School Board of Directors Meeting
October 17, 2022
Minutes

A Regular Meeting of the Eastern Lancaster County School Board of Directors, which was properly advertised in the LNP Lancaster Newspaper, was held on Monday, October 17, 2022 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. The meeting was broadcasted via live video feed as well.

To hear the details under each agenda item, please refer to the recording of the meeting which is posted on the District’s website (www.elanco.org) under Our District // School Board of Directors // Meeting Audio Minutes

Roll Call
Board Members in attendance were: Gary Buck, Brian Conroy, Jonathan Dahl, Jacqueline Geyer, Paul Irvin, Dina Maio, Kevin McCarrroll, Bryan Naranjo and Thomas Wentzel
Board Member(s) not in attendance were:
Also in attendance were: Dr. Michael Snopkowski, Dr. Nadine Larkin, Keith Ramsey and Rebekah Ray
Staff/Public in attendance were: Several citizens of the community and staff members of the District.

1. Welcome and Call to Order
   President Dahl opened the meeting at 7:01 p.m.

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

3. Agenda Modification/Approval of Agenda
   Mr. Conroy made a motion to approve the agenda. It was seconded by Mr. Naranjo.
   The motion was approved. (9-0)

4. Student of the Month Presentation
   Dr. Sanger presented and congratulated the Students of the Month for the month of September being chosen for their character trait of “Leadership”.
   Grade 12: Alan Krock
   Grade 11: Katelyn Davis
   Grade 10: Elizabeth Matsanka
   Grade 9: Rebecca Gortman
5. Citizens of the District Comments

The Board encourages citizens of the district to come before the Board to present their petitions, inquiries, or other communications of interest. The Board invites public (Citizens of the District) to comment on any topic that is within the Board’s jurisdiction. As outlined in Board Policy 903, the Board requires that public participants be residents or taxpayers of this district.

Thank you.

Rosanne Martin, New Holland, PA – spoke to the Board regarding the volleyball coach.

Valerie Martin, New Holland, PA – spoke to the Board as the captain of the volleyball team and shared her experience on the team.

Roy Hoover, New Holland, PA – thanked the Board for their service. He spoke about the Chromebook issue that was brought up at last month’s meeting.

Kayla Kauffman, Blue Ball, PA – spoke about her experience on the volleyball team.

Chloe Grady, East Earl, PA – spoke about her experience on the volleyball team.

James Heckler, Denver, PA – spoke about the volleyball coach and the Chromebook issue.

6. Consent Agenda

6.a. Approval of Minutes

6.b. Treasurer’s Report

6.c. Approve Personnel Report
   6.c.a. Staff
   6.c.b. Extra-Curricular Staff

6.d. Bills Paid

6.e. Cafeteria Fund Treasurer’s Report

6.f. Investments

6.g. Student Activity Account

6.h. First Read Board Policies - September 12 COW meeting

6.i. First Read Board Policies

6.j. Agreement with PA Principals Association

6.k. Approve Agricultural Advisory Board

6.l. Approve Eastern Lancaster County School District Comprehensive Plan 2022-2025

6.m. PSBA Election of Officers

6.n. Communications and Public Relations Support Proposal

6.o. Athletic Ticket Prices/Passes

Mr. Wentzel made a motion to approve the agenda. It was seconded by Mr. Conroy. The motion was approved. (8-0; 1 abstained) Mr. Irvin abstained due to his name being on the personnel report for approval.
7. Action Items – NONE

8. Reports

8.a. Lancaster County Tax Collection Bureau
Mr. Ramsey stated that they did not meet this month, but their next meeting is on November 9, 2022.

8.b. Lancaster-Lebanon IU13
Mr. Irvin updated the Board about the meeting they had on October 12, 2022.

8.c. Lancaster CTC
Mr. Conroy updated the Board about enrollment at the CTC. Thursday, October 19, 2022 is a retreat.

8.d. Legislative
Mr. Conroy talked about the Charter School Reform Appeal Board that he was on. He will be having lunch/breakfast with Senator Aument and Scott Martin. He reminded the Board members that they are part of PSBA and they should take part of classes offered. Mr. Conroy stated that Rebekah Ray will be going to the Board Secretary Conference on November 18 in Mechanicsburg.

8.e. Student Representative
Kendell Moats reported on activities at the elementary schools and Thomas Watt reported on the activities at the secondary campus.

9. Superintendent’s Report

This month’s report comes one day after national “Boss’s Day”, which was celebrated yesterday on October 16. As the superintendent in ELANCO, this presents me the opportunity to thank not only the school board as my most direct supervisors, but in a larger sense the entire community that you represent and we as a district serve and partner with. The support that you provide to our teachers, support staff and administrators allows us to best meet the needs of each learner we’re entrusted with. Quite honestly, without you, we would not be able to do what we do. Striving to meet your expectations and those of our community is part of our ongoing efforts and we will continue to do our best for every learner and family in our district.

There has been much written lately in statewide as well as national publications about the gaps that have increased in student learning as a result of the pandemic. Every district is facing challenges of this nature to a variety of degrees and we are no different. With the approval of the comprehensive plan tonight by our school board, we as a district have clearly established where we will focus our attention and how we will gauge our progress. Over the next several months we will continue to develop the action steps and processes so that we can take the ideas and goals within the plan and turn them into reality for our learners. While the work ahead may at times be daunting, it is also a very exciting time for ELANCO as we will be building systems that will accelerate learning for each student in our district. On behalf of the administrators and staff throughout the district, thank you for the clarity that tonight’s vote provides for our work.

In closing, I’d like to extend my congratulations to all of our learners who have been involved in representing our district throughout the fall in any of our co-curricular activities, or for supporting friends and classmates in their activities as well. Coming to school for a full day can be challenging enough, let alone adding practices or competitions after school or on weekends on top of that and other family commitments. Having been at a number of events this fall, I can say that the school spirit that is on display at these events is genuine and is a wonderful example of the pride felt by our community for our schools. In the coming weeks, we have teams that will continue on and represent us in league as well as district playoffs, not to
mention academic competitions and festivals. I continue to encourage everyone to attend whenever they can and root on our learners, coaches and advisors.

10. **Announcements**

President Dahl made an announcement that there was an executive session prior to the meeting for a personnel and legal matter.

10.a. **Board Recognition**

Dr. Snopkowski recognized Dina Maio for 8 years of service on the Board and gave her an award from PSBA.

13. **Adjournment**

Mr. Irvin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m. with a second by Mr. Conroy. The motion was approved. (9-0)

[Signature]
Keith D. Ramsey
School Board Secretary
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