March 19, 2013 – General Board Meeting Minutes

The General Board Meeting of the Tulpehocken Area School Board of Directors was called to order at 7:05 p.m. in the District Office Board Room on Tuesday, March 19, 2013 with Mr. Scott Klopp, Board President presiding. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

2.0 ROLL CALL

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
Mr. Brian Boland, Solicitor
Mrs. Mimi Shade, Recording Secretary

And the following interested citizens and staff: Anthony Orozco, Reading Eagle.

3.0 ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

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

3.1 02/19/2013 Board Voting Session Minutes
3.2 03/05/2013 Board Work Session Minutes

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.

4.0 FINANCIAL REPORTS

4.1-4.13 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mr. Palmer, to accept the following financial reports:

4.1 Treasurer’s Report
4.2 Investment Report
4.3 Tax Collection Report
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.

5.0 BOARD REPORTS

6.0 CITIZEN/STUDENT PARTICIPATION

7.0 REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

A. Security

Dr. Albert addressed the security of our buildings with the board. This will be a topic that will be addressed at every board meeting.

B. Field Trip Policy

Dr. Albert presented the board with an example of a field trip policy. The board is going to look over this policy and they will vote on a revised policy at a future board meeting.

C. Naming Rights

Dr. Albert presented the board with an example of a naming rights policy. The board is going to look over this policy and they will vote on a revised policy at a future board meeting.

Dr. Albert reported to the board that our school psychologist is back part time.

Dr. Albert reported that the students on bus #713 would like to do an earth day project and clean up the garbage along the high way by Flying J truck stop.
NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS

ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION

9.0.1 A resolution was offered by Mr. Manbeck, seconded by Mr. Palmer to approve Evelyn Fox as the BCIU Representative for a three year term ending on June 30, 2016.

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.

9.0.2 A resolution was offered by Mr. Manbeck, seconded by Mr. Palmer to approve 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 #202299, and to ratify the execution of same by Dr. Edward Albert, Superintendent of Schools on March 06, 2013.

9.0.3 A resolution was offered by Mr. Manbeck, seconded by Mr. Palmer to approve 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 #301144, and to ratify the execution of same by Dr. Edward Albert, Superintendent of Schools on March 06, 2013.

9.0.4 A resolution was offered by Mr. Manbeck, seconded by Mr. Palmer to approve 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 #201308, and to ratify the execution of same by Dr. Edward Albert, Superintendent of Schools on March 06, 2013.

9.0.5 A resolution was offered by Mr. Manbeck, seconded by Mr. Palmer to approve 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 #202202, and to ratify the execution of same by Dr. Edward Albert, Superintendent of Schools on March 08, 2013.
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.

9.1 FINANCE

9.1.1 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, 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.

9.2. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

9.2.1 A resolution was offered by Mr. Baver, seconded by Mr. Heck to approve the resolution to award a construction contract for the roof replacement at the Tulpehocken Junior-Senior High School for the Tulpehocken Area School District as presented at the March 5, 2013 board meeting.

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.
9.3 TRANSPORTATION

9.4. POLICY

9.5 CURRICULUM

9.5.1 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Hassler, seconded by Mr. Heck to approve a TVA tuition waiver for student #201514 while living outside of the district.

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.

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 accept the resignation of Edward J. Albert, Ed. D. effective March 19, 2013.

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.

9.8.2 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve that Edward J. Albert, Ed. D. be hired as the Superintendent of Schools effective March 19, 2013 for a period of five (5) years and that his employment shall be governed strictly and solely in accordance with the employment agreement dated March 19, 2013 as attached, presented and executed by him. Be it further resolved that the appropriate officers of the Board are hereby authorized to execute this agreement as presented.
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:  Mrs. Lisa Hassler

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-1.

9.8.3 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve an unpaid leave of absence for Jessica Hritzko from approximately May 24, 2013 through June 7, 2013.

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.

9.8.4 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve an unpaid leave of absence for Scott Payne for March 12, 2013.

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.

9.8.5 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve Benjamin Andrews for an internship for the 2013-2014 school year as per the School Psychology Internship Agreement between Eastern University and the Tulpehocken Area School District.

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.

9.8.6 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to the following individuals as substitute teachers for the remainder of the 2012-2013 school year through the Berks County Intermediate Unit guest teacher program:

- Sarah Beatty
- Ronald Reichert

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.

9.8.7 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to approve Corey McGinity as a substitute custodian for the remainder of the 2012-2013 school year.

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.

9.8.8 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve Kerry Spurell as a substitute guidance counselor for the remainder of the 2012-2013 school year pending completion of paperwork.

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.

9.8.9
A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox, to approve Clint Kiscadden as a full-time custodian at an hourly rate of $10.00 effective upon completion of paperwork.

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.

9.8.10
A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the following coaching changes for the 2013 spring season:

- Kerry Lehman  Head Junior High Baseball  $1655
- Kevin Avery  Asst. Junior High Baseball  $1382

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.

9.8.11
A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve William Moyer as a volunteer baseball coach for the 2013 spring season.

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.
9.8.12  A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the following preferred substitutes for 45 days from April 3, 2013 through June 5, 2013:

- Kelsey Hahn
- Vanessa Correll

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.

DISCUSSION ITEMS: OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Kowalonek discussed potential savings with our 2008 bonds. He also discussed a PSBA Resolution.

10.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

11.0 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

12.0 CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

13.0 ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m. Executive Session was from 7:11 p.m. to 7:26 p.m. and also followed the board meeting for personnel.

Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Board Secretary