



Board of Directors Meeting January 27, 2014 Minutes

Roll Call

Members in attendance were: Jonathan Dahl, Glenn Hartz, Paul Irvin, Rodney Jones, Melissa Readman and Thomas Wentzel

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

Members not in attendance were: Glenn Yoder, Jennifer Zeiset and Heidi Zimmerman

Staff/Public in attendance were: Citizens, Parents, Students, Employees and a member of the press were also in attendance. Mr. Jones was joining the group by videocam.

1. Call to Order

Treasurer, Thomas Wentzel opened the meeting at 7:00 PM in the absence of President Glenn Yoder.

2. Moment of Silence/Reflection - Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Keith Ramsey led in the silent meditation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Agenda Modification/Approval of Agenda

Requests by board members to remove an item for separate consideration

Mr. Hartz made a motion to approve the agenda with a second by Mr. Irvin. **The motion was approved. 6-0; 3 absent - Yoder, Zeiset and Zimmerman. (Mr. Jones was once again voting from video camera)**

4. Citizens' Comments

At this time we invited public comment on any topic that is within the Board's jurisdiction. Please also note that the public is invited to attend our Committee Meetings where much of the discussion and deliberation of agenda topics is conducted. (Committee Meetings are held in the Community Hall at the Garden Spot Complex at 7 p.m. on the second Monday of the month.)

Mr. Chuck Trupe - Earl Township

Mr. Trupe shared he really appreciates all the time put into making decisions for the school district. He and his wife have recently been working with a single mom and her

son and have come to appreciate public education even more than ever knowing this young man is able to have a better education than his mother.

Mr. Trupe encouraged the board members to read a book by Newt Gingrich that he recently read, entitled Break-Out. This book speaks to our education of the future. He went on to say that it is often tragedies in schools that result in prayer vigils, but he wanted to offer a prayer right now, which he did.

Bonita Stone, New Holland

Mrs. Stone shared that she spoke last month concerning the start-up of a swim team at GSHS. Since then, she has met with Mr. Sanger and Mr. Reitnouer and she will be working with Mr. Reitnouer to create a budget to bring to the board meeting next month. She shared a few statistics noting nationally and in the State of Pennsylvania, swimming as a sport has increased phenomenally. (National - 17%; State - 64%) One of the main reasons they desire a school sport over a club sport is the many missed opportunities that students have to be recognized. Swimming also has less injuries and is easier on the joints than most other sports. She urged the board members to look at the numbers and do the research before making their final decision.

5. Student of the Month Presentation

Mr. Sanger, High School Principal, was pleased to introduce the December Students of the Month and he noted the characteristic they were awarded for - hard working. The recipients are:

Larissa Hursh, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill and Linda Hursh, East Earl.

Joel Hoover, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy and Joy Hoover, New Holland

After being congratulated by the board members, Dr. Hollister also commended them and thanked them for being a positive influence in our schools and community. He also recognized the part their parents play in the success of their child and thanked them as well.

6. Special Presentation - None

7. Consent Agenda

Items listed under the *Consent Agenda* section of our Board Meeting Agenda are considered to be routine and are acted on by the Board in one motion. There is no Board discussion of these items individually prior to the Board vote unless a member of the Board requests that a specific item be removed from the Consent Agenda. Requests to remove an item from the Consent Agenda will be accepted at agenda section 3. Agenda Modification/Approval of Agenda. (Requests to remove an item for separate consideration). Items Removed from the Consent Agenda will be moved to agenda section "Action Items."

Mr. Dahl made one correction to the January 13th Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes. Under Announcements, the next board meeting should have been January 27th, not February 27th.

Mr. Jones made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected with a second by Mr. Irvin. **The motion was approved. (6-0; 3 absent.)**

- Mr. Jones thanked the administrators and the school district for the budget presented two weeks ago, knowing the hard work that has gone into it.
- Dr. Hollister highlighted two items on the personnel report:
 1. Mr. Justin Johnson was introduced as his new assistant and currently working at the York School of Technology. He will officially begin at Elanco on Thursday. We welcomed him with a round of applause.
 2. Dr. Hollister announced Mr. Brian Gerofsky's resignation as High School Spanish Teacher. He has been recruited by the Apple Corporation and they would like him in California and ready to start in three week. We wish him the best on this dream job of his.

