

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

June 28, 2010

OPENING ITEMS

1.01 Call to Order

A meeting of the Board of School Directors, Derry Township School District was held on Monday, June 28, 2010, in the District Office Board Room. Dr. Henry Donahue, Board Vice-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
Dr. Mary Beth Hagan
Mr. Chris Morelli
Mrs. Ellen Sheffey
Mr. Charles Stover

Excused:

Dr. Donna Cronin
Dr. William Parrish

Superintendent:

Dr. Linda Brewer

Secretary:

Mr. Stephen Rineer

Solicitor:

Brian F. Jackson (Not Present)

Student Representative:

Not Present

Press:

Mr. Drew J. Weidman THE SUN
Mr. Dan Miller THE PATRIOT NEWS

Representatives of the Administrative Staff: Mr. Dan Tredinnick and Dr. Bernie Kepler.

Representatives of the Staff and Community: Bunny Hottenstein, Bruce Hancock, and P. Naus.

Dr. Donahue: Drs. Cronin and Parrish have an excused absence..

1.03 Flag Salute

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

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2.01 Approval of June 14, 2010 School Board Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Mrs. Chabal and seconded by Dr. Hagan to approve the minutes of the June 14, 2010 School Board meeting.

All Board members present signified by a Yes vote.

MOTION CARRIED

INFORMATION 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 issues of personnel.

3.02 Recognition of Citizens (Agenda Items)

None.

3.03 Standing Committee Report

Dr. Donahue: There was a closed Finance Committee meeting today. Mrs. Sheffey, do you have a report?

Mrs. Sheffey: I do. I'll be brief. It was good news to start. Steve provided us with the latest revenue projections. I know, in March he was very concerned that our EIT (Earned Income Tax) was trending low and that we would not make budget, but in the last two months, things have moved along and we have not only met budget, we have exceeded it slightly. Overall, our revenues for the end of year are projected to be slightly above budget, 1.12% above budget. We did a revenue versus expense projection summary. We are going to end the year with a balanced budget, so it was very good news.

We also talked about, I have two separate issues related to SWAP, remember in March, we passed a resolution to enter into a basis swap should certain conditions be met. Those conditions never were met and so what we need to do now is rescind that resolution. We will be doing that at our second meeting in August. You'll see a resolution to rescind our resolution to enter into a basis swap. At the first meeting in August, we learned tonight from Mr. Verdelli, who didn't attend the meeting, but shared information with us ahead of time that there is another opportunity for a basis swap. He will come to our first meeting in August and provide the full Board with information. It sounds like it's an opportunity that has a little less risk, but not as much opportunity for gain, so we'll all be hearing about that during the first meeting in August.

The last thing we discussed was the financing of the adaptive PE position. You'll see it on your agenda tonight. It's a new position and we would be using federal access funds to pay for this. We currently have a reserve of about \$250,000 in that fund, but we would be able to pay for this position with ongoing revenues that are coming in. It's something we would like to do for the year. If this works out, we would consider doing this for future years. It's important because next year we're bringing back IU class and then the following year we would like to bring back a second IU class and these are services we would like to be providing to our students rather than the IU.

Is that everything?

Mr. Gräb: Just a point of clarification. That initial swaps resolution was passed in March of 2009, just so people don't think we change our mind every 3 months.

Mrs. Sheffey: Thank you.

Dr. Kepler: That's important, Mr. Gräb as the minutes that I just sent out from that meeting not long ago said March 2010, so I will make that correction.

Dr. Donahue: Thank you, Mrs. Sheffey. Are there any questions for Mrs. Sheffey or Mr. Gräb?

Mr. Gräb: Or Mr. Morelli?

Dr. Donahue: I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the Finance Committee and all their hard work and work with administration to work on the budget this past year and especially the community advisors for their hard work and a job well done. Thank you.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

4.01 Unfinished Business

None.

NEW BUSINESS

5.01 Adoption of Final Budget for 2010-2011

Be it resolved that the Derry Township School District Proposed Final General Fund Budget, as presented for the school year 2010-2011, be adopted in the amount of \$51,457,927. The general operating expenses 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 \$957,250.

