



Committee of the Whole Meeting January 9, 2017 Minutes

A Committee 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, January 9, 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: Jonathan Dahl, Paul Irvin, Dina Maio, 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 Bryan Naranjo

Staff/Public in attendance were: Several citizens of the community 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. 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.

Paul Leninger, East Earl

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

4. Approve Personnel Report

Mr. Wentzel made a motion to approve the personnel report. It was seconded by Mr. Zeiset. **The motion was approved. (7-0; 2 absent)**

5. Property and Services

a. Action Item - Approval of Audit Report for the Year Ended June 30, 2016

Mr. Ramsey presented the Board with the Audit Report for the year ending June 30, 2016 indicating that there would be no presentation given by the Auditor. He requested that the Board review the report for approval at the next Board meeting.

The Board noted their appreciation to Mr. Ramsey for his hard work.

b. Action Item - Lancaster County Career and Technology Center (LCCTC) 2017-2018 Operating Budget

The budget reflects an overall increase in District contributions of 2.5%. For ELANCO, the total cost increased by \$54,519.06 from current year (2016-17).

Mr. Ramsey requested that Board review the Lancaster County Career & Technology Center Operating Budget for approval at the next Board meeting. He noted a \$54,519.06 increase from the current school year; an overall 2.5% increase.

c. Action Item - Approval of the Resolution Approving the 2017-18 Preliminary Budget Display and Advertising

The index for 2017-2018 2.50%

The resolution allows the District to advertise and post, for public inspection, the "Proposed" Preliminary Budget with final adoption of the Preliminary Budget at the February, 13 2017 Board Meeting.

Mr. Ramsey reminded that the Board as an annual occurrence that he was requesting the approval of the Resolution approving the 2017-2018 primary budget display and advertising as the required 20 days prior to the actual adoption of the preliminary budget. He noted that the adopted preliminary budget report would be approved at the February 13th Committee of the Whole Meeting. He also noted that he would be distributing the preliminary budget for the Board's review at the January 23rd Board meeting.

d. Action Item - Delinquent Real Estate Taxes (Regular and Interim Bills) that were turned over to the Lancaster County Tax Claim Bureau for Collection

The District is required to turn over the delinquent listing to the Lancaster County Tax Claim Bureau by January 17, 2017. The total amount turned over will be available at the January 23, 2017 Board Meeting.

Mr. Ramsey reminded the Board as an annual occurrence the approval of the Delinquent Real Estate Taxes to be turned over for Collection. He noted that the amounts, currently being tallied, would be available for review at the January 23rd Board Meeting.

e. Action Item - Approval of Eastern Lancaster County School District Section 125 Plan As Amended and Restated Effective January 1, 2017

Mr. Ramsey requested the Board for their approval of the District's most recent revision of the Amended and Restated Section 125 Plan that when into effect on January 1, 2017 at the next Board meeting.

f. Action Item - Approval to Transfer \$2,872,100 from the General Fund to the Capital Reserve Fund to Payoff the 2014 A Note

Mr. Ramsey informed that Board that the District already has started payment to the Bank for the 2014 A note and was requesting approval the transfer of the funds from general fund to the capital reserve.

He also informed the Board that the District received its reimbursement for the Brecknock Elementary Building project.

President Yoder and Dr. Hollister stated that discussion of the possible Caernarvon property sale should be placed on the agenda as a separate action item. They noted that two appraisals for the property had been received. Further discussion to be held at the next Board meeting.

6. Program

Dr. Larkin reported to the Board on the ending of the first semester of the 2016-2017 school year. She informed the Board of the start of the pre-kindergarten evenings and the second round of pre-kindergarten special daytime sessions. She reported that the pre-kindergarten daytime sessions were a success with a full complement of both students and parents involved. Dr. Larkin also reported that the first day of Keystone testing had begun with winter exams.

7. Management

a. Information Item - Explanation & Overview of the Newly Adopted Fair Funding Formula.

Dr. Hollister presented to the Board a presentation on the Newly Adopted Fair Funding Formula that has been approved by the General Assembly. He presented several new indicators and factors that would be taken into consideration when new money would be distributed to school districts in Pennsylvania, noting that most of the school districts that really need money will benefit from the new formula.

b. Action Item - Approve the Services Agreement Extension between ELANCOSD & CBSD for temporary Business Manager functions & services

Dr. Hollister requested the Board approve the extension of the agreement between Eastern Lancaster County School District and Columbia Borough School District for Business Manager services.

8. Announcements

Dr. Hollister reminded the Board that the next Board meeting would occur on January 23rd. He also reminded them that a small social event would be held prior to the Board meeting to recognize several teachers at 6:30 p.m.

Dr. Hollister also announced that the Legislative Breakfast at the Lancaster Lebanon IU would be held on March 13th at 7:15 a.m.

9. Adjournment

Mr. Wentzel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 p.m. with a second by Mr. Irvin. **The motion was approved. (7-0; 2 absent)**

Justin W. Johnson
School Board Secretary
January 9, 2017