

February 21, 2012 – General Board Meeting Minutes

The General Board Meeting of the Tulpehocken Area School Board of Directors was called to order at 7:28 p.m. in the District Office Board Room on Tuesday, February 21, 2012 with Mr. Scott Klopp, Board President presiding. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

2.0 ROLL CALL

PRESENT: 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.

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: Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, Mr. Arlan Werst, and Liam Migdail-Smith, Reading Eagle

3.0 ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

3.1-3.2 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mr. Bayer, to accept the minutes of the following meetings:

- 3.1 01/17/2012 General Board Voting Session Minutes
- 3.2 02/07/2012 Board Work Session Minutes

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.

4.0 FINANCIAL REPORTS

4.1-4.13 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mrs. Hassler, 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. Curriculum Committee Meeting – 03/06/2012 6:30 p.m.

Dr. Albert informed the board that there will be a Curriculum Committee Meeting on March 6, 2012 starting at 6:30 p.m.

Mr. Dustin Shirk presented information to the board about a proposed field trip to New York City for the marching band.

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 senior gifted field trip to Boston as presented at the 02/07/2012 board meeting.

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

NAYS: Mr. Dennis Bayer, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

ABSENT:
ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 7-2.

9.0.2 A resolution was offered by Mr. Manbeck, seconded by Mrs. Fox, to approve the Marching Band Field Trip to New York City.

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 Mr. John Rausch as the Berks Vocational-Technical School's Authority for a five year term expiring on 12/31/2016.

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

9.1.1 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mr. Palmer, to approve the 2012/2013 Berks County Intermediate Unit Services Budget as presented to the board (vote to be taken twice).

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.

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.

9.2 BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

9.2.1 A resolution was offered by Mr. Bayer, seconded by Mrs. Fox, to approve the attached list of items as surplus.

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.

9.2.2 A resolution was offered by Mr. Bayer, seconded by Mr. Manbeck, to approve the attached list of items as surplus.

The above motion was tabled until the March 20, 2012 voting session.

9.2.3 A resolution was offered by Mr. Bayer, seconded by Mrs. Fox, to approve the purchase of the INFIELD PRO 2020 as stated at the 02/07/2012 work session.

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.

9.3 TRANSPORTATION

9.4 POLICY

9.5 CURRICULUM

9.5.1 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Blatt, seconded by Mrs. Fox, to approve the 2012/2013 proposed school calendar as presented.

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

NAYS: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-1.

9.6 LEGISLATIVE

9.7 EXTRA-CURRICULAR

9.8 PERSONNEL

9.8.1 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox, to approve the following volunteer baseball coaches for the 2011-2012 season:

- Brian Bachman
- Dennis Baver
- Mike Berry
- Derek Herr
- Lynn Schaeffer
- Christopher Stoy

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 Baver

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.8.2 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox, to approve the following coaches for the 2011-2012 spring season:

- Asst. High School Track Joseph Sabol \$2,560 (pending completion of paperwork)
- Head Junior High Girls Soccer Dean Evans \$1,600 (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.

9.8.3 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:

- Derek Herr
- Kevin Schwenk
- Melody Turner

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 support staff substitutes for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year pending completion of paperwork:

- Suzanne Ellefson Aide, Cafeteria
- David Karnbach Cafeteria, Custodial
- Brenda Weidenhammer Cafeteria

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 approve a \$2500 stipend for Paul Zerbe for additional duties during 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. Fox, to approve the change to the following extra-curricular position for the 2011-2012 school year:

- Kathryn Mazurek – Penn-Bernville Choral Music Programs Director at a stipend of \$422 pro-rated to the number of days worked.
- Kaitlyn Hartman – Substitute Penn-Bernville Choral Music Programs Director at a stipend of \$369 pro-rated 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.

9.8.7 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox, to approve Jessica Hritzko as a mentor for Shanon Sittler, Elementary Autistic Support

teacher effective February 8, 2012 at a stipend of \$375 pro-rated 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.

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

- Susan Schwartz for Shanon Sittler, JSHS Autistic Support teacher from the beginning of the 2011-2012 school year through September 13, 2011 at a stipend of \$375 prorated to the number of days worked.
- Susan Schwartz for Diane Bidelsbach, long-term substitute JSHS Autistic Support teacher from October 5, 2011 through the end of the 2011-2012 school year 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.

9.8.9 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox, to approve the recommendation to eliminate the position of Administrative Assistant for Transportation/Taxes on June 30, 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.

9.8.10 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox, to approve the following parent volunteers:

- Naomi Fauci
- Ellen Zelek

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

It was agreed upon and announced that there will be another meeting to discuss LERTA on Tuesday, February 28, 2012 starting at 6:00 p.m.

11.0 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

12.0 CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

13.0 ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m. Executive Session was held after the regular session to discuss personnel.

Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Board Secretary