December 04, 2012 – General Board Meeting Minutes

The General Board Meeting of the Tulpehocken Area School Board of Directors was called to order at 7:10 p.m. in the District Office Board Room on Tuesday, December 04, 2012 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.

ABSENT:

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:

- Dr. Edward Albert, Superintendent
- Mr. Thomas Kowalonek, Business Manager
- Ms. Barbara Davis, Director of Curriculum & Instruction
- Ms. Lisa Kiss, Director of Special Education
- Mr. Donald Jones, Junior/Senior High School Principal
- Ms. Bonnie Benfer, Penn-Bernville Elementary Principal
- Ms. Cynthia Jenkins, Bethel Elementary Principal
- Mr. Michael Leister, Jr./Sr. High School Assistant Principal
- Mr. Jason Bottiglieri, Asst. JSHS Principal/Athletic Director
- Mr. Stephen Corcoran, Director of Technology
- Mr. Rick Triest, Director of Building & Grounds
- Mr. Brian Boland, Solicitor
- Mrs. Mimi Shade, Recording Secretary

And the following interested citizens and staff: Mr. Arlan Werst, and Ms. Amy Beres, Reading Eagle.

3.0 ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

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

3.1 11/20/2012 General Board Voting Session Minutes

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.
4.0 FINANCIAL REPORTS

4.1 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mr. Heck, to authorize the administration to pay routine bills in the month of December 2012, subject to ratification at the January 2013 regular board meeting.

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.

5.0 BOARD REPORTS

6.0 CITIZEN/STUDENT PARTICIPATION

7.0 REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

A. Meeting Times – January 8th & 15th
April 2nd & 23rd

Dr. Albert asked the board if the January and April board meeting dates can be changed as stated above. The board agreed and voted as stated below.

7.0.1 A resolution was offered by Mr. Manbeck, seconded by Mr. Baver, to approve the changes to the January and April board meetings as stated above.

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.

B. Naming Rights for the Athletic Field & Cash Dollar Amount

Dr. Albert asked the board to think about and consider the cost if someone wanted a smaller building, ie: the locker room or training room named after them. The board is going to take their time and consider all aspects.
Dr. Albert asked the board if they would be willing to forgo the admin Christmas gift and be a hole sponsor again this year for the golf outing. The board agreed.

Dr. Albert also went over the results of the survey on the notification process the other district’s use for vision screening.

Dr. Albert informed the board that the transition with the new first grade teacher at Bethel is going wonderful. They have very positive responses.

8.0 NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS

9.0 ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION

9.1 FINANCE

A. Budget Discussion – Tom Kowalonek

Mr. Kowalonek went over the timeline for the budget and the bonds assessed value.

9.1.1 Approve the 2011/2012 Audit from Herbein & Company as presented.

The above motion was tabled until the January 15, 2013 board meeting.

9.2.1 BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

9.2.1 A resolution was offered by Mr. Baver, seconded by Mr. Heck to approve the proposal from AEM Architects for the design and bidding of the JSHS Roofing Project from the Capital Reserve fund as presented.

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.

9.2.2 A resolution was offered by Mr. Baver, seconded by Mr. Heck to approve the purchase of scoreboards from donated funds at no cost to the district.

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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9.2.3 A resolution was offered by Mr. Baver, seconded by Mr. Heck to approve the purchase and installation of a softball field fence and foul poles from Abel Fence at a cost of $9,400 from the Capital Reserve 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.

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9.3 TRANSPORTATION

9.4. POLICY

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

815 Acceptable Use of Technology Resources/Facilities and Internet by Staff, Students, and Community Members

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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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 Mrs. Fox, to approve the following parent volunteers for the remainder of the 2012/2013 school year.

- Selena Kreiser
- Billie Jo Seward

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 accept the resignation of Trinity Stoudt as part-time health room assistant effective November 30, 2012.

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 transfer of Paula Huey from part-time health room assistant to full-time health room assistant at the Junior/Senior High School effective December 5, 2012 at a salary of $22,795 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.
9.8.4  A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve Blake Knecht as a long-term substitute teacher at the Junior/Senior High School effective December 5, 2012 through the end of the 2012-2013 school year at a salary of $45,465, Step 1B, 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.

9.8.5  A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve Heather Stoy as a long-term substitute science teacher at the Junior/Senior High School from approximately January 25 through May 17, 2013, at a salary of $45,465, 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 the following mentor teachers:

- Connie Tworkoski for the long-term substitute science teacher at the Junior/Senior High School from approximately January 25 through May 17, 2013 at a stipend of $500 pro-rated to the number of days worked.

- Brent Johnson for the long-term substitute teacher at the Junior/Senior High School from December 5, 2012 through the end of the 2012-2013 school year 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 Casimer Barcz, Jr. as a part-time custodian at an hourly rate of $10.00 effective upon completion of paperwork.

9.8.8 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve Henry Bicher as a part-time custodian at an hourly rate of $10.00 effective upon 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.

9.8.9 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve Holly Blatt as athletic event staff for the remainder of the 2012-2013 school year.

9.8.10 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the following support staff substitutes for the remainder of the 2012-2013 school year pending completion of paperwork:

- Patricia Barrell Aide, Cafeteria, Secretary
- Dustin Berndt Custodian
- Kathryn Jones Aide, Secretary
- Kelly Lutz Aide, Cafeteria
- John Willhoyte Custodian

9.8.11 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the following coaches for the 2012-2013 school year:

- JV Baseball (Change)
  
  JV Baseball – Co-Coach Zachary Shirk $1,324.50
  JV Baseball – Co-Coach Derek Herr $1,280.00

- JH Basketball Cheerleading Erin Bird $1,159.00
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.

DISCUSSION ITEMS: OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

10.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

11.0 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

12.0 CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

13.0 ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m. Executive Session was held before and after the board meeting.

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Mrs. Lisa Hassler, Board Secretary