September 5, 2017 – Board Work Session Minutes

President Mr. Oscar Manbeck 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 and opening Prayer followed.

PRESENT: Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, and Mr. Arlan Werst.

ABSENT:

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:

Dr. Robert Schultz, Superintendent
Mr. Andrew Netznik, JSHS Principal
Mr. Denis Quirk, JSHS Asst. Principal
Mr. Michael Leister, JH House Principal
Mrs. Amanda Cipolla, Penn-Bernville Elementary Principal
Mr. Mark Brown, Bethel Elementary Principal
Mr. Rick Triest, Director of Building & Grounds
Mrs. Mimi Shade, Recording Secretary

And the following interested citizens and staff: Ms. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Mike DeAcosta, and Mrs. Theresa DeAcosta

I. Discussion Items

1. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Schultz asked for a moment of silence for a Bethel Elementary student that passed away in a house fire over the weekend.

A. Drivers Ed Update – Andrew Netznik

Mr. Netznik gave the board an update on the Driver’s Ed program. Mr. Netznik reported that we are on track again.

B. Science Explorers After School Flyer

C. G.L.S Music Store Flyer

The above flyers were discussed.

2. Citizen/Student Participation (Pertaining to Agenda items only)
3. Buildings and Grounds

A. Approve the change order for Eastern Environmental Contractors to expand pole building pier footings in the amount of $8,804.00.

B. Approve the change order for Eastern Environmental Contractors to provide bentonite water stop between concrete walls in the amount of $440.00.

The above motions were discussed and will be voted on at the September 19, 2017 board meeting.

4. Finance

A. Approve the 2-year extension of the audit services agreement between TASD and Herbein + Co Inc. through the 2018-2019 school year as presented.

B. Approve Tax Appeal Resolution #2017-02 as presented.

The above motions were discussed and will be voted on at the September 19, 2017 board meeting.

5. Personnel

A. Personnel items are discussed in executive session.

The below was voted on as stated:

9.8.1 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve Kristin Orndorf as a third grade teacher at Bethel Elementary at a salary of $48,043 Step 1B, pending completion of paperwork.

AYES: Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer Jr., Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, and Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, Mr. Arlan Werst.

NAYS: 
ABSENT:
ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

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9.8.2 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the following preferred substitutes for the First Quarter of the 2017-2018 school year pending completion of paperwork:

- Amber Taggert
- Andrew Beilhart
AYES: Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer Jr., Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, and Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, Mr. Arlan Werst.

NAYS:  
ABSENT:  
ABSTAINED:  

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.3 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to rescind the previous motion on August 15, 2017 approving Katie Johnson as a Guest Teacher.

AYES: Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer Jr., Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, and Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, Mr. Arlan Werst.

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 2017-2018 school year, pending completion of paperwork:

- Niko Metricarti
- Amber Taggert
- Samantha Gould
- Joanna Arena
- Katie Johnson

AYES: Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, and Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, Mr. Arlan Werst.

NAYS: Mr. William T. Palmer Jr.

ABSENT:  
ABSTAINED:  

This motion was carried 8-1.

9.8.13 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the following substitute teachers for the remainder of the 2017-2018 school year through Berks County Intermediate Unit’s Guest Teacher Program:

- Angela Davis
AYES: Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer Jr., Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, and Mr. Daniel Steinhauser, Mr. Arlan Werst.

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.14 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve Anmarie Misterkiewicz as a part-time job coach at the JSHS effective the 2017-2018 school year at an hourly rate of $12.00 pending completion of paperwork.

AYES: Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer Jr., Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, and Mr. Daniel Steinhauser, Mr. Arlan Werst.

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.15 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mrs. Klopp, to approve the transfer of Diane Reifsnyder from Part-time Cafeteria worker to Part-time Library Paraprofessional at Penn Bernville Elementary at an hourly rate of $9.72 effective September 6, 2017.

AYES: Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer Jr., Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, and Mr. Daniel Steinhauser, Mr. Arlan Werst.

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.17 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to accept the resignation of Beth A. Jackowski as School Nurse Assistant effective September 15, 2017.

AYES: Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer Jr., Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, and Mr. Daniel Steinhauser, Mr. Arlan Werst.
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NAYS:
ABSENT:
ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.18 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to accept the resignation of Barbara E. Davis as Assistant to the Superintendent effective September 29, 2017.

AYES: Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer Jr., Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, and Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, Mr. Arlan Werst.
NAYS:
ABSENT:
ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.19 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve Kelsey Hunsicker as Event Staff for the remainder of the 2017-2018 School Year.

AYES: Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer Jr., Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, and Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, Mr. Arlan Werst.
NAYS:
ABSENT:
ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 9-0.

9.8.20 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the following volunteers for the remainder of the 2017-2018 School year:

- Andrea Keiser
- Morgan Kitchenoff
- Barbara Davis

AYES: Mr. Chris Heck, Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Scott W. Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer Jr., Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, and Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, Mr. Arlan Werst.
NAYS:
ABSENT:
ABSTAINED:
This motion was carried 9-0.

6. Programs

7. Policy

8. Curriculum

   A. Approve the West Chester Honors Choir Field Trip as presented

The above was discussed and will be voted on at the September 19, 2017 board meeting.

9. Items for Board Action

10. Technology

   10.0.1 Approve the lease agreement for 7 multifunction copiers with Phillips Office solutions as presented.

The above motion was discussed and will appear on the 08/15/2017 voting session agenda

11. Transportation

   A. Approve the transportation contract between Tulpehocken Area School District and Assemblies of Yahweh.

The above motion was discussed and will appear on the 08/15/2017 voting session agenda

12. Legislative

13. Administrative Reports

Mr. Leister reported that they had 236 students opt for insurance on their electronic device. There are only two students that did not have their immunizations complete according to the state regulations. They are in the process of having making arrangements to get their immunizations.

Mr. Quirk reported that it has been a great start to the new year. There was a great turn out to junior high orientation. School Pride is the focus this school year. They created “I” Statements and “What's my Why” They are visible in the hall. 78% of the students signed up for a club.

Mr. Netznik reported that they held two successful parent lap top nights. They will have the JSHS open house this Thursday. There is a lot of Tulpy pride between the staff and students this year.
Mr. Brown reported that great things are happening at Bethel Elementary. Back to school night was a great success and they even had an ice-cream truck. It was the highlight of the night. The staff created “Why Statements” and the students are learning the “Power of Yet” (I can’t do this yet…) All the teachers came in over the summer for leadership meetings.

Mrs. Cipolla reported that they held Tulpy Pride day. They reviewed the rules with the students. It has been a great start to the new year.

Mr. Rick Trist reported on the WWTP.

Mr. Shirk reported that every student received their lap-top or iPad. They have been working on a new iPad charging station. They are working with Phillips to make arrangements for the new copiers to be installed. They are working on support calls.

14. Old Business

15. New Business

16. Public Comment

II. Adjournment

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

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Mrs. April L. Klopp
Board Secretary