August 21, 2012 – 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, August 21, 2012 with Mr. Scott Klopp, Board President presiding. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

2.0 ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr. (7:14 p.m.)
ABSENT: Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:

- Dr. Edward Albert, Superintendent
- Mr. Thomas Kowalonek, Business Manager
- Mr. Brian Boland, Solicitor
- Mrs. Sherri Glass, Substitute Recording Secretary

And the following interested citizens and staff: Ms. Karen Carles, Ms. Bobbi Mellen, Mr. Robert Newville, Mr. Mark Forry, Ms. Heather Forry, and Mr. Anthony Orozco, Reading Eagle.

3.0 ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

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

3.1 07/17/2012 General Board Voting Session Minutes
3.2 08/07/2012 Board Work Session Minutes

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

This motion was carried 7-0.

4.0 FINANCIAL REPORTS

4.1-4.13 A resolution was offered by Mr. Manbeck, seconded by Mr. Baver, to accept the following financial reports:

4.1 Treasurer’s Report
4.2 Investment Report
AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, and Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck.

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 7-0.

5.0 BOARD REPORTS

6.0 CITIZEN/STUDENT PARTICIPATION

7.0 REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

A. Ag Program Discussion – 9th-12th grade

*Dr. Albert talked to the board about the grade restrictions for the Ag program and if we want to consider allowing 8th graders into the program. No decision or change is being made at this time.*

B. Reading Hospital Center for Mental Health vs. Alternative Consulting Enterprises

*Dr. Albert informed the board that we are no longer using the Reading Hospital for Mental Health for services. We are using ACE. There are more services available to us.*

C. Cafeteria Update – Thomas Kowalonek

*Mr. Kowalonek gave the board an update on the new nutrition regulations.*

8.0 NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS

9.0 ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION
9.1 FINANCE

9.1.1 A resolution was offered by Mr. Manbeck, seconded by Mr. Palmer, to approve a price increase of $.05 for elementary lunches and a $.25 increase in elementary and secondary breakfast prices. The prices for the 2012-2013 school year are as follows:

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AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, 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: Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.1.2 A resolution was offered by Mr. Manbeck, seconded by Mr. Palmer, to approve the 2012-2013 Cafeteria Budget with projected expenditures of $800,650 as presented.

AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, 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: Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.1.3 A resolution was offered by Mr. Manbeck, seconded by Mr. Palmer, to approve Clover Farms as the milk supplier for the 2012/2013 school year.

AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, 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: Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.
9.1.4 A resolution was offered by Mr. Manbeck, seconded by Mr. Palmer, to approve the following admission prices to TASD sports activities for the 2012/2013 school year (the rates are the same as the 2011/2012 school year).

- Adults $5.00
- Students & Senior Citizens $3.00
- TASD Students (with I.D) & Golden Age Passes Free
- Year Pass $50.00

AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, 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: Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.1.5 A resolution was offered by Mr. Manbeck, seconded by Mrs. Hassler, to approve the contract between Tulpehocken Area SD and Assemblies of Yahweh for transportation services from July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2015 (Rate increase of $2/day for each year of the contract. All other terms and conditions remain the same)

AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, 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: Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.2 BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

9.2.1 A resolution was offered by Mr. Baver, seconded by Mrs. Hassler, to approve the proposal between AEM Architects and Tulpehocken Area School District for stage rigging.

AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, 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:  Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox
ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.3 TRANSPORTATION

9.4 POLICY

9.5 CURRICULUM

9.5.1  A resolution was offered by Mrs. Blatt, seconded by Mrs. Hassler to give second reading and final approval to the following curriculum.

- Junior High Family and Consumer Science
- Music Grade 5
- Music Grade 6
- Instrumental Music Grade 4
- Spanish I
- Spanish II
- Spanish III
- German I
- German II

AYES:  Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, 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:  Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox
ABSTAINED:  

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.5.2  A resolution was offered by Mrs. Blatt, seconded by Mrs. Hassler to approve the Ellis Island Field Trip as presented at the August 7, 2012 board meeting.

AYES:  Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, 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:  Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox
ABSTAINED:  

This motion was carried 8-0.
9.5.3 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Blatt, seconded by Mrs. Hassler to approve the Boys’ Basketball Team Florida Field Trip as presented at the August 7, 2012 board meeting.

AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, 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: Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.7.1 A resolution was offered by Mr. Heck, seconded by Mrs. Hassler to approve the request of Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary High School enter into a cooperative agreement for Girls’ Field Hockey for the 2012/2013 school year contingent upon there being no change in PIAA classification for the Tulpehocken Area School District Girls’ Field Hockey Team as a result of the agreement.

AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, 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: Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox

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 Mrs. Klopp, to approve the Pennsylvania State Police as the Student Resource Officer for four hours per week for the 2012/2013 school year from August 27, 2012 through June 06, 2013 as presented, pending solicitor approval.

AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, 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: Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox
ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.8.2 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Hassler, to the Pennsylvania State Police to serve as the Student Resource Officer for an additional 26 hours, maximum, between August 27, 2012 and June 06, 2013 for scheduled extracurricular school functions, pending solicitor approval.

AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, 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: Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.8.3 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Hassler, to approve the attached list of volunteers for the 2012/2013 school year.

AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, 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: Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.8.4 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Hassler, rescind the motion approving Laura Smith as a long-term substitute English teacher at the Junior/Senior High School from the beginning of the 2012-2013 school year through approximately December 21, 2012.

AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, 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: Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.
9.8.5 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Baver, to approve Katie Buchert-Johnson as a long-term substitute English teacher at the Junior/Senior High School from the beginning of the 2012-2013 school year through approximately December 21, 2012 at a salary of $47,803, Step 1M, prorated to the number of days worked.

AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, 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: Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox

ABSTAINED: This motion was carried 8-0.

9.8.6 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Hassler, to rescind the motion approving Amanda Machonis as a mentor teacher for Laura Smith, long-term substitute English teacher at the Junior/Senior High School at a stipend of $500 prorated to the number of days worked.

9.8.7 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Hassler, to approve the following mentor teachers:

- Amanda Machonis for the long-term substitute English teacher at the JSHS (Katie Buchert-Johnson) prorated to the number of days worked - $375
- Jamie Shesniak for the long-term substitute third grade teacher at Bethel Elementary (Heath Grogg) - $500

AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, 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: Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox

ABSTAINED: This motion was carried 8-0.

9.8.8 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Baver, to accept the resignation of Brian Aldrich as technology support coordinator effective September 5, 2012.

9.8.9 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Baver, to accept the resignation of Suzanne Belles as a part-time cafeteria worker effective immediately.
9.8.10  A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Baver, accept the resignation of Joseph Carey as part-time custodian effective July 31, 2012.

AYES:  Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, 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:  Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox

ABSTAINED:  

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.8.11  A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Baver, to approve David Varone as a part-time custodian effective August 22, 2012 at an hourly rate of $10.00 pending completion of paperwork.

9.8.12  A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Baver, to approve Timothy Waters as a part-time custodian effective August 22, 2012 at an hourly rate of $10.00 pending completion of paperwork.

9.8.13  A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Baver, to approve Rachel Blackwell as a part-time cafeteria worker effective the beginning of the 2012-2013 school year at an hourly rate of $9.25.

AYES:  Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, 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:  Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox

ABSTAINED:  

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.8.14  A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Baver, to approve the following individuals as substitute teachers for the 2012-2013 school year:

- Chrysan Buck-Raymond (pending completion of paperwork)
- Megan Bux
- Katelyn Dunn (pending completion of paperwork)
- Ann Felty
- Natalie Griffin
- Kelsey Hahn (pending completion of paperwork)
- Beverly Kesselring (pending completion of paperwork)
- Blake Knecht (pending completion of paperwork)
• Devin Leffler (pending completion of paperwork)
• Lynne Moyer (pending completion of paperwork)
• Jaimie Shipe (pending completion of paperwork)
• Rebecca Shirk (pending completion of paperwork)
• Evan Sterner (pending completion of paperwork)
• Allison Weir
• Patricia Wylezik

AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, 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: Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox
ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 7-1.

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9.8.15 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Baver, to approve the following preferred substitutes for 45 days starting with the first day of the 2012-2013 school year:

• Kelsey Hahn (pending completion of paperwork)
• Blake Knecht (pending completion of paperwork)
• Devin Leffler (pending completion of paperwork)

AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, 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: Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox
ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 7-1.

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9.8.16 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Hassler, to approve the following substitute teachers for the 2012-2013 school year through Berks County Intermediate Unit’s Guest Teacher Program:

James Ashburn
Arlene Clapp
Angela Davis
Anthony Esposito
Timothy Heiniman
Sharon Kalnoski
Linda Miller

Robert Behling
Elizabeth Clark
Thomas Earhart
Audrey Finkbiner
Barton Henderson
Scot Lake
Michael Misterkiewicz

Carole Behling
Meghan Daney
Kristen Egan
Barry Fry
Carol Jenkins
Crystal McGeary
Timothy Moll
Gerard Muller  Eric Pfisterer  Megan Phillips
Linda Ann Pontian  Toni Roland  Tracey Stauffer
Rodney Stock  James Unell  Pamela VanLuvane
Kathryn Walker  Patricia Wylezik

AYES:  Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, 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:  Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox
ABSTAINED:  

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.8.17  A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Hassler, to approve the following support staff substitutes for the 2012-2013 school year:

- Suzanne Belles  Aide, Cafeteria
- Nadine Dove  Aide, Cafeteria (pending completion of paperwork)
- Clifford Yeakley  Custodial (pending completion of paperwork)

AYES:  Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, 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:  Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox
ABSTAINED:  

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.8.18  A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Hassler, to approve Dwayne Evans as Junior High Assistant Boys’ Soccer coach for the 2012-2013 season at a stipend of $1,335 pending completion of paperwork.

AYES:  Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, 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:  Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox
ABSTAINED:  

This motion was carried 8-0.
A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Hassler, to approve the following volunteer coaches for the 2012-2013 seasons:

- Kelly Martin  Girls’ Soccer
- Tom Balthaser  Boys’ Soccer
- Manny Carles  Boys’ Soccer

AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, 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: Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

DISCUSSION ITEMS: OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

10.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

11.0 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

12.0 CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

The board listened to and answered questions from Mark and Heather Forry regarding bussing of their children. The situation will be discussed with Wendy and she will contact the family.

13.0 ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m. Executive Session was held after the board meeting to discuss personnel.

Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Board Secretary