Be it further resolved and made known that the adoption of the 2010-2011 budget is in accordance with Section 687 of the School Laws of Pennsylvania, and further, that the authorized proposed final General Fund Budget document was made available for public inspection for 20 days beginning May 25, 2010.

Mrs. Chabal moved the Board approve the final budget and was seconded by Mr. Morelli.

Mr. Morelli: Just real quickly. I will be voting yes on this motion tonight, but I just wanted to thank a couple of folks. First of all, our citizen advisors for their continued service, obviously, to the Township and this District for many years. Their expertise helps this process immensely. I really appreciate it. I also wanted to thank Ellen and Steve for helping me this year – this being my first budget – pretty much on a daily basis some days and some weeks with trying to understand the different line items and the process. Lastly, I wanted to thank Dr. Brewer and the administration for doing some hard work to try to reduce some of the costs with her administration, with her academic folks, and the athletic department as well. I believe we saved somewhere in the neighborhood or realized a savings of around \$500,000 with some of the programs that were cut. I really appreciate that. You know we'll be looking to do that next year again, as well as looking at some of the other processes next year that may come up that really affect the District. Once again, to Steve and Ellen for helping me, thank you very much and Dr. Brewer, thank you on behalf of, I guess the Finance Committee. Sorry, Ellen, if you don't mind, for working with the administrative staff and the schools. Thank you.

Dr. Donahue: Thank you, Mr. Morelli. Other discussion?

Roll Call Vote:

Chabal – Yes

Cronin – Absent

Donahue – Yes

Gräb – Yes

Hagan – Yes

Morelli – Yes

Parrish – Absent

Sheffey – Yes

Stover - Yes

7 Yes, 2 Absent

MOTION CARRIED

5.02 Adoption of Tax Resolution for 2010-2011

The Administration recommended the Board of School Directors adopt the following Tax Resolutions in order to fund the 2010-2011 budget:

1. **Real Estate Tax**

The Real Estate Tax is 16.99 mills that provides \$31,660,499 in local revenue. For 2010-20101 one mill of Real Estate Tax equals \$1,932,810 at a 98.4% collection rate.

2. **Other Taxes**

BE IT RESOLVED that the following taxes currently in full force and effect be continued for the 2010-2011 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)

Mrs. Sheffey moved the Board approve the adoption of the tax resolution and was seconded by Dr. Hagan.

Mr. Gräb: Thank you, Mr. Chairperson. This was an arduous job getting this budget in place with these tax increases. I know we as a Board do not like to raise taxes on the citizens, but we need to keep in mind that last year we did not and going forward from last year, it has a extremely negative impact on our cash flow going forward. In

addition, there are those school districts around us who have raised their taxes somewhat than the 2.9% we are proposing. There are other school districts that have passed budgets that have passed budgets this year with no tax increase utilizing funds from their general fund which, if you remember, if you lived in the Township a period of time, we tried several years ago to balance our budget using monies from the general fund which resulted later on in a rather significant tax increase. I'd like to compliment those members of the Finance Committee who did work on this budget in cooperation with the administration to bring it in with only a 2.9% tax increase. As we go forward, Act 1 could further restrict our ability to tax in the future.

Dr. Donahue: Thank you, Mr. Gräb. Those are very good points. Other discussion?

Roll Call Vote:

Chabal – Yes	Gräb – Yes	Parrish – Absent
Cronin – Absent	Hagan – Yes	Sheffey – Yes
Donahue –Yes	Morelli – Yes	Stover - Yes

7 Yes, 2 Absent

MOTION CARRIED

5.03 Approval of Finance Report for May 2010

1.	The Treasurer's Report for the month ending May 31, 2010 was summarized as follows:	
	• General Fund Revenues	\$900,826
	• General Fund Expenditures	4,737,674
	• Balance of Cash Plus Investments (Includes \$4,541,549 Capital Reserve)	16,054,088
2.	The listed schedule of investment transactions for the period beginning May 1, 2010 through May 31, 2010 has totaled interest earnings of \$5,871 comprised of the following:	
	• General Fund	\$96
	• Money Market	4,208
	• Capital Reserve	1,567

