

CALL TO ORDER At 7:04 p.m., the January 23, 2023, meeting of the Susquehanna Township Board of School Directors was called to order by President John F. Dietrich.

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT Mr. Majid Ali, Mr. Jesse Rawls, Sr., Mr. Terry Heller, Dr. Michael Cohen Keita Kalonji Johnson, Esq., Mr. John F. Dietrich

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS Rebecca McCullough, Esq.

ABSENT Mr. Scott Campbell, Ms. Julieann Newill

DISTRICT OFFICE PRESENT Mr. Oslwen Anderson, Jr., Mr. Mark Holman, Dr. Tamara Willis, Dr. Kristi Prime, Mrs. Carrie Martin, Ms. Ann-Marie Rathmell, Mr. Justin Green, Mr. Jonathan Bishop, Stephen Moniak, Esq.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
The President announced that executive session was held immediately prior to the meeting for the purpose of personnel, real estate, and student matters. An executive session was also held immediately following the January 9, 2023, board meeting for the purpose of student matters.

REPORTS/ ANNOUNCEMENTS
Student Board Representatives: Bessie Idan presented a report highlighting recent activities and events in district buildings. (attached to BoardDocs)

Dauphin County Technical School (DCTS): Mr. Rawls reported that DCTS has begun honoring a Student of the Month and a Teacher of the Month. Students from DCTS are currently working on renovating a house in Harrisburg which when completed, will be sold at auction. Additionally, Mr. Brightbill, Building Construction Technology Teacher, has been nominated for a teacher of the year award.

Superintendent Report: Dr. Tamara Willis congratulated high school Civics teacher and students in the class. 92% of high school learners who took the state required assessment of civic knowledge passed the exam. STSD had 5 earners who had perfect scores and were recognized with a certificate from the state, Gaurab Acharya, Jade Clark, Thuyen Pham, Alyssa Richardson, and Amelie Truax. STSD chose to use the Naturalization test as the measure of knowledge. Dr. Willis thanked Mr. Krause and recognized the following students who participated in the DCMEA All County Orchestra: Anthony Do, Carson Kime, Aaliyah Haya, Bessie Idan, Isha Savage, Mara Sturges, and Saige Solier-Whitney. Dr. Willis presented board members with certificates in honor of School Director Recognition Month.

Board of Commissioners: Mr. Dietrich reported that Natasha Williams, Esq. has replaced Justin Flemming on the board. The board enacted the budget with no new taxes.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS FOR JANUARY 23, 2023

MOTION TO APPROVE

2.A. Moved by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Ali to approve the meeting agenda for January 23, 2023, as amended. Item 11A, 2023-2024 School Calendar, was amended to be new item 3.B.

Motion passed 7-0, 0 abstentions, 2 absent (Mr. Campbell, Ms. Newill)

2.B. Board Member Comments

The board thanked Dr. Steven Sexsmith for attending the meeting and thanked him for his years of service.

III. HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

3.A. Hearing of the Public -None

MOTION TO APPROVE

3.B. Moved by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Heller, to approve Item 3.B.
Motion passed 7-0, 0 abstentions, 2 absent (Mr. Campbell, Ms. Newill)

3.B. Approve the 2023-2024 STSD School Calendar.

Pat Raugh provided a brief update from the Calendar Committee. The committee reviewed the responses to the community survey and noted that the community preferred a hybrid model for weather make-up days. The board thanked the committee for their hard work and for considering the needs of the community.

IV. PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSIONS

None

V. MINUTES

MOTION TO APPROVE

5.A.B. Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to approve Items 5.A.B.
Motion passed 7-0, 0 abstentions, 2 absent (Mr. Campbell, Ms. Newill)

5.A. Approve the Minutes of the December 19, 2022, Board Meeting.

5.B. Approve the Minutes of the January 9, 2023, Board Meeting.

VI. PROGRAM

MOTION TO APPROVE

6.A. Moved by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Ali, to approve Item 6.A.
Motion passed 5-2 (Mr. Dietrich, Dr. Cohen) , 0 abstentions, 2 absent (Mr. Campbell, Ms. Newill)

6.A. Approve the creation of the Free to Be Me (F2BM) Club at the Susquehanna Township Middle School.

MOTION TO APPROVE

6.B. Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Dr. Cohen, to approve Item 6.B.
Motion passed 6-1 (Mr. Heller) , 0 abstentions, 2 absent (Mr. Campbell, Ms. Newill)

6.B. Approve the 2023-2024 STHS Course Planning Guide, as attached.

