School Board of Directors Meeting
February 27, 2017
Minutes

A Regular Meeting of the Eastern Lancaster County School Board of Directors, which was properly advertised on April 8, 2016 in the LNP Lancaster Newspaper, was held on Monday, February 27, 2017 at 7:00 p.m., in Community Hall located at the Garden Spot High School and Middle Complex, 669 E. Main Street, New Holland, PA 17557.

Roll Call
Members in attendance were: Paul Irvin, Dina Maio, Bryan Naranjo, Melissa Readman, Thomas Wentzel, Glenn Yoder, and Jennifer Zeiset
Non-Voting Members in attendance were: Robert Hollister, Justin Johnson, Nadine Larkin and Keith Ramsey
Members not in attendance were: Rodney Jones and Jonathan Dahl
Staff/Public in attendance were: Several citizens of the community, faculty & staff members of the District and a member of the media.

1. Welcome and Call to Order
President Yoder opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

2. Moment of Silence/Reflection - Pledge of Allegiance
Mr. Bryan Naranjo led in a silent mediation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Agenda Modification/Approval of Agenda
   Requests by board members to remove an item for separate consideration.
   Mr. Wentzel made a motion to approve the agenda. It was seconded by Mr. Irvin. The motion was approved. (7-0; 2 absent)
4. **Student of the Month Presentation**

   Laura Snader, 12th Grade, Garden Spot High School, New Holland
   Daniel Styer, 12th Grade, Garden Spot High School, Terre Hill

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

   February
   Laura Snader, New Holland accompanied by her parents, Mr. & Mrs. David Snader.
   Daniel Styer, East Earl accompanied by his parents, Mr. & Mrs. Craig Styer.

   Dr. Hollister acknowledged both students for being role models to their peers and an inspiration for adults. He thanked both the students and their parents for a job well done.

5. **Citizens of the District Comments**

   At this time we will invite public (Citizens of the District) 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.)

   **Robert Lauffer, Caernarvon Township**

   Mr. Lauffer as a representative of the Caernarvon Township Supervisor requested the Board consider postponing the auction of the land formerly Caernarvon Elementary School and sell the land to the Township. He invited the Board to attend the March 6th Township Meeting to discuss the possible sale of the land.

   The Administration recommended the Board not proceed with interviewing Auctioneers to discuss possible sale of the land to Caernarvon Township.

   **Joshua Good, Terre Hill**

   Mr. Good thanked the Board for all that they do and said a prayer.

6. **Special Presentation**

   **Dr. Sue Sneath & New Holland Staff - Power Hour**

   Dr. Sue Sneath, New Holland Elementary School Principal & Mrs. Heather Schrantz, Assistant Principal of Elementary Schools presented the Board with a presentation on a new initiative at New Holland Elementary School called Super Power Hour. Dr. Sneath and Mrs.
Schrantz informed the Board that a preselected group of students from grades 2 & 3 attended a one hour tutoring period afterschool 4 days a week to help those students with growth in various subjects such as functional math and reading. They indicated there were currently 23 students enrolled in the program, it was the vision and hope of the New Holland Elementary administration to have every student at the school to grow.

The administration & School Board acknowledged both the faculty, staff, parents, and students involved in the new initiative and their commitment to the program.

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. (7-0; 2 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. Approve settlement of the New Holland N.A. tax assessment appeal based upon a fair market value of $24 million
j. Approve PlanCon Part K (Project Refinancing) Approval Letter and Attachments for 2014 A Note Payoff
k. Action Item - Approve the Assistant to the Superintendent signing a Professional Development Agreement with 95% Group, Inc.

As part of the District's continuing effort to implement action items addressed in the Lancaster-Lebanon Intermediate Unit 13 Literacy Audit, we are continuing our work
with 95% Group, Inc. and expanding our literacy instruction, assessment, and professional development to grades 3 and 4. As we did last year with grade K-2, we will be providing day long workshops for each 3rd and 4th grade classroom teacher, special education teacher, instructional coaches, and administrators with a 95% Group Trainer. This whole group training will again be followed up by 9 instructional coaching days of teachers and administrators throughout the 2017-2018 school year at a cost of $33,000.00.

