

**NO: XIII**  
**Minutes of the**  
**Board of School Directors**  
**DERRY TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Hershey, PA 17033**

**June 27, 2011**

**OPENING ITEMS**

**1.01 Call to Order**

A meeting of the Board of School Directors, Derry Township School District was held on Monday, June 27 2011, in the District Office Board Room. Dr. Henry Donahue, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**1.02 Roll Call**

**Directors Present:**

Mrs. Beulah Chabal  
Dr. Henry Donahue  
Mr. John Gräb  
Mr. Christopher Morelli  
Dr. William Parrish  
Mrs. Ellen Sheffey  
Mr. Charles Stover

**Excused:**

Dr. Donna Cronin  
Dr. Mary Beth Hagan

**Superintendent:**

Dr. Richard Faidley

**Secretary:**

Mr. Stephen Rineer

**Solicitor:**

Mr. Brian Jackson (Not Present)

**Student Representative:**

Not Present

**Press:**

Ms. Elizabeth Kotz                      THE PATRIOT-NEWS

**Representatives of the Administrative Staff:** Mr. Dan Tredinnick.

**Representatives of the Staff and Community:** Kathleen Gunkel, Bunny Hottenstein, Joel Hammer, Bruce Hancock, David E. Fisher, Maryellen Sheehan, and John Freeman.

Dr. Donahue: Both Drs. Cronin and Hagan have excused absences this evening.

### **1.03 Flag Salute**

Mr. Stover led those gathered in the Salute to the American Flag.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

### **2.01 Approval of the June 13, 2011 School Board Meeting Minutes**

A motion was made by Mrs. Chabal and seconded by Dr. Parrish to approve the minutes of the June 13, 2011 School Board meeting.

All Board members present signified by a Yes vote.

## **MOTION CARRIED**

## **INFORMATIONAL AND PROPOSALS**

### **3.01 Announcement of Executive Session**

Dr. Donahue: I'd like to announce that the Board met in Executive Session prior to this meeting to discuss employment issues, labor relations, and arbitrations.

### **3.02 Recognition of Citizens (Agenda Items)**

None.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **4.01 Unfinished Business**

None.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **5.01 Adoption of Final Budget for 2011-2012**

Be it resolved that the Derry Township School District Final General Fund Budget, as presented for the school year 2011-2012, be adopted in the amount of \$50,948,830. The general fund budget includes a \$300,000 budgetary reserve. It is further resolved that the Derry Township School District Capital Reserve Fund Budget for capital expenditures be adopted in the amount of \$941,964.

Be it further resolved and made known that the adoption of the 2011-2012 budget is in accordance with Section 687 of the School Laws of Pennsylvania, and further, that the authorized proposed final budget document was made available for public inspection for 20 days beginning May 23, 2011.

Dr. Parrish moved the Board approve the adoption of the final budget and was seconded by Mrs. Chabal.

Mr. Stover: I just wanted to state that I was previously against this budget. I have not as much concerns about next year, but I do have concerns for future years down the road that a zero percent tax increase is going to hamper our ability to meet our financial obligations. As Treasurer-Elect though, I feel that I need to support this Board and I will vote in favor of the budget. Thank you.

Dr. Donahue: Thank you Chuck. Are there any other comments or questions?

Mr. Gräb: Thank you Mr. President. I, too, have struggled with this budget. We've given the public an opportunity to come forward in both the workshop session and several School Board sessions. I've had personal conversations and telephone calls. Unfortunately, I'm not going to be able to support this budget as is presented.

Dr. Donahue: Thank you John.

Roll Call Vote:

Chabal – Yes

Cronin – Absent

Donahue – Yes

Gräb – No

Hagan – Absent

Morelli – Yes

Parrish – Yes

Sheffey – Yes

Stover - Yes

6 Yes, 1 No, 2 Absent

**MOTION CARRIED**

## 5.02 Adoption of Tax Resolutions for 2011-2012

The Administration recommended the Board of School Directors adopt the following Tax Resolutions in order to fund the 2011-2012 budget:

### 1. Real Estate Tax

The Real Estate Tax is 16.99 mills that provides \$31,726,000 in local revenue. For 2011-2012 one mill of Real Estate Tax equals \$1,867,334 at a 96.2% collection rate.

### 2. Other Taxes

BE IT RESOLVED that the following taxes currently in full force and effect be continued for the 2011-2012 school year.

- **Occupation (Act 511)**
  - \$250.00 on all Occupations
- **Wage & Income (Earned Income Tax Act 511)**
  - 1% of Earnings  
(1/2% by Operation of Law)
- **Local Services Tax**
  - \$52.00/Earnings of \$12,000+  
(\$5.00 by Operation of Law)
- **Realty Transfer (Act 511)**
  - 1% of Sale  
(1/2% by Operation of Law)
- **Amusement (Act 511)**
  - 10% of Admission  
(5% by Operation of Law)  
(Maximum of \$0.375)

Mr. Gräb moved the Board approve the adoption of the tax resolutions and was seconded by Mr. Stover.

Mr. Gräb: Thank you Mr. President. I have the same reservations as my colleague Mr. Stover. Unfortunately, I don't have the burden of being the Board Treasurer, so I will be voting no on this.

Dr. Donahue: Okay, thank you John.

Mr. Rineer: Can I add one other thing?

