

February 5, 2019 – Board Work Session Minutes

President Mr. Oscar Manbeck called this Work Session of the Tulpehocken Area School District Board of Directors to order at 7:01 p.m. in the District Office Board Room on Tuesday, January 05, 2019 with Mr. Oscar Manbeck, Board President presiding. The Pledge of Allegiance and prayer followed.

PRESENT: Mr. Kyle Batz, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, and Mr. Arlan Werst

ABSENT:

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:

Mr. Andrew Netznik, Superintendent
Mrs. Amanda Cipolla, Assistant to the Superintendent
Mr. Thomas Kowalonek, Business Manager
Ms. Jade Sedoti, Director of Pupil Services
Mr. Denis Quirk, JSHS Principal
Mr. Justin Welker, Assistant JSHS Principal
Mrs. Stacy Linderman, Penn-Bernville Elementary Principal
Mr. Derek Stehr, Bethel Elementary Principal
Mr. Rick Triest, Director of Building & Grounds
Mr. Matthew Shirk, Supervisor of Technology
Mr. Brian Boland, Solicitor
Mrs. Mimi Shade, Recording Secretary

And the following interested citizens and staff: Mr. Lisa Hassler, Ms. Amy Schlater, Ms. Denice Dodge, Ms. Guilia Hummel, Ms. Roxanne McMurtry, Herbein & Co., The Flynn Family, Mr. Tom Moorhead, Mr. Chris Bell, Ms. Ashleigh Bell, Ms. Laurie Bell, Ms. Beth Oxenreider, Mr. Eric Wesner, Ms. Amy Wesner, Ms. Denise Korpill, Ms. Sarah Cullins, Ms. Carol Fitzgerald, Ms. Rita Sanchez, Mr. Matt Lytle, and Mr. Ed Oswald, Reading Eagle

Students of the Month – Bethel Elementary – Mr. Derek Stehr, Principal

Students of the Month:

Ms. Schlater:

Jamie Wesner
Seth Karpulk

Mrs. Dodge:

Benjamin Zeller
Makala Oxenreider

Mrs. Hummel:

Jair Bazan
Keeley Flynn

The above students were recognized as students of the month. They were given a certificate of achievement for their accomplishment. The students and parents were thanked for all their hard work and dedication.

I. Discussion Items

1. Superintendent's Report

A. Herbein & Company Audit Presentation – Roxanne McMurtry

Ms. McMurtry presented the 2017/2018 audit to the board and stated that there were no findings and the business office did a fantastic job.

B. Intermediate Band Festival Field Trip – Mr. Denis Quirk

C. Gettysburg Field Trip – Mr. Denis Quirk

D. JSHS Gifted Program Senior Trip – Mr. Denis Quirk

Mr. Denis Quirk presented the above field trips to the board. They will be voted on at the February 19, 2019 board meeting.

E. Berks County Safety and Security Consortium

Mr. Netznik presented that the BCIU is looking at hiring a Safety Coordinator that would assist Berks County Schools with safety and to help navigate the changes in the law. It would cost the district \$5,000 annually. The board decided to opt out and use those funds to have our current SRO help us with this.

2. Citizen/Student Participation (Pertaining to Agenda items only)

3. Buildings and Grounds

4. Finance

A. **Approve the 2017/2018 Audit from Herbein & Company as presented.**

The above motion was voted on as stated below.

4A A resolution was offered by Mr. Rodig, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to approve the 2017/2018 Audit from Herbein & Company as presented.

AYES: Mr. Kyle Batz, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, and Mr. Arlan Werst

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

- B. Approve the 2019/2020 Berks County Intermediate Unit Mandated Services Budget as presented to the board. (Vote to be taken twice)

The above motion was discussed and will be voted on at the February 19, 2019 board meeting.

- C. Approve the entering into a 4 year contract with K12 Systems, Inc. for the SapphireK12 Student Management System as presented and discussed at the January 8, 2019 Board Meeting, pending solicitor approval.

The above motion was tabled and will be voted on at a future board meeting. The contract is in the process of being revised.

5. Personnel

- A. Personnel items are discussed in executive session.

The below motions were voted on as stated below.

