

Committee of the Whole Meeting March 10, 2014 Minutes

Members in attendance were: Jonathan Dahl, Glenn Hartz, Paul Irvin, Rodney Jones (by video camera), Thomas Wentzel, Glenn Yoder, Jennifer Zeiset and Heidi Zimmerman

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

Members not in attendance were: Melissa Readman

Staff/Public in attendance were: Nick Olson, Technology, several citizens and a

member of the press were also in attendance.

1. Welcome and Call to Order

President Yoder called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

2. Moment of Silence/Reflection - Pledge of Allegiance

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

3. Citizens Comments

At this time we invited public comment on any topic that is within the Board's jurisdiction.

Stephanie Shirk, East Earl

Mrs. Shirk thanked the board for their dedication to serving our schools and community and the creativity in making it happen. She explained she and her husband are staunch supporters of the Ag program and now have a daughter participating in the GS program. Mrs. Shirk wanted to thank everyone for their compassion in handling the situation with Mrs. Marchini's passing these past few months. She said a prayer.

4. Approve Personnel Report

Mr. Irvin made a motion with a second by Mr. Wentzel to approve the Personnel Report. The motion was approved. (8-0; 1 absent-Readman). Mr. Jones was voting by video camera.

5. Property and Services

5.1 Action Items – None

5.2 Information Items

Brecknock Project Update - Flooring Issue

Mr. Ramsey wanted to give the board a heads up on the Brecknock project. A problem has occurred with the flooring shortly after it had been laid. Mr. Walsh and Mr. Ramsey are working with the contractor, the architect and the flooring company to solve the existing problem with the tile and the asbestos. He reminded the board we had a \$250,000 contingency on the Brecknock job and as of this date only \$23,000 was spent. We are in good shape and he will keep the board posted when more information and expenditures become known.

6. Program

6.1 Approval of Affidavit of Guardianship

6.2 Approval of Behavior Support Policy 113.2 Revision

Dr. Larkin reported the First Read for the Behavior Support Policy was in January. This item will be on the agenda for approval at the March 17th School Board Meeting.

7. Management

7.1 Action Items

Dr. Hollister informed the board he will be seeking approval in setting a graduation date for next week. The date has not yet been decided, but he will be in contact with them.

7.2 Information Items

- Dr. Hollister reported that in the governor's budget there is a line item of \$10 million for hybrid learning. He wanted the board members to know that he believes Elanco was instrumental in getting this listed. You will recall the video created by Dellicker Strategies that highlighted our program and since then, Dellicker Strategies has been in contact with the governor to push this program in Pennsylvania. Knowing the budget may still have many changes, we do not know if it will stay in the budget, but it is exciting to know we are a part of that piece.
- Dr. Hollister reminded the board members there will be a budget meeting at Brecknock on April 15th. (Please note the approval to change this meeting in Item #8 Announcements.)
- The board was informed there will be numerous updates to the policies in the next couple of months. As PSBA releases this information on the changes, Dr. Hollister will keep the board members informed.

8. Announcements

- > There will be no executive meeting tonight.
- ▶ Dr. Zimmerman questioned if we could combine the April 15th budget meeting at Brecknock with the Committee of the Whole Meeting on April 14th. After discussion, Dr. Zimmerman made a motion to have both meetings on April 14th at Brecknock Elementary School. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Zeiset. The motion was approved. (8-0; 1 absent Readman)

9. Adjournment

Mr. Irvin made a motion with a second by Mrs. Wentzel to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 PM. **The motion was approved.** (8-0; 1 absent – Readman)

Marion L. Martin School Board Secretary March 10, 2014