Dr. Donahue: Yes.

Mr. Rineer: On Thursday we received the final tax duplicate from the county which lists all the properties which are eligible for homestead/farmstead exclusions. The exclusion amount for 2011-2012 which is revenue neutral for the District, each taxpayer qualifying property will receive an exclusion amount equal to \$122 for School District real estate tax bills for 2011-2012. It's vastly different from last year when it was \$123.11 so it went down \$1.03. It's an allocation of the state gambling dollars to the District divided by the number of homestead/farmstead properties.

Dr. Donahue: Great, thank you Steve.

Roll Call Vote:

Chabal – Yes

Cronin – Absent

Donahue – Yes

Gräb – No

Hagan – Absent

Morelli – Yes

Parrish – Yes

Sheffey – Yes

Stover - Yes

6 Yes, 1 No, 2 Absent

## MOTION CARRIED

### 5.03 Approval of Finance Report for May 2011

1.	The Treasurer's Report for the month ending May 31, 2011 was summarized as follows:	
	• General Fund Revenues	\$1,037,436
	• General Fund Expenditures	4,668,193
	• Balance of Cash Plus Investments (Includes \$4,756,454 Capital Reserve)	17,155,479
2.	The listed schedule of investment transactions for the period beginning May 1, 2011 through May 31, 2011 had total interest earnings of \$3,943 comprised of the following:	
	• General Fund	\$49
	• Money Market	2,838
	• Capital Reserve	1,056
	• PA Local Government Investment Trust	0

	The average interest rate for May 2011 was 0.24%	
3.	The May 2011 expenditures for the paid bills for all funds totaled \$1,863,859 excluding net payroll, retirement contributions, and debt service.	
4.	The June 2011 expenditures for the unpaid bills for all funds totaled \$1,335,464.	
5.	The estimated expenditures of the General Fund for the month of June 2011 were in the following amounts:	
	• Operating Expenses	\$1,300,000
	• Utilities	105,300
	• Net Payroll (2 Pays)	2,030,000
	• Employer Provided Insurance	366,100
	• Payroll Deductions	961,000
	• Employer Payroll Taxes (FICA/RET)	542,000
	• Debt Service	<u>0</u>
	<b>Total Estimated Expenditures</b>	<b>\$5,304,400</b>

Mrs. Chabal moved the Board approve the Finance Report and was seconded by Mr. Gräb.

Roll Call Vote:

Chabal – Yes  
 Cronin – Absent  
 Donahue – Yes

Gräb – Yes  
 Hagan – Absent  
 Morelli – Yes

Parrish – Yes  
 Sheffey – Yes  
 Stover - Yes

7 Yes, 2 Absent

**MOTION CARRIED**

**5.04 Budget Transfers**

Section 687 (d) of the Public School Code provides: The Board of School Directors shall have the power to authorize the transfer of any unencumbered balance, or any portion thereof, from one class of expenditures or item, to another, but such action shall be taken only during the last nine (9) months of the Fiscal Year."

The Administration recommended the Board authorize the June 2011 budget transfers.

Mrs. Chabal moved the Board approve the budget transfers and was seconded by Mrs. Sheffey.

Roll Call Vote:

Chabal – Yes

Cronin – Absent

Donahue – Yes

Gräb – Yes

Hagan – Absent

Morelli – Yes

Parrish – Yes

Sheffey – Yes

Stover - Yes

7 Yes, 2 Absent

**MOTION CARRIED**

**5.05 Requests for Payment - Construction Projects**

The Administration recommended the approval of the following invoices as reviewed and approved by Mr. Consalo:

	<b>Parking Lot Improvements:</b>		
1.	Hayes Large Architect LLP Bill No. 1105-042		\$4,875.58
	<b>Elementary School/LGI:</b>		
2.	Hayes Large Architect LLP:		
	• Bill No. 1105-043	788.72	
	• Bill No. 1105-045	3,443.38	
	• Bill No. 1105-046	<u>1,079.65</u>	5,311.75
	<b>Middle School Expansion:</b>		
3.	eci Construction LLC (General Contractor) Application No: 13		52,923.01
4.	A.H. Moyer (HVAC) Application No: 12		24,709.50
5.	G. Bass (Plumbing) Application No: 09		3,237.79
6.	Guy M. Cooper, Inc. (Fire Systems) Application: 11		9,090.00
7.	Leer Electric (Electrical) Application No: 12		36,557.31
8.	Davis Landscape, Ltd Invoice No: 910		6,500.00
9.	Miller Metalcraft Inc.		6,422.00

	Invoice: 6139		
10.	Schradergroup Architecture, LLC Invoice No: 949		1,968.31

Mr. Gräb moved the Board approve the payments and was seconded by Mrs. Sheffey.

Dr. Parrish: These are all as listed in the bids and no changes, right?

Dr. Donahue: No changes.

