



Committee of the Whole Meeting August 13, 2018 Minutes

A Committee Meeting of the Eastern Lancaster County School Board of Directors, which was properly advertised in the LNP *Lancaster Newspaper*, was held on Monday, August 13, 2018 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, Rodney Jones, Dina Maio, Bryan Naranjo, Melissa Readman, Thomas Wentzel, and Glenn Yoder

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

Members not in attendance were: Gary Buck and Jonathan Dahl

Staff/Public in attendance were: Several citizens of the community and staff members of the District and a member of the media.

1. Welcome and Call to Order

President Yoder opened the meeting at 7:02 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.

Chris Buck, New Holland.

Mr. Buck thanked the Board and Administration and said a prayer.

4. Special Presentation - Bee Impactful Teacher Award Recipient Presentation

Julie Groft to be publicly recognized as the recipient of the Bee Impactful Award for the 2017-2018 school year.

Dr. Hollister presented to the Board Mrs. Julie Groft, Health & PE Teacher at Garden Spot High School as the Bee Impactful Teacher for the 2017-2018 school year. Dr. Hollister thanked Mrs. Groft for all the activities that she provides for the entire school district for both adults and student through the Health Council.

5. Approve Personnel Report

Dr. Larkin informed the Board that several new hires were present to be introduced to the Board.

Mrs. Heather Schrantz, Principal of Blue Ball Elementary School introduced Megan Pinkerton, Kindergarten Teacher.

Mr. Sanger, Principal of Garden Spot High School introduced Kyle Farkas, Science Teacher.

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

6. Property and Services

a. Action Item - Authorize the Chief of Finance and Operations to sign the Non Public Transportation Contracts for 2018-19

The cost per student will remain the same as 2017-18. The total cost may vary depending on number of students transported.

Mr. Ramsey requested the Board to approve the annual action item of authorizing him to sign the Non Public Transportation Contracts for 2018-19. He noted that there was no increase in the per day cost per student.

b. Action Item - Approval of Bus Drivers (Public and Nonpublic) and Bus Assistants for the 2018-19 School Year

The list will be provided at the August 20th Board Meeting

Mr. Ramsey requested the Board to approve the list of Bus Drivers (Public and Nonpublic) and Bus Assistants for the 2018-19 School Year. He noted that an updated list would be presented at the Board meeting.

c. Information Item - District-Wide Feasibility Study Review and Discussion

Mr. Ramsey introduced several representatives from Crabtree, Rohrbaugh, & Associates Architects who presented the first phase of the District Feasibility Study with a comprehensive renovation summary and estimate costs of capital improvements for the District for a 1-3 year and 4-10-year timeline.

d. Information Item - Transportation Changes for 2018-19

Mr. Ramsey introduced Mr. Neal Walsh, Director of Transportation who presented the Board several changes regarding transportation protocols and procedures starting the 2018-2019 school year to help minimize cost, maximize efficiency, and improve student safety. These included, a student's AM and PM stop to be consistent 5 days a week, student conduct forms to be filtered through the Transportation Department before going to the building principal, a new policy regarding not dropping kindergarten students off without a responsible person at the stop to receive student, and secondary buses not returning to campus to retrieve student at the end of the day (those students will have to ride the 4:00 late bus home).

The Board and Administration discussed bus transportation protocol and procedures.

Mr. Ramsey thanked Mr. Walsh for all that he has done with the Transportation Department since taking over.

7. Program

a. Action Item - New Course: Piano Lab for Garden Spot High School 2018-2019 School Year

Piano Lab

This is a one-credit course that will offer each student the opportunity to develop an intermediate proficiency on the piano. The fundamentals of piano technique are taught to every student and are mastered through regular practice. This course will be a combination of classical, folk and rock piano styles of playing. Digital pianos will be provided. Students may only take this course once.

