August 07, 2012 – Board Work Session Minutes

President Mr. Scott Klopp called this Work Session of the Tulpehocken Area School District Board of Directors to order at 7:00 p.m. in the District Office Board Room. Pledge of Allegiance followed.

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 (7:04 p.m.) and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

ABSENT: Mrs. Lisa Hassler

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:
- Dr. Edward Albert, Superintendent
- Ms. Barbara Davis, Director of Instruction & 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. Jason Bottiglieri, Jr/Sr High Asst. Principal
- Mr. Stephen Corcoran, Director of Technology
- Mr. Rick Triest, Building & Grounds Director
- Mr. Brian Boland, Solicitor
- Mrs. Mimi Shade, Recording Secretary

And the following interested citizens and staff: Mr. Anthony Orozco, Reading Eagle.

I. Discussion Items

1. Superintendent's Report

   A. Golf Tournament - $6,797.13

Dr. Albert reported the amount that was made at the golf outing. He thanked everyone for their support and efforts.

Dr. Albert introduced Linda Wilcox, intern from RACC. We are glad to have her.

Dr. Albert reported that Tom will not be at the next two work sessions. He had to plan his vacation around the auditors.

2. Buildings and Grounds

   A. AEM Architects – Proposal for Stage Rigging

Mr. Triest presented and answered questions regarding the AEM proposal. It is for the stage rigging without the lighting. There will be a motion on the 08/21/2012 board agenda.
3. **Finance**

A. Approve a price increase of $.05 for elementary lunches and a $.25 increase in elementary and secondary breakfast prices. The prices for the 2012-2013 school year are as follows:

- Elementary Breakfast $1.50
- Secondary Breakfast $1.50
- Elementary Lunch $2.40
- Secondary Lunch $2.60 (No Change)

*The above prices are dictated by the state/federal government. The above motion was discussed and will appear on the 08/21/2012 board agenda.*

B. Approve the 2012-2013 Cafeteria Budget with projected expenditures of $800,650 as presented.

C. 2012/2013 Milk Supplier – Clover Farms

D. Approve the following admission prices to TASD sports activities for the 2012/2013 school year (the rates are the same as the 2011/2012 school year).

- Adults $5.00
- Students & Senior Citizens $3.00
- TASD Students (with I.D) & Golden Age Passes Free
- Year Pass $50.00

E. Approve the contract between Tulpehocken Area SD and Assemblies of Yahweh for transportation services from July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2015 (Rate increase of $2/day for each year of the contract. All other terms and conditions remain the same)

*The above motions were discussed and will appear on the 08/21/2012 board agenda.*

4. **Personnel**

A. Personnel items are discussed in executive session.

*The below motions were voted on as stated below:*

9.8.4 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox to rescind the motion approving Brooke Rutherford as a long-term substitute second grade teacher at Bethel Elementary from the beginning of the 2012-2013 school year through approximately December 21, 2012.

9.8.5 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox to approve Brittany Lear as a long-term substitute second grade teacher at Bethel Elementary from the beginning of the 2012-2013 school year through approximately December 21, 2012 at a salary of $45,465, Step 1B, prorated to the number of days worked.
9.8.6 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox to rescind the motion approving Alexandra Bartlett as a long-term substitute fifth grade teacher at Bethel Elementary from the beginning of the 2012-2013 school year through approximately November 21, 2012.

9.8.7 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox to approve Heather Stoy as a long-term substitute fifth grade teacher at Bethel Elementary from the beginning of the 2012-2013 school year through approximately November 21, 2012 at a salary of $45,465, Step 1B, prorated to the number of days worked.

9.8.8 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox to rescind the motion approving Michelle Schneck as a mentor teacher for Brooke Rutherford, long-term substitute second grade teacher at Bethel Elementary at a stipend of $500 prorated to the number of days worked.

9.8.9 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox to approve Michelle Schneck as a mentor teacher for Brittany Lear, long-term substitute second grade teacher at Bethel Elementary at a stipend of $500 prorated to the number of days worked.

9.8.10 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox to rescind the motion approving Jessica Hritzko as a mentor teacher for Alexandra Bartlett, long-term substitute fifth grade teacher at Bethel Elementary at a stipend of $500 prorated to the number of days worked.

9.8.11 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox to approve Jessica Hritzko as a mentor teacher for Heather Stoy, long-term substitute fifth grade teacher at Bethel Elementary at a stipend of $500 prorated to the number of days worked.

9.8.12 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox to approve Stephanie Erb as a nurse’s assistant effective the beginning of the 2012-2013 school year at a salary of $25,539, pending completion of paperwork.

9.8.13 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox to approve Heath Grogg as a long-term substitute third grade teacher at Bethel Elementary for the 2012-2013 school year at a salary of $45,465 Step 1B.