Roll Call Vote:

Chabal – Yes

Cronin – Absent

Donahue – Yes

Gräb – Yes

Hagan – Absent

Morelli – Yes

Parrish – Yes

Sheffey – Yes

Stover - Yes

7 Yes, 2 Absent

**MOTION CARRIED**

**5.06 Second Amendment to Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement with Addendum**

**SECOND AMENDMENT TO  
INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT**

**THIS AGREEMENT OF AMENDMENT** made this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011, by and among THE COUNTY OF DAUPHIN, THE TOWNSHIP OF DERRY, DERRY TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT, THE COUNTY OF LEBANON, THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH LONDONDERRY AND THE PALMYRA AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT, constitutes an amendment to the INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT made and entered into by and among the stated governmental parties on November 14, 2000, and Amended on September 11, 2008, and entered upon the records of the Prothonotary of the Dauphin County Court of Common Pleas, Docket No. 5563-S-2000:

**BACKGROUND**

Hershey Foods Corporation, constructed a foods distribution warehouse (the “Structure”), which Structure and the land upon which it was constructed was and is located partly in Dauphin County and partly in Lebanon County. By means of the INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT of November 14, 2000, the parties hereto agreed that the entirety of the land area of Dauphin County tax parcel 24-003-015, together with the said Structure constructed thereon, would have its appraised value established by the County of Dauphin and that sixty-five percent (65%) of such appraised value would be utilized for assessment and real estate taxation purposes by



the County of Dauphin, Derry Township, and the Derry Township School District, and that thirty-five percent (35%) thereof would be utilized for the assessment and real estate tax purposes by the County of Lebanon, North Londonderry Township and the Palmyra Area School District. Paragraph 11 of the November 14, 2000 AGREEMENT provided for the amendment or termination of said AGREEMENT upon the written consent of all parties. Hershey Foods Corporation has applied for a building permit from Derry Township and has commenced construction of an addition to the existing Structure, which addition is located entirely within Derry Township, Dauphin County. The parties to the Amendment have considered the issue regarding the taxation of the addition to the Structure and have agreed to an Amendment to the INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT, as set forth herein.

An Amendment was provided, but never fully executed by all parties on September 11, 2008, in order to recognize the addition to the Structure located on said parcel. (See copy attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as **Exhibit 1**).

Since the time of the First Amendment, another addition to the Structure of the parcel has occurred; which will cause the respective parties hereto to reconsider the allocation of percentage tax receipts for the improvements only.

## **SECOND AGREEMENT OF AMENDMENT**

1. The terms of the INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT of November 14, 2000, as well as the First Amendment to the INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT dated September 11, 2008, is hereby ratified and affirmed by the parties hereto and shall continue to be the standards, procedures and allocation of the appraised **land value** of the Dauphin County Tax Parcel 24-003-015, as appraised value existed on May 1, 2011.

A. It is specifically noted, by the parties, that currently Tax Parcel 24-003-015 has sixty-five percent (65%) of its established **land** amount in Dauphin County and thirty-five percent (35%) in Lebanon County. Accordingly, the parties shall apportion the value of the **land only** at sixty-five percent (65%) to Dauphin County and thirty-five percent (35%) to Lebanon County.

2. The parties recognize that the improvement to the land has extended further onto Lebanon County. Accordingly, upon completion of the addition to the Structure for which a building permit was issued by the respective taxing bodies, in accordance with its normal valuation practices, shall determine the appraised value to be assigned to the land and the buildings and both Structure and addition, and shall subtract there from that appraised value figure for Tax Parcel 25-003-015, which existed as of May 1, 2011, thereby producing two (2) figures of appraised valuation, to wit: one which shall be the appraised value which existed as of May 1, 2011, which shall be known as the "pre-addition figure," and the other figure representing the difference of a new appraised value and the "pre-addition figure," which shall thereafter be known as the "post-addition figure."

3. In accordance with the terms of the INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT of November 14, 2000, and the First Amendment to the INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT dated September 11, 2008, the "Pre-Addition Figure" shall continue to be that appraised value subject to the terms of both agreements

4. The parties hereto do recognize that, as to the proposed building area of the improvement, fifty-four percent (54%) of the total square footage of the building area is physically located in Dauphin County. The remaining total building square footage area of forty-six percent (46%) is physically located in Lebanon County. Pursuant to these percentage allocations, both Dauphin County and the respective taxing bodies in Dauphin County shall receive fifty-four percent (54%) of the tax based upon the "Post-Addition" square footage. Lebanon County and its affiliated taxing bodies will receive forty-six percent (46%) of the "Post-Addition" square footage increase in value.

5. This Agreement may be signed in multiple counterparts.

6. It shall be the duty of the County of Dauphin to maintain all original Agreements, as well as all original Amendments thereto. The within Amendment shall be filed in the Office of the Prothonotary of Dauphin County, Pennsylvania, at Docket No. 5563-S-2000.

7. The fee for recordation of this Agreement shall be waived by the Prothonotary of Dauphin County.

8. Notice of the filing shall be provided by Dauphin County to the other five (5) municipalities which are parties to this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have hereunto placed their hands and seals intending to be legally bound hereby.

ATTEST: **COUNTY OF DAUPHIN**

Jeff Haste, Chairman

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Mike Pries, Vice Chairman

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Laura E. Evans, Esq., Chief Clerk

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George P. Hartwick, III, Commissioner

**TOWNSHIP OF DERRY**

\_\_\_\_\_ By: \_\_\_\_\_

**DERRY TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT**

\_\_\_\_\_ By: \_\_\_\_\_

**COUNTY OF LEBANON**

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Larry E. Stohler, Chairman

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William G. Carpenter, Vice Chairman

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Jamie A. Wolgemuth, Chief Clerk

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Jo Ellen Litz, Commissioner

**PALMYRA AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT**

\_\_\_\_\_ By: \_\_\_\_\_

**TOWNSHIP OF NORTH LONDONDERRY**

\_\_\_\_\_ By: \_\_\_\_\_

The Administration recommended the approval of the Second Amendment to Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement with Addendum as listed above.

