May 19, 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, May 19, 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: Mr. Connor Davis, Mr. Robert Schultz, Ms. Traci Kramer, Mr. Tom Moorhead, Mr. Richard Klopp, Mr. Seth Clark, Mr. Steve Clark, and Mr. George Field

Recognitions

World Affairs Council of Greater Reading
Carl Wolf
Connie Tworkoski

The above were recognized before the board by the World Affairs Council. Ms. Tworkoski could not make it to the board meeting because she was away on a gifted field trip. Dr. Albert publically thanked both of them.

3.0 ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

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

3.1 04/21/2015 Board Voting Session Minutes
3.2 05/05/2015 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:
4.0 FINANCIAL REPORTS

A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, 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

C. Police Coverage

Dr. Albert informed the board that the state police eventually will not be able to be our SRO. He recommended checking with them and getting an MOU started.
D. STEM Committee Update

Ms. Davis gave an update to the board regarding STEM. They had ASSET STEM come out and help the STEM committee get started. They looked at the needs and rated their importance. This should aide in getting the program started.

8.0 NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS

9.0 ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION

9.0.1 A resolution was offered by Mr. Heck, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, 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 #301700, and to ratify the execution of same by Edward J. Albert, Ed. D., Superintendent of Schools on May 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.

9.1 FINANCE

9.1.1 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mr. Heck, to appoint Evelyn Fox as board treasurer for a term beginning July 1, 2015 and ending June 30, 2016 for a stipend of $500.

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.

9.1.2 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mr. Heck, to appoint April Klopp as board secretary for a term beginning July 1, 2015 and ending June 30, 2018 for a yearly stipend of $900.
9.1.3 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the following institutions as depositories for the 2015-2016 school year:

- Pennsylvania School District Liquid Asset Fund (PSDLAF)
- Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust (PLGIT)
- National Penn Bank
- Wells Fargo
- PNC Bank
- US Bank

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.

9.1.4 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the Dell Financial Lease Proposal as presented at the 05/05/2015 board meeting pending solicitor approval.

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. Daniel Steinhauer.

NAYS: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-1.
9.2. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

9.2.1 A resolution was offered by Mr. Baver, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve Spotts, Stevens, & McCoy to move forward with the permit application for the Waste Water Treatment Plant project.

AYES: 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: Mr. Dennis Baver
This motion was carried 8-0.

9.2.2 A resolution was offered by Mr. Baver, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve Brian Boland to request waivers from zoning requirements for the Waste Water Treatment Plant project.

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.

9.3 TRANSPORTATION

9.4 POLICY

9.5 CURRICULUM

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 Stacy Snyder, full-time student assigned paraprofessional at the Junior/Senior High School effective May 8, 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.
9.8.2 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the following individuals as substitute custodians for the remainder of the 2014-2015 school year pending completion of paperwork:

- Kariana Leinbach
- Robert Bouffard

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 approve the renewal of the Business Manager’s contract for Thomas Kowalonek effective June 1, 2015 through May 31, 2020.

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.

DISCUSSION ITEMS: OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

10.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

11.0 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

12.0 CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

Discussion was held regarding driver’s education and the possibility of removing it as a graduation requirement.
13.0 ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m. Executive Session was held before and followed the board meeting.

Mrs. April Klopp, Board Secretary