- 9.8.1 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to approve Diane Berry, Paraprofessional, Penn-Bernville Elementary effective February 7, 2019.

AYES: Mr. Kyle Batz, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, and Mr. Arlan Werst

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

- 9.8.4 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to approve the following substitute staff/event staff for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year:

Kenneth Unger Substitute Teacher, pending completion of paperwork

AYES: Mr. Kyle Batz, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, and Mr. Arlan Werst

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.5 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to approve resolution 2019-02:

AYES: Mr. Kyle Batz, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, and Mr. Arlan Werst

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

6. Programs

7. Policy

A. Give second reading and final approval to the following policies:

#209.2	Diabetes Management
#239	Foreign Exchange Students
#247	Hazing
#251	Homeless Students
#255	Educational Stability for Children in Foster Care

The above motion was discussed and will be voted on at the February 19, 2019 board meeting.

8. Curriculum

A. Approve the following Curriculum as stated below:

Language Arts 8 Inclusion
Language Arts 8 Advanced/Honors
Language Arts 8
English 9
English 10
English 11 Honors
English Academic 11
English 11
English 12 Honors
English 12

The above motion was voted on as stated below.

8A A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to approve the following Curriculum as stated below:

Language Arts 8 Inclusion
 Language Arts 8 Advanced/Honors
 Language Arts 8
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 English 12

AYES: Mr. Kyle Batz, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, and Mr. Arlan Werst

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

B. Approve the following textbooks as stated below:

Exploremos Level 1	Cengage Learning	National Geographic Spanish I
Exploremos Level 2	Cengage Learning	National Geographic Spanish II
Exploremos Level 3	Cengage Learning	National Geographic Spanish III
Exploremos Level 4	Cengage Learning	National Geographic Spanish IV

Edge 2014 Fundamentals	Cengage Learning	National Geographic	ESL JSHS
Edge 2014A	Cengage Learning	National Geographic	ESL JSHS
Edge 2014B	Cengage Learning	National Geographic	ESL JSHS
Edge 2014C	Cengage Learning	National Geographic	ESL JSHS

The above motion was discussed and will be voted on at the February 19, 2019 board meeting.

9. Items for Board Action

10. Technology

10.1.1 Award the Wide Area Network (WAN) bid to Verizon as the lowest bidder to service our district fiber connection in the amount of \$2,400/month for a period beginning July 1, 2019 until June 30, 2022. This service is eligible for eRate funding.

The above motion was discussed and will be voted on at the February 19, 2019 board meeting.

A. eRate Wireless Network Upgrade – Mr. Matt Shirk

B. eRate Network Equipment Purchase – Mr. Matt Shirk

Mr. Shirk presented the e-rate purchase and upgrade. This will be on the February 19, 2019 board agenda.

11. Transportation

12. Legislative

13. Administrative Reports

- Mr. Denis Quirk – JSHS Principal

Mr. Quirk reported that they are having a junior high structured ice skating event. Course selection has started. Safe 2 Say training is this Friday – Video & PowerPoint

- Mr. Justin Welker – JSHS Assistant Principal

Mr. Welker informed the board that they have the great kindness challenge at the junior high.

- Mr. Derek Stehr – Bethel Elementary Principal

Mr. Stehr reported that they had Fun & Games night and all had a good time. The next one is March 22, 2019. They are participating in pennies for a cure.

- Mrs. Stacy Linderman – Penn-Bernville Elementary Principal

Ms. Linderman reported they had dad & doughnuts. Fifty -three dads signed up for Watch Dogs. They are busy with STEM activities.

- Mr. Matthew Shirk – Supervisor of Technology

Mr. Shirk reported that technology is going well.

- Ms. Jade Sedoti – Director of Pupil Services

Ms. Sedoti reported that she was able to attend the 100-day activities. The audit has been rescheduled for the beginning of March.

- Mr. Rick Triest – Buildings & Grounds Director

Mr. Triest reported that they have been busy with cold weather and clean up

14. Old Business

15. New Business

16. Public Comment

II. Adjournment

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m. Executive Session was held after the board meeting for personnel.

Mrs. April L. Klopp
Board Secretary