Mrs. Chabal moved the Board approve the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement with Addendum and was seconded by Dr. Parrish.

Roll Call Vote:

Chabal – Yes  
Cronin – Absent  
Donahue – Yes

Gräb – Yes  
Hagan – Absent  
Morelli – Yes

Parrish – Yes  
Sheffey – Yes  
Stover - Yes

7 Yes, 2 Absent

**MOTION CARRIED**

### **5.07 Approval of Capital Area Intermediate Unit 2011-2012 Contracted Services**

The Administration recommended the approval of the 2011-2012 Capital Area Intermediate Unit contracted services agreement in the amount of \$1,106,877.42. The annual agreement details the classroom placements and related services contracted through the Capital Area Intermediate Unit.

Mrs. Chabal moved the Board approve the CAIU contracted services and was seconded by Mrs. Sheffey.

Mrs. Sheffey: I just wanted to ask Beulah – how does this compare to last year? I know the rates were going up, but we have fewer students attending, so . . .

Mrs. Chabal: I know that we have decreased our use of the IU by taking back some of our services, but I don't know the exact amount.

Mr. Rineer: I know that it's very close.

Mrs. Chabal: It's very similar.

Mrs. Sheffey: So even though we've cut back on the kids because of the rate increase, we're still paying the same amount? Okay.

Dr. Donahue: Any other discussion?

Roll Call Vote:

Chabal – Yes

Cronin – Absent

Donahue – Yes

Gräb – Yes

Hagan – Absent

Morelli – Yes

Parrish – Yes

Sheffey – Yes

Stover - Yes

7 Yes, 2 Absent

### **MOTION CARRIED**

### **5.08 Further Extension to Contract to Provide Food Services - Hershey Christian School 2011-2012**

The Administration recommended the Board approve and ratify a further extension to contract to provide food services to Hershey Christian School. This contract will continue the agreement whereby the District will provide onsite lunch to Hershey Christian School for three days per week, to commence on September 12, 2011 and ending at the conclusion of the Hershey Christian School academic year or the District school year, whichever shall occur first.

Dr. Parrish moved the Board approve the Hershey Christian School food service agreement and was seconded by Mr. Gräb.

Roll Call Vote:

Chabal – Yes

Cronin – Absent

Donahue – Yes

Gräb – Yes

Hagan – Absent

Morelli – Yes

Parrish – Yes

Sheffey – Yes

Stover - Yes

7 Yes, 2 Absent

## **MOTION CARRIED**

### **5.09 Approval of High School PSSA Testing Schedule 2011-2012**

The Administration recommended a two-hour delayed start time for all high school students except juniors for the three days of PSSA Math and Reading testing, March 12-14, 2012.

Mrs. Chabal moved the Board approve the PSSA testing schedule and was seconded by Mrs. Sheffey.

Mrs. Sheffey: Are we going to be notifying our parents about these changes ahead of time?

Dr. Faidley: Yes we will. I will also add that the approval was unanimous by the Curriculum Council.

Dr. Donahue: Anything else?

Roll Call Vote:

Chabal – Yes

Cronin – Absent

Donahue – Yes

Gräb – Yes

Hagan – Absent

Morelli – Yes

Parrish – Yes

Sheffey – Yes

Stover - Yes

7 Yes, 2 Absent

## **MOTION CARRIED**

### **5.10 Approval of Textbooks**

The Administration recommended the approval of the following textbooks for the use in the 2011-2012 school year:

<b>High School:</b>	
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<i>Curricular Area:</i>	English
<i>Grade Level:</i>	9
<i>Subject/Course:</i>	English 9; College Prep English 9; Honors English 9
<i>Title:</i>	Models for Writers: Short Essays for Composition and AP English Bound (a skillbook)
<i>Publisher:</i>	Bedford/St. Martin's/People's Education
<i>Author:</i>	Alfred Rosa and Paul Eschholz/Steven Heller and Steven Fox
<i>Copyright:</i>	2010/2010
<i>Curricular Area:</i>	Mathematics
<i>Grade Level:</i>	9-12
<i>Subject/Course:</i>	Geometry
<i>Title:</i>	Geometry: Concepts and Skills
<i>Publisher:</i>	Holt McDougal
<i>Author:</i>	Larson, Boswell, and Stiff
<i>Copyright:</i>	2010
<b>Middle School:</b>	
<i>Curricular Area:</i>	Communication Arts
<i>Grade Level:</i>	7
<i>Subject/Course:</i>	Communication Arts
<i>Title:</i>	To Be a Hero
<i>Publisher:</i>	Perfection Learning Corporation
<i>Author:</i>	Editorial Director: Julie A. Schumacher
<i>Copyright:</i>	2006
<i>Curricular Area:</i>	Communication Arts
<i>Grade Level:</i>	7
<i>Subject/Course:</i>	Communication Arts
<i>Title:</i>	What on Earth? An Ecology Reader
<i>Publisher:</i>	Perfection Learning Corporation
<i>Author:</i>	Editorial Director: Julie A. Schumacher
<i>Copyright:</i>	2006

Mrs. Sheffey moved the Board approve the textbooks as listed and was seconded by Dr. Parrish.

