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At 7:03 p.m., the June 27, 2022, meeting of the Susquehanna Township Board of School Directors was called to order by President John F. Dietrich.

SCHOOL BOARD
MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Terry Heller, Dr. Michael Cohen, Ms. Julieann Newill, Mr. Jesse Rawls, Sr., Rebecca McCullough, Esq., Keita Kalonji Johnson, Esq., Mr. John F. Dietrich

SCHOOL BOARD
MEMBERS PRESENT
VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS

Mr. Scott Campbell, Mr. Majid Ali

DISTRICT OFFICE PRESENT

Mr. Oslwen Anderson, Jr., Mr. Mark Holman, Dr. Tamara Willis, Dr. Richard Kaskey, Ms. Ann-Marie Rathmell, Mr. Justin Green, Mr. Jonathan Bishop, Mr. Vince Champion, Esq., District Solicitor

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** 

The President announced that executive session was held immediately prior to the meeting for the purpose of personnel and real estate matters.

INTRODUCTIONS/
GUEST PRESENTATIONS

Mr. George Conner, Dauphin County Department of Community and Development presented on the Local Economic Revitalization Tax Assistance Program (LERTA). (attached to BoardDocs)

REPORTS/
ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Vince Champion, Esq.,** noted that this was his last meeting as the district solicitor and it has been an honor and a privilege to serve the district. He thanked the board for the opportunity to work with the district.

**Dauphin County Technical School (DCTS):** Mr. Rawls reported that (DCTS) is in the middle of teacher contract negotiations and will not have a board meeting in July.

Capital Area Intermediate Unit (CAIU) Mr. Campbell reported that the CAIU is still working on renovations and will not have a board meeting in July.

**Superintendent Report:** Dr. Willis acknowledged all the improvements going on in the district and invited board members to tour the facilities to see the renovations. She wished Dr. Kaskey and Mr. Champion well on their new endeavors. Dr. Willis also shared the sad news of the passing of Margaret "Peggy" Keiser. She was an alumna and an employee for 65 years in the district.

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#### II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS FOR JUNE 27, 2022

## **MOTION TO APPROVE**

**2.A.** Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Johnson to approve the meeting agenda for June 27, 2022, with the following modifications:

Item 91: amend to reflect 2022-2023 school year

Items 10A-H: amend to reflect First Read of Policies (discussion only)

Motion passed 9-0, 0 abstentions, 0 absent

#### 2.B. Board Member Comments

**Mr.** Ali thanked Dr. Kaskey and Mr. Champion for their service and noted it was a pleasure to work with both of them.

#### III. HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

None

#### IV. PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSIONS

None

#### V. MINUTES

#### **MOTION TO APPROVE**

**5.A.** Moved by Ms. Newill, seconded by Mr. Rawls, to approve Item 5.A. Motion passed 9-0.

5.A. Approve the Minutes of the June 13, 2022, Board Meeting.

#### VI. PROGRAM

#### **MOTION TO APPROVE**

**6.A.** Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to approve Item 6.A. Motion passed 9-0, 0 abstentions, 0 absent

Approve the appointment of Ms. Newill and Ms. McCullough, as the Voting Delegates for the Pennsylvania School Boards Association (PSBA) Delegate Assembly Meeting to be held on Saturday, November 5, 2022, at PSBA headquarters in Mechanicsburg, PA.

#### VII. PERSONNEL

## **MOTION TO APPROVE**

**7.A.B.C.D.E.** Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Dr. Cohen, to approve Items 7.A.B.C.D.E.

Motion passed 9-0, 0 abstentions, 0 absent

- **7.A.1.** Approve the resignation of Kyle Lorditch as Biology Teacher at the Susquehanna Township High School, effective June 14, 2022.
- **7.A.2.** Approve the resignation of Caitlin Uffleman as Autistic Support Teacher at the Susquehanna Township Middle School, effective July 31, 2022.
- **7.A.3.** .Approve the resignation of Jeffrey Schach as Supervisor of Custodial Services at the Susquehanna Township School District, effective June 15, 2022.
- **7.A.4.** Approve the resignation of Jennifer McGeorge as Assistant III at the Thomas W. Holtzman, Jr. Elementary School, effective June 24, 2022.
- **7.A.5.** Approve the resignation of Andrea Irvin as School Counselor at the Susquehanna Township High School, June 13, 2022. Ms. Irvin will be held until August 11, 2022
- **7.B.** Approve Dawn Kaloz as Guidance Counselor at the Susquehanna Township High School at a salary of \$73,204.00 (M + 30, Step 12), effective date to be determined. Ms. Kaloz will be replacing Margaret Riegel.
- **7.C.** Amend Cynthia McCarthur as Guidance Secretary at the Susquehanna Township High School at a rate of \$19.48 per hour (full-pay) to \$19.88 per hour (full-pay), effective July 11, 2022. Ms. McCarthur will be replacing Nadine Plott.
- **7.D.1.** Approve Noah Martin as Technology Intern at the Susquehanna Township School District for the 2022-2023 school year.
- **7.D.2.** Approve Kyah Rucker as Technology Intern at the Susquehanna Township School District for the 2022-2023 school year.
- **7.E.** 1. Approve Jessica Dullen as 9-12 Special Education Academic Team Lead at the Susquehanna Township High School at a stipend of \$1,500.00 for the 2022-2023 school year.
- **7.E.2.** Approve Lori Shienvold as Volunteer Coordinator at the Susquehanna Township School District at a stipend of \$16,000.00 for the 2022-2023 school year.

