September 17, 2019 – General Board Meeting Minutes

The General Board Meeting of the Tulpehocken Area School Board of Directors was called to order at 7:02 p.m. in the District Office Board Room on Tuesday, September 17, 2019 with Mr. Oscar Manbeck, Board President presiding. The Pledge of Allegiance and prayer followed.

2.0 ROLL CALL

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

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:
Mr. Andrew Netznik, Superintendent
Mrs. Amanda Cipolla, Assistant to the Superintendent
Mr. Thomas Kowalonek, Business Manager
Mrs. Brian Boland, Solicitor
Ms. Mimi Shade, Recording Secretary

And the following interested citizens and staff: Ms. Lisa Hassler and Ms. Melinda Davis

3.0 ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

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

3.1 08/20/2019 Board Voting Session Meeting Minutes
3.2 09/03/2019 Board Work Session Meeting Minutes

AYES: Mr. Kyle Batz, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, and Mr. Arlan Werst

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

ABSTAINED: Ms. Lisa Hassler and Ms. Melinda Davis

This motion was carried 8-0.

4.0 FINANCIAL REPORTS

4.1- 4.13 A resolution was offered by Mr. Rodig, 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. Kyle Batz, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, and Mr. Arlan Werst

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

ABSTAINED: This motion was carried 8-0.

5.0 BOARD REPORTS

6.0 CITIZEN/STUDENT PARTICIPATION

Mrs. Hassler inquired about Lauren Oswald and her being a lead teacher for pupil services. Discussion was held.

7.0 REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. Netznik reported that the FFA did quite well at the Massachusetts convention. Our students placed.

8.0 NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS

9.0 ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION

9.0.1 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve Mr. Netznik to attend the PASA/PSBA conference in Hershey October 16-18, 2019.

AYES: Mr. Kyle Batz, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, and Mr. Arlan Werst

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

ABSTAINED: This motion was carried 8-0.
9.1 FINANCE

9.1.1 A resolution was offered by Mr. Rodig, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve a contract with Substitute Teacher Services to provide an interim special education director while the current Director of Pupil Services position is vacant.

AYES: Mr. Kyle Batz, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, and Mr. Arlan Werst

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

ABSTAINED: This motion was carried 8-0.

9.2 BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

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 Mrs. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the title change for Hillary Malone from Home & School Visitor to Home & School Visitor/School Social Worker.

AYES: Mr. Kyle Batz, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, and Mr. Arlan Werst

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

ABSTAINED: This motion was carried 8-0.

9.8.2 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Heck, to rescind the appointment of the following Lead Teachers from the July 16, 2019 Board Meeting:
• Michael Minnich as Co-Lead Teacher for Social Studies, Art and Music
• Joseph Bernat as Co-Lead Teacher for Social Studies, Art and Music
• Lauren Oswald as Co-Lead Teacher for Pupil Services
• Leslie Shaud as Co-Lead Teacher for Pupil Services

AYES: Mr. Kyle Batz, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, and Mr. Arlan Werst

NAYS: 
ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.
ABSTAINED: 
This motion was carried 8-0.

9.8.3 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the appointment of the following Lead Teachers for the 2019-2020 school year:

• Michael Minnich as Social Studies, Art, and Music
• Lauren Oswald as Pupil Services

AYES: Mr. Kyle Batz, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, and Mr. Arlan Werst

NAYS: 
ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.
ABSTAINED: 
This motion was carried 8-0.

9.8.4 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Heck, to accept the following resignations:

• Michaella Mellen as a part-time Emotional Support 1:1 Paraprofessional at the Junior Senior High School effective September 12, 2019.

• Michael Glass as Junior High Assistant Boys' Basketball Coach effective August 22, 2019

AYES: Mr. Kyle Batz, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, and Mr. Arlan Werst

NAYS: 
ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.
ABSTAINED: 
This motion was carried 8-0.
9.8.5 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the following Employment:

A. Long-term substitutes:

- Elysha Kendrick as a Physical Education teacher at the Junior Senior High School from approximately September 18, 2019 through November 2019 at Step 1B $49,293 pro-rated to the number of days worked. Pending Completion of Paperwork.
- Shirley Fantozzi as a special education teacher at the Junior Senior High School from approximately September 18, 2019 through December 19, 2019 at Step 1B $49,293 pro-rated to the number of days worked. Pending Completion of Paperwork.

B. Support Staff:

- Approve Josie Wilson as a Part time Math Paraprofessional at Bethel Elementary, effective September 9, 2019 at a rate of $11.00 per hour.
- Approve Tina Chace as a Part time Learning Support Paraprofessional at Penn Bernville Elementary, effective September 18, 2019 at a rate of $13 per hour. Pending Completion of Paperwork.
- Approve Tiffany Arnold as a Part time Learning Support Paraprofessional at Penn Bernville Elementary, effective September 18, 2019 at a rate of $13.00 per hour. Pending Completion of Paperwork.
- Approve Elaan Honicker as a Part time Learning Support Paraprofessional at Penn Bernville Elementary, effective September 12, 2019 at a rate of $13.00 per hour.
- Approve Molly Rivera as a Part time cafeteria employee at the Junior Senior High School, effective September 18, 2019 at a rate of $11.00 per hour.
- Approve Alicia LaPearl as a part-time Life Skills Paraprofessional at the JSHS effective September 18, 2019 at a rate of $13.00 per hour. Pending completion of Paperwork.

AYES: Mr. Kyle Batz, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, and Mr. Arlan Werst

NAYS:
ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.
ABSTAINED:
This motion was carried 8-0.

9.8.6 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve supplemental contracts for the following positions for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year:

- Jennifer Gulick as Assistant Junior High Girls Basketball Coach for the 2019-2020 season at a stipend of $1,335.00.
- Alexis Jenofsky as Musical Director for 2019-2020 school year at a stipend of $1,400.00.

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

9.8.7 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the following substitute classified staff/event staff for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year.

- Michelle Heckman Berks County Intermediate Unit's Guest Teacher Program

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

9.8.8 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the following Volunteers for the 2019-2020 School Year:

Lori Bechtold
AYES: Mr. Kyle Batz, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, and Mr. Arlan Werst

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

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. Steinhauer made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mrs. Klopp. The meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m. Executive Session was held after the board meeting for personnel.

Mrs. April Klopp, Board Secretary