Dr. Donahue: These also were unanimously approved by the Curriculum Committee.

Dr. Faidley: That is correct.

Roll Call Vote:

Chabal – Yes

Cronin – Absent

Donahue – Yes

Gräb – Yes

Hagan – Absent

Morelli – Yes

Parrish – Yes

Sheffey – Yes

Stover - Yes

7 Yes, 2 Absent

## MOTION CARRIED

### 5.11 Approval of Overnight Field Trip/Excursion - Middle School Girls' Basketball Team

The Administration recommended the approval of the overnight field trip excursion as listed:

<i>Group:</i>	Hershey Middle School Girls' Basketball Team
<i>Number of Participating Students:</i>	7
<i>Grade Level:</i>	8th
<i>Destination:</i>	Millersville University
<i>Purpose:</i>	Team Camp Challenge
<i>Depart:</i>	July 23, 2011
<i>Return:</i>	July 24, 2011
<i>Trip Leader:</i>	Alyssa Carricato

The District reserves the right to cancel the excursion based on events that could pose a heightened safety or security risk.

Mrs. Chabal moved the Board approve the overnight field trip and was seconded by Mrs. Sheffey.

Mrs. Chabal: I just wanted to make note for the audience that this is at no cost to the District.

Dr. Donahue: That's correct. Other discussion?

Dr. Parrish: These kids are staying down there at Millersville? Is that right? For the night? Since it's an overnight excursion, I guess. Do we have a ratio, I guess they are staying in dorms like any other camp?

Dr. Donahue: I presume, I don't know.

Roll Call Vote:

Chabal – Yes  
Cronin – Absent  
Donahue – Yes

Gräb – Yes  
Hagan – Absent  
Morelli – Yes

Parrish – Yes  
Sheffey – Yes  
Stover - Yes

7 Yes, 2 Absent

## **MOTION CARRIED**

### **5.12 Approval of Policies: 620 - General Funds; 625 - Maintenance of Fund Balance**

The Administration recommended the approval of the following policies of the Derry Township School District Policy Manual which have been on public review for thirty days in the Hershey Public Library, Derry Township Tax Office, Derry Township Municipal Office, Hershey High School Library, and the District Office:

- 620 - General Funds
- 625 - Maintenance of Fund Balance

Mrs. Chabal moved the Board approve the policies and was seconded by Mr. Gräb.

Roll Call Vote:

Chabal – Yes  
Cronin – Absent  
Donahue – Yes

Gräb – Yes  
Hagan – Absent  
Morelli – Yes

Parrish – Yes  
Sheffey – Yes  
Stover - Yes

7 Yes, 2 Absent

## **MOTION CARRIED**

### **5.13 Personnel – Resignations**

The Administration recommended the approval of the following resignations:

<b>Professional:</b>
<b>Edwards, Ashley</b> Learning Support Teacher Elementary School Reason: Personal Effective: 06/14/2011 (retroactive)



**Rode, Nicole**  
 Grade 4 Teacher  
 Elementary School  
 Reason: Personal  
 Effective: 08/05/2011

Dr. Parrish moved the Board approve the resignations and was seconded by Mrs. Chabal.

Roll Call Vote:		
Chabal – Yes	Gräb – Yes	Parrish – Yes
Cronin – Absent	Hagan – Absent	Sheffey – Yes
Donahue – Yes	Morelli – Yes	Stover - Yes

7 Yes, 2 Absent

**MOTION CARRIED**

**5.14 Personnel – General**

1.	The Administration recommended the approval of the following appointments:
	<b>Professional:</b>
	<b>Hayman, Megan</b> (replacing Bonnie Houtz) Grade 6 Teacher Middle School Temporary Professional Bachelors, Step 2 Salary: \$41,892.50 (pending HEA Agreement) Effective: 08/25/2011
	<b>Horst, Vanessa *</b> (for Jennifer Ettinger) Part-time Art Teacher Middle School Long Term Substitute Bachelors, Step 1 Salary: \$40,281.25 (pro-rated) (pending HEA Agreement) Effective: 08/25/2011 through the end of the 2011-2012 school year
	<b>Kindt, Michelle</b> (replacing Leslie Shearer) French Teacher Middle School Professional Bachelors, Step 10 Salary: \$54,782.50 (pending HEA Agreement)

Effective: 08/25/2011
<p><b>Kozak, Elizabeth Page</b> * (replacing Melissa Friel)  School Nurse  Elementary School  Temporary Professional  Bachelors, Step 1  Salary: \$40,281.25 (pending HEA Agreement)  Effective: 08/22/2011</p>
<p><b>O'Brien, Sarah</b>  Grade 6 Language Arts Teacher  Middle School  Professional  Bachelors, Step 2  Salary: \$41,892.50 (pending HEA Agreement)  Effective: 08/25/2011 (pending receipt of 34, 151, and 114 clearances)</p>
<p><b>Rudzinski, Vanessa</b> (replacing Despina Proithis)  Spanish Teacher  High School  Temporary Professional  Bachelors, Step 1  Salary: \$40,281.25 (pending HEA Agreement)  Effective: 08/22/2011</p>
<p><b>Schaeffer, Amelia</b> (new position)  English as a Second Language Teacher  District-wide  Temporary Professional  Bachelors, Step 1  Salary: \$40,281.25 (pending HEA Agreement)  Effective: 08/22/2011 (pending certification)</p>
<p><b>Tomazin, Brooks</b> * (for Jennifer Klos)  Gifted Support Teacher  Middle School  Long Term Substitute  Bachelors, Step 1  Salary: \$40,281.25 (pending HEA Agreement)  Effective: 08/25/2011 through the end of the 2011-2012 school year</p>
<p><b>Yohn, Kaitlyn</b> (replacing Avis Pattishall)  Learning Support Teacher</p>