## **VIII. FINANCES**

#### **MOTION TO APPROVE**

**8.A.B.C.D.E.F.** Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to approve Items 8.A.B.C.D.E.F.

#### **MOTION AMENDED**

to reflect items 8.A.B.C.D.E.F.G.H.

Motion passed 9-0, 0 abstentions, 0 absent

- **8.A.** Approve the payment of Activity Fund bills from the First National Bank Activity Fund Checking, as listed on the Computer Check Summary, totaling \$14,707.41.
- **8.B.** Approve the payment of Capital Reserve PSDLAF Checking bills from the Capital Reserve PSDLAF Checking, as listed on the Computer Check Summary, totaling \$38,953.86.
- **8.C.** Approve the payment of First National General Fund Checking bills from the First National General Fund Checking, as listed on the Computer Check Summary, totaling \$3,563,785.45.
- **8.D.** Approve the payment of Food Service bills from the Food Service Checking, as listed on the Computer Check Summary, totaling \$64,628.21.
- **8.E.** Approve the Food Service Cash Balance of \$1,064,554.20.
- **8.F.** Approve the General Fund Cash Balance of \$7,631,319.95.
- **8.G.** Approve the 2022-2023 fiscal year Interscholastic and Voluntary Student Accident Insurances at the following rates. The below stated rates are identical to last year's reflecting no increases.
  - Mandatory Interscholastic Sports Student Accident Insurance Coverage -\$9,950.00 – Annual Cost
  - Voluntary School Time Student Accident Insurance Coverage \$22.00 Per Student – Annual Cost
  - 24-Hour Voluntary School Student Accident Insurance Coverage \$88.00 Per Student – Annual Cost
- **8.H.** Approve the following 2022-2023 fiscal year Susquehanna Township School District depositories.
  - 1. First National Bank
  - 2. Pennsylvania School District Liquid Asset Fund (PSDLAF)
  - 3. Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Fund (PLGIT)

#### MOTION TO APPROVE

8.I. Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded Dr. Cohen, to approve Item 8.I.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** 

Aye:

Mr. Ali, Dr. Cohen, Mr Rawls, Mr. Heller, Ms. Newill,

Mr. Johnson, Mr. Dietrich

Nay:

Mr. Campbell, Miss McCullough

Abstain: Absent: None None

Motion passed 7-2 (Campbell, McCullough), 0 abstentions, 0 absent

**8.I.** Approve the following 2022-2023 FY Final General Fund Budget inclusive of a 2.0% real estate tax increase with expenditures of \$61,326,301; revenues \$59,498,013 and use of fund balance in the amount of \$1,828,288.

- 1. A tax of 19.9589 mills on the total assessed valuation on all property taxable for school purposes per resolution;
- 2. Homestead/Farmstead exclusion of \$4,314 per resolution;
- 3. A per Capita Tax of \$5.00 per person 18 years of age or over as of July 1, 2021, per resolution;
- 4. A residence Tax of \$5.00 per person 18 years of age or over as of July 1, 2021, per resolution;
- 5. An Earned Income Tax at the rate of 1% per resolution;
- 6. An Occupation Tax at the rate of \$270 per person between the ages of 18 and 70, who make in excess of \$5,000.00 per year and enrolled as a full-time student of higher education taking 12 credit hours per semester for 2 semesters between July 1, 2022, and June 30, 2023;
- 7. Real Estate transfer Tax at a rate of 1% per resolution; and
- 8. A Local Services Tax at the rate of \$5.00 on each individual who engaged in an occupation within the boundaries of the taxing authority.

#### MOTION TO APPROVE

8.J. Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Dr. Cohen, to approve Item 8.J.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Aye:

Ms. McCullough, Mr. Campbell, Dr. Cohen, Mr.

Rawls, Mr. Heller, Ms. Newill, Mr. Ali, Mr. Dietrich

Nay:

Mr. Johnson

Abstain:

None

Absent:

None

Motion passed 8-1 (Johnson), 0 abstentions, 0 absent

**8.J.** Approve the 2022-2023 FY Proposed Final Food Service Budget with aggregate income and expenditures totaling \$1,578,743 and \$1,608,649 respectively, with a \$29,906 use of unrestricted funds (See Attached).

