

May 07, 2013 – Board Work Session Minutes

President Mr. Scott Klopp 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 followed.

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
Ms. Barbara Davis, Director of Instruction & Curriculum
Ms. Bonnie Benfer, Penn-Bernville Elementary Principal
Ms. Cynthia Jenkins, Bethel Elementary Principal
Mr. Donald Jones, Jr/Sr High Principal
Mr. Michael Leister, Junior High House Principal
Mr. Jason Bottiglieri, Jr/Sr High Assistant Principal
Mr. Stephen Corcoran, Director of Technology
Mrs. Mimi Shade, Recording Secretary

And the following interested citizens and staff: Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, Mr. Steve Stephen, Ms. Morgan Firestine, Mr. Jethro Holzman, Ms. Deborah Rivera, Ms. Priya Jurasinski, Ms. Darius Angstadt, Ms. Megan Miller, Ms. JoAnn Stockholm, Ms. Teresa Burns, Ms. Paula Huey, Mr. Leon Huey, Ms. Mary Meyer, Ms. Erin Weiner, and Mr. Stephen DeLucas, Reading Eagle.

Students of the Month – High School – Mr. Donald Jones, Principal

- **January** Morgan Firestine and Carver Murphy
- **February** Bethann Kulp and Alexander Baker
- **March** Lidia Birisu and Jethro Holzman
- **April** Alexis Klopp and Brandon Daub.

Students of the Month – Junior High School – Mr. Michael Leister, House Principal

7th Grade Students of the Month

March	Priya Jurasinski	Michaela Blankenbiller
April	Parker Harris	Jacob Carles

8th Grade Students of the Month

March	Madison Miller	Justin Ulrich
April	Paige Massaro	Fernando Calderon

Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board Alcohol Awareness Poster Contest recipients:

- Ryder Huey
- Olivia Stephan
- Shyanne Koenig

- Shayna Bashore
- Leslea Rodig
- Kayla Paulson

Student of the Month – TVA

- Erin Weiner – Grade 11

BCTC Students of the Quarter – East Campus

- Krista Naftzinger – Dental Occupations
- Darius Angstadt – Drafting Design Technology
- Matthew Baker – Plumbing & Heating
- Deborah Rivera – Service Occupations

BCTC Students of the Quarter – West Campus

- Megan Miller – Automotive Technology
- Anne Jay – Photo Imaging Technology
- Tyler Snyder – Recreational and Power Equipment Technology

The above students were recognized for their accomplishments and given certificates. Those that were not in attendance will receive their certificate from their building principal. Dr. Albert thanked the students and parents for all their hard work.

I. Discussion Items

1. Superintendent's Report

A. Security

The board was informed that we will be having training on June 10, 2013 by the state police.

B. More Hours for the State Police

The board was asked to consider increasing the state police hours from 4 to 6 hours per week. They will take it under consideration.

C. 2008 Bonds – Brad Remig

The board listened to a presentation regarding the 2008 bonds.

2. Buildings and Grounds

3. Finance

- A. Approve the transportation agreement between Tulpehocken Area School District and Hamburg Area School District as presented.

- B. Approve the contract between Tulpehocken Area School District and Kathleen Edelstein, Teacher of the Hearing Impaired for the 2013/2014 school year, at the continued rate of \$92.00 per hour, not to exceed 400 hours for the year.
- C. Appoint Evelyn Fox as board treasurer for a term beginning July 1, 2013 and ending June 30, 2014 for a stipend of \$500.
- D. Approve the following institutions as depositories for the 2013-2014 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

The above motions were discussed and will appear on the May 21, 2013 voting agenda.

The below motions were discussed and approved as stated below.

- E Adopt the preliminary budget for the 2013-2014 school year with projected expenditures of \$27,994,050 and projected revenues of \$27,643,192 including real estate tax millage rate of 27.70, Act 511 per capita tax of \$5.00, School Code Section 679 per capita tax of \$5.00, ½% earned income tax, and ½% real estate transfer tax. a
- 3E A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mr. Heck to adopt the preliminary budget for the 2013-2014 school year with projected expenditures of \$27,994,050 and projected revenues of \$27,643,192 including real estate tax millage rate of 27.70, Act 511 per capita tax of \$5.00, School Code Section 679 per capita tax of \$5.00, ½% earned income tax, and ½% real estate transfer tax. a

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.

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- F. Award the bid for heating oil for the 2013/2014 school year to Riggins, Inc. at the fixed price of \$2.988 per gallon.

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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.

4. Personnel

- A. Personnel items are discussed in executive session.

5. Programs

6. Policy

- A. Give first reading with the intent to give second reading and final approval on June 18, 2013 to the following policy.

121 Field Trips

711 Naming Rights

The above motion was tabled and will appear on the June 4, 2013 board agenda.

7. Curriculum

- A. Approve the County Wide Emergency Plan as presented – Mike Leister
- B. Approve the FFA State Activities Week Field Trip to Penn State University

The above motions were discussed and will appear on the May 21, 2013 voting agenda.

8. Items for Board Action

- 9.0.2 BE IT RESOLVED, 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 #201020, and to ratify the execution of same by Edward J. Albert, Ed. D., Superintendent of Schools on April 29, 2013.

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9. Technology

10. Transportation

11. Legislative

12. Administrative Reports

Mr. Donald Jones reported that the JSHS library held a coffee house and it was well attended. They are gearing up for the EOY activities.

Mr. Jason Bottiglieri reported that the discipline report is in front of them. The Pride of Tulpehocken Breakfast is being held on May 28, 2013 starting at 7:00 a.m. in the JSHS cafeteria. The board is invited to attend.

Ms. Barbara Davis reported that they are busy with the TVA Open Houses, and they are working on the Supervision Plan.

Ms. Cynthia Jenkins reported that Mr. Bernat has eight students going to district 10 band and orchestra.

Ms. Bonnie Benfer reported that the Berks County Reading Olympics was a huge success and that Anne Koenig, author of Earl the Squirrel will be reading her book to the students and signing some them.

Mr. Michael Leister reported that the 2nd annual student auction was a success and raised \$1,000. The 8th grade will go on a field trip to Annapolis on 05/16/2013. The Scholastic Achievement Banquet will be held on May 23, 2013.

Mr. Steve Corcoran reported that they are gearing up for summer: Network upgrade, Security Cameras, etc...

13. Old Business

14. New Business

15. Public Comment

II. Adjournment

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m. Executive Session was held after the board meeting.

*Ms. Lisa Hassler
Board Secretary*