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PA Local Government Investment Trust 	0
	The average interest rate for May 2010 was .43%	
3.	The May 2010 expenditures for the paid bills for all funds totaled \$1,988,038 excluding net payroll, retirement contributions, and debt service.	
4.	The June 2010 expenditures for the unpaid bills for all funds totaled \$810,190.	
5.	The estimated expenditures of the General Fund for the month of June 2010 were in the following amounts:	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Operating Expenses 	\$1,300,000
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Utilities 	125,500
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Net Payroll (End of Year Pay) 	1,882,000
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Employer Provided Insurance 	337,900
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Payroll Deductions 	1,018,000
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Employer Payroll Taxes (FICA/RET) 	483,000
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Debt Service 	<u>0</u>
	Total Estimated Expenditures	\$5,146,400

Dr. Hagan moved the Board approve the Finance Report and was seconded by Mr. Stover.

Roll Call Vote:

Chabal – Yes
Cronin – Absent
Donahue –Yes

Gräb – Yes
Hagan – Yes
Morelli – Yes

Parrish – Absent
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 2010 budget transfers. Mr. Gräb moved the Board approve the budget transfers and was seconded by Mrs. Chabal.

Roll Call Vote:

Chabal – Yes

Cronin – Absent

Donahue – Yes

Gräb – Yes

Hagan – Yes

Morelli – Yes

Parrish – Absent

Sheffey – Yes

Stover - Yes

7 Yes, 2 Absent

MOTION CARRIED

5.05 Requests for Payment - Construction Projects

Mr. Rineer: The Administration recommended the approval of the following contractor invoices as reviewed and approved by me and Mr. Consalo for payment in July 2010 for not to exceed amounts:

Parking Lot Improvements:		
1.	Hayes Large Architect, LLP Bill No. 1005-052	\$11,485.00
2.	Hayes Large Architect, LLP (CS Davidson) Bill No. 1005-053	7,544.71
3.	Township of Derry Invoice No. 70667-6	1,414.75
Middle School Expansion:		
4.	SchraderGroup Architecture, LLC Invoice No. 00766	53,694.53
5.	Township of Derry Invoice No. 771046-8	32.00

	Elementary School/LGI:	
6.	Hayes Large Architect, LLP Bill No. 1005-051	21,972.22
7.	Derry Township School District Reimbursement for: Building Permits <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elementary School 3,304.00 • Middle School <u>18,326.00</u> 21,530.00 Dauphin County Recorder of Deeds <u>337.00</u>	21,867.00
8.	The Administration recommends the approval of contractor invoices, as approved by Mr. Rineer and Mr. Consalo for payment in July 2010 for the following NOT TO EXCEED amounts:	
	Middle School Expansion:	
	ECI (General Contractor) 79,000.00 BASS (Plumbing) 19,000.00 LEER (Electrical) 40,000.00 A.H. Moyer (HVAC) 66,393.00	
	Elementary School Addition::	
	None	
	Parking Lot Improvements:	
	Handwerk 113,390.50 Fullerton (Electrical) 3,250.00	

Mrs. Chabal moved the Board approve payments and was seconded by Dr. Hagan.

Roll Call Vote:

Chabal – Yes

Gräb – Yes

Parrish – Absent

Cronin – Absent

Hagan – Yes

Sheffey – Yes

Donahue –Yes

Morelli – Yes

Stover - Yes

7 Yes, 2 Absent

MOTION CARRIED

5.06 Approval of Athletic Physician Services

The Administration recommended the appointment of Penn State Milton S. Hershey Medical Center for Athletic Physician Services for a two-year agreement starting July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2012.

Mrs. Sheffey moved the Board approve the request and was seconded by Dr. Hagan.

