

**Bloomsburg Area School District
Board of School Directors
Special Meeting
Tuesday, 2 April 2013
7:00 p.m.
District Office Board Room**

MINUTES

Attendance

A special meeting of the Bloomsburg Area School District Board of Directors was called to order at 7:01 p.m. on Tuesday, 2 April 2013, in the district office board room, followed by the pledge to the flag. Directors in attendance were: Mrs. Bonnie Fiedler, Mr. Brent Hock, Mr. Justin Hummel, Ms. Marianne Kreisher, Mr. Norman Mael, Ms. Cristina Mathews, Mrs. Sandra Rupp, and Mr. Thomas Tobin. Mrs. Crawford was absent from the meeting.

Bloomsburg Area School District administrators in attendance were: Mr. Dan Bonomo, Ms. Donna Christensen, Dr. Cosmas Curry, Mr. Marc Freeman, Mr. Chris Groody, Mr. Gary Honabach, Mr. Ryan Moran, Mr. Trevor Palmatier, Mr. Nick Wozniak, and Mr. Michael Upton.

Others present were: Ms. Amelia Blackledge, Mrs. Sara Broadt, Mrs. Lori Carl, Mr. Cole Frye, Mrs. Sherry Frye, Ms. Stacy Frye, Mr. Ryan Gible, Ms. Stephanie Kessler, Mr. Mike Kogut, Mrs. Deb Krupp, Ms. Nancy McBride, Ms. Susan Nevius, Mr. Casey Snyder, Mr. Brian Stolz, Mrs. Denise Stone, Ms. Stacey Thomas, Mr. Mark Williams, and Ms. Darlene Zumerling.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS & PERSONS WISHING TO SPEAK

Ms. Susan Nevius presented to the school board letters in support of paraprofessionals' daily hours not being cut by one hour.

Mrs. Deb Krupp addressed the board to express her gratitude for a fourth-grade class being added to Memorial Elementary School for the 2013-2014 school year.

NEW BUSINESS

Acceptance of Donation

Mr. Tobin made the motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Fiedler, to accept the following donation to the Bloomsburg Area School District:

- \$5,000 from Commercial Stainless, Inc. toward the purchase and installation of a new softball scoreboard.

The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Approval of Out-of-State/Overnight Field Trip Request

Mr. Hock made the motion, which Ms. Kreisher seconded, to approve the following out-of-state/overnight field trip request:

- Bloomsburg High School Chorus students to PMEA District 8 competition at Edinboro University and Erie Convention Center from 17 April 2013 – 20 April 2013, at a cost to the district of \$1,271.37.

The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At this point in the meeting, Ms. Kreisher made the motion to move into executive session to discuss personnel matters, and Ms. Mathews seconded this motion. The motion then passed by a voice vote of six yes votes to two no votes (being Mr. Hock and Mr. Tobin), and the school board went into executive session at 7:05 p.m. At 8:00 p.m., Ms. Kreisher made the motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Fiedler, to move back into the public meeting. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

PERSONNEL

Acceptance of Resignation of BASD Board Rep for CSIU

Mr. Tobin made the motion, which Mrs. Fiedler seconded, to accept the resignation of Cristina Mathews as the Bloomsburg Area School District Board of Directors representative to the Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit, effective 2 April 2013. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Election of New BASD Board Rep for CSIU

Mr. Hock nominated Mr. Hummel for the position of Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit board member, to complete Dr. Frank Peters' term, most recently held by Ms. Cristina Mathews, through June 2014. Mr. Tobin seconded Mr. Hock's nomination. There being no other nominations, Ms. Mathews made the motion to close nominations and Ms. Kreisher seconded that motion. The motion then passed by a unanimous voice vote, and nominations were closed.

Ms. Kreisher then made the motion to elect Mr. Hummel to the position of Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit board member to complete Dr. Peters' term, most recently held by Ms. Mathews, to serve through June 2014. Ms. Mathews seconded this motion, which then passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Approval/Acceptance of Personnel Items

Mr. Tobin made the motion to break out each item individually, and Ms. Kreisher seconded this motion. The motion then passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Hock made the motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Fiedler, to accept the resignation of Assistant Swim Coach Miranda Steel, effective 3 April 2013. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Tobin made the motion, which Mr. Hock seconded, to approve DeAnne Casteel as a professional day-to-day substitute, effective for the start of the 2013-2014 school year. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

As no one made the motion to approve Ashley Guzinski and Derek Lankford as professional day-to-day substitutes effective 3 April 2013, the motion failed.

