

October 04, 2016 – 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, and Mrs. April Klopp, Mr. Oscar J. Manbeck, Mr. William T. Palmer, Jr., Mrs. Kristan Rissmiller, Mr. Anthony Rodig, Mr. Daniel Steinhauer, and Mr. Arlan Werst.

ABSENT: Mr. Scott W. Klopp

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:

Dr. Robert Schultz, Superintendent
Ms. Barbara Davis, Assistant to the Superintendent
Mr. Thomas Kowalonek, Business Manager
Ms. Lisa Kiss, Director of Special Education
Mr. Andrew Netznik, JSHS Principal
Mr. Denis Quirk, JSHS Assistant Principal
Mr. Michael Leister, Junior High House Principal
Mr. Mark Brown, Bethel Elementary Principal
Ms. Amanda Cipolla, Penn-Bernville 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, Ms. Erika Kindoll, Mr. Tom Moorhead, Ms. Tammy Field, Mr. George Field, and Ms. Michelle Lynch, Reading Eagle.

I. Discussion Items

1. Superintendent's Report

A. 8th Grade Field Trip to Gettysburg – Mike Leister

Mr. Leister presented the 8th grade field trip to the board and answered questions. This will be a motion on the 10/18/2016 board meeting agenda.

Dr. Schultz reported that it has been a rough week at Bethel Elementary with three people passing away this week; student William Dieffenbach, retired employees Debra Schwalm and Steve Grady.

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

3. Buildings and Grounds

4. Finance

A. Rage Contract – (11/01/2016 – 05/31/2017)

The above was discussed with the board and will appear as a motion on the 10/18/2016 board agenda.

B. Budget Timeline

Mr. Kowalonek discussed the budget timeline with the board.

C. Approve the commitment of the following fund balances in accordance with GASB 54 and Board Policy 620 effective June 30, 2016:

Special Education
Benefits
Athletic Facility Improvements

The above was discussed and will appear on a future agenda.

D. Approve resolution #2016-07 that Kozloff Stoudt Attorney’s, the Solicitors of the Tulpehocken Area School District, is hereby authorized to settle the real estate tax assessment appeal filed by Jami Made, LP.

The above was voted on as stated below:

A resolution was offered by Mr. Werst, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve resolution #2016-07 that Kozloff Stoudt Attorney’s, the Solicitors of the Tulpehocken Area School District, is hereby authorized to settle the real estate tax assessment appeal filed by Jami Made, LP.

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

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mr. Scott W. Klopp

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.



E. Approve resolution #2016-08 that the Board of School Directors award a construction contracts for the waste water treatment plant at the Tulpehocken Area School District as presented

The above was voted on as stated below:

A resolution was offered by Mr. Werst, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve resolution #2016-08 that the Board of School Directors award construction contracts for the waste water treatment plant at the Tulpehocken Area School District as presented

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

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mr. Scott W. Klopp

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

- F. Approve resolution 2016-09 that Tulpehocken Area School District enter into a License Agreement, as attached herto, that will provide a License to Tulpehocken Area School District for the right of access for ingress, egress and regress on a designated property on New Schaefferstown Road for storage of materials needed for the wastewater treatment plant improvements.

The above was voted on as stated below:

A resolution was offered by Mr. Werst, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve resolution 2016-09 that Tulpehocken Area School District enter into a License Agreement, as attached herto, that will provide a License to Tulpehocken Area School District for the right of access for ingress, egress and regress on a designated property on New Schaefferstown Road for storage of materials needed for the wastewater treatment plant improvements.

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

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mr. Scott W. Klopp

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

5. Personnel

- A. Personnel items are discussed in executive session.

6. Programs

- A. Laptop Discussion

Ms. Barbara Davis, Ms. Erika Kindoll, Ms. Samantha Bolles, and Ms. Sierra Fellows presented a vision for technology with the board and how we are currently using technology with our curriculum.

7. Policy

- A. Give first reading with the intent to give second reading and final approval on November 15, 2016 to the following policy:

#206 Assignment within District

The above motion was discussed and will appear on the 10/18/2016 board agenda.

8. Curriculum

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

Math Grade K	Math Grade 1
Math Grade 2	Math Grade 3
Math Grade 4	Math Grade 5
Math Grade 6	Pre-Algebra Honors
Pre-Algebra	Academic Geometry
Concept Algebra II	Personal Finance
Financial Algebra	Calculus Honors
Academic Algebra II	Algebra IA
Algebra I Honors	Algebra I Grade 8
Keystone Algebra	Algebra II Honors
Pre-Calculus	Pre-Calculus Honors
Geometry Honors	AP Calculus
Child Development	Food for Fitness
Interior Design	

The above motion was discussed and will appear on the 10/18/2016 board agenda.

9. Items for Board Action

- 9.0.1 BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of School Directors of the Tulpehocken Area School District hereby approves the discipline described in the Admission of Fact, Waiver of Hearing, Acknowledgment of Compliance with Procedural Safeguards and Consent to Expulsion concerning #2016-06, and to ratify the execution of same by Dr. Robert Schultz, Superintendent of Schools on September 28, 2016.

The above was voted on as stated below:

A resolution was offered by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Heck, to approve that the Board of School Directors of the Tulpehocken Area School District hereby approves the discipline

described in the Admission of Fact, Waiver of Hearing, Acknowledgment of Compliance with Procedural Safeguards and Consent to Expulsion concerning #2016-06, and to ratify the execution of same by Dr. Robert Schultz, Superintendent of Schools on September 28, 2016.

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

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mr. Scott W. Klopp

ABSTAINED:

This motion was carried 8-0.

10. Technology

11. Transportation

12. Legislative

13. Administrative Reports

Mr. Triest reported that they are busy working out the logistics of the playground.

Mrs. Kiss reported that they are busy interviewing to cover a maternity leave.

Mr. DeBakey reported that they have been busy with hardware and laptop cases. They have also been busy with the 4C's and growth regarding technology.

Mr. Brown reported that it has been a tough week with three people passing away. Everyone came together as a family. They are getting ready for Race for Education, Fall Festival, and Trick or Treat night.

Mrs. Cipolla reported that they had the Mobile Ag Lab, A Pancake Party, Spirit Week, and They are preparing for the PTO meeting, Fall Fest, and the Halloween Parade.

Mr. Leister reported that it is Spirit Week, he will be attending a Keeping Kids Safe Workshop at the BCIU, and the JH dance was a huge success.

Mr. Quirk reported that the students had some great opportunities with BCTC field trips and a pathways field trip.

Mr. Netznik reported that it is Spirit Week and there has been a real positive attitude, they are preparing for homecoming, and our sports teams are doing well.

14. Old Business

15. New Business

16. Public Comment

II. Adjournment

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Mrs. April L. Klopp
Board Secretary