Roll Call Vote:

Chabal – Yes	Gräb – Yes	Parrish – Absent
Cronin – Absent	Hagan – Yes	Sheffey – Yes
Donahue –Yes	Morelli – Yes	Stover - Yes

7 Yes, 2 Absent

MOTION CARRIED

5.07 Approval of Extended Food Services Agreement - Hershey Christian School 2010-2011

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 arrangement whereby the District will provide onsite lunch to Hershey Christian School for three days per week, to commence on September 13, 2010 and ending at the conclusion of the Hershey Christian School academic year or the District school year, whichever shall occur first.

Mr. Stover moved the Board approve the request and was seconded by Mr. Morelli.

Roll Call Vote:

Chabal – Yes	Gräb – Yes	Parrish – Absent
Cronin – Absent	Hagan – Yes	Sheffey – Yes
Donahue –Yes	Morelli – Yes	Stover - Yes

7 Yes, 2 Absent

MOTION CARRIED

5.08 Approval to Eliminate Course

The Administration recommended the approval to eliminate a Hershey High School English program entitled:
Yearbook

It is recommended the program be offered as an extracurricular activity.

Dr. Hagan moved the Board approve the request and was seconded by Mrs. Sheffey.

Mr. Gräb: I think it should be known to the public that this recommendation came through the Curriculum Committee to the administration. It was reviewed by Mr. Murphy, the Chairman of the English Department at the high school and Mr. McFarland, so it's not something that just came out of the blue. It has gone through the process and making it an extracurricular activity provides the opportunity for much more people to be involved in the work of the yearbook. That's not included here, but I thought the public should know that.

Dr. Donahue: Thank you Mr. Gräb.

Mrs. Sheffey: I was going to ask why.

Dr. Donahue: I mean, I think this is an unusual case where we eliminate a program, but actually increase service to the students.

Mr. Gräb: Participation, you're absolutely right.

Roll Call Vote:

Chabal – Yes

Cronin – Absent

Donahue – Yes

Gräb – Yes

Hagan – Yes

Morelli – Yes

Parrish – Absent

Sheffey – Yes

Stover - Yes

7 Yes, 2 Absent

MOTION CARRIED

5.09 Approval of Textbooks

The Administration recommended the approval of the following textbooks for the use in the 2010-2011 school year:

High School:	
<i>Curricular Area:</i>	Foreign Language
<i>Subject/Course:</i>	French Levels IV and V
<i>Title:</i>	Tresors du Temps
<i>Publisher:</i>	McGraw Glencoe
<i>Author:</i>	Yvone Lenard
<i>Copyright:</i>	2005
<i>Curricular Area:</i>	English Reading

<i>Subject/Course:</i>	Essentials of Reading
<i>Title:</i>	Literacy Navigator
<i>Publisher:</i>	America's Choice
<i>Author:</i>	America's Choice
<i>Copyright:</i>	2010

Mrs. Chabal moved the Board approve the request and was seconded by Mr. Stover.

Roll Call Vote:

Chabal – Yes

Gräb – Yes

Parrish – Absent

Cronin – Absent

Hagan – Yes

Sheffey – Yes

Donahue –Yes

Morelli – Yes

Stover - Yes

7 Yes, 2 Absent

MOTION CARRIED

5.10 Requests for the Use of School Facilities

The Administration recommended the approval of the following Requests for the Use of School Facilities:

<i>Group:</i>	Hershey Soccer Club
<i>Date/Time:</i>	Weekdays August 2 to November 12, 2010 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
	Weekends August 7 to November 14, 2010 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
<i>Requested Facility:</i>	Middle School Soccer Field
<i>Event:</i>	Hershey Soccer Club Travel program Soccer Games and Practices
<i>Fee:</i>	None
<i>Group:</i>	Hershey Youth Soccer Association
<i>Date/Time:</i>	August 17, September 21, October 19, November 16, 2010 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
<i>Requested Facility:</i>	Middle School LGI

<i>Event:</i>	Monthly Meeting of Hershey Youth Soccer Board of Directors
<i>Fee:</i>	None
<i>Group:</i>	Elementary Wrestling
<i>Date/Time:</i>	October 10, December 19, 2010 February 6, 2011, March 13, 2011 6:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
<i>Requested Facility:</i>	High School Gym, Bathrooms, Kitchen, Cafeteria
<i>Event:</i>	Elementary Wrestling Tournaments
<i>Fee:</i>	As per Lease Agreement

Dr. Hagan moved the Board approve the request and was seconded by Mr. Gräb.