	<p>Middle School  Temporary Professional  Masters, Step 1  Salary: \$41,892.50 (pending HEA Agreement)  Effective: 08/22/2011</p>
	<p><b>Classified:</b></p>
	<p><b>Quinn, Susan</b> (replacing Joella Gibson)  Special Education Aide  Elementary School  Level B: 6.5 hours per day  Salary: \$13.93 per hour  Effective: 08/26/2011 (pending receipt of Act 34, 151, and 114 clearances)</p>
2.	<p>The Administration recommended the approval of the following individual for 2011 Extended School Year for the Special Education Department:</p>
	<p><b>Cherry, Melissa *</b>  Extended School Year Special Education Teacher, Learning Support  1:1 and Small Group Instruction  Middle School  Part-time, between 2 and 4 days a week  Effective: 06/13/2011 - 08/19/2011 (retroactive)</p>
3.	<p>The Administration recommended the District approve the following Leave of Absence:</p>
	<p><b>Mullikin, Colleen</b>  Middle School  Effective: July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012</p>
4.	<p>The Administration recommended the approval of the Limited Service Contract List for the 2011-2012 school year as attached.</p>
5.	<p>The Administration recommended the approval of the Department and Grade Level Coordinators for the 2011-2012 school year as attached.</p>
*	<p><b>This individual is currently an employee and/or volunteer. Clearances are on file.</b></p>

Mrs. Chabal moved the Board approve the personnel recommendations and was seconded by Dr. Parrish.

Roll Call Vote:

Chabal – Yes  
Cronin – Absent  
Donahue – Yes

Gräb – Yes  
Hagan – Absent  
Morelli – Yes

Parrish – Yes  
Sheffey – Yes  
Stover - Yes

7 Yes, 2 Absent

## **MOTION CARRIED**

## **DELEGATES REPORTS**

### **6.01 Dauphin County Technical School Report**

Mr. Gräb: Thank you Mr. President, just a quick report. The Dauphin County Technical School has closed for the summer, however, we have been meeting weekly negotiating with the Education Association and the Support Association, both of whose contracts expire on the 30<sup>th</sup> of June. We are making progress, but we have not reached a resolution as yet.

Dr. Donahue: Great. Thanks John. Are there any questions for John?

### **6.02 Harrisburg Area Community College Report**

Dr. Donahue: Dr. Cronin is absent so we will skip the Harrisburg Area Community College report.

### **6.03 Capital Area Intermediate Unit Report**

Mrs. Chabal: I have several quick things to talk about. The first is the Executive Director search update. This past Thursday on the 23<sup>rd</sup> we had two finalists visit the IU meeting in groups with the professional staff and the administrative staff. They had an opportunity to chat with both of them. There will be a follow up meeting of the search committee later this week where we will take into consideration any kind of feedback from a number of those groups and then we will probably proceed with more background information just to make sure everything is as it should be and come to a decision sometime after that time.

A couple of the very interesting items that we covered at the Board meeting is that in the middle part of June the IU was one of 19 sites to participate in a second virtual conference sponsored by PDE and the Intermediate Units. The topic was Bringing Your Own Technology to School – How and Why and provided an opportunity for state-wide and local conversation about the financial benefits, the legal implications, the network and security issues, and classroom management implications for schools who may be

considering offering their students the opportunity to bring their own devices to school. They are looking at developing cyber use policies and the IU has been asked and is developing/helping to write acceptable use policies for school districts that may be considering allowing their students to bring their own technology to school. I think given our interest in a one to one that may be something that we would want to keep a close eye on.

In addition to that Alicia McDonald, along with superintendents and district special education directors and IU staff, continue to meet and review and revise their regional strategic plan. Holley Brzycki who is the supervisor of the online learning continues to expand that program and currently they have participation in school districts in four intermediate units and they are looking forward to growing that Capital Area Online Learning Association.

CASA is in the midst of making a strategic planning committee and holding meetings. I actually have with me a strategic plan presentation that they made that I will be passing on to Dr. Faidley and he may well be getting one presented to him later. The CASA group will be visiting each of the school districts and speaking with administrative staff about CASA and changes that they are making to that program and how they hope to bring that program to a profitable program. Right now it is running at a deficit and one of the requirements of the current sitting IU Board is they begin to bring that on as a profitable organization, because it's just very difficult to continue that at a deficit which they've had for a number of years although there's a lot to be said about the supportive nature of that program.

That is it, thank you.

Dr. Donahue: Thank you Beulah. Any questions for Beulah?

