March 6, 2018 – Board Work Session Minutes

President Mr. Oscar Manbeck called this Work Session of the Tulpehocken Area School District Board of Directors to order at 7:00 p.m. in the District Office Board Room. Pledge of Allegiance and opening Prayer followed.

PRESENT: Mr. Kyle Batz, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr. (7:18 p.m.), Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, and Mr. Daniel Steinhauer

ABSENT: Mr. Arlan Werst

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:

Mr. Andrew Netznik, Interim Superintendent

Mrs. Amanda Cipolla, Assistant to the Superintendent

Mr. Thomas Kowalonek, Business Manager

Mrs. Lisa Kiss, Director of Special Education

Mrs. Stacy Linderman, Penn-Bernville Elementary Principal

Mr. Mark Brown, Bethel Elementary Principal

Mr. Rick Triest, Director of Building & Grounds

Mr. Brian Boland, Solicitor

Mrs. Mimi Shade, Recording Secretary

And the following interested citizens and staff: Ms. Suzanne Hamrick, Ms. Melanie Farrell, Ms. Brenda Farrell, Ms. Allie Farrell, Mr. Rick Farrell, Ms. Teresa Bernstein, Ms. Desire'e Bernstein, Ms. Lisa Hassler, Ms. Amy Noecker, Ms. Ashley Pastor, Mr. Tyler Hopwood, Mr. Larry Brendle, Ms. Kallia Brendle, Ms. Beth Brendle, The Stathart Family, Ms. Michelle Snyder, Mr. Damon Schrach, and Mr. Oakley Schrach

Students of the Month - Penn-Bernville Elementary - Mrs. Stacy Linderman, Principal

Students of the Month:

Mrs. Noecker – Desire'e Bernstein

Kallia Brendle

Mrs. Hamrick – Allie Farrell

Oakley Schrack

Mrs. Snyder – Devon Stothart

Tuesday Hopwood

The above students were recognized before the board for their accomplishments and given a certificate of appreciation. Mr. Manbeck thanked everyone for all their hard work.

I. Discussion Items

1. Superintendent's Report

A. Special Education Comprehensive Plan – Lisa Kiss

Mrs. Kiss gave the board on overview of the Special Education Comprehensive Plan. It will be posted on-line for the public to view for 28 days prior to the board voting on it in April.

B. Drivers Ed Car

Mr. Netznik and Mr. Kowalonek discussed options regarding buying a new Drivers Ed car using the funds that we have available to us at Berks Community Foundation. The board agreed to use those funds.

- 2. Citizen/Student Participation (Pertaining to Agenda items only)
- 3. Buildings and Grounds

4. Finance

A. Approve donating the stipend for the Board Treasurer of \$500 and the Board Secretary of \$900 to be donated as the Board of Director's Scholarship Award.

The above motion was discussed and will be voted on at the March 20, 2018 board meeting.

5. Personnel

- A. Personnel items are discussed in executive session.
- 6. Programs
- 7. Policy
 - 9.4.1 Give first reading with the intent to give second reading and final approval on April 17, 2018 to the following policy:

#808 Food Services

The above motion was discussed and will be voted on at the March 20, 2018 board meeting.

8. Curriculum

A. Kindergarten Jump Start – Amanda Cipolla

Mrs. Cipolla presented the Kindergarten Jump Start program for the 2018/2019 school year to the board. This is will be voted on at the March 20, 2018 board meeting.

- 9. Items for Board Action
- 10. Technology
- 11. Transportation
- 12. Legislative
- 13. Administrative Reports

Mr. Brown reported that they are having Read Across America dress up days this week. Every student read for 20 minutes on one of the days. Kindergarten served green eggs and ham in celebration of Dr. Seuss. The STEM classes had a project of analyzing Dr. Seuss. They are in the process of setting up spring clubs. Ms. Schlater was in the paper for the Teacher Impact Award.

Mrs. Linderman reported that they had their Kindergarten readiness night in February. 32 parents were in attendance. They are doing a transportation push regarding behavior on the bus. The bus referrals are down for the month of February.

Mrs. Kiss reported that we had 7 Penn-State health student employees receive Tulpy Pride awards. March 13, 2018 will be the JSHS Parent Workshop transition to the workforce night.

Mr. Triest reported that they are preparing the fields for baseball and he is working with two electrical suppliers because we are in need of some repairs.

- 14. Old Business
- 15. New Business
- 16. Public Comment
- II. Adjournment

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m. Executive Session was held after the board meeting for personnel.

Mrs. April L. Klopp Board Secretary