Roll Call Vote:

Chabal – Yes

Gräb – Yes

Parrish – Absent

Cronin – Absent

Hagan – Yes

Sheffey – Yes

Donahue –Yes

Morelli – Yes

Stover - Yes

7 Yes, 2 Absent

MOTION CARRIED

5.11 Personnel – Resignations

The Administration recommended the approval of the following resignations:

Professional:
Breisch, Linda Associate School Nurse St. Joan of Arc and Hershey Christian School Reason: Personal Effective: 06/11/2010 (retroactive)
Foley, Michele English Teacher High School Reason: Personal Effective: 06/11/2010 (retroactive)
Classified:

Althouse, Jeremy
HVAC Tech/Plumber
District-wide
Reason: Personal
Effective: 08/06/2010

Limited Service Contracts:

Felker, Robert
Assistant Varsity Girls' Basketball Coach
High School
Reason: Personal
Effective: 06/28/2010

Gambelunghe, Randolph
Head Varsity Girls' Basketball Coach
High School
Reason: Personal
Effective: 06/28/2010

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

Roll Call Vote:

Chabal – Yes	Gräb – Yes	Parrish – Absent
Cronin – Absent	Hagan – Yes	Sheffey – Yes
Donahue –Yes	Morelli – Yes	Stover - Yes

7 Yes, 2 Absent

MOTION CARRIED

Dr. Donahue: When do we do . . . ?

Male Voice: Now.

Dr. Donahue: Do you want to speak up? Mr. Gräb?

Mr. Gräb: I'll let you make your announcement, then I'll jump right in.

Dr. Donahue: Okey doke. Dr. Kepler, will you please present the Personnel General?

5.12 Personnel – General

1.	The Administration recommended the approval of the following appointments:
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Professional:

<p>Bown, Ryan (new position) Health/PE Teacher Middle and High Schools Professional Masters, Step 4 Salary: \$46,726.25 Effective: 08/23/2010 (pending receipt of Act 34, 151, and 114 clearances)</p>
<p>Horst, Vanessa (for Patricia Costello) Part-time Art Teacher Middle School Long Term Substitute Bachelors, Step 1 Salary: \$40,281.25 (pro-rated) Effective: 08/23/2010 through the end of the 2010-2011 school year</p>
<p>O'Connell, Stacey (replacing Robert Dailey) Grade 6 Teacher Middle School Temporary Professional Bachelors, Step 1 Salary: \$40,281.25 Effective: 08/23/2010 (pending receipt of Act 34, 151, and 114 clearances)</p>
<p>Remmel, Elizabeth (replacing Susan Seaver) English Teacher High School Temporary Professional Bachelors, Step 1 Salary: \$40,281.25 Effective: 08/23/2010</p>
<p>Ruhl, Douglas (replacing 1/2 Bonnie Ritchey and 1/2 Mark Painter) Business Education Teacher High School Temporary Professional Bachelors, Step 2 Salary: \$41,892.50 Effective: 08/23/2010 (pending receipt of Act 34, 151, and 114 clearances)</p>
<p>Transfer of Professional Staff:</p>
<p>REVISED: Greene, Adam * From: Special Education Aide High School Level B: 6.0 hours per day Salary: \$13.02 per hour To: Emotional Support Teacher Elementary School</p>