#### **6.04 Derry Township Tax Collection Association Report**

Mr. Stover: The Dauphin County Tax Collection Committee met on June 15. I was unable to attend, but Mr. Rineer was there. We have our contract in place with Keystone. There was not a quorum there that night, but mostly what was discussed was Keystone laying out the benchmarks for the dates of when things need to happen.

Mr. Rineer: Correct. A calendar basically.

Mr. Stover: Calendar dates. So we're on track with that committee.

Our Tax Association met on June 23. We discussed outstanding earned income tax claims and tried to get some resolution to how to resolve it. We talked about Act 32. The main problem we still have is identifying a software provider so that we can continue to collect the LST or how we're going to do that. That's not resolved yet; we're still working on it. I'm sure we'll come to a resolution before the end of the year.

That's about it.

Dr. Donahue: Thanks Chuck. Any questions for Chuck?

## **SPECIAL REPORTS**

### **7.01 School Community Information Report**

Mr. Tredinnick: Just a brief report to let you know that this is the beginning of the third week of our modified summer schedule. We've gone to the three day weekend closure. It's been going very well. We've had positive feedback, both from our staff who have been working with the summer school program, because of the changes in the schedule there, as well as our friends over at the Township with Kids Club. The program has been working well and, in fact, the report from the Kids Club folks is it's worked very well for them, because the kids now sort of know every Friday is going to be a field trip day and they are enjoying the more time they get to spend at the pool.

Also I want to note that one of the reasons you were able to pass the budget that you did earlier this evening without a tax increase was due to some of the cutbacks in utilities, specifically the \$43,000 that we'll be saving by the voluntary blackout agreement rebates that we're participating in. This Wednesday will be the first one of those – Wednesday at 3:00, we'll be turning off all the power campus-wide. That will give us the baseline of what we can expect in terms of savings. This Wednesday at 3:00 there will be no electricity here at this building or any of our school buildings.

Dr. Donahue: Great. Thank you Dan. Any questions for Dan?

### **7.02 Board Members' Report**

Mr. Stover: As Treasurer-Elect, I just want to publicly state that the proposal that's coming for the Derry Township Supervisors concerning the Lingle Avenue proposal to have 38,000 square feet of distribution space – what they will be voting on is to change from an agricultural to an industrial zoning. This is going to provide a substantial amount of money to our District. There are some issues with the residents not being happy with truck traffic over there, but it is my understanding that the problems with the truck traffic is that the trucks are turning illegally onto Lingle Avenue. I believe the resolution that the supervisors are going to try and take is to rectify the problem of trucks illegally getting on Lingle Avenue. They are working on that resolution. If they do that, I think that the problems that are caused by the truck traffic to the residents would be greatly reduced. I polled our Board and the majority of our Board is also in favor of this proposal, so we look forward to, hopefully, that being passed at their next meeting. Thank you.

Mrs. Sheffey: I have two things. I've had several people in the community asking me about the televisions in our middle school. I really hate to burst the bubble of our middle school students, but they are not televisions. They will not be watching SpongeBob in the lunchroom. They are computer monitors and they are part of the AV sound system upgrade for our middle school. It allows us to use the middle school cafeteria as a large group instruction room whenever it's not in use as a cafeteria. The majority of that if not the total cost of that upgrade was paid for by the middle school PTO.

The second thing I wanted to do was I wanted to thank our outgoing citizen advisor for the Finance Committee, Bunny Hottenstein. I've been told you one of our original citizen advisors so you have given the District countless hours and valuable advice. I'm going to miss you on the Committee and I just wanted to thank you.

Bunny Hottenstein: Thank you very much. I appreciate it. Can I say a couple words?

Mrs. Sheffey: Please do.

Bunny Hottenstein: A lot of you know that I've been coming to School Board meetings for maybe about 25 years or so and since the committee structure started under Dr. Brewer, I came right away to the Finance Committee meetings. As Ellen said, I've been coming and then they made citizen advisors and I've been a citizen advisor. One of the reasons that I agreed not to come back or I said I didn't really want to come back as a citizen advisor is that I have a really busy life and half of it is on a farm south of Mercersburg, so I'm only in Hershey half time. But the really big reason is a kudo to Derry Township. For most of those years I was the only person here as a representative of the citizens at School Board meetings and certainly we didn't have committees, so there was no one there. Now, here we are already in summer and look how many people are here who are just interested in the workings of the School District, who are here because they care and because they are interested in keeping up from the inside. I think that's fantastic and I'm thrilled to know that with the committee structure we have a lot of opportunities for people to serve and offer their input. You have to keep in mind that a School Board is made up of people who are elected from the public and who may or may not have all of the talents and abilities that we need to serve our School District. Through the committee structure, we can accomplish attracting people with different talents and abilities to help the School District and the Administration do its job. I'm thrilled that we've gotten to this point and you no longer need me. Thank you very much.

Dr. Donahue: Can I ask you a question Bunny? Is it true that you've been keeping notes of the meetings for like 20 or 25 years?

Bunny Hottenstein: I'll tell you the truth. I have been sending them to the recycle.

Dr. Donahue: That was my next question.

Bunny Hottenstein: Because people used to call me when they wanted to look up past stuff and I'd be able to pull out that paperwork, but now we have so much online and so much archived and website and all that stuff. Even that part of my job is no longer necessary.

Dr. Donahue: Thank you Bunny.

Mrs. Sheffey: Thank you Bunny.