9.8.14 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox to approve Victoria Schifalacqua as a long-term substitute emotional support teacher at the Junior/Senior High School for the 2012-2013 school year at a salary of $45,465, Step 1B pending completion of paperwork.

9.8.15 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox to approve Holly Baer as a mentor teacher for Victoria Schifalacqua, long-term substitute emotional support teacher at the Junior/Senior High School at a stipend of $500.

9.8.16 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox to approve the change of status of Derek Herr as long-term substitute to full-time contracted
emotional support teacher at the Junior/Senior High School effective the beginning of the 2012-2013 school year.

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

NAYS: Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck,

ABSENT: Mrs. Lisa Hassler

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 7-1.

9.8.26 Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox to accept the resignation of Tyler Kulp as Assistant Junior High Boys’ Soccer Coach 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, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mrs. Lisa Hassler

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.8.27 Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox to approve supplemental contracts for the following coaches for the 2012-2013 sports seasons:

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John Gilmer     Head High School Varsity Softball     $3,332
Ashley Count    Head Junior High Softball        $1,784
Kylene Sanders  Asst. Junior High Softball       $1,395
David Fake      Head Boys’ Tennis                 $3,195
Jennifer Kerchner Head High School Track        $3,262
Joseph Sabol    Asst. High School Track          $2,637
Rebecca Webb    Asst. High School Track          $2,637
Daniel Plato    Co Junior High Track             $1,512
Joel Jackson    Co Junior High Track             $1,512

9.8.28 Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox to approve the following volunteer coaches for 2012-2013:

• Rick Kramer  Girls’ Soccer
• Crystal Zerbe Girls’ Soccer
• Regina Stump  Girls’ Soccer
• Derek Zerbe   Boys’ Soccer
• Dwayne Evans  Boys’ Soccer
• Randy Behney  Boys’ Soccer
• Lisa Klopp    Field Hockey
• Desiree Bower Cross Country
• Michelle Frantz Cheerleading

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

This motion was carried 6-2.

9.8.29 Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Fox to approve the following extra-curricular advisors for the 2012-2013 school year pending completion of paperwork:

• Musical Director  Amber Kerestes  $1,269
• Musical Choreography Amber Kerestes  $1,037
• Freshman Class Advisor Susan Schwartz  $824
• Musical Producer (Change)  
  Musical Co-Producer (70%)  Trudi Bux  $1028
  Musical Co-Producer (30%)  M. Larry Blatt  $384 (pending paperwork)
• Musical Ad Book Director  M. Larry Blatt  $562 (pending paperwork)

AYES:  Mr. Dennis Baver, Mrs. Evelyn F. Fox, Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, and Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr.
NAYS:  
ABSENT:  Mrs. Lisa Hassler
ABSTAINED: Mrs. Beverly Blatt,
This motion was carried 7-0.

5. Programs

6. Policy

7. Curriculum

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

  Junior High Family and Consumer Science
  Music Grade 5
  Music Grade 6
  Instrumental Music Grade 4
  Spanish I
  Spanish II
  Spanish III
  German I
  German II

B. Ellis Island Field Trip – Lisa Kiss

C. Boys’ Basketball Team Florida Field Trip – Kevin Quimby

The above motions were discussed and will appear on the 08/21/2012 board agenda.

8. Items for Board Action

9. Technology

10. Transportation

11. Administrative Reports

Rick Triest reported that his staff has done a great job preparing the buildings for the 2012/2013 school year.

Jason Bottiglieri reported that the JS HS made AYP. They are preparing for the Keystone exams and how that looks with the PSSA testing schedule. Teacher schedules have been mailed out.

Don Jones reported that the JS HS made AYP. They are preparing for the Keystone exams and how that looks with the PSSA testing schedule. Student schedule letters have been mailed out. Handbooks have been updated. Fall sports practices have started. Reported that he as well as a number of other administrators attended a common core workshop in Philadelphia.
Lisa Kiss reported that one of our students, Kyra Naftzinger was in the paper and she is very proud of her. They are preparing for the special education audit.

Bonnie Benfer reported that Penn-Bernville is on warning due to I.E.P’s and economically disadvantaged. School wide dates have been planned for the coming year. Reported that she attended the Math section of the Common Core training.

Cindy Jenkins reported that Bethel made AYP. Reported that she attended the Language Arts section of the Common Core training.

Barb Davis reported that the Common Core training was great. They are in the process of planning professional development for the staff. They are planning a tech day in October. They are planning New Teacher Induction. They are planning/preparing for the Keystone Exam changes.

Steve Corcoran reported that they are very busy. Brian is leaving. They are 75-80% done with the windows upgrade. They are 50% done with the wireless upgrade. The smart boards are installed.

12. Old Business

13. New Business

14. Public Comment

II. Adjournment

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m. Executive Session was held from 7:25 p.m. – 7:52 p.m. and followed regarding personnel.

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Mr. Oscar Manbeck
Assistant Board Secretary