VII. PERSONNEL

MOTION TO APPROVE

7.A.B.C.D.E.F.G. Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to approve Items 7.A.B.C.D.E.F.G.
Motion passed 7-0, 0 abstentions, 2 absent (Mr. Campbell, Ms. Newill)

7.A. Approve the retirement of Stephen Sexsmith, Ph.D., as Chemistry Teacher at the Susquehanna Township High School at the end of the 2022-2023 school year. Dr. Sexsmith has been with the district since 1996.

7.B.1. Amend the resignation of Christine Renaldi as Math Teacher at the Susquehanna Township Middle School to effective December 31, 2022.

7.B.2. Approve the resignation of Rose Cabrera as Assistant III/PCA at the Susquehanna Township Middle School, effective January 10, 2023.

7.B.3. Approve the resignation of Christopher Haun as Business Education Teacher at the Susquehanna Township High School, effective January 13, 2023. Mr. Haun will be held 60 days or until a replacement is found, whichever occurs first.

7.B.4. Approve the resignation of Jacqueline Batcha as Science Teacher at the Susquehanna Township Middle School, effective January 13, 2023. Ms. Batcha will be held 60 days or until a replacement is found, whichever occurs first.

7.B.5. Approve the resignation of Justin Assadinia as Strength and Conditioning Coach at the Susquehanna Township High School, effective January 14, 2023.

7.B.6. Amend the resignation of Nicole Smith as Principal at the Susquehanna Township High School from effective date to be determined to effective January 27, 2023.

7.C. Approve the transfer of Mr. David Archer as Assistant Principal at the Susquehanna Township High School to Acting Principal at the Susquehanna Township High School at a salary of \$105,000.00, pro-rated, effective January 30, 2023. Mr. Archer will be replacing Dr. Nicole Smith.

7.D.1. Amend Shannen DeLaurentis as Math Teacher at the Susquehanna Township Middle School at a salary of \$52,861.00, pro-rated, from an effective date to be determined to effective March 13, 2023. Ms. DeLaurentis will be replacing Christine Renaldi.

7.D.2. Amend Darcy Wallace as Speech Pathologist at the Thomas W. Holtzman, Jr. Elementary School at a salary of \$51,249.00, pro-rated, from effective date to be determined to effective January 17, 2023. Ms. Wallace will be replacing Jordan Schwalm.

7.E. Amend Jessica Fisk as Assistant Principal at the Susquehanna Township High School at a salary of \$85,000.00, pro-rated, from effective date to be determined to effective January 19, 2023. Ms. Fisk will be replacing Jennifer Jenkins.

7.F.1. Approve Emily Ranck as Assistant II at the Sara Lindemuth/Anna Carter Primary School at a rate of \$15.42 per hour, effective January 17, 2023. Ms. Ranck will be replacing Sangeeta Balani.

7.F.2. Approve Shawn Hoerner as Night Custodian at the Sara Lindemuth/Anna Carter Primary School at a rate of \$17.25 per hour plus \$0.45 shift differential per hour, effective January 23, 2023. Mr. Hoerner will be replacing Chad Franklin.

7.F.3. Approve Maxx Chronister as Night Custodian at the Susquehanna Township High School at a rate of \$17.70 per hour, effective January 23, 2023. Mr. Chronister will be replacing Tyler Thomas.

7.G.1 Approve Jennifer Nolt as Hanna Helpers Club Advisor at the Susquehanna Township High School at a stipend of \$580.00 for the 2022-2023 school year.

7.G.2. Approve Marisa Meholic as AAP Facilitator at the Susquehanna Township Middle School at a rate of \$31.00 per hour for the 2022-2023 school year.

7.G.3. Approve Tara Houpp as Sponsor for Lauren Good at the Sara Lindemuth/Anna Carter Primary School at a stipend of \$250.00 for the 2022-2023 school year.

7.G.4. Approve Christine Darden as Volunteer Indoor Track Coach at the Susquehanna Township High School for the 2022-2023 school year.

7.G.5. Rescind Anthony Gish as Volunteer Football Coach at the Susquehanna Township High School for the 2022-2023 school year.

7.G.6. Rescind Aaron Crummel as Volunteer Wrestling Coach at the Susquehanna Township Middle School for the 2022-2023 school year.

7.G.7. Approve Aaron Crummel as Head Wrestling Coach at the Susquehanna Township Middle School at a stipend of \$2,500.00 for the 2022-2023 school year.