<p>Temporary Professional Bachelors, Step 1 Salary: \$40,281.25 Effective: 08/23/2010 (pending receipt of PA certification)</p>
<p>Transfer of Classified Staff:</p>
<p>Campeau, Glenn * From: Substitute Recess/Cafeteria Aide Elementary School To: Recess Aide (replacing Dana Cave) Elementary School Level A: 4.5 hours per day Salary: \$10.92 per hour (pending HESPA contract) Effective: 08/30/2010</p>
<p>Limited Service Contracts:</p>
<p>Bown, Ryan * Head Varsity Baseball Coach High School Level I, Group C, Step 22 Salary: \$5,558 Effective: 02/28/2011 (pending receipt of Act 34, 151, and 114 clearances)</p>
<p>Coller, R. Chris Assistant 9th Grade Football Coach (replacing John Arndt) High School Level II, Group A, Step 22 Salary: \$4,863 Effective: 08/16/2010 (pending receipt of Act 34, 151, and 114 clearances)</p>
<p>Eshleman, Steven (replacing Robert Felker) Assistant Varsity Girls' Basketball Coach High School Level II, Group B, Step 22 Salary: \$4,377 Effective: 11/19/2010 (pending receipt of Act 34, 151, and 114 clearances)</p>
<p>Manney, Rebekah (replacing Randolph Gambelunghe) Head Varsity Girls' Basketball Coach High School Level I, Group B, Step 22 Salary: \$6,253 Effective: 11/19/2010 (pending receipt of Act 34, 151, and 114 clearances)</p>
<p>Transfer of Coaching Staff:</p>
<p>Arndt, John * From: Assistant 9th Grade Football Coach High School To: Volunteer Assistant 9th Grade Football Coach</p>

	High School Effective: 08/16/2010
2.	The Administration recommended the approval of the Limited Service Contract List for the 2010-2011 school year as attached.
3.	The Administration recommended the approval of the Department and Grade Level Coordinators for the 2010-2011 school year as attached.
	<i>* This individual is currently an employee and/or volunteer. Clearances are on file.</i>

Mr. Gräb: Dr. Donahue, I would like to break out, if I could, the limited service contracts, which are just called Limited Service Contracts due to some personal work with some of the candidates that are on here. I'd prefer just to abstain on this.

Dr. Donahue: Okay, just the limited service contracts. So, we'll vote on the Professional, the Transfer of Professional Staff, the Transfer of Classified Staff, and then the Transfer of Coaching Staff. That will be the first item we vote on. Is everyone clear on that?

Response: Yes.

Dr. Donahue: Is there a motion that we vote on those?

Mrs. Chabal moved the Board approve the personnel recommendations, excluding Limited Service Contracts and was seconded by Dr. Hagan.

Dr. Donahue: Once again, this is for Professional, Transfer of Professional Staff, Transfer of Classified Staff, and Transfer of Coaching Staff. Voting to approve. Mr. Rineer:

Roll Call Vote:

Chabal – Yes
Cronin – Absent
Donahue – Yes

Gräb – Yes
Hagan – Yes
Morelli – Yes

Parrish – Absent
Sheffey – Yes
Stover - Yes

7 Yes, 2 Absent

MOTION CARRIED

Dr. Donahue: And now I would like a motion to vote on the Limited Service Contracts.

Mrs. Chabal moved the Board approve the Limited Service Contracts personnel recommendations and was seconded by Mr. Gräb.

Roll Call Vote:

Chabal – Yes
Cronin – Absent
Donahue – Yes

Gräb – Abstain
Hagan – Yes
Morelli – Yes

Parrish – Absent
Sheffey – Yes
Stover - Yes

6 Yes, 2 Absent, 1 Abstention

MOTION CARRIED

DELEGATES REPORTS

6.01 Dauphin County Technical School Report

Mr. Gräb: I will cover for Mr. Morelli this evening, since he was so kind to cover for me earlier. The Dauphin County Technical School joint operating committee did meet on Wednesday, June 16. In our joint operating work session, we did hear a middle stage report from Madeline Bowman and it appears as if the tech school will be given accreditation by the middle states. Dauphin County Technical School now has a presence on both Twitter and Facebook. We reviewed the 2009-2010 administrative goals from Dr. Lacey. Dr. Arnold presented a strategic plan for us going forward. We looked at a 2010-2011 staffing analysis, 2010-2011 projected enrollments. Both Mr. Morelli and I were interested to note that Derry Township actually has 10 people enrolled as incoming freshman for the upcoming year. We did take a look at some job descriptions and some other business in our normal session. We did the usual personnel, credit reimbursements, yadda yadda yadda, etc.

