

May 15, 2012 – General Board Meeting Minutes

The General Board Meeting of the Tulpehocken Area School Board of Directors was called to order at 7:01 p.m. in the District Office Board Room on Tuesday, May 15, 2012 with Mr. Scott Klopp, Board President presiding. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

2.0 ROLL CALL

PRESENT: 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.

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, Ms. Marjorie Hix, Mr. Matthew Hix, Mr. Arlan Werst, and Mr. Liam Migdail – Smith, Reading Eagle.

3.0 ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

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

- 3.1 04/17/2012 General Board Voting Session Minutes
- 3.2 05/01/2012 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. Heck, 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 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.

5.0 BOARD REPORTS

6.0 CITIZEN/STUDENT PARTICIPATION

Mr. Arlan Werst and Mr. Daniel Steinhauer encouraged the board to use the money we already have and then increase taxes if we have to.

7.0 REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Dr. Albert informed the board that we have been short a sub a couple of times over the last two weeks. Bonnie had to cover the library and Cindy had to cover a class for the morning.

8.0 NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS

9.0 ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION

- 9.0.1 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox, to approve that the Board of School Directors of the Tulpehocken Area School District hereby approves the discipline described in the Admission of Fact, Waiver of Hearing, Acknowledgment of Compliance with Procedural Safeguards and Consent to Expulsion concerning student #201236, and to ratify the execution of same by Dr. Edward Albert, Superintendent of Schools on April 23, 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.

9.0.1 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Hassler, to approve that the Board of School Directors of the Tulpehocken Area School District hereby approves the discipline described in the Admission of Fact, Waiver of Hearing, Acknowledgment of Compliance with Procedural Safeguards and Consent to Expulsion concerning student #201381, and to ratify the execution of same by Dr. Edward Albert, Superintendent of Schools on April 23, 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.

9.1 FINANCE

9.1.1 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the contract between Tulpehocken Area School District and Kathleen Edelstein, Teacher of the Hearing Impaired for the 2012/2013 school year, at the continued rate of \$92.00 per hour, not to exceed 400 hours for the year.

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.

9.1.2 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mrs. Hassler, to approve the Business Manager as the Tulpehocken Area School District's Trustee for the Berks County School District Health Trust and the Superintendent as the Alternate Trustee for the 2012-2013 and 2013-2014 school years.

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.

9.1.3 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mrs. Hassler, to appoint Evelyn Fox as board treasurer for a term beginning July 1, 2012 and ending June 30, 2013 for a stipend of \$500.

9.1.4 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mrs. Hassler, to appoint Lisa Hassler as board secretary for a term beginning July 1, 2012 and ending June 30, 2015 for a yearly stipend of \$900.

9.1.5 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mrs. Hassler, to approve Oscar Manbeck as assistant board secretary for a term beginning July 1, 2012 and ending June 30, 2015.

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.

9.1.6 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the following institutions as depositories for the 2012-2013 school year:

Pennsylvania School District Liquid Asset Fund (PSDLAF)
Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust (PLGIT)
National Penn Bank
Wells Fargo
Metro Bank
PNC Bank
US Bank

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.

- 9.1.7 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mrs. Hassler, to adopt the preliminary budget for the 2012-2013 school year with projected expenditures of \$26,765,000 and projected revenues of \$ 26,415,000 including a real estate tax millage rate of 27.7, Act 511 per capita tax of \$5, School Code Section 679 per capita tax of \$5, ½% earned income tax, and ½% real estate transfer tax.

Mr. Kowalonek presented the budget to the board again and answered any questions they had. The board voted as stated below

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

This motion was carried 5-4.

- 9.1.8 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mr. Heck, to award the bid to replace the generator at the Junior/Senior High School to DynaTech Industries Ltd in the amount of \$19,143.00 (lowest bidder).

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. William T. Palmer, Jr.
NAYS: Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck
ABSENT:
ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-1.

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 give second reading and final approval to use the following textbooks:

	Name of Textbook	Publisher	Grade Level/Course	Copyright
1	<i>Treasures</i>	MacMillan/McGraw Hill	K	2011
2	<i>Treasures</i>	MacMillan/McGraw Hill	1st Grade	2011
3	<i>Treasures</i>	MacMillan/McGraw Hill	2nd Grade	2011
4	<i>Treasures</i>	MacMillan/McGraw Hill	3rd Grade	2011
5	<i>Treasures</i>	MacMillan/McGraw Hill	4th Grade	2011
6	<i>Treasures</i>	MacMillan/McGraw Hill	5th Grade	2011
7	<i>Literature</i>	Holt McDougall	6th Grade	2012
8	<i>Music! It's Role and Importance in Our Lives</i>	Glencoe McGraw Hill	Music Appreciation	2006
9	<i>Realidades 1</i>	Prentice Hall	Spanish I	2011
10	<i>Realidades 2</i>	Prentice Hall	Spanish II	2011
11	<i>Realidades 3</i>	Prentice Hall	Spanish III	2011
12	Leyendas del mundo hispano	Prentice Hall	Spanish IV	2010
13	Literature	Holt McDougall	7th Grade	2012
14	Literature	Holt McDougall	8th Grade	2012
15	Literature	Holt McDougall	9th Grade	2012
16	Literature	Holt McDougall	10th Grade	2012
17	American Literature	Holt McDougall	11th Grade	2012
18	British Literature	Holt McDougall	12th Grade	2012
19	Word It!	B.E Publishing	7th & 8th Grade	2011
20	Excel It!	B.E Publishing	7th & 8th Grade	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.

9.5.2 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Blatt, seconded by Mrs. Fox, to approve the 2012/2013 Show Choir Trip to Florida as presented at the May 1, 2012 board meeting.

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.

9.5.3 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Blatt, seconded by Mrs. Fox, to give first reading with the intent to give second reading and final approval on June 19, 2012 to the following curriculum.

Junior High Music Grade 7

Junior High Music Grade 8

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.

9.6 LEGISLATIVE

9.7 EXTRA-CURRICULAR

9.8 PERSONNEL

9.8.1 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox, to approve a childrearing leave of absence for Kristen Fisk starting approximately November 16, 2012 through the end of the 2012-2013 school year.

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 accept the resignation of Denise Klopp as part-time cafeteria worker at the Junior/Senior High School effective June 7, 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.

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

- Andrea Book
- Christie Bennett-Zellers

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.

9.8.4 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the following substitute teachers for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year:

- Kaitlyn Hartman
- Megan Bux (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.

DISCUSSION ITEMS: OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

10.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

11.0 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

12.0 CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

- Mr. Matthew Hix

Mr. Hix asked the board to reconsider the decision of not allowing him to go on field trips due to his clearances.

13.0 ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m. Executive Session was held before and after to discuss personnel.

Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Board Secretary