7.G.8. Amend Wesley Hemmann as Choreographer at the Susquehanna Township Middle School from a stipend of \$525.00 to \$1,050.00 for the 2022-2023 STMS musical.

7.G.9. Approve the following staff for the 2022-2023 Susquehanna Township High School Musical:

Name	Position	Stipend
Graham Kerick	Pit Conductor	\$1,000.00
Joshua Gerstenlauer	Producer	\$2,000.00
Chris Arney	Scenic Designer	\$1,500.00
Rebecca Arney	Prop Designer	\$1,250.00
Sonya Mink	Stage Manager	Volunteer

7.G.10. Approve Nicole Schwartz as Mentor for Darcy Wallace at the Thomas W. Holtzman, Jr. Elementary School at a stipend of \$500.00 for the 2022-2023 school year.

7.G.11. Approve Rebekah Batz as Sponsor for Shannen DeLaurentis at the Susquehanna Township Middle School at a stipend of \$250.00 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. Heller, to approve Items 8.A.B.C.D.E.F.
Motion passed 7-0, 0 abstentions, 2 absent (Mr. Campbell, Ms. Newill)

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 \$450.00.

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 \$98,374.09.

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 \$2,101,031.77.

8.D. Approve the payment of Food Service bills from the Food Service Checking, as listed on the Computer Check Summary, totaling \$154.03.

8.E. Approve the General Fund Cash Balance of \$25,347,367.34.

8.F. Approve the STSD Independent Local Audit Report for the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year as presented by the district's local audit firm, Boyer & Ritter, LLC.

IX. CONTRACTS

MOTION TO APPROVE

9.A.C. Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Dr. Cohen to approve Items 9.A.C. Motion passed 7-0, 0 abstentions, 2 absent(Mr. Campbell, Ms. Newill)

9.A. Approve the attached Operation & Maintenance (O&M) agreement between Susquehanna Township School District and the Susquehanna Township Authority regarding the operation and maintenance of district storm water facilities. Additionally attached for approval is the storm water management permit plan required for owner signature (school district) in connection with the New Roscoe Warner Concession Stand Project.

9.C. Approve the Administration's recommendation to award the low bid for the Susquehanna Township Middle School Interior Painting Project to the bidder, Classic Spray in the base bid amount of \$32,000 (see attached).

DISCUSSION

9.B. Discuss the quote from PA Entertainment Group to provide graduation production services to include, sound, staging and live streaming for the 2023 STHS Commencement Ceremony.

X. POLICY

MOTION TO APPROVE

10.A. Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Heller to approve Item 10.A. Motion passed 7-0, 0 abstentions, 2 absent(Mr. Campbell, Ms. Newill)

10.A. Approve an Exception to Policy #202 for Student #2022-23/017 to permit said student to attend Susquehanna Township High School for student's senior year without payment of tuition.

XI. OTHER

Note: original item 11.A. was amended to be new item 3.B.

MOTION TO APPROVE

11.B. Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Dr. Cohen, to approve Item 11.B.
Motion passed 7-0, 0 abstentions, 2 absent (Mr. Campbell, Ms. Newill)

11.B. Approve the Emergency Instructional Time Template for the 2022-2023 school year.

MOTION TO APPROVE

11.C. Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to approve Item 11.C.
Motion passed 6-0, 1 abstention (Miss McCullough), 2 absent (Mr. Campbell, Ms. Newill)

11.C. Approve the Offer for Repository bid presented to the Dauphin County of Tax Claim by Mr. Jason Snelbaker in the amount of \$1,111.00 regarding the property identified as Highland Avenue, parcel # 62-027-079 as presented by Dauphin County in the attached Offer for Repository Minimum Offer document. This offer may either be approved or disapproved by the Susquehanna Township School District Board of Directors.

DISCUSSION

11.D. Discuss the administration's recommendation to proceed with drafting a Susquehanna Township School District LERTA ordinance for consideration for approval by the applicable local taxing authorities (STSD, Susquehanna Township, and Dauphin County).
The board requested that Mr. Anderson work with Mr. George Connor to draft the LERTA ordinance.

XII. NEW BUSINESS

None

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to adjourn the meeting.
Motion passed: 7-0, 0 abstentions, 0 absent (Mr. Campbell, Ms. Newill)

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

SUSQUEHANNA TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17110

January 23, 2023
Monday Evening



Julieann Newill
Board Secretary