

April 4, 2017 – 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. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, and Mr. Arlan Werst.

ABSENT: Mr. Daniel Steinhauer

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:

Dr. Robert Schultz, Superintendent
Mrs. Barbara Davis, Assistant to the Superintendent
Mr. Thomas Kowalonek, Business Manager
Mrs. Lisa Kiss, Director of Special Education
Mr. Andrew Netznik, JSHS Principal
Mr. Denis Quirk, JSHS Assistant Principal
Mr. Michael Leister, JH House Principal
Mr. Mark Brown, Bethel Elementary Principal
Ms. Amanda Cipolla, Penn-Bernville Elementary Principal
Mr. Rick Triest, Director of Building & Grounds
Mr. Matthew Shirk, Technology
Mrs. Mimi Shade, Recording Secretary

And the following interested citizens and staff: Ms. Samantha Bolles, Ms. Amy Noecker, The Krause Family, Ms. Lisa Hassler, Ms. Brandi Reisch, Ms. Averi Reisch, Mr. Rick Reisch, Mr. Tom Moorhead, Ms. Suzanne Hamrick, Ms. Jeanne Beck, Ms. Lannie Beck, Ms. Tammy Field, Mr. George Field, and Ms. Janeisy Figueroa

Students of the Month – Penn-Bernville Elementary – Ms. Amanda Cipolla, Principal

Mrs. Hamrick:

Lannie Beck
Averi Reisch

Mrs. Noecker:

Jenna Krause
Janeisy Figueroa

The above students were recognized before the board and congratulated for all their hard work and accomplishments. The parents were thanked for their support and encouragement.

I. Discussion Items

1. Superintendent's Report

A. Springhaven Woods Discovery Camp Flyer Approval

Dr. Schultz presented the flyer to the board. The board decided to vote on the flyer to approve it for disbursement. It was voted on as stated below.

A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to approve the distribution of the Springhaven Woods Discovery Camp Flyer.

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

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mr. Daniel Steinhauer

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

B. Windmill Project – Heather Stoy & Students

Mrs. Heather Stoy, and students Mary Kramer, and Maura Knipple presented a windmill project to the board. The funds for this project were rewarded from a grant that was awarded to Mrs. Stoy.

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

3. Buildings and Grounds

4. Finance

5. Personnel

A. Personnel items are discussed in executive session.

6. Programs

A. Drivers Education Program Update – Mr. Netznik

Mr. Netznik gave the board an update on the driver's education program.

B. Home Bound Instruction – Student #300643

Dr. Schultz informed the board that the above student is on home bound instruction due to a health issue.

7. Policy

8. Curriculum

- A. Approve the Kindergarten Jump Start program for the 2017/2018 school year.

Mrs. Davis presented the data from the 2016/2017 jump start program. The approval for the 2017/2018 school year will be on the 04/18/2017 voting session agenda.

9. Items for Board Action

10. Technology

11. Transportation

12. Legislative

13. Administrative Reports

Mr. Triest reported that the staging area for the WWTP is complete.

Mrs. Kiss reported that the gifted lock-in was a huge success. Hamburg Area School District is hosting this year's Special Olympics on May 4, 2017. She invited the board to come out for it.

Mr. Shirk reported that he helped a student with a coding project. He was quite impressed because this student has had limited technology exposure. They are working on a ticketing feature for the elementary musical.

Mr. Netznik invited the board to come look at the Aquaponics lab. The FBLA is finishing their competition tonight. We will find out the results soon. They are getting ready for the Sterling Hoffman Track Meet.

Mr. Quirk reported that Spring Sports are on their way. They are preparing for the elementary musical. The talent show will be at the end of April

Mr. Leister reported that it is testing month. They held a PSSA assembly, the theme was "show us what you know". They are preparing for the Neon dance.

Mr. Brown reported that they are in the middle of PSSA's. They held an Assembly and Pep Rally. The theme was "try your best". They had the 4th, 5th, & 6th grade fun & games night. 80 kids were in attendance.

Mrs. Cipolla reported that they are in the middle of PSSA testing. They held a BMX assembly, They are doing mystery skype.

14. Old Business

15. New Business

16. Public Comment

II. Adjournment

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Mrs. April L. Klopp
Board Secretary