Mr. Morelli: Can I add something to that Mr. Chairman?

Dr. Donahue: Yes.

Mr. Morelli: I just wanted to say in talking about the new Facebook and Twitter page that the technical school's put up, they are also embarking on a campaign to advertise their school a lot more and I was wondering if we could get a link on our webpage to theirs to go out and look at some of their information on the school. I'm sure they have a ton of it out there, obviously, on their site. At the very least, if we could help them sort of promote their services.

Dr. Donahue: That's a great idea, thank you Mr. Morelli.

6.02 Derry Township Tax Collection Association Report

Mrs. Sheffey: I'm going to defer to Mr. Stover since I was not present.

Mr. Stover: The Tax Collection Association met on last Thursday, June 24. Some good news, our software supplier, Weidenhammer, was going to not support our software for

the year of 2011 and we were scrambling with how we were going to be supported for that. They have since rescinded that and said they will, although the cost is going to be a little bit higher. So, the good news is we're going to be covered for another year and in 2012, the EIT is going to be collected by the county, so we should have a good bridge to continue operations and then the county will take over. That was very good news.

We also voted to take an account that is very past due in payroll taxes and we have hired a collection attorney to handle that for us and attempt to collect it and we only pay them if they, it's contingent upon collection, the fees that would be involved.

That's it for the Tax Association. The Dauphin County Tax Collection Committee met as well about two weeks ago. The only substantial thing that came out of that is we decided to hire, we're going to use Greystone Bank. We're applying for a \$50,000 line of credit. Their terms were the best, so we're trying to set that up at this time.

The only thing I would ask, Steve, did we get a bill for our portion of the 25, yet? They said they sent them out. We might need to inquire. They said they sent them out, because payments have been received.

Mr. Rineer: Since our rate and operations are identical with the Township of Derry, I wonder if that's where probably the confusion resulted. I have not seen any billing at all from the Tax Committee.

Mr. Stover: Okay, alright. That's it.

Dr. Donahue: Thank you, Mr. Stover.

6.03 Harrisburg Area Community College Report

Dr. Donahue: Nothing to report.

6.04 Capital Area Intermediate Unit Report

Mrs. Chabal: Thank you very much. It was actually, given the fact that the IU Board meetings are rather lengthy most times, it was quite short. Basically, a lot of the procedures were doing budgetary items, there are something close to 40 budgets at the IU. We don't always have detailed information on all of them, we have detailed information on parts of them. There were a number of fiscal matters that were spoken about, a number of policies were second review policies and a couple of new first reviewing policies. One of the most important things that occurred is Amy Morten, the Executive Director of the IU is going on a leave of absence and will be serving as a, not an administrative assistant necessarily, but serving in the Department of Education for a period of time. That leave of absence is one that will, there is a financial savings, a small financial savings to the IU because she's obviously going to be paid by the

Department of Education, however, and the concerns were expressed from the Board about the oversight during this particular financial time, especially with concerns with CASA and some other programs that are run by the IU. Mrs. Morten obviously felt very satisfied, there were a number of us on the Board who think that she will make a fine representative to the Department of Education. There are some concern about the executive oversight of the IU itself during her absence, so we will be keeping, certainly, an eye on that as well as we can. I do think that there is a real probability that Mrs. Morten may be serving in a position with the Department of Education sometime in the future, because her qualifications for that are certainly exemplary.

That's pretty much what we are doing. Obviously, looking through their Act 93 is coming up for them very soon for renewal. The negotiations that are currently ongoing with their Education Association is not making any progress at all. We are in the midst of doing an end of the year evaluation for Mrs. Morten, not unlike we are doing for our superintendent as well. That's all I have to say.

Dr. Donahue: Thank you Mrs. Chabal. Any questions?

