June 20, 2017 – 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, June 20, 2017 with Mr. Oscar Manbeck, Board President presiding. The Pledge of Allegiance and prayer followed.

2.0 ROLL CALL

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

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:
   Dr. Robert Schultz, Superintendent
   Mrs. Barbara Davis, Assistant to the Superintendent
   Mr. Thomas Kowalonek, Business Manager
   Mr. Denis Quirk, JSHS Assistant Principal
   Mr. Rick Triest, Director of Building & Grounds
   Mr. Brian Boland, Solicitor
   Mrs. Mimi Shade, Recording Secretary

And the following interested citizens and staff: Mr. Tom Moorhead, Ms. Sheila Bednarczyk, Mr. David Bednarczyk, and Mr. Steven DeLucas, Reading Eagle.

3.0 ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

3.1 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Klopp, to accept the minutes of the following meetings:

   3.1 05/16/2017 Board Voting Session Minutes
   3.2 05/23/2017 Special Board Voting Session Minutes.
   3.3 06/06/2017 Board Work Session Minutes

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

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mr. Chris Heck

ABSTAINED: This motion was carried 8-0.

4.0 FINANCIAL REPORTS

4.1-4.13 A resolution was offered by Mr. Klopp, 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: Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, and Mr. Arlan Werst

NAYS: Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, Mr. Arlan Werst

ABSENT: Mr. Chris Heck

ABSTAINED: Mr. A. Anthony Rodig, Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, Mr. Arlan Werst

This motion was carried 8-0.

5.0 BOARD REPORTS

6.0 CITIZEN/STUDENT PARTICIPATION

7.0 REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Dr. Schultz reported to the board that the Tulpehocken Education Foundation Color Run fundraiser earned $9,000. He thanked everyone that volunteered and participated.

Dr. Schultz reported that Graduation was a huge success and thanked everyone for all their hard work.

8.0 NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS

9.0 ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION

9.0.1 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to approve the agreement with STS (Substitute Teacher Service) as presented at the 06/06/2017 board meeting.

AYES: Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., and Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller

NAYS: Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, Mr. Arlan Werst
9.1 FINANCE

9.1.1 A resolution was offered by Mr. Klopp, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to Adopt the final budget for the 2017-2018 school year with projected expenditures of $30,726,371 and projected revenues of $30,269,248 including a 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.

AYES: Mr. Scott W. Klopp, and Mr. Arlan Werst
NAYS: Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, and Mr. Daniel Steinhauer,
ABSENT: Mr. Chris Heck
ABSTAINED: This motion was carried 6-2.

9.1.1A A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to Adopt the final budget for the 2017-2018 school year with projected expenditures of $30,207,800 and projected revenues of $30,269,248 including a real estate tax millage rate of 27.6, 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.

AYES: Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, and Mr. Daniel Steinhauer,
NAYS: Mr. Scott W. Klopp, and Mr. Arlan Werst
ABSENT: Mr. Chris Heck
ABSTAINED: This motion was carried 6-2.

9.1.2 A resolution was offered by Mr. Klopp, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to request approval to adopt the 2017/2018 Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion Resolution.

AYES: Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, and Mr. Arlan Werst
NAYS:
ABSENT: Mr. Chris Heck
ABSTAINED: This motion was carried 8-0.
9.1.3 A resolution was offered by Mr. Klopp, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to approve the tax resolution to levy taxes for the 2017/2018 school year.

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

NAYS: 
ABSENT: Mr. Chris Heck
ABSTAINED: 
This motion was carried 8-0.

9.1.4 A resolution was offered by Mr. Klopp, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to approve any necessary journal entries and budget transfers to the financial statements of the school district after June 30, 2017.

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

NAYS: 
ABSENT: Mr. Chris Heck
ABSTAINED: 
This motion was carried 8-0.

9.1.5 A resolution was offered by Mr. Klopp, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to approve the commitment of funds for the following categories in accordance with GASB 54 and Board Policy 620:

- Special Education Program
- Benefits
- Athletic Facility Improvements

The specific amounts for each category will be determined at a later date.

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

NAYS: 
ABSENT: Mr. Chris Heck
ABSTAINED: 
This motion was carried 8-0.