Dr. Larkin presented the new course, Piano, for the 2018-2019 school year to start in the Fall at the Secondary level to be voted on at the August Board Meeting.

b. Action Item - Approve Affidavits of Guardianship for the 2018-2019 School Year

Dr. Larkin requested the Board to approved Affidavits of Guardianship at the upcoming Board Meeting

c. Information Item: New Course: AP United States Government and Politics

AP U.S. Government and Politics is a college-level course that not only seeks to prepare students for success on the AP Exam in May, but also provides students with the political knowledge and reasoning processes to participate meaningfully and thoughtfully in discussions and debates that are currently shaping American politics and

society. It is important to note that this course is not a history course; it is a political science course that studies the interconnectedness of the different parts of the American political system and the behaviors and attitudes that shape this system and are the byproduct of this system.

AP U.S. Government and Politics accomplishes these goals by framing the acquisition of political knowledge around enduring understandings and big ideas about American government and politics that can be applied to a set of disciplinary practices through the use of a set of reasoning processes. Through the development of this set of political knowledge, disciplinary practices, and reasoning processes, by the end of the course, students will be able to analyze current and historical political events like a political scientist and develop factually accurate, well-reasoned, thoughtful arguments and opinions that acknowledge and grapple with alternative political perspectives.

- AP United States
Government and
Politics Unit/Topic
Curriculum Map 2018-
2019

Primary Text:

Government in America: People, Politics, and Policy, 2016 Presidential Edition,
George Edwards, Martin Wattenberg, and Robert Lineberry. New York,
NY: Pearson.

Dr. Larkin presented a new AP course, AP United States Government and Politics, for the 2018-2019 school year to start in the Fall at the Secondary level for 11 and 12 graders which would be voted on at the September Board Meeting.

8. Management

a. Action Item - Policy 832.1 Confidentiality and Security of FBI Criminal History Record Information.

Dr. Hollister requested the Board to approve the new Board Policy 832.1 Confidentiality and Security of FBI Criminal History Record Information.

b. Action Item - Resolution Request by the Board regarding the misleading advertising of Charter Schools.

Dr. Hollister requested the Board to approve the resolution regarding the misleading advertisement of cyber charter schools.

Board and Administration discussed possible changes to the wording of the resolution before approval at the upcoming Board meeting.

c. Action Item - Appointment of Mr. Steven Good as the District's Safety and Security Coordinator per school code.

Dr. Hollister requested the Board to approve the appointment of Mr. Steven Good as the District's Safety and Security Coordinator per school code based on new legislation. He noted that Mr. Good had already been fulfilling this position over the last couple of years,

d. Information Item - Reminder to begin considering Board Training specifics regarding the requirements have not been made public to date, but in ...

Reminder to begin considering Board Training specifics regarding the requirements which have not been made public to date, but in recent legislation, it was enacted that Board Members must receive periodic school Board Member Training.

Dr. Hollister informed the Board that the General Assembly recently passed legislation that would require Board training for all Board members both new and sitting. He indicated that requirements have not been set yet.

e. Information Item - Update from the Administrative Retreat held in August.

Dr. Hollister informed the Board that the District Administration held their retreat in August and hope to bring to the Board a revised vision and mission statement to become realigned with the District's move to mass customization.

9. Announcements

Dr. Hollister announced to the Board that Meredith Dahl from Crossnet informed him that their organization would be providing 1,000 backpacks for student this year as well as clothes, haircuts, eye screenings, and dental screenings.

Dr. Hollister reminded the Board that next week was the In-Service Days for the teacher on Tuesday, August 21st, Wednesday, August 22nd, and Thursday, August 23rd. Dr. Hollister invited Board members to attend the opening In-Service on Thursday, August 23rd.

Dr. Hollister also announced the retirement of Connie Saylor, the contract Behind-the-Wheel driving service for students here in the District. He informed the Board that the District would replace Ms. Saylor after she retires.

10. Adjournment

Mr. Irvin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 p.m. with a second by Mr. Wentzel. **The motion was approved. (7-0; 2 absent)**

Justin W. Johnson
School Board Secretary
August 13, 2018