SPECIAL REPORTS

7.01 Announcement of Staff Development Conferences

Erin Schoppy Taylor Yearbook Advisor Development Workshop Dallas, Texas July 23 - 26, 2010 Expenses: \$200.00

Renee Owens, Jeffrey Mummert, John Gabrielle Keystone Integrators of Technology Conference Bucknell University July 26 - 30, 2010 Expenses: \$285.00 (each)

Kristen Acri, Melissa Cherry National Autism Conference State College, PA August 2 - 6, 2010 Expenses: \$375.00

7.02 School and Community Information Report

Mr. Tredinnick: Thank you. This is actually the first meeting of the Board we've had since the conclusion of the spring sports for our teams. I just wanted to take the opportunity to announce for the record and congratulate the boys baseball team for

finishing as the PIAA runner up in their classification. When last we met, they were still in the throes of the playoffs and so I just wanted to take a minute and acknowledge for the record their success in that endeavor.

Also, it was mentioned here earlier about the utilization of some electronic tools, specifically Twitter. I just wanted to note that we will be using our Twitter site to provide updates on the ongoing campus projects which are now gearing up and, in fact, are in full throttle across the campus. That will be one of the tools that we'll be using along with our website to keep our citizens aware of the many things that are going on here over the summer.

Dr. Donahue: Thank you, Mr. Tredinnick.

7.03 Board Members' Report

Mr. Gräb: Thank you, Dr. Donahue. Not a report, the last meeting during the presentation on the middle school, Mrs. King had alluded to a research project that had been done and I had asked her some pertinent questions and asked her to provide some follow up information, which she so kindly has done. I have not had an opportunity to review it yet, I just got in town this morning, but I wanted to thank her for her quick follow up.

Dr. Donahue: Anybody else? I'll update on the Curriculum Council which met June 7. We approved the elimination of yearbook that we voted on and the two textbooks. We spent some time with Mr. Murphy discussing changes in the academic recognition of students. I won't go over the details, but they are available. The new standards or new policies are available from Mr. Murphy and applies to honor roll, what it takes to be on the honor roll, what it takes to be on the National Honor Society, and what it takes to get underclass awards also. If you have any specific questions, I can answer them now or you can ask Mr. Murphy at a later date.

Mrs. Sheffey: Hank, where did you say that information is available?

Dr. Donahue: From Mr. Murphy.

Mrs. Sheffey: Oh, okay. Just shoot him an e-mail?

Mr. Tredinnick: Mr. Vice President, if I may, that document is also published on the high school portion of the website.

Dr. Donahue: Oh, okay. Thank you. Don't bother Mr. Murphy then.

7.04 Superintendent's Report

Dr. Brewer: I just want to take 30 seconds to thank this Board for all their hard work this year. We are at the end of a school calendar year as of this meeting and when you think about the year in retrospect, all the difficult decisions, all the truth telling and the really due diligence that you've done on some very complicated and difficult problems to be solved, I just think you're to be congratulated. Culminating in passing the final budget and, of course, Dan alluded to the building project for which we got our building permits last week which is a huge step. The students have been so successful this year. I don't know if any of you saw the most recent US News and World Report, we again made one of the top high schools in the country list, I think we're in the top 3% this time. That's based on the number of kids that take AP tests and of course, that would be no way the only metric that we would want to rest our laurels on, but we just received the pivot tables for the PSSA testing which will be formally reported on when we do our state of the union in September with our District portfolio and that looks quite promising too. All in all, a difficult, but I think successful year, so thank you.

Dr. Donahue: Thank you, Dr. Brewer and on behalf of the Board, we appreciate all the administrator's hard work this year.

RECOGNITION OF CITIZENS (Non-Agenda Items)

8.01 Recognition of Citizens

None.

ADJOURNMENT

9.01 Adjournment

Dr. Donahue: The next public Board meeting will be held Monday, August 9, 2010 starting at 7:00 p.m. in the District Office Board Room.

Mr. Stover moved to adjourn, with a second by Mrs. Chabal and, approved by unanimous voice vote by all members. The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen E. Rineer
Secretary to the Board
Approved at the August 9, 2010 meeting

Dr. William Parrish
President of the Board

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