

# EASTERN LANCASTER COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

# School Board of Directors Meeting February 27, 2023 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, February 27, 2023 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. The meeting was broadcasted via live video feed as well.

To hear the details under each agenda item, please refer to the recording of the meeting which is posted on the District's website (<a href="www.elanco.org">www.elanco.org</a>) under Our District // School Board of Directors // Meeting Audio Minutes

#### Roll Call

**Board Members in attendance were:** Gary Buck, Brian Conroy, Jonathan Dahl, Jacqueline Geyer, Paul Irvin, Dina Maio, Kevin McCarroll, Bryan Naranjo and Thomas Wentzel **Note:** Mrs. Geyer joined via videocam.

Board Member(s) not in attendance were: N/A

**Also in attendance were:** Dr. Michael Snopkowski, Dr. Nadine Larkin, Keith Ramsey and Rebekah Ray **Staff/Public in attendance were:** Several citizens of the community, a member from LNP newspaper and staff members of the District.

# 1. Welcome and Call to Order

President Dahl opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

# 2. Moment of Silence/Reflection - Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Brian Conroy led in a silent mediation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

# 3. Agenda Modification/Approval of Agenda

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

# 4. Blue Ball Elementary Learners Presentation

Mrs. Schrantz introduced her students who went to BizTown for the day. The students talked about their experiences and how much fun they had there.

#### 5. Student of the Month Presentation

Dr. Sanger presented and congratulated the Students of the Month for the month of January being chosen for their character trait of "Hard Working".

Grade 12: Amber Beck

Grade 11: Gwendolyn Varley Grade 10: Morgan Watt Grade 9: Elena Zimmerman

#### 6. Citizens of the District Comments

The Board encourages citizens of the district to come before the Board to present their petitions, inquiries, or other communications of interest. The Board invites public (Citizens of the District) to comment on any topic that is within the Board's jurisdiction. As outlined in Board Policy 903, the Board requires that public participants be residents or taxpayers of this district.

Thank you.

<u>Rick Naranjo</u>, <u>Morgantown</u>, <u>PA</u> – said a prayer for the district.

## 7. Consent Agenda

- 7.a. Approval of Minutes
- 7.b. Treasurer's Report
- 7.c. Approve Personnel Reports
  - 7.c.a. Staff Personnel Report
  - 7.c.b. Extra-Curricular Personnel Report
- 7.d. Bills Paid
- 7.e. Cafeteria Fund Treasurer's Report
- 7.f. Investments
- 7.g. Student Activity Account
- 7.h. Approve Budgetary Transfers
- 7.i. Board Appointed Representatives on the District Professional Development Committee
- 7.j. Senior Class Trip to Philadelphia Spring 2023
- 7.k. First Read Policies
- 7.I. Second Read Policies

Mr. Irvin made a motion to approve. It was seconded by Mr. Conroy.

The motion was approved. (9-0)

#### 8. Action Items – NONE

## 9. Reports

## 9.a. Lancaster County Tax Collection Bureau

Mr. Ramsey stated that there was no meeting this month. At their next meeting, on March 8, they will discuss the Audit report.

#### 9.b. Lancaster-Lebanon IU13

Mr. Irvin updated the board on the meeting from February 8, 2023.

#### 9.c. Lancaster CTC

Mr. Conroy updated the board about things that are going on at the CTC, such as an assessment with the North Group.

#### 9.d. Legislative

Mr. Conroy updated the board on Advocacy Day which is now going to be virtual instead of in person.

#### 9.e. Student Representative

Kendell Moats reported on activities at the elementary schools and Thomas Watt reported on the activities at the secondary campus.

## 10. Superintendent's Report

As we watched tonight, our school district has many things to celebrate in connection to our learners. Hearing from our fifth-grade learners at Blue Ball, as well as celebrating our learners of the month from Garden Spot High School, shows how our schools are preparing our learners for their futures across all grades and through a variety of exciting ways. Over the next several meetings, both during Committee of the Whole as well as our regular Board meeting, groups of learners from each of our buildings, along with their teachers and administrators, will be coming to share what they are learning and the ways that they are using their learning in and out of the classroom. These presentations will showcase the experiences of our learners and provide a look into how each day in ELANCO brings an opportunity for new and exciting ways to grow in each classroom.

In addition to learning more about our learners' experiences through their presentations, we will also receive the report from Trapani Communications on March 20<sup>th</sup> regarding the communications audit that began in October. As a reminder, the audit was initiated to gather information and develop recommendations for ways in which our district can best share information as well as receive feedback from our community. Through targeted focus groups as well as a comprehensive survey that was conducted during the month of December, we have gathered a significant amount of information and I look forward to developing action plans to put what we've learned, as well as the recommendations of the communications team, into practice.

During the winter season we've had much to celebrate with our athletics program, including the league champion in air rifle as well as multiple athletes who qualified for district championships and potentially the state swimming meet. With spring sports starting next week, we'll be welcoming several hundred of our high school and middle school student

athletes to the fields and court to represent our district. GSPA is working hard to prepare for the spring performance, which is Rock of Ages: Teen Edition in April. With a variety of other events scheduled across all of our schools and district, there really is no shortage of things to look forward to here in ELANCO.

### 11. Announcements

President Dahl stated that Jacqueline Geyer attended the meeting virtually. Brian Conroy made a comment about the tour he had at the HS campus.

# 12. Adjournment

Mr. Irvin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:29 p.m. It was seconded by Mr. Wentzel.

The motion was approved. (9-0)

Keith D. Ramsey School Board Secretary February 27, 2023