The General Board Meeting of the Tulpehocken Area School Board of Directors was called to order at 6:30 p.m. in the District Office Board Room on Monday, December 22, 2014 with Mr. Scott Klopp, Board President presiding. The Pledge of Allegiance and prayer followed.

2.0 ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr. (6:34 p.m.), and Mr. Daniel Steinhauer.

ABSENT:

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:
Dr. Edward Albert, Superintendent
Mr. Thomas Kowalonek, Business Manager

And the following interested citizens and staff: Mr. Richard Klopp, Mr. Tom Moorhead, Ms. Lisa Hassler, Ms. Holly Baer, Ms. Ashley Gassert, and Ms. Rebecca Geller

3.0 ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

4.0 FINANCIAL REPORTS

5.0 BOARD REPORTS

6.0 CITIZEN/STUDENT PARTICIPATION

7.0 REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

8.0 NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS

9.0 ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION

9.1 FINANCE

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. Fox, seconded by Mr. Heck, to accept the resignation for the purpose of retirement of Donald Jones, Junior/Senior High School Principal effective March 12, 2015.

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

NAYS: 

ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

ABSTAINED: 
This motion was carried 8-0.

9.8.2 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the termination of Christopher Smith as Junior High Wrestling coach effective December 2, 2014 with his stipend pro-rated to $266.66

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

NAYS: 

ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

ABSTAINED: 
This motion was carried 8-0.

9.8.3 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve Matthew Martin as Junior High Wrestling Coach effective December 8, 2014 at a stipend of $1,333.34.

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

NAYS: 

ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

ABSTAINED: 
This motion was carried 8-0.

9.8.4 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mr. Heck, to accept the resignation of Cheryl White as part-time library aide at Bethel Elementary effective December 23, 2014.
AYES: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, and Mr. Daniel Steinhauer.

NAYS: 

ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

ABSTAINED: 

This motion was carried 8-0.

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9.8.5 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve an unpaid medical leave of absence for Pamela Hoffert, part-time cafeteria worker at the Junior/Senior High School from December 22, 2014 through approximately March 18, 2015.

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

NAYS: 

ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

ABSTAINED: 

This motion was carried 8-0.

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9.8.6 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the transfer of Michelle Risser from part-time administrative assistant to the Athletic Director to part-time library aide at the Junior/Senior High School effective January 7, 2015.

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

NAYS: 

ABSENT: Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

ABSTAINED: 

This motion was carried 8-0.

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9.8.7 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the position change for Mary Snyder from part-time administrative assistant to the Athletic Director to full-time 10 month transportation coordinator/administrative assistant to the Athletic Director effective January 7, 2015 at an hourly rate of $15.00 with the understanding the increase will be removed from her pay if the responsibilities of transportation coordinator are eliminated or she resigns from the position.
AYES:  Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., and Mr. Daniel Steinhauer.

NAYS:  
ABSENT:  
ABSTAINED:  
This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.8  A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve Thomas Paulson as a long-term substitute math teacher at the Junior/Senior High School from approximately December 16, 2014 through the end of the 2014-2015 school year at a salary of $48,043, Step 1B, pro-rated to the number of days worked.

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

NAYS:  
ABSENT:  
ABSTAINED:  
This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.9  A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mr. Heck, to accept the resignation of Michael Turner as long-term substitute teacher at the Junior/Senior High School effective January 16, 2015.

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

NAYS:  
ABSENT:  
ABSTAINED:  
This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.10 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Fox, seconded by Mr. Heck, to Approve the termination of Robert Krotee as a guest substitute teacher through Berks County Intermediate Unit, effective immediately.

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

NAYS:  
ABSENT:  
ABSTAINED:
This motion was carried 9-0.

9.9 Technology

DISCUSSION ITEMS: OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

Public Comments:

Richard Klopp is concerned about the taxes and a possible tax increase for the 2015/2016 school year. He wants us to be fiscally responsible. He also heard that the teachers received Tom Wolfe’s flyers. He wants us to look into this and make sure this does not happen.

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. Heck.

The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m. Executive Session followed the board meeting.

Mrs. April Klopp, Board Secretary