



## **Board of Directors Meeting February 22, 2016 Minutes**

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### *Roll Call*

**Members in attendance were:** Paul Irvin, Dina Maio, Melissa Readman, Thomas Wentzel, and Glenn Yoder.

**Non-Voting Members in attendance were:** Robert Hollister, Justin W. Johnson, Nadine Larkin and Keith Ramsey

**Member not in attendance were:** Jonathan Dahl, Bryan Naranjo, Rodney Jones and Jennifer Zeiset

**Staff/Public in attendance were:** Several citizens of the community, Faculty, Students, and Staff members of the district.

### **1. Welcome and Call to Order**

President Yoder opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

### **2. Moment of Silence/Reflection - Pledge of Allegiance**

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

### **3. Agenda Modification/Approval of Agenda**

Requests by board members to remove an item for separate consideration.

Dr. Hollister noted the addition of a separate action item regarding a recent proposed Memorandum of Agreement between Eastern Lancaster County School District and the Eastern Lancaster County Education Association.

Mr. Wentzel made a motion to approve the agenda. It was seconded by Mr. Irvin. **The motion was approved. (5-0; 4 absent)**

#### **4. Student of the Month Presentation**

Mr. Sanger introduced and congratulated the January and February Students of the Month for being chosen for their character trait of Hardworking and Personal Accountability.

January (Hardworking)

Caroline Beohm, Denver, accompanied by her father, Mr. David Beohm.

Tyler Weinhold, New Holland, accompanied by his parents, Mr. & Mrs. Chris Weinhold.

February (Personal Accountability)

Amyra Figueroa, New Holland, unable to attend.

Kyle Lehman, Denver, unable to attend

Dr. Hollister congratulated and thanked students for being role models and asked they continue to be role models.

#### **5. Citizens' Comments**

At this time we will invite 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.)

Jeremy Leaman, New Holland

Mr. Leaman, thanked the Board for all that they do. He said a prayer.

#### **6. Special Presentation - New Holland Elementary**

Dr. Sue Sneath, Principal of New Holland Elementary School introduced 6<sup>th</sup> grade teachers Heather Schrantz, Dawn Mergenthaler, and Kim Rochester-Tran as well as elementary Health & Physical Education teacher, Robert Barrett to the Board. These teachers presented a program that they initiated for the 6<sup>th</sup> Grade students at New Holland Elementary School to visit local college campuses to gain insight and stimulate motivation for students and parents to reach for higher goals. Several 6<sup>th</sup> grade students in the program expressed to the Board their thoughts about participating in the program.

John Donisch

Jalynn Graybill

Tori Nolt

Leila Hamzic

Taylor Martin

Taylee Tucker

Ani Kulkarni

Kylie Huyard

Dr. Hollister thanked the teachers and students for their time coming to present to the Board and noted how thrilled he was about the program.

Board Members also thanked the teachers for their effort.

## **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. Wentzel made a motion to approve the consent agenda. It was seconded by Mr. Irvin. **The motion was approved. (5-0; 4 absent)**

- a. Approval of Minutes**
- b. Treasurer's Report**
- c. Approve Personnel Report**
- d. Bills Paid**
- e. Cafeteria Fund Treasurer's Report**
- f. Investments**
- g. Student Activity Account**
- h. Approve Budgetary Transfers**
- i. Local Audit Report for the Year Ended June 30, 2015**
- j. Approval of Affidavit of Guardianship**

## **8. Action Items**

Items Removed from Consent Agenda for Separate Consideration

- a. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding between Eastern Lancaster County School District and Eastern Lancaster County Education Association.**

Mr. Wentzel made a motion to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between Eastern Lancaster County School District and Eastern Lancaster County Education Association. It was seconded by Mr. Irvin. **The motion was approved. (5-0; 4 absent)**

## **9. Reports**

### **a. Lancaster County Tax Collection Bureau**

No meeting this month.

Next meeting March 16, 2016

Mr. Ramsey indicated that there was no meeting this month and the next meeting for the LCTCB would be held on March 16, 2016.

### **b. Lancaster-Lebanon IU13**

Mr. Irvin reported that the Lancaster-Lebanon IU13 Board met at the Lebanon IU building on February 10, 2016 and shared several highlights from the board meeting report: He reported that there would be a 0% increase for school districts' contributions to the IU. He also reported that the IU13 Board approved \$12,799,694.54 in disbursements and approved several new or amended service contracts for Business Services, Early Childhood and Special Education Services, Instructional Services, Technology Services, and Human Resource Services. There were seven (7) resignations, eleven (11) retirements, thirty (30) new hires, fifteen (15) changes in position or salaries, and three (3) leave of absences.

He also informed the Board that five (5) teachers had reached tenure and the Board approved the 16-17 school calendar.

He distributed a copy of the IU Board Meeting Minutes and Helping District Help Student Newsletter to all Board members.

### **c. Lancaster CTC**

Mrs. Readman reported that the Lancaster CTC met on January 28<sup>th</sup> at the Willow Street Campus and were presented with a preview of the new Vet Tech Program which would begin on February 4<sup>th</sup>. She also reported on the new Dental Hygiene Program to be begin in the Fall of 2017.

### **d. Legislative**

Mr. Wentzel reported that the House and Senate were to return to session on March 14, 2015 to begin hearings on the new budget even though a budget for 15-16 has not been approved. He announced that elections were to be held the end of April.

## **10. Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Hollister reported on several highlights from the District including Blue Ball Elementary, Mr. Adam Geiman's 4<sup>th</sup> Grade class participating in an online blog exchange called Edublog that connects with other students around the world. Two of his students, Rayne Covert and Abby Forrester placed 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> respectively for awards as "Best Student Blog". Dr. Hollister congratulated both Mr. Geiman and the students participating.

Dr. Hollister announced that the District awarded Mr. Russell Yost the “Friend of Education Apple Award” for his 22 years of volunteer service at the Garden Spot Complex Library. He congratulated and thanked Mr. Yost for his service.

He also announced the resignation of Adult Education Ag Faculty, Mr. Jeff Stoltzfus. Again, he congratulated and thanked Mr. Stoltzfus for his service.

Dr. Hollister reported to the Board that he was pleased to announce two of our High School CTC students being awarded metals at the recent Regional SkillsUSA competition. Dylan Martin – 1<sup>st</sup> Place in Collision Repair and Caleb Wagner – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place in Auto Service Specialization. He noted that Dylan would be moving on to the state-level competition.

Dr. Hollister also reported that the first Pre-Kindergarten Family Night had taken place the previous week with great success and over 100 attendees. He thanked all those involved including the teachers for their time. He informed the Board that a full report would be given after all the events were completed.

He also informed the Board that a local organization, Leadership Lancaster, would be spending part of their Education Day on March 4<sup>th</sup> at the Eastern Lancaster County School District campus with 20 of our high school students participating in the morning session. The session was to focus on the challenges of public school system.

## **11. Announcements**

President Yoder announced that there was an executive session prior to the Board Meeting regarding a personnel matter about contractual issues.

## **12. Adjournment**

Mr. Wentzel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 p.m. with a second by Mr. Irvin. **The motion was approved. (5-0; 4 absent)**

Justin W. Johnson  
School Board Secretary  
February 22, 2016