Mr. Gräb: I'm sorry one more Board member report. Mr. Morelli and myself are representing the School District on a Derry Township ad hoc committee to review the comprehensive plan as it does affect the School District. We met on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of June to finalize and review a community survey which we will be sending out to the community both electronically and as a hard copy, whatever your choice may be. I am going to forward a copy of that to each of the eight remaining Board members. I would appreciate it greatly if you take a look at this and if there is any input or any additions or deletions you might like to add to that and send back to us, Mr. Morelli and I and the members of the review committee would greatly appreciate that. Thank you.

Dr. Donahue: Thanks John. Are there other Board member reports? Chris?

Mr. Morelli: I have not been able to attend both of the committee meetings for the Township comprehensive plan, because they were the same days as the ad hoc advertising committee. We also had an ad hoc advertising committee meeting this past Wednesday. We spent the majority of our time talking about ordinances, but before that, the committee had a number of policies from other schools who have advertising that we reviewed. If we decide to go down this road, we have to obviously draft a policy. We identified a handful of components that the policy will probably include. On top of that we sort of got off track just a bit and talked about a couple other policies that we may either need to update or create, again, because of going down the road of school advertising. Those dealt with student fundraising, maybe booster club policy, relations with special interest groups in the community and sponsorships in advertising. Whether we have a policy or we need to create something, we'll probably be looking at that.

We talked about ordinances. One of the biggest things we think about when we think about school advertising is signage – both on our buildings and in our facilities, both inside and out. I can tell you at the Township level, they don't really care what we do within our buildings as long as you can't see it from the road. So that's going to prove interesting when we try to fit what we want to do at some of our outside athletic facilities within the parameters of the existing Township zoning ordinances for signage. They basically identify a sign as being under that ordinance if you can, and I'm just paraphrasing, if you can see that sign from a public roadway. So I think we're out of luck if we thought we were going to face signs towards 322 and Nike was going to come in and pay us \$3 million dollars to put a sign up, but there still may be opportunities on the outside of campus one way or another. The gentlemen at the Township spent a



good 20 minutes on the phone with me as I was driving home the other night explained a lot about the process, so probably one of our next to do's for the next meeting will be to get back with them and maybe draw a sketch plan and at least try to identify locations where we might possibly put some of these advertisements if we choose to do it that don't fall under the zoning requirements, because as they read, again, just quickly paraphrasing, as they read – if it does fall under a sign being on school property, it's almost impossible for us to do it, so more about that later.

One of the other things we talked about was there are advertising firms that you can contract with obviously to help you do this process that act sort of as a middle man. A couple of schools in the area are using them and we're going to reach out to these schools, see what their experience has been and look at some of the things they are doing. Unfortunately or obviously they are all outside of Derry Township so they probably don't have the ordinances that we need to deal with here in our District.

That's about it. We haven't picked a date for our next meeting. It will either be the July 20 or the 27 depending on the schedules of the committee.

Dr. Donahue: Thanks Chris. Any other Board member reports?

### **7.03 Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Faidley: Mr. President, members of the Board, I want to take a moment this evening to express my appreciation to the warm welcome that I received from various members of the Derry Township community. Part of my entrance plan as Superintendent was to get out and about this summer and meet as many individuals as I possibly could. I had the opportunity to meet with one of the Township Supervisors also the Town Manager, Jim Negley; received a tour of the Administration building and I think it's 39 Hershey Park Drive. What a fascinating building that is. Also, the many parents that have taken time out of their day to come meet with me in my office to express their welcome for me as the Superintendent as well as some ideas for positive change that they've expressed throughout the last couple of weeks.

I want to also say that I've had the opportunity to venture out to several of the local restaurants in the area and what amazing places – Bentleys, the Hershey Pantry, and the Cocoa Beanery to start.

On a serious note, in expressing my appreciation, I have many many more meetings scheduled throughout the course of the summer and I look forward to getting to know all of the people that I can both in the business community, at the political level, and also in the schools as they start up in the fall – the teachers and staff there as well as the students.

Thank you very much for this opportunity.

Dr. Donahue: Thank you Dr. Faidley.

#### **7.04 Board President's Report**

Dr. Donahue: Ellen made me promise not to say anything about her last day as Treasurer, but I'm President so I get to say what I want. I just want to take this opportunity once again to thank Ellen for a tremendous year as Treasurer and as a small token of our appreciation; we got you a little gift. You can open it. Ellen did a great job obviously, we've said over and over again. One of the most open budget process we have. It's engraved also.

Mrs. Sheffey: Thank you.

Dr. Donahue: It says, in appreciation Ellen Sheffey, Derry Township School Director Treasurer and Chief Money Saver.

#### **RECOGNITION OF CITIZENS (Agenda & Non-Agenda Items)**

##### **8.01 Recognition of Citizens (Agenda and Non-Agenda Items)**

None.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

##### **9.01 Adjournment**

Dr. Donahue: The next public School Board meeting will be held Monday, August 8, 2011 starting at 7:00 p.m. in the District Office Board Room.

Mrs. Sheffey moved to adjourn, with a second by Mrs. Chabal and, approved by unanimous voice vote by all members. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Stephen E. Rineer  
Secretary to the Board  
Approved at the August 8, 2011 meeting

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Dr. Henry Donahue  
President of the Board

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