Mr. Tobin made the motion, which Mrs. Fiedler seconded, to approve Caren Mann as a professional day-to-day substitute, effective 3 April 2013. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Mrs. Fiedler made the motion, which was seconded by Mr. Tobin, to approve Nicholas McLean as a professional day-to-day substitute, effective 3 April 2013. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Mrs. Fiedler made the motion, which Ms. Kreisher seconded, to approve Lindsay Walsh as a professional day-to-day substitute, effective 3 April 2013. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Tobin made the motion to approve Elmer Phillips as a Part-Time Second-Shift Custodian at Memorial Elementary School, at \$8.25/hour and with benefits offered as per the negotiated contract, effective upon receipt of his Act 34, 114, and 151 clearances and his tuberculosis test results. Mr. Hock seconded this motion, and it then passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Tobin moved to approve Dennis Gumpy as a classified substitute, effective upon receipt of his Act 34, 114, and 151 clearances and his tuberculosis test results. After Mrs. Fiedler seconded the motion, it passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Hock made the motion, which was seconded by Mr. Tobin, to approve Mike Kogut as the Head Football Coach for the 2013-2014 school year, at Step 10 and a stipend of \$4,049, effective upon receipt of his Act 114 and 151 clearances. The motion passed by a voice vote of five yes votes to three no votes (being Mrs. Fiedler, Ms. Kreisher, and Ms. Mathews).

Mr. Tobin made the motion, which was seconded by Mr. Hock, to approve the transfer of Jennifer Asbury from W.W. Evans Elementary School Reading Specialist to W.W. Evans Elementary School Classroom Teacher, effective for the start of the 2013-2014 school year. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Tobin made the motion, which was seconded by Mr. Hock, to approve Ashley Gregory as a Full-Time Reading Specialist at W.W. Evans Elementary School at Masters Step 1 and an annual salary of \$37,853, and with benefits as per the negotiated contract, effective for the start of the 2013-2014 school year. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:07 p.m., Ms. Kreisher made the motion to adjourn the special meeting and move into the work session. Mrs. Fiedler seconded this motion, and the special meeting was then approved by a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephanie Kessler
Recording Secretary

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Work Session
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- I. Bond Refinancing
Mr. Brad Remig from PFM reviewed the cost and savings information regarding bond refinancing. He said he would send Dr. Curry and Mr. Upton a resolution to be voted on at the 15 April 2013 school board meeting.
- II. Buildings, Grounds, & Maintenance Report
The board discussed the district's five-year maintenance plan. Also, Dr. Curry reported that the district needed to go out for bid for scoreboards, and the board granted permission for the administration to do so.
- III. Administrative Reports
Mr. Honabach reviewed with the school board the district's technology plan, and Mr. Gible gave a report on the winter sports season.
- IV. BASD Budget/Referendum
In order for a district to be eligible for referendum exceptions, it must be approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE). A full Act 1 index tax increase must be implemented and there still must be a budget deficit in order to continue with the referendum.
- V. Graduates of Distinction Ceremony
- VI. Staff Recognition Dinner
- VII. Gas Prices/Electric Prices
Dr. Curry and Mr. Upton reported that they had been working with APPI and Rose Consulting to request quotes for natural gas and electricity from different vendors. The board indicated they would like the administration to lock in for the next three years the low quotes for both natural gas and electricity.
- VIII. Quote for Phones at Beaver-Main
The board directed the administration to buy and install a new phone system at Beaver-Main Elementary School at a cost of \$4,600 through Guyette.
- IX. Negotiations Teams for January 2014
- X. Electronic Signature Resolution
- XI. CMAVTS Report

XII. CSIU Report

Board members present: Mrs. Bonnie Fiedler, Mr. Brent Hock, Mr. Justin Hummel, Ms. Marianne Kreisher, Mr. Norman Mael, Ms. Cristina Mathews, Mrs. Sandra Rupp, and Mr. Thomas Tobin.

Board members absent: Mrs. Bonnie Crawford.

Staff members present: Mr. Dan Bonomo, Ms. Donna Christensen, Dr. Cosmas Curry, Mr. Marc Freeman, Mr. Chris Groody, Mr. Gary Honbach, Mr. Ryan Moran, Mr. Trevor Palmatier, Mr. Nick Wozniak, and Mr. Michael Upton.

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Speakers: Mr. Brad Remig.

Adjournment Time: 10:06 p.m.