7.1 Approval of Minutes

7.2 Treasurer's Report

7.3 Bills Paid

7.4 Cafeteria Fund Treasurer's Report

7.5 Investments

7.6 Student Activity Account

7.7 Personnel Report

7.8 Approve Budgetary Transfers

7.9 Local Audit Report for Year Ended June 30, 2013

7.10 Lancaster County Career and Technology Center (LCCTC) 2014-2015 Operating Budget

7.11 Delinquent Real Estate Taxes (Regular and Interim Bills) that were turned over to the Lancaster County Tax Claim Bureau for Collection

7.12 Delinquent Per Capita Taxes that were turned over to Powell, Rogers, & Speaks for Collection

Brecknock Twp.	\$4,785
Caernarvon Twp.	\$3,355
Earl Twp.	\$3,894
East Earl Twp.	\$4,411
New Holland Boro	\$5,731
Terre Hill Boro	<u>\$ 946</u>

TOTAL \$23,122

This total is up \$1,551 from last year.

7.13 Approval of the Class Ranking and Grade Weighting Process at the high school starting with the Class of 2014.

8. Action Items

8.1 Items Removed from Consent Agenda for Separate Consideration

9. Reports

9.1 Lancaster County Tax Collection Bureau

The LCTCB Board met on Wednesday, January 8, 2014.

It was the Bureau's Reorganizational Meeting so the officers were elected, members were appointed to various committees, and the Solicitor and Auditor were appointed as Board Advisors.

Next meeting is March 19, 2014

9.2 Lancaster-Lebanon IU 13

Mr. Irvin reported they heard an audit presentation by Trout, Ebersole and Groff, LLP for the year 2012-13. The Joint Operating Committee was pleased to know the IU 13 is in sound financial condition and had no findings.

In other matters, the following items were approved:

- Disbursements in the amount of 4.7 million dollars
- Two Business Services contracts, one of which was an addendum
- An amendment to an Early Childhood contract
- An amendment to an Instructional Services Contract
- Three new Technology Services Contracts
- 4 resignations, 4 retirements, 11 new hires and 10 changes in position, status or salary

Mr. Irvin reported they watched a slide show that was created by the IU 13 describing the impact the Affordable Care Act has to Elanco. It was thought to be of valuable information for the Elanco board, so the slide show was shown tonight to everyone in attendance. Mr. Ramsey did a thorough job explaining the numbers and costs to our district and the impact the Affordable Care Act will have on Elanco in the years ahead. This information can be viewed in the January 27th School Board Agenda on the website.

9.3 Lancaster CTC

Mrs. Readman was unable to attend the meeting, so there was no report.

9.4 Legislative

Mr. Wentzel's report contained the following:

- Governor Corbett will be presenting the budget February 4th. With all the talk on the pension fund and one billion dollars needing to be in the budget, don't look

for any change in taxes. You may also see internet gambling permitted to generate income for revenue.

- Update on **HB 1738** that examines and identifies factors in the distribution of basic education funds. This can take up to a year of hearings before finalized.
- Charter School Reform continues to be on the agenda for the second half of the 2013-14 legislative year. They are seeking a compromise between HB 618 and Senate Bill 1085.

10. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Hollister had several information items to report:

- He was recently asked by a reporter information about our poverty rate and thought he would pass on these same facts to the school board. In 2008/09 school year, the free and reduced lunches were given to 25.6% of our students. We currently are at 35.8% indicating 1 in 3 of our students are living in some sort of poverty. Families in this program need to apply and provide proof of income to qualify. He also encouraged the board members to read the latest article in the ESSN Newsletter discussing how folks get trapped in poverty. A copy of the Elanco Social Services Network newsletter is in their board folders.
- The School Board Meeting at Brecknock was cancelled due to construction and not being able to record the meetings at off-site locations. Dr. Hollister is suggesting one of the budget meetings be held at Brecknock Elementary to see the progress of the project. He will let them know, but is looking at the April 15th meeting.
- A draft of the 2014-15 School Calendar was handed out to the board members. Next year, the Christmas holiday falls on a Thursday, so the students will be in school for two days Christmas week. Friday, January 2nd will be included in the holiday to make a long vacation break. The only snow make-up day in the school year will be President's Day, February 16th. Any other snow days will be at the end of the year. For this year, we have already missed 4 days, one being made up February 17th and the other 3 have extended the last day in June. No graduation date has been set at this time.
- A short video of *EveryDay Heroes* was shown by Dr. Hollister honoring the MANY heroes behind the scenes and around the clock day after day, making sure our schools are ready for our students. He thanked everyone for doing their job to contribute to the success of our schools.

11. Announcements

Dr. Hollister announced an executive meeting following adjournment of this meeting to discuss personnel matters and an update on negotiations.

12. Adjournment

Mr. Hartz made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:04 PM. Mr. Irvin seconded the motion. **The motion was approved. (6-0; 3 absent)**

Marion L. Martin
School Board Secretary
January 27, 2014