November 19, 2013 – 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 19, 2013 with Mr. Scott Klopp, Board President presiding. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

2.0 ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt (via phone), Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr. (7:15 p.m.)
ABSENT:

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:
Dr. Edward Albert, Superintendent
Mr. Thomas Kowalonek, Business Manager
Ms. Barbara Davis, Director of Curriculum
Ms. Lisa Kiss, Director of Special Education
Ms. Bonnie Benfer, Penn-Bernville Elementary Principal
Ms. Cynthia Jenkins, Bethel Elementary Principal
Mr. Donald Jones, Jr/Sr High Principal
Mr. Michael Leister, Junior High House Principal
Mr. Jason Bottiglieri, Jr. High Assistant Principal
Mr. Stephen Corcoran, Director of Technology
Mr. Chad Lubas, Solicitor
Mrs. Mimi Shade, Recording Secretary

And the following interested citizens and staff: Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, Mr. Brandon Clardy, Mr. Guy Clardy, Ms. Amy Beres, Berks News, and Mr. Anthony Orozco, Reading Eagle.

3.0 ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

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

3.1 10/15/2013 Board Voting Session Minutes
3.2 11/05/2013 Board Work Session

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

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. Security

Dr. Albert reported that some of the administrators will be attending a security conference tomorrow.

Dr. Albert reported that Veterans Day went well at all three buildings and they have received positive feedback.

8.0 NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS
Mrs. Hassler asked the board members if they have responded to the Wisconsin Survey located on the PSBA website. She encouraged everyone to participate.

9.0 ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION

9.0.1 A resolution was offered by Mr. Manbeck, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve, that the Board of School Directors of the Tulpehocken Area School District hereby approves the discipline described in the Admission of Fact, Waiver of Hearing, Acknowledgment of Compliance with Procedural Safeguards and Consent to Expulsion concerning student #300559, and to ratify the execution of same by Edward J. Albert, Ed. D., Superintendent of Schools on November 06, 2013.

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

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.1 FINANCE

9.1.1 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mr. Heck, to accept the donation of $40,000 from Dollar General’s Reading Revolution Program to promote and strengthen reading at the Bethel Elementary School. The funds will be placed in the district’s Special Revenue Fund.

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

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.2 BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

9.3 TRANSPORTATION

9.4 POLICY
9.4.1 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Hassler, seconded by Mr. Heck, to give second reading and final approval to the following polices.

- 302 Employment of Superintendent
- 309 Assignment and Transfer
- 310 Abolishing a Position

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

**ABSTAINED:**

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.5 CURRICULUM

9.6 LEGISLATIVE

9.7 EXTRA-CURRICULAR

9.8 PERSONNEL

9.8.1 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the extra-curricular stipend change for the 2013-2014 school year:

- Leigh Bragg  Senior High Student Council Advisor  $1,269

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

**ABSTAINED:**

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.2 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to Approve the following extra-curricular stipends for the 2013-2014 school year:

- Kimberly Murphy  Musical Costumes Co-Director  $444.50
- Jody Rhoads  Musical Costumes Co-Director  $419.00
- David Fake  Academic Challenge  $1,048.00
AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, 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:

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.3 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the following substitute teachers for the remainder of the 2013-2014 school year pending completion of paperwork:

- Michele Dietrich
- Tracey Gretsky
- Ashley Reimert

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

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.4 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the following substitute teachers for the remainder of the 2013-2014 school year through Berks County Intermediate Unit’s Guest Teacher Program:

- Tina Henderson (pending completion of paperwork)

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

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.5 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve Korissa Seidel as a long term substitute physical education teacher at the Jr/Sr High School retroactive to September 9, 2013 through the end of the
second quarter at the salary of $46,718, Step 1B prorated to the number of days worked.

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

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.6 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve Brent Johnson as a mentor teacher for the long-term substitute physical education teacher at the JSHS at a stipend of $500 pro-rated to the number of days worked.

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

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.7 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the following support staff substitute for the remainder of the 2013-2014 school year pending completion of paperwork:

- Judy Daub Aide, Cafeteria

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

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.8 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve Lori Scheider as a volunteer swimming coach for the 2013-2014 school year.
AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, 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:

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.9 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve Kayla Zerbe as a volunteer for the fall play.

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

NAYS: Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.10 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the following coaches for the 2013-2014 season:

- Amber Mayberry Junior High Softball $1,600
- Ashley Count Junior High Softball $1,837
- Korissa Seidel Junior High Asst. Girls’ Basketball $1,335
- Change Chad Charlesworth from Junior High Wrestling Co-Coach to Junior High Wrestling Coach at a stipend of $1,600.
- Change Basketball/Competition Cheerleading to:
  - Michelle Frantz $938
  - Lauren Oswald $938
  - Erin Dietrich $938

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

NAYS: Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-1.
9.8.11 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve Rachel Nelson as a preferred substitute teacher starting November 11, 2013 until the end of the second quarter.

AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, and Mr. Scott W. Klopp,

NAYS: Lisa Hassler, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

ABSENT: ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 6-3.

9.8.12 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to accept the resignation of Robin Owens as part-time substitute caller, effective November 8, 2013.

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

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.13 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the following parent volunteers:

- Erin Kreitzer
- Amy Sauder
- Nichole Diem
- Gregory Hoffman
- Bess Hoffman
- Lauren Sweitzer
- Beverly Parsons

AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, 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: ABSTAINED:
This motion was carried 9-0.

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DISCUSSION ITEMS: OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Hassler stated her concern regarding clearances, feeling it was not tight enough and also wanted discussion regarding Performance Profile. There was discussion regarding both.

10.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

11.0 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

12.0 CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

13.0 ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Manbeck made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Heck.

The meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m. Executive Session was held from 7:08 p.m. until 7:15 p.m. and also followed the board meeting for personnel.

Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Board Secretary