9.1.6 A resolution was offered by Mr. Klopp, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to resolve that Change Order 1 to Eastern Environmental Contractors, Inc. for $2,294.00 be approved for a trailer credit.
AYES: Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, and Mr. Arlan Werst

NAYS: 

ABSENT: Mr. Chris Heck

ABSTAINED: 

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.1.7 A resolution was offered by Mr. Klopp, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to Award the 2017/2018 heating oil contract to Talley Petroleum at a firm price of $1.4714 per gallon delivered.

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

NAYS: 

ABSENT: Mr. Chris Heck

ABSTAINED: 

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.2 BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

9.3 TRANSPORTATION

9.4. POLICY

9.4.1 A resolution was offered by Mr. Klopp, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to give second reading and final approval to the following policy:

#203 Communicable Diseases and Immunization

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

NAYS: 

ABSENT: Mr. Chris Heck

ABSTAINED: 

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.5. CURRICULUM

9.5.1 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Klopp, to approve the agreement with Hamburg Area School District for students to attend TASD Agriculture Program for the 2017/2018 school year as presented.
9.5.2 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Klopp, to approve the agreement with Schuylkill Valley School District for students to attend TASD Agriculture Program for the 2017/2018 school year as presented.

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

NAYS:  

ABSENT: Mr. Chris Heck

ABSTAINED:  

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.6 LEGISLATIVE

9.7 EXTRA-CURRICULAR

9.8 PERSONNEL

9.8.1 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Klopp, to approve the following professional staff salary adjustments based on credit attainment according to the collective bargaining agreement:

- Ashley Gassert from 8B to 8B+24 effective November 21, 2016.
- Victoria Kramer from 4B to 4B+24 effective December 20, 2016.
- Ashleigh Mowrer from 3B+24 to 3M effective December 31, 2016

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

NAYS:  

ABSENT: Mr. Chris Heck

ABSTAINED:  

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.8.2 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to approve the newly developed Act 93 agreement for the Period July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2021.

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

NAYS: Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Anthony Rodig, and Mr. Daniel Steinhauer,

ABSENT: Mr. Chris Heck

ABSTAINED:  

This motion was carried 5-3.
9.8.3  A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to approve the administrative salary increases based on the Act 93 Agreement and the written contracts of the Business Manager and the Superintendent as presented to the Board

AYES:  Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, and Mr. Arlan Werst
NAYS:  Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Anthony Rodig, and Mr. Daniel Steinhauer,
ABSENT: Mr. Chris Heck
ABSTAINED: This motion was carried 5-3.

9.8.4  A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to approve a 2.5% increase for Support Staff of the Tulpehocken Area School District.

AYES:  Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, and Mr. Arlan Werst
NAYS:  Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.
ABSENT: Mr. Chris Heck
ABSTAINED: This motion was carried 7-1.

9.8.5  A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to approve the transfer of Denis Quirk to Junior High House Principal at a salary of $80,000.

AYES:  Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, and Mr. Arlan Werst
NAYS:  Mr. Chris Heck
ABSENT: This motion was carried 8-0.

9.8.6  A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to approve the transfer of Michael Leister to High School Assistant Principal for a 240 day position at a salary of $94,730.

AYES:  Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, and Mr. Arlan Werst
NAYS:  Mr. Anthony Rodig, and Mr. Daniel Steinhauer
ABSENT: Mr. Chris Heck
ABSTAINED: This motion was carried 6-2.
9.8.7 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to approve Douglas Molhoek as a Computer Science/Business Education Teacher at the Junior/Senior High School effective the beginning of the 2017-2018 school year, Step 1 Masters, at a salary of $51,263 pending completion of paperwork.

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

NAYS: 
ABSENT: Mr. Chris Heck
ABSTAINED: 
This motion was carried 8-0.

9.8.8 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to approve the salary increase for Amanda Cipolla, Principal Penn-Bernville Elementary, for the 2017-18 school year at $85,000.

AYES: Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, and Mr. Arlan Werst

NAYS: Mr. Anthony Rodig
ABSENT: Mr. Chris Heck
ABSTAINED: 
This motion was carried 7-1.

9.8.9 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to approve the hourly rate increase for Matthew Shirk, Technology/AV Support Specialist, for the 2017-2018 school year at $29.57 per hour.

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

NAYS: 
ABSENT: Mr. Chris Heck
ABSTAINED: 
This motion was carried 8-0.

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

Mr. Palmer made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Klopp. The meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Mrs. April Klopp, Board Secretary