policy/Procedure/Administrative Regulations – First Reading

b. Information Item - POLICY 001 Name and Classification – First Reading.

c. Information Item - POLICY 002 Authority and Powers – First Reading.

d. Information Item - POLICY 003 Functions – First Reading.

e. Information Item - POLICY 004 Membership – First Reading.

Dr. Hollister informed the Board that the Superintendent's office was continuing to review School District policies and indicated that some of the changes were based on recommendations from PSBA, while other were just the clarification and reorganization of policy language. He noted that the policies would be placed on the agenda as action items the following month and Board members should contact him if they had any questions.

f. Information Item - American Education Week, November 18-November 22, 2019.

8. Announcements

Dr. Hollister announced that the Girls Volleyball team were playing in the Semi-Finals at Springfield School District the following evening and invited the Board members to attend. Dr. Hollister congratulated the team on how well they were playing.

Dr. Hollister also announced that the District hosted the PMEA District 7 Youth Honors Band over the weekend and thanked Ms. Jennifer Schoener, Mr. Joc Heckman, Mrs. Lisa Zimmerman, and Mr. Alex Goodman for the planning and execution of the event. He also congratulated all those that participated.

Dr. Hollister announced that there would an executive session held after the meeting to discuss a personnel matter and student issue.

9. Adjournment

Mr. Irvin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 p.m. with a second by Mr. Wentzel. **The motion was approved. (9-0)**

Justin W. Johnson
School Board Secretary
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