

Reorganization and Committee of the Whole Meeting December 2, 2013 Minutes

Members in attendance were: Jonathan Boyd, Glenn Hartz, Paul Irvin, Rodney Jones, Melissa Readman, Thomas Wentzel, Glenn Yoder, Jennifer Zeiset and Heidi Zimmerman

Non-Voting Members in attendance were: Robert Hollister, Nadine Larkin, Marion L. Martin, Nick Olson and Keith Ramsey

Staff/Public in attendance were: Judge Rodney Hartman, Incoming Board Member Jonathan Dahl, several employees, citizens and a member of the press.

1. Welcome and Call to Order

President Yoder opened the meeting at 7:00 PM and welcomed all in attendance.

2. Moment of Silence/Reflection - Pledge of Allegiance

President Yoder led in a silent meditation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Modifications and/or Approval of the Agenda

There were no modifications to the agenda. Mr. Irvin made a motion with a second by Mr. Wentzel to approve the agenda. **The agenda was approved.** (9-0)

4. Citizens Comments

At this time we invited public comment on any topic that is within the Board's jurisdiction. There were no comments this evening.

5. Reorganization

The Reorganization Meeting was called to order by President Yoder. He asked Mrs. Martin, Board Secretary, if notices of this Reorganization meeting had been sent to incumbent and incoming Board members per Public School Code of 1949, Section 402. Madam Secretary answered in the affirmative.

President Yoder than asked for a motion to elect a temporary president. Mr. Boyd nominated Mr. Hartz with a second by Mr. Irvin. Mr. Hartz was unanimously elected temporary president. The gavel was passed to Mr. Hartz.

As temporary president, Mr. Hartz excused outgoing board member Mr. Boyd and thanked him for his service to the district and community. Dr. Hollister changed the name plates. Mr. Hartz than read the election certificates for the new members, Mr. Dahl, Mr. Irvin, Mrs. Zeiset and Dr. Zimmerman per School Code and handed them out. He introduced the Honorable Rodney Hartman, who administered the Oath of Office. Mr. Dahl was welcomed and the Honorable Rodney Hartman was thanked for his dedicated service to our school district.

Temporary President Hartz then asked for a motion to elect a new board president. Dr. Zimmerman nominated Mr. Yoder. Hearing no other nominations, he asked for a motion to close the nominations. Mr. Irvin made a motion with a second by Mr. Wentzel to close the nominations. A vote was taken and Mr. Yoder was unanimously approved to be the newly elected president of the Eastern Lancaster County School Board. Temporary board president, Mr. Hartz, next asked for nominations for a vice-president. Mr. Yoder nominated Mr. Jones. Hearing no other nominations, he asked for a motion to close the nominations. Mr. Irvin made a motion to close the nominations with a second by Mrs. Zeiset. A vote was taken and Mr. Jones was unanimously approved to be the newly elected vice-president of the Eastern Lancaster County School Board.

Mr. Hartz then asked for a motion to return the gavel. Mrs. Zeiset made a motion with a second by Dr. Zimmerman to return the gavel to the newly elected president. Glenn Yoder. **The motion was approved.** (9-0)

President Yoder presided over the meeting for the remaining agenda items and asked for volunteers for various committees and affiliate Board seats. The following positions were filled:

Management Committee: Glenn Yoder, Chair; Jonathan Dahl and Paul Irvin

Program Committee: Jennifer Zeiset, Chair; Melissa Readman and Heidi Zimmerman

<u>Property & Services Committee:</u> Thomas Wentzel, Chair; Glenn Hartz and Rodney Jones

<u>LCTCB - Lancaster County Tax Collection Bureau</u> - Keith Ramsey; Alternate-Glenn Hartz

<u>LCCTC</u> - <u>Lancaster County Career & Technology Center</u> - Melissa Readman; Alternate-Jennifer Zeiset

Legislative Reporting - Thomas Wentzel

Lancaster Lebanon Intermediate Unit 13 - Paul Irvin; Alternate-Heidi Zimmerman

Spartan Foundation for Education - Jonathan Dahl

President Yoder requested a motion to adjourn the Reorganization Meeting. Mr. Wentzel made a motion with a second by Mr. Irvin to adjourn this special meeting at 7:14 PM. **The motion was approved.** (9-0)

6. Approve Personnel Report

Prior to the approval of the personnel report, New Holland Elementary Principal, Dr. Sneath, introduced Long-Term Substitute, Chelsea Spence. She will be joining the 4th grade team at New Holland Elementary. Mr. Wentzel made a motion to approve the personnel report with a second by Mr. Irvin. **The motion was approved.** (9-0)

7. Property and Services

- **7.1** Approval of Change Orders for the Brecknock Project that were signed by the Chief of Finance & Operations Electrical Contractor Hirneisen Electric, Inc.
- #1. Provide a dedicated ground wire from each boiler to an earth driven ground rod as required by the Boiler Inspector \$873.00
- **7.2** Approval of 2014-15 Budget Calendar Budget Committee Meetings will be held at 7:00 pm in Community Hall located in the Garden Spot HS/MS on the following dates:

Tuesday, April 15, 2014 Tuesday, May 6, 2014

The plan is to continue the budget process as we have in the past, which includes a review of the preliminary budget at the January 13, 2014 Committee of the Whole meeting and preliminary budget adoption at the February 10, 2014 Committee of the Whole meeting. This will allow us to keep our options open by applying for any eligible exceptions.

7.3 Information Items - None

8. Program

- **8.1** Action Items None
- 8.2 Information Items None

9. Management

- 9.1 Action Items None
- 9.2 Information Items

Dr. Hollister addressed the board members informing them they have received information from PSBA providing contact information for the many services available to each one as board members. And, possibly for a first time, the board members will received a certificate for services rendered to the school and community. These items are in their folders.

9.3 Other: KIVA Video: Micro Lending Program at Garden Spot featured on the KIVA website.

The other informational item Dr. Hollister shared with the board was a professional video produced on our campus promoting KIVA.

Several years ago, middle school teacher, Dave Smith, approached Dr. Hollister with reference to micro-lending and the program began. Since that time, our Spartan Foundation has given this program some money and it continues to multiply. KIVA was looking for someone to make a video and Mr. Smith took the challenge. There were two contests open with \$1,000 grants available for hiring professional photographers. Students were to produce the other one. Dr. Hollister was pleased to announce Garden Spot's professional video became the #1 winner (photographer won \$10,000) and the student video became #2 winner (prize money was \$5,000). This money was deposited back into the KIVA program.

The professional video was shown to everyone at the meeting. Dr. Hollister reported Mr. Smith's group invested \$10,000 around the world this past week. By the end of the year, \$75,000 will have been invested to over 3,000 people in 69 countries in the last five years when the program began at GS. These are lessons of learning that are not able to be measured by a test, but will go with these students for the rest of their lives.

Mr. Jones also expressed appreciation for the Arabic program that received a grant from the Spartan Foundation for software. His elementary son, Andrew, is benefitting from their gift.

10. Announcements

- Our next board meeting will be held December 16th at the **New Holland Elementary School.**
- An executive session will follow adjournment to discuss personnel and contract negotiations.

11. Adjournment

Mr. Wentzel made a motion to adjourn with a second by Mr. Irvin at 7:35 PM. **The motion was approved.** (9-0)

Marion L. Martin, School Board Secretary