November 15, 2016 – 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, November 15, 2016 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. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Jr., Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, and Mr. Arlan Werst
ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:
- Dr. Robert Schultz, Superintendent
- Mrs. Barbara Davis, Assistant to the Superintendent
- Mr. Thomas Kowalonek, Business Manager
- Mr. Michael Leister, Junior High House Principal
- Mrs. Lisa Kiss, Director of Special Education
- Mr. Michael DeBakey, Director of Technology
- Mr. Brian Boland, Solicitor
- Mrs. Mimi Shade, Recording Secretary

And the following interested citizens and staff: Ms. Christine Bennett-Zellers, Ms. Avery Baransky, Ms. Sophia Zellers, Ms. Desiree Bernstein, Ms. Rose Bernstein, Ms. Lisa Hassler, Ms. Hannah Wilson, Ms. Sophia Joy, Ms. Hannah Winchester, Ms. Heather Joy, Ms. April Forte, Ms. Beth Maurer, Ms. Jessica Maurer, Mr. Donald Maurer, Ms. Delilah Deavers, Ms. Tara Deavers, Mr. Tom Moorhead, Ms. Tammy Field, Mr. George Field, and Ms. Michelle Lynch, Reading Eagle

3.0 ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

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

3.1 10/18/2016 Board Voting Session Minutes
3.2 11/01/2016 Board Work Session Minutes

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

4.1-4.13 A resolution was offered by Mr. Klopp, 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. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, 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

7.0 REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

A. Senior Class Field Trip

Ms. Leah Bragg presented the Senior Class Trip to the board for approval at the 12/06/2016 board voting session.

B. COLA

Dr. Schultz informed the board of a committee that was formed by the BCIU (COLA) Berks County Committee on Legislative Action. He asked the board to let him know if anyone would like to be part of the committee.

C. Technology Discussion – Mike DeBakey
Mr. DeBakey presented the vision regarding 1:1 for the district.

D. Special Education Update

Ms. Kiss gave an update regarding where we are at in comparison to the rest of the county.

Dr. Schultz recognized Troop 1504 from Bernville to the board meeting.

Dr. Schulz reported the sport accomplishments to the board.

8.0 NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS

9.0 ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION

9.1 FINANCE

9.1.1 A resolution was offered by Mr. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve Per Capita Exonerations as presented at the 11/01/2016 board meeting.

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

NAYS: 

ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

ABSTAINED: 

This motion was carried 8-0.

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9.1.2 A resolution was offered by Mr. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve John E. Muir, Esquire and Kozloff Stoudt Attorneys, Solicitors for the Tulpehocken Area School District, are authorized to intervene and defend the following real estate tax assessment appeals filed in the Berks County Court of Common Pleas of Berks County.

- Pilot Travel Centers
- Dale B. Balthaser
  Debra J. Balthaser
  (Bernville Auto)

AYES: Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, 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

9.2.1 A resolution was offered by Mr. Steinhauer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the proposal from Fidevia Construction Management & Consulting to work as the project manager for the Waste Water Treatment Plant project as presented.

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

NAYS: 

ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

ABSTAINED: This motion was carried 8-0.

9.3 TRANSPORTATION

9.4. POLICY

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

#206 Assignment within District

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

NAYS: 

ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

ABSTAINED: This motion was carried 8-0.

9.5 CURRICULUM

9.5.1 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the 8th grade field trip as presented.

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

NAYS: 

ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.
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 Mrs. Rissmiller, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to accept the resignation of Jashanae Day as a guidance counselor at the Junior/Senior High School effective upon mutual agreement between employers.

9.8.2 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Rissmiller, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to accept the resignation of Sara Jackson as a preferred substitute effective November 14, 2016.

AYES: Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, 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. Rissmiller, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to approve Shanon Sittler as a mentor teacher for the long-term substitute speech and language teacher at a stipend of $500 pro-rated to the number of days worked.

AYES: Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, 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. Rissmiller, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to approve the following substitute teachers through the Berks County Intermediate Unit’s guest teacher program for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year:

- Daniel Czerny (pending completion of paperwork)
- Deborah Davis (pending completion of paperwork)
• Nichole Diem
• Wayne Deswert
• Scott Heidel (pending completion of paperwork)
• Nicolette Hoover (pending completion of paperwork)
• Holly Sanderson (pending completion of paperwork)
• Stephanie McMahon (pending completion of paperwork)
• John Ries (pending completion of paperwork)
• Christy Roberts (pending completion of paperwork)
• Lynette Rohrbach (pending completion of paperwork)
• Deborah Shaffer (pending completion of paperwork)

AYES: Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, 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. Rissmiller, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to approve Sandra Mason as a part-time cafeteria employee at Penn-Bernville Elementary at an hourly rate of $9.25 effective upon completion of paperwork.

AYES: Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, 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. Rissmiller, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to approve the transfer of Cynthia Boyer from part-time custodian to full-time custodian effective November 28, 2016.

9.8.7 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Rissmiller, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to approve the transfer of Gerald Kieffer from part-time custodian to full-time custodian effective November 28, 2016.

9.8.8 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Rissmiller, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to approve Brandon Clardy as a substitute custodian for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year.
AYES: Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, and Mr. Arlan Werst

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

ABSTAINED: This motion was carried 8-0.

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9.8.9 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Rissmiller, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to approve the following coaches for the 2016-2017 season:

- High School Asst. Boys’ Basketball David Causa $2,560
  (pending completion of paperwork)
- Junior High Co-Head Girls’ Basketball Larry Rittle $1,467.50
- Junior High Co-Head Girls’ Basketball Brad Folk $1,467.50
- Junior High Head Baseball Philip Anderson $1,600
- High School Assistant Baseball Derek Herr $1,979

AYES: Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, and Mr. Arlan Werst

NAYS: Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, and Mr. Daniel Steinhauer,

ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

ABSTAINED: This motion was carried 6-2.

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9.8.10 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Rissmiller, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to approve the following volunteers for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year:

Jennifer Kester
Matthew Light
Amber Martin
Trina Wilson
Janice Conner
Donna Donkel
Terri Bucks
Jessica Conner
Shirley Wrigley

Rosemarie Madeiros

AYES: Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, 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 Mr. Heck.

The meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

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Mrs. April Klopp, Board Secretary