August 04, 2015 – Board Work Session Minutes

President Mr. Scott Klopp called this Work Session of the Tulpehocken Area School District Board of Directors to order at 7:01 p.m. in the District Office Board Room. Pledge of Allegiance and opening Prayer followed.

PRESENT: Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Beverly Blatt, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr. (7:05 p.m.), and Mr. Daniel Steinhauer
ABSENT: Mr. Chris Heck

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:
- Dr. Robert Schultz, Superintendent
- Ms. Barbara Davis, Assistant to the Superintendent
- Mr. Andrew Netznik, JSHS Principal
- Ms. Diane Lotz, JSHS Assistant Principal
- Mr. Michael Leister, Junior High House Principal
- Mr. Mark Brown, Bethel Elementary Principal
- Mr. Michael DeBakey, Director of Technology
- Mr. Rick Triest, Director of Building & Grounds
- Mrs. Mimi Shade, Recording Secretary

And the following interested citizens and staff: Ms. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Arlan Werst, Ms. Joan VanTiggelen, Mr. Doug VanTiggelen, and Mr. Anthony Orozco, Reading Eagle.

I. Discussion Items

1. Superintendent's Report
   
   A. PSSA Results

   Dr. Schultz reported that due to the height of standards we will have fewer proficient and advance scores. The testing has changed not the kids.

   B. SRO/Local Police

The possibility of using Tulpehocken or Bethel Township was discussed.

2. Citizen/Student Participation (Pertaining to Agenda items only)

3. Buildings and Grounds

4. Finance
5. Personnel

A. Personnel items are discussed in executive session.

The below motions was voted on as stated below:

9.8.1 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox, to approve Jodi Savage as a third grade teacher at Penn-Bernville Elementary effective the 2015-2016 school year at a salary of $55,984, 1M+30, pending completion of paperwork.

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

NAYS:
ABSENT: Mr. Chris Heck
ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.8.2 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox, to approve Rebecca Scalese as a German teacher, 50% time, at the Junior/Senior High School effective the 2015-2016 school year at a salary of $24,021.50, 1B, pending completion of paperwork.

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

NAYS:
ABSENT: Mr. Chris Heck
ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.8.3 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox, to approve the following mentor teachers:

- Faylene Beltz for the 3rd grade teacher at P-B (Jodi Savage) - $250
- Maria Taylor for the German teacher at the JSHS (Rebecca Scalese)-$500

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

NAYS:
ABSENT: Mr. Chris Heck
ABSTAINED:
This motion was carried 8-0.

6. Programs

7. Policy

A. Give second reading and final approval to the following policy:

209.1 Head Lice

B. Give second reading and final approval to the following policy:

819 Suicide Awareness, Prevention & Response

C. Give second reading and final approval to the following policy:

916 Volunteers

D. Give first reading with the intent to give second reading and final approval on September 13, 2015 to the following policy:

913 Non-School Organizations/Groups/Individuals

The above motions were discussed and will appear on the 08/18/2015 board agenda.

8. Curriculum

A. Give second reading and final approval the following curriculum:

   Human Anatomy and Physiology I     Grades 11 – 12
   Human Anatomy and Physiology II    Grades 11 - 12
   Driver Education                  Grade 10

The above motion was discussed and will appear on the 08/18/2015 board agenda.

9. Items for Board Action

A. Flyer approval for distribution.

Dr. Schultz talked to the board about flyer approval. The board agreed to adjust the policy to enable the superintendent or designee to approve flyer disbursement.

10. Technology
A. Approve the lease and service contract with Phillips Office Solutions for two copiers at Penn-Bernville Elementary School, beginning August 2015 and ending August 2019.

B. Approve the managed print services agreement with Phillips Office Solutions for district printers at Tulpehocken Area School District, beginning August 2015 and ending August 2019.

The above motions were discussed and will appear on the 08/18/2015 board agenda.

11. Transportation

12. Legislative

13. Administrative Reports

Mr. Brown reported that they are working on the back to school letters. They are working on the parent/student handbook.

Mr. Netznik reported that working with Diane has been a pleasure. They are working in the handbooks and the master schedule. They want to be pro-active with academics not re-active.

Mrs. Lotz reported that it has been great working with Mr. Netznik and Mr. Leister. They will be a strong team. They worked on the German teacher interviews and schedule changes.

Mr. Leister reported that it has been great working together. He has been busy working with the 1st graduating class on their 50th Anniversary. The building looks great. He will be going in to surgery on Friday, August 14, 2015.

Mr. Triest reported that the maintenance staff has been busy preparing for school to start.

Mr. DeBakey reported that Matt and the student technology workers have been busy getting the iPads and teacher lap-tops ready.

Mrs. Davis reported she is working on the in-service, Civil rights data collection, and new teacher induction.

14. Old Business

Mr. Steinhauer asked about the Honor Roll and what the requirements are to make it. He also inquired about sex ed. and what areas will be taught considering what is happening in the world today.

15. New Business
Mr. & Mrs. VanTiggelen approached the board about their bus stop. They stated the stop is not safe where it is currently at. Dr. Schultz stated that he will check into things and get back to them.

16. Public Comment

II. Adjournment

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m. Executive Session followed the board meeting for personnel.

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Mrs. April L. Klopp
Board Secretary