8. Action Items
Items Removed from Consent Agenda for Separate Consideration.

9. Reports

a. Lancaster County Tax Collection Bureau
   No meeting this month.
   Next meeting March 15, 2017 - 2016 Audit Report
   Mr. Ramsey indicated that the LCTCB had no meeting this month and the next meeting would occur on March 15, 2017 at which time they would review the 2016-2017 Audit Report.

b. Lancaster-Lebanon IU13
   Mr. Irvin reported on the February 8th IU Board meeting and shared several highlights from the board meeting report: Mr. Irvin reported that the IU13 Board approved $11,166,976.95 in disbursements and approved several new or addition to service contracts for Business Services, Early Childhood and Special Education Services, Instructional Services and Human Resource Services. There were six (6) resignations, one (1) termination, thirteen (13) retirements, four (4) early retirements, seventy (70) new hires, thirty-one (31) changes in position or salaries, and five (5) leave of absences. He noted that the IU was currently 57 short of employees and hoped that the upcoming Job Fair would supply those needs. He also noted that the IU was now allowing 6-month employees to use the in-house wellness center free of charge for themselves only.

   He distributed to the Board copies of the Helping Districts, Helping Students IU13 newsletter.

c. Lancaster CTC
   Mrs. Readman reported that the JOC met twice since the last Board Meeting, on January 26th and February 23rd. She reported on the JOC’s decision on closing the Cosmetology Program at the end of the School year, noting that it was not an easy decision; however due to many factors, including the low percentage of job placements and the possible loss of grant money towards other programs, the final decision was to close the program. She also reported on the presentation by Executive Director, Dave Warren about possible future programs at the CTC
including Precision Metal, Precision Machining, Cyber Security, Computer Networking, and Interactive Media & Warehousing. Mrs. Readman reported at the February meeting that the JOC received a presentation from Diana Smith regarding the Advanced Healthcare Careers being provided for high school students who receive 6 college credits when graduating from the program. She also reported on the two sessions of in-service provided for the teachers at the CTC. She noted that there was a lot of good feedback from the teachers. Mrs. Readman updated the Board on the current Veterinary Tech Program that had started in September. She noted that the program was in the process of being accredited and the CTC was waiting on the Accreditation Board for their final decision.

d. Legislative
Mr. Wentzel reported on the Budget presented by Governor Wolf earlier in the month and commented on the current proposed property tax reform.

10. Superintendent's Report
Dr. Hollister reported to the Board on the Senator Ryan Aument Breakfast. He noted that Senator discussed the perspective of the Senate House on the proposed property tax elimination and how other school districts outside of Lancaster County are not as successful. He recommended that the Board not only make a proclamation against the proposal, but also perhaps make recommendations on what can be done to relieve property taxes for senior citizens.

Dr. Hollister updated the Board on the new “Schools” section of the LNP, indicating that Eastern Lancaster County School District was submitting several stories for the newspaper supplement.

Dr. Hollister reminded the Board the Karen Devin from PBSA would be presenting at the next Board meeting on March 20th.

Dr. Hollister also reported on the 2nd Pre-Kindergarten event that was recently held, noting that there were 57 students and 74 adults in attendance. Dr. Hollister acknowledged, Dr. Larkin, Greg Frederick and all the teachers putting in the additional time for these events. He also made mentioned of Julie Nguyen of the Garden Spot High School on being selected as one of 15,000 finalists for the High School National Merit this year. He also reported that the New Holland Elementary STEM Team won first place in the 2016-2017 IU13 Consortium Student Competition for Grades 4-6.

11. Announcements
Dr. Hollister announced that an executive session would occur after the meeting to discuss a contract matter regarding personnel.
12. Adjournment
Mr. Wentzel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m. with a second by Mr. Irvin. The motion was approved. (7-0; 2 absent)

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Justin W. Johnson
School Board Secretary
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