October 17, 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, October 17, 2017 with Mr. Oscar Manbeck, Board President presiding. The Pledge of Allegiance and prayer followed.

2.0 ROLL CALL

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

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:
Dr. Robert Schultz, Superintendent
Mr. Thomas Kowalonek, Business Manager
Mr. Brian Boland, Solicitor
Mrs. Mimi Shade, Recording Secretary

And the following interested citizens and staff: Ms. Lisa Hassler, Ms. Amy Schlater, and Mr. Tom Moorhead

3.0 ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

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

3.1 09/19/2017 Board Voting Session Minutes
3.2 10/03/2017 Special Board Work Session Minutes.

AYES: Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mr. Daniel Steinhauser, and Mr. Arlan Werst
NAYS:
ABSENT: Mr. Scott W. Klopp, 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. Werst, 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. 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. Scott W. Klopp, 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. Homebound Student #300374

B. Homebound Student #301599

Dr. Schultz informed the board that we have two students that need to go out on homebound due to health reasons.

Dr. Schultz informed the board that there will be a WWTP tour prior to the November 7, 2017 board meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Dr. Schultz read a letter stating that he will be accepting the Superintendent’s position at Lower Dauphin Area School District. He will keep the board informed regarding the official resignation date.

8.0 NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS

9.0 ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION

9.1 FINANCE

9.1.1 A resolution was offered by Mr. Werst, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the commitment of the following fund balances in accordance with GASB 54 and Board Policy 620 effective June 30, 2017:
Special Education $200,000
Benefits $1,000,000
Athletic Facility Improvements $65,000

AYES: 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. Scott W. Klopp, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.
ABSTAINED:
This motion was carried 7-0.

9.2 BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

9.3 TRANSPORTATION

9.3.1 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve going out bid for a transportation contract.

AYES: 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. Scott W. Klopp, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.
ABSTAINED:
This motion was carried 7-0.

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 Amanda Starner as a long-term substitute for English Language Arts at the JSHS from approximately October 25, 2017 through approximately April 3, 2018 at Step 1B $48,043 pro-rated to the number of days worked pending completion of paperwork.

AYES: 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. Scott W. Klopp, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.
ABSTAINED:
This motion was carried 7-0.

9.8.2 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the following as Substitute Teachers for the remainder of the 2017-2018 school year:

- Rebecca Kline
- Michelle Dempsey
- Diane Fiorentino

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

NAYS: Mr. Anthony Rodig

ABSENT: Mr. Scott W. Klopp, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

ABSTAINED:
This motion was carried 7-0.

9.8.3 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the following mentors:

- Amy Schlater for Bethel Elementary Sixth Grade Teacher (Giulia Voletto) - $500
- Kathy Lear for Bethel Elementary Fourth Grade Teacher (Andrew Beilhart) - $500

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

NAYS: Mr. Anthony Rodig

ABSENT: Mr. Scott W. Klopp, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

ABSTAINED:
This motion was carried 6-1.

9.8.4 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the following substitute teachers for the remainder of the 2017-2018 school year through Berks County Intermediate Unit’s Guest Teacher Program:

- Christopher Pierson
- Kathleen Stock
- Jeni Barker
- Cheri Dotterer
- Alana Gerlach
- Thomas Nelson
- Jodi Patricola
- Cameron Powell
Leah Rampolla

AYES: 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. Scott W. Klopp, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

ABSTAINED:
This motion was carried 7-0.

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9.8.5 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the following support staff substitute, pending completion of paperwork:

- April Taylor Cafeteria, Instructional Aide, Lunch/Recess Aide, Secretarial

9.8.6 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve Tabitha Wesner as a part-time Cafeteria worker at an hourly rate of $9.00.

AYES: 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. Scott W. Klopp, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

ABSTAINED:
This motion was carried 7-0.

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9.8.7 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Heck, to accept the resignation of Crystal McGeary as full-time Elementary Autistic Support 1:1 Paraprofessional at Bethel Elementary effective September 20, 2017.

9.8.8 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Heck, to accept the resignation of Zachary Shirk as JV Baseball Coach for the 2017-2018 season.

9.8.9 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Heck, to accept the resignation of Jessica Mierzewski as Basketball/Competition Cheerleading Coach for the 2017-2018 season.

9.8.10 A resolution was offered by Mr. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Heck, to accept the resignation of Dakota Hafer as JH Basketball/Competition Cheerleading Coach for the 2017-2018 season.

AYES: 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. Scott W. Klopp, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

ABSTAINED:
This motion was carried 7-0.
9.8.11 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve Jessica Mierzewski as Head Basketball/Competition Cheerleading Coach for the 2017-2018 season at a stipend of $1,435.00.

9.8.12 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Heck, to Approve Dakota Hafer as Assistant Basketball/Competition Cheerleading Coach for the 2017-2018 season at a stipend of $1,407.00

9.8.13 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve Katelyn Mease as JH Basketball/Competition Cheerleading Coach for the 2017-2018 season at a stipend of $1,335.00

9.8.14 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve Dustin Yoder as Junior High Wrestling Coach for the 2017-2018 season at a stipend of $1600.00

AYES: Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, and Mr. Arlan Werst
NAYS: Mr. Daniel Steinhauer
ABSENT: Mr. Scott W. Klopp, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.
ABSTAINED: This motion was carried 6-1.

9.8.15 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the following volunteers for the remainder of the 2017-2018 School year:

- Danny Strunk Jr.
- Michelle Unger
- Beverly Parsons
- Judith Coots
- Jamie Strunk
- Jenel Schaffer
- Jennifer Joiner
- Daniel Landis
- Kathleen Shirk
- Yan Fen Yi
- Lisa Hafer
- Currie Kulp
- Erika Colonna
- Karen Colpetzer-Adam
- Eric Pennypacker
- Ralph Bower

AYES: Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, and Mr. Arlan Werst
NAYS: Mr. Scott W. Klopp, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.
ABSENT: This motion was carried 7-0.
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. Rodig made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Heck. The meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

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Mrs. April Klopp, Board Secretary