CALL TO ORDER At 7:03

At 7:03 p.m., the January 9, 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. Scott Campbell, Mr. Jesse Rawls, Sr., Mr. Terry Heller, Ms. Julieann Newill, Keita Kalonji Johnson, Esq., Rebecca McCullough, Esq.,

Mr. John F. Dietrich

SCHOOL BOARD
MEMBERS PRESENT
VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS

Mr. Scott Campbell, Dr. Michael Cohen

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 real estate, personnel, and student matters. An executive session was also held immediately following the December 19, 2022,

meeting for the purpose of student matters.

INTRODUCTIONS/
GUEST PRESENTATIONS

Mr. Jeremy Medernach presented the STSD 21-22 FY Independent Local Audit Report. STSD has received an unmodified (clean) opinion from the auditors. This is the highest opinion a district can receive.

REPORTS/
ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Superintendent Report:** Dr. Tamara Willis thanked everyone who participated in the district's dress down fundraiser for the family of former student Faith