

April 20, 2010 – 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, April 20, 2010 with Mr. Ralph Moyer, Board President presiding. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

2.0 ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Jason Huey, Mr. Mark Kiehl, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, and Mr. Ralph P. Moyer (left at 8:35 p.m.).

ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

Also present were:

- Dr. Edward Albert, Superintendent
- Mr. Thomas Kowalonek, Business Manager
- Ms. Barbara Davis, Director of Curriculum
- Mr. Donald Jones, Junior/Senior High School Principal
- Ms. Bonnie Benfer, Penn-Bernville Elementary Principal
- Ms. Cynthia Jenkins, Bethel Elementary Principal
- Mr. Michael Leister, Jr./Sr. High School Assistant Principal
- Mr. Jason Bottiglieri, Asst. JSHS Principal/Athletic Director
- Mr. Brian Boland, Solicitor
- Mrs. Mimi Shade, Recording Secretary

And the following interested citizens and staff: Ms. Cindy Ambrosiani and Mr. Derrick Hix, Reading Eagle.

3.0 ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

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

- 3.1 03/16/2010 General Board Voting Session Minutes
- 3.2 03/02/2010 Board Work Session Minutes

AYES: Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Jason Huey, Mr. Mark Kiehl, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, and Mr. Ralph P. Moyer

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

4.0 FINANCIAL REPORTS

4.1-4.13 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mr. Huey, 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: Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Jason Huey, Mr. Mark Kiehl, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, and Mr. Ralph P. Moyer

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

5.0 BOARD REPORTS

None

6.0 CITIZEN/STUDENT PARTICIPATION

None

7.0 REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Dr. Albert informed the Board that we are having a "Celebrating our Successes" in-service on May 7, 2010. The Board was invited to attend.

Dr. Albert notified the Board that Senator Mike Folmer will be having a Town Hall Meeting in the District Office Board Room on 04/26/2010. A press release has been sent out.

Dr. Albert informed the Board that there will be a support staff luncheon on 06/14/2010.

Dr. Albert showed the Board the golf tournament brochure and informed them he will be holding a golf tournament committee meeting in the near future.

Dr. Albert notified the Board that we received the Bronze Award from the United Way, due to Mike Leister's efforts and the staff response to donating.

Dr. Albert showed the Board a sports program that was prepared for the spring sports season for free. We have received continuous positive comments and raves about it. We will continue to receive these free programs for each sports season.

Dr. Albert showed the Board the TVA brochure that will be sent out to all the students that are in Cyber School within our district.

Mr. Brad Remig and Mr. Mark Quinn presented the bond documents to the Board. Solicitor Boland reviewed the resolution.

8.0 NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS

None

9.0 ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION

None

9.1 FINANCE

9.1.1 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mr. Huey, to approve the per capita exonerations as attached.

AYES: Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Jason Huey, Mr. Mark Kiehl, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, and Mr. Ralph P. Moyer

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.1.2 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mr. Klopp, to approve the bond resolution as attached.

AYES: Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Jason Huey, Mr. Mark Kiehl, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, and Mr. Ralph P. Moyer

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

- 9.1.3 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mr. Klopp, to approve a contract between Tulpehocken Area School District and Hess Energy Corporation to supply energy at a rate of 7.15¢/kWh, retroactive to April 8, 2010.

Mr. Kowalonek informed the Board that the contract is locked in for two years.

AYES: Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Jason Huey, Mr. Mark Kiehl, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, and Mr. Ralph P. Moyer

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.2 BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

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 Junior High Lock-In as presented.

AYES: Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mr. Jason Huey, Mr. Mark Kiehl, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, and Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck

NAYS: Mrs. Lisa Hassler

ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., and Mr. Ralph P. Moyer (left at 8:35 p.m.).

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 6-1.

- 9.5.2 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Blatt, seconded by Mrs. Fox, to approve the recommendation to give first reading with intent to give second reading and final approval May 18, 2010 to the following planned courses as submitted:

- International Business 3E
- Introduction to Veterinary Science

AYES: Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Jason Huey, Mr. Mark Kiehl, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, and Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., and Mr. Ralph P. Moyer (left at 8:35 p.m.).

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 7-0.

The Administration gave a curriculum update to the Board.

9.6 LEGISLATIVE

9.7 EXTRA-CURRICULAR

9.8 PERSONNEL

- 9.8.1 A resolution was offered by Mr. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Huey, to accept the retirement resignation of Verle Emanuelson, science teacher at the Junior/Senior High School effective the last contractual teaching day of the 2009-2010 school year.
- 9.8.2 A resolution was offered by Mr. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Huey, to accept the retirement resignation of Barbara Livezey, health teacher at the Junior/Senior High School effective the last contractual teaching day of the 2009-2010 school year.
- 9.8.3 A resolution was offered by Mr. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Huey, to accept the retirement resignation of Jan Phillips, art teacher at Bethel Elementary effective the last contractual teaching day of the 2009-2010 school year.
- 9.8.4 A resolution was offered by Mr. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Huey, to accept the retirement resignation of Peggy Renninger, fifth grade teacher at Bethel Elementary effective the last contractual teaching day of the 2009-2010 school year.
- 9.8.5 A resolution was offered by Mr. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Huey, to accept the retirement resignation of Lynn Schaeffer, physical education/driver education teacher at the Junior/Senior High School effective the last contractual teaching day of the 2009-2010 school year.

9.8.6 A resolution was offered by Mr. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Huey, to accept the retirement resignation of Gloria Schneck, cafeteria worker at the Junior/Senior High School effective June 10, 2010.

AYES: Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Jason Huey, Mr. Mark Kiehl, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, and Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., and Mr. Ralph P. Moyer (left at 8:35 p.m.).

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 7-0.

9.8.7 A resolution was offered by Mr. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Kiehl, to approve the following substitute support staff for the remainder of the 2009-2010 school year:

- Shannon Haag Custodian (pending paperwork)
- Sherry Haller Custodian
- Denise Klopp Aide, Cafeteria, Secretary (pending paperwork)

AYES: Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Jason Huey, Mr. Mark Kiehl, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, and Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., and Mr. Ralph P. Moyer (left at 8:35 p.m.).

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 7-0.

9.8.8 A resolution was offered by Mr. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Huey, to approve the following substitute teachers for the remainder of the 2009-2010 school year:

- Sara Pavuk
- Kimberly Pawlyk (pending paperwork)

AYES: Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Jason Huey, Mr. Mark Kiehl, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, and Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., and Mr. Ralph P. Moyer (left at 8:35 p.m.).

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 7-0.

9.8.9 A resolution was offered by Mr. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Huey, to approve an unpaid leave of absence for Ashley Richards from May 25 through May 28, 2010 due to a pre-employment commitment.

AYES: Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Jason Huey, Mr. Mark Kiehl, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, and Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., and Mr. Ralph P. Moyer (left at 8:35 p.m.).

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 7-0.

9.8.10 A resolution was offered by Mr. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Huey, to approve an unpaid leave of absence for Jacqueline Borkey retroactive to April 6, 2010.

AYES: Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Jason Huey, Mr. Mark Kiehl, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, and Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., and Mr. Ralph P. Moyer (left at 8:35 p.m.).

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 7-0.

9.8.11 A resolution was offered by Mr. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Huey, to approve the transfer of Leslie Pfleger from reading specialist at Bethel Elementary to fifth grade teacher at Bethel Elementary effective the beginning of the 2010-2011 school year.

AYES: Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Jason Huey, Mr. Mark Kiehl, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, and Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., and Mr. Ralph P. Moyer (left at 8:35 p.m.).

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 7-0.

9.8.12 A resolution was offered by Mr. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Huey, to approve Heather Balsbaugh as a third grade teacher at Penn-Bernville Elementary at a salary of \$44,000, Step 1B, effective the beginning of the 2010-2011 school year.

AYES: Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Jason Huey, Mr. Mark Kiehl, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, and Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., and Mr. Ralph P. Moyer (left at 8:35 p.m.).

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 7-0.

Dr. Albert congratulated the above retirees and stated that they have been a great asset to Tulpehocken.

DISCUSSION ITEMS: OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

10.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

11.0 CALENDAR OF EVENTS- No Items

12.0 CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

13.0 ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Huey made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Manbeck.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m. Executive Session followed.

Mr. Jason Huey, Board Secretary