

January 24, 2017 – General Board Meeting Minutes

The General Board Meeting of the Tulpehocken Area School Board of Directors was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in the District Office Board Room on Tuesday, January 24, 2017 with Mr. Oscar Manbeck, Board President presiding. The Pledge of Allegiance and prayer followed.

2.0 ROLL CALL

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

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:

Dr. Robert Schultz, Superintendent
Mr. Thomas Kowalonek, Business Manager
Mrs. Lisa Kiss, Director of Special Education
Mr. Mark Brown, Bethel Elementary Principal
Mrs. Amanda Cipolla, Penn-Bernville Elementary Principal
Mr. John Muir, Solicitor
Mrs. Mimi Shade, Recording Secretary

And the following interested citizens and staff: Mr. Tom Moorhead, Ms. Denice Dodge, Mr. Frankie Fantozzi, Ms. Karen Fantozzi, Ms. Jen Engelbert, Ms. Amy Schlater, Ms. Lauren Sweitzer, Ms. Tammy Field, Mr. George Field, Mr. Dylan Giambalvo, Ms. Audrey Sweitzer, Ms. Lisa Hassler, Mr. Ken Sweitzer, Ms. Amanda Sweitzer, and Mr. Eric Sweitzer

Students of the Month – Bethel Elementary – Mr. Mark Brown, Principal

Students of the Month:

Mrs. Dodge – Harmony Sutherly
Nolan Sweitzer

Mrs. Engelbert – Brooke Gibson
Sarah Fidler

Mrs. Schlater – Lauren Bryant
Frankie Fantozzi

The above students were recognized before the board as students of the month. Dr. Schultz congratulated.

3.0 ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

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

- 3.1 12/06/2016 Re-Organization Meeting Minutes
- 3.2 12/06/2016 Board Voting Session Minutes
- 3.3 12/20/2016 Board Special Board Voting Session Minutes
- 3.4 01/10/2017 Board Work Session Minutes

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

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

4.0 FINANCIAL REPORTS

4.1-4.13 A resolution was offered by Mr. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Palmer, to accept the following financial reports:

- 4.1 Treasurer's Report
- 4.2 Investment Report
- 4.3 Tax Collection Report
- 4.4 Monthly Account Status
- 4.5 General Fund Bills Payable
- 4.6 Cafeteria Report
- 4.7 Cafeteria Fund Bills Payable
- 4.8 Capital Reserve Fund Bills Payable
- 4.9 Special Revenue Accounts Payable
- 4.10 Budgetary Transfers
- 4.11 Jr. High Activity Bills Payable
- 4.12 Sr. High Activity Bills Payable
- 4.13 Bond Fund Bills Payable

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

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

5.0 BOARD REPORTS

6.0 CITIZEN/STUDENT PARTICIPATION

7.0 REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Dr. Schultz reported how our students did at the Pennsylvania Farm Show.

8.0 NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS

9.0 ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION

9.0.1 A resolution was offered by Mr. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the listed appointments for the Board committees for 2017.

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

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.0.2 A resolution was offered by Mr. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the listed Board representatives for 2017.

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

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.0.3 A resolution was offered by Mr. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the recommendation to use the law firm of Kozloff Stoudt as the school Solicitor for 2017 at the stated rate.

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

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.1 FINANCE

9.1.1 A resolution was offered by Mr. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the 2015/2016 Audit from Herbein & Company as presented.

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

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.1.2 A resolution was offered by Mr. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the resolution that states the Board of School Directors will not raise any school taxes above the stated index for 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. Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, and Mr. Arlan Werst

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.2 BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

9.3 TRANSPORTATION

9.4. POLICY

9.4.1 A resolution was offered by Mr. Heck, seconded by Mr. Klopp, to give first reading with the intent to give second reading and final approval on February 21, 2017 to the following policy:

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

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

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.5 CURRICULUM

9.5.1 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the State Legislative Leadership Conference (Agriculture Trip) as presented at the 01/10/2017 board meeting.

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

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.5.2 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the 10th Grade Washington D.C Field Trip as presented at the 01/10/2017 board meeting.

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

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.5.3 A resolution was offered by Mrs. Klopp, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the Senior Gifted Field Trip as presented at the 01/10/2017 board meeting.

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

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.6 LEGISLATIVE

9.7 EXTRA-CURRICULAR

9.8 PERSONNEL

9.8.1 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to accept the resignation of Michael DeBakey as Director of Technology effective January 18, 2017.

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

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.8.2 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve Susan Burns as a mentor for Cassidy Dawson, Junior/Senior High School guidance counselor at a stipend of \$500.

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

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.8.3 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the following as substitute teachers for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year pending completion of paperwork:

- Roxanne Snyder
- Elizabeth Wissinger

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

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.8.4 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve Traci Light as a cafeteria substitute for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year.

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

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.8.5 A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve the following volunteers for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year:

Susan Cipa
Kimberly Glass
Debra Kieffer
Daniel Wrigley

James LaFollette

Richard Yenser

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

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

9.9 TECHNOLOGY

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. Heck.

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Mrs. April Klopp, Board Secretary