

January 17, 2012 – General Board Meeting Minutes

The General Board Meeting of the Tulpehocken Area School Board of Directors was called to order at 7:03 p.m. in the District Office Board Room on Tuesday, January 17, 2012 with Mr. Scott Klopp, Board President presiding. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

2.0 ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt (via telephone), Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

ABSENT:

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:

Dr. Edward Albert, Superintendent
Mr. Thomas Kowalonek, Business Manager
Mr. Brian Boland, Solicitor
Mrs. Mimi Shade, Recording Secretary

And the following interested citizens and staff: None

3.0 ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

3.1-3.3 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mr. Manbeck, to accept the minutes of the following meetings:

- 3.1 12/06/2011 Board Reorganization Minutes
- 3.2 12/06/2011 General Board Voting Session Minutes
- 3.3 01/03/2012 Board Work Session Minutes

AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

4.0 FINANCIAL REPORTS

4.1-4.13 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mr. Palmer, to accept the following financial reports:

- 4.1 Treasurer's Report
- 4.2 Investment Report

- 4.3 Tax Collection Report
- 4.4 Monthly Account Status
- 4.5 General Fund Bills Payable
- 4.6 Cafeteria Report
- 4.7 Cafeteria Fund Bills Payable
- 4.8 Capital Reserve Fund Bills Payable
- 4.9 Special Revenue Accounts Payable
- 4.10 Budgetary Transfers
- 4.11 Jr. High Activity Bills Payable
- 4.12 Sr. High Activity Bills Payable
- 4.13 Bond Fund Bills Payable

AYES: Mr. Dennis Bayer, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

5.0 BOARD REPORTS

6.0 CITIZEN/STUDENT PARTICIPATION

7.0 REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

A. Board Member Recognitions

January is school board recognition month. Dr. Albert handed out certificates to the board to recognize their service to the board.

B. Building & Grounds Committee Meeting – 02/07/2012 6:00 p.m.

Dr. Albert informed the board that there will be a building & grounds committee meeting held on February 07, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

8.0 NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS

9.0 ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION

- 9.0.1 A resolution was offered by Mr. Manbeck, seconded by Mrs. Fox, to approve the listed appointments for the Board committees for 2012.

AYES: Mr. Dennis Bayer, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.0.2 A resolution was offered by Mr. Manbeck, seconded by Mrs. Hassler, to approve the listed Board representatives for 2012.

AYES: Mr. Dennis Bayer, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.0.3 A resolution was offered by Mr. Manbeck, seconded by Mrs. Fox, to approve the recommendation to use the law firm of Kozloff Stoudt as the school Solicitor for 2012.

AYES: Mr. Dennis Bayer, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.1 FINANCE

9.2 BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

9.3 TRANSPORTATION

9.4 POLICY

9.4.1 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Hassler, seconded by Mrs. Fox, to the recommendation to give second reading and final adoption to the following policy.

Policy #217 Graduation Requirements

AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.5 CURRICULUM

9.6 LEGISLATIVE

9.7 EXTRA-CURRICULAR

9.8 PERSONNEL

9.8.1 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Baver, to approve the following parent volunteers:

- Christel Leibenguth
- Gina M. Daub
- Renee Etchberger
- Claudia M. Clark
- Steven R. Clark
- Michele Wessner

AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.2 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox, to approve the following professional staff salary adjustments based on credit attainment according to the collective bargaining agreement:

- Susan Burns from 11M+30 to 11M+45 effective November 28, 2011.
- Elaine Caffarelli from 10M+45 to 10M/2M effective August 27, 2011.

- Michael Dunkle from 6B to 6B+24 effective November 8, 2011.
- Tammy Field from 4M to 4M+15 effective December 21, 2011.
- Brent Johnson from 6M to 6M+15 effective November 18, 2011.
- Amy Katzenmoyer from 6B to 6B+24 effective September 2, 2011.

AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.3 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox, to approve Joyce Neal as a long-term substitute German teacher at the Junior Senior High School effective approximately February 21, 2012 through the end of the school year at a salary of \$46,055, Step 1M, prorated to the number of days worked, pending completion of paperwork.

AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.4 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox, to approve the following mentor teachers:

- Jo Ann Stockholm for long-term substitute physical education teacher at the Junior Senior High School, Timothy Hite, at a stipend of \$500 prorated to the number of days worked.
- Maria Taylor for the long-term substitute German teacher at the Junior Senior High School, Joyce Neal, at a stipend of \$250 prorated to the number of days worked.
- Joseph Bernat for the long-term substitute music teacher at Penn-Bernville Elementary, Kaitlyn Hartman, at a stipend of \$500 prorated to the number of days worked.

AYES: Mr. Dennis Bayer, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.5 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox, to an extension of Shanon Sittler's unpaid leave of absence for childrearing until the end of the 2011-2012 school year.

AYES: Mr. Dennis Bayer, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.6 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Hassler, to an extension of Diane Bidelsbach as a long-term substitute Autistic Support teacher at the Junior Senior High School until the end of the 2011-2012 school year.

AYES: Mr. Dennis Bayer, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.7 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox, to approve the following substitute teachers for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year pending completion of paperwork:

- Catherine Hassler
- Kristin Kerchner
- **Brittany Lear**
- Katelyn Minetree

- **Laura Mulholland**
- Brittni O'Brien
- Christina Sterck

AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED: Mrs. Lisa Hassler

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.8.8 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Hassler, to approve the following substitute support staff for the remainder of the 2011-12 school year pending completion of paperwork:

- Kimberlee Harrop

AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.9 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox, to approve Phelene Kissling as event staff for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year at the established rate.

AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.10 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox, to approve the following volunteers for the 2011-2012 seasons:

Dennis Bayer	Bowling
Zachery Carles	Boys' Basketball

AYES: Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED: Mr. Dennis Bayer

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.8.11 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox, to approve the following preferred substitutes starting January 18, 2012 for 45 days:

- Heath Grogg
- Tracey Stauffer
- Heather Stoy

AYES: Mr. Dennis Bayer, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.12 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Hassler, to approve Lisa Klopp as a part-time cafeteria worker (approximately 4 hours per school day) at Bethel Elementary effective 01/18/2012 at an hourly rate of \$9.25 pending completion of paperwork.

AYES: Mr. Dennis Bayer, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED: Mr. Scott W. Klopp

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.8.13 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox, to approve Audrey Williams as a part-time cafeteria worker (approximately 4 hours per school day) at Bethel Elementary effective 01/18/2012 at an hourly rate of \$9.25 pending completion of paperwork.

9.8.14 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox, to approve Suzanne Belles as a part-time cafeteria worker (approximately 4 hours per school day) at the Junior/Senior High School effective 01/18/2012 at an hourly rate of \$9.25 pending completion of paperwork.

AYES: Mr. Dennis Bayer, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.15 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox, to approve the transfer of Lorraine Wachstetter from part-time cafeteria worker at the Junior/Senior High School to part-time cafeteria worker at Penn-Bernville Elementary effective 01/18/2012.

AYES: Mr. Dennis Bayer, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.16 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox, to approve a temporary transfer of Kathryn Walker from a student-assigned paraprofessional at the JSHS to a student-assigned paraprofessional at Penn-Bernville Elementary effective January 9, 2012.

AYES: Mr. Dennis Bayer, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.17 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox, to approve an increase for Lena Seltzer, cafeteria worker at Penn-Bernville Elementary from \$9.00 per hour to \$9.25 per hour effective January 18, 2012.

AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

DISCUSSION ITEMS: OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

10.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

Mr. Palmer asked about the decision the consortium made to go self insured. Mr. Kowalonek answered the board's questions.

Mr. Kowalonek informed the board that he met with Carl Blessing regarding the transportation contract and to discuss any issues they had with us and any issues we may have with them.

11.0 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

12.0 CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

13.0 ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Fox made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Heck.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m. Executive Session was held after the regular session to discuss personnel.

Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Board Secretary