Approve the ancillary recommendation for the 2022-2023 FY lunch prices noting increases as follows:

Category	Current	Proposed Increase	Proposed 22.23SY Pricing
Elementary Breakfast	\$1.75	\$0.25	\$2.00
Elementary Lunch	\$2.75	\$0.25	\$3.00
Secondary Breakfast	\$2.00	\$0.15	\$2.15
Secondary Lunch	\$3.10	\$0.15	\$3.25
Milk per carton	\$0.65	No Change	\$0.00
**Last meal price increase 2016.2017 Add \$1.00 to above pricing			

A la Carte Pricing - Attached

### **IX. CONTRACTS**

#### **MOTION TO APPROVE**

- **9.A.** Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Johnson to approve Item 9.A. Motion passed 6-3(Campbell, Cohen, Ali), 0 abstentions, 0 absent
- **9.A.** Approve the quote/agreement with ExploreLearning for Reflex Math and Frax Math.

Reflex Math is a research-based online system to help learners master basic facts. It is game based, adaptive, and individualized for each learner. Elementary learners using Reflex made fluency gains three times larger than learners using other methods. Reporting shows the progress of learners individually, by class, and by grade.

Frax Math is also research-based, adaptive in nature, and game based. It is designed to help learners develop the foundational understanding of fractions relying strongly on fraction magnitude, leading to stronger fraction arithmetic performance.

#### **MOTION TO APPROVE**

9.B. Moved by Dr. Cohen, seconded by Mr. Rawls to approve Item 9.B. Motion passed 7-2(Campbell, Ali), 0 abstentions, 0 absent

**9.B.** Approve agreements for New Story to provide Extended School Year (ESY) services to student numbers 2021-22/036, 2021-22/037, 2021-22/038 & 2021-22/039.

#### **MOTION TO APPROVE**

**9.C.** Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Dr. Cohen to approve Item 9.C. Motion passed 6-3(Campbell, Ali, McCullough), 0 abstentions, 0 absent

**9.C.** Approve the tuition agreement with Specialized Education of PA, Inc., to provide instruction to student number 2021-22/035 for the dates of May 6, 2022 – June 7, 2022, at Capital Academy.

#### **MOTION TO APPROVE**

**9.D.** Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Miss McCullough to approve Item 9.D. Motion passed 7-1(Campbell), 1 abstention (Johnson), 0 absent

**9.D.** Approve the MOU between Capital Area Head Start and Susquehanna Township School District for the period July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2025.

#### DISCUSSION

**9.E.** Discuss the agreement with Yellow Breeches Educational Center, Inc., to provide outplacement services for the 2022-2023 school year.

Yellow Breeches Educational Center provides educational placements of special education students in grades 6-12 that exhibit challenging behaviors that cannot be supported in district.

#### DISCUSSION

**9.F.** Discuss the agreement with NWEA (Northwest Evaluation Association) to provide the MAP (Measures of Academic Progress) test to assess student need in order to provide individualized instruction.

NWEA is a research-based, not-for-profit organization that produces the MAP test.

The MAP test is a K-12 adaptive assessment system that measures growth and skill mastery in Mathematics and Reading for every student. This assessment determines every student's learning needs and strengths, helping teachers to target instruction and administrators to make well-informed system-wide decisions.

#### DISCUSSION

**9.G.** Discuss the 2022-2023 Capital Area Intermediate Unit (CAIU) Special Education Services Agreement as attached.

This contract is for all students placed within CAIU classrooms as well as other services provided to the district such as related services, behavior support, psychologist, autism support and visual support.

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DISCUSSION	<b>9.H.</b> Discuss the rate sheet provided by Delta-T for services in the 2022-2023 school
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year.

**DISCUSSION**9.1. Discuss the CAIU Agreement for School-Based Access Programming for the 2021-

2022 school year to provide support for Medical Access Billing.

X. POLICY

FIRST READ OF POLICY 10.A. Approve First Read of Policy 801: Public Records

FIRST READ OF POLICY 10.B. Approve First Read of Policy 802: School Organization

FIRST READ OF POLICY 10.C. Approve First Read of Policy 803: School Calendar

**FIRST READ OF POLICY 10.D.** Approve First Read of Policy 804: School Day

FIRST READ OF POLICY 10.E. Approve First Read of Policy 807: Opening Exercises/Flag Displays

FIRST READ OF POLICY 10.F. Approve First Read of Policy 812: Property Insurance

FIRST READ OF POLICY 10.G. Approve First Read of Policy 813: Other Insurance

FIRST READ OF POLICY 10.H. Approve First Read of Policy 814: Copyright Material.

XI. OTHER

**DISCUSSION** 11.A. Discuss the amendment to the district's Health and Safety Plan to remove the

vaccination requirement for Level II and Level III volunteers.

**XII. NEW BUSINESS** 

Mr. Dietrich noted that the board intends to have a action item on the next agenda

regarding the mascot.

### XIII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION TO ADJOURN

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Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to adjourn the meeting.

Motion passed: 9-0, 0 abstentions, 0 absent

Meeting adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

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