March 17, 2015 – General Board Meeting Minutes

The General Board Meeting of the Tulpehocken Area School Board of Directors was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in the District Office Board Room on Tuesday, March 17, 2015 with Mr. Scott Klopp, Board President presiding. The Pledge of Allegiance and prayer followed.

2.0 ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mr. Chris Heck (via phone), Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., and Mr. Daniel Steinhauer.

ABSENT:

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:

Dr. Edward Albert, Superintendent
Ms. Barbara Davis, Assistant to the Superintendent
Mr. Thomas Kowalonek, Business Manager
Mr. Brian Boland, Solicitor
Mrs. Mimi Shade, Recording Secretary

And the following interested citizens and staff: Ms. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Tom Morehead, Mr. Bill Bumber, Mr. Richard Klopp, Ms. Susan Burns, Mr. Arlan Werst, and Mr. Anthony Orozco, Reading Eagle.

3.0 ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

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

3.1 02/17/2015 Board Voting Session Minutes
3.2 03/10/2015 Board Work Session Minutes

AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., and Mr. Daniel Steinhauer.

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, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., and Mr. Daniel Steinhauer.

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:
This motion was carried 9-0.

5.0 BOARD REPORTS

6.0 CITIZEN/STUDENT PARTICIPATION

7.0 REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

A. Security – No Report

B. Recognition of Employees – None

Dr. Albert reported that they will be holding a STEM meeting on May 13, 2015 & May 14, 2015.

Dr. Albert also reported that a former employee, Kim Girard has passed away.

8.0 NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS

9.0 ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION

9.1 FINANCE

9.1.1 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the following as Berks Tax Collection Committee Representatives:
- Primary Voting Delegate: TASD Business Manager (currently Thomas L. Kowalonek)
- First Alternate Voting Delegate: TASD Treasurer (currently Evelyn Fox)
- Second Alternate Voting Delegate: TASD Superintendent (currently Dr. Edward J. Albert, Jr.)

**AYES:** Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., and Mr. Daniel Steinhauer.

**NAYS:**

**ABSENT:**

**ABSTAINED:**

This motion was carried 9-0.

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**9.1.2** A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mr. Heck, to 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.

**AYES:** Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., and Mr. Daniel Steinhauer.

**NAYS:**

**ABSENT:**

**ABSTAINED:**

This motion was carried 9-0.

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**9.1.3** A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the 2015/2016 Berks County Career and Technology Center Operating Budget as presented to the Board.

**AYES:** Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., and Mr. Daniel Steinhauer.

**NAYS:**

**ABSENT:**

**ABSTAINED:**

This motion was carried 9-0.

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**9.1.4** Approve offering a LERTA to Prologis Midway Park. Terms of the LERTA are to be determined at a later date.
The above motion was tabled.

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. Klopp, to approve the Gifted Lock-In to be held as presented at the 03/10/2015 board meeting.

AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., and Mr. Daniel Steinhauer.

NAYS: 

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED: 

This motion was carried 9-0.

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9.5.2 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Blatt, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to approve the Mini Thon as presented at the 03/10/2015 board meeting.

AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., and Mr. Daniel Steinhauer.

NAYS: 

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED: 

This motion was carried 9-0.

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9.6 LEGISLATIVE

9.7 EXTRA-CURRICULAR

9.8 PERSONNEL

9.8.1 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the extension of Samantha Bolles as a long-term substitute elementary math coach through the end of the 2014-2015 school year.

AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., and Mr. Daniel Steinhauer.
NAYS: 
ABSENT: 
ABSTAINED: 
This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.2 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to approve the following preferred substitutes for four (4) days per week for the fourth quarter of the 2014-2015 school year:

- Ryan Bucks (Junior/Senior High School)
- Angela Miller (Bethel/PB)
- Rachel Nelson (Bethel/PB)

AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., and Mr. Daniel Steinhauer.

NAYS: 
ABSENT: 
ABSTAINED: 
This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.3 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to accept the resignation for the purpose of retirement of Janet Gernsheimer effective June 30, 2015.

AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., and Mr. Daniel Steinhauer.

NAYS: 
ABSENT: 
ABSTAINED: 
This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.4 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to accept the resignation for the purpose of retirement of Curtis Behler effective September 18, 2015.

AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., and Mr. Daniel Steinhauer.

NAYS: 
ABSENT: 
ABSTAINED: 
This motion was carried 9-0.
9.8.5 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the following support staff substitutes for the remainder of the 2014-2015 school year pending completion of paperwork:

- Dawn Bornmann Aide
- Tabitha Raicu Aide, Cafeteria
- Cecelia Brossman Aide, Cafeteria, Secretary
- Mertie Jane Daub Aide, Cafeteria
- Tina Schwartz Aide, Secretary

AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., and Mr. Daniel Steinhauer.

NAYS:
ABSENT:
ABSTAINED:
This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.6 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve an unpaid leave of absence for Jessica Will on March 30-April 1, 2015.

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

NAYS: Mr. Daniel Steinhauer

ABSENT:
ABSTAINED:
This motion was carried 8-1.

9.8.7 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to approve an unpaid leave of absence for Michelle Schneck on March 4, 2016.

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

NAYS: Mr. Daniel Steinhauer

ABSENT:
ABSTAINED:
This motion was carried 8-1.
9.8.8  A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to approve Justin Smith as a full-time custodian effective March 18, 2015 at an hourly rate of $10.00.

AYES:  Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., and Mr. Daniel Steinhauer.

NAYS:  
ABSENT:  
ABSTAINED:  
This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.9  A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to approve the following part-time custodians at an hourly rate of $10.00 pending completion of paperwork:

- Gerald Kieffer, Sr.
- Kenneth Heinly

AYES:  Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., and Mr. Daniel Steinhauer.

NAYS:  
ABSENT:  
ABSTAINED:  
This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.10 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to approve the following volunteers:

- Ashly Landis

AYES:  Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., and Mr. Daniel Steinhauer.

NAYS:  
ABSENT:  
ABSTAINED:  
This motion was carried 9-0.
9.9 Technology

DISCUSSION ITEMS: OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

10.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

11.0 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

12.0 CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

13.0 ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m. Executive Session followed the board meeting.

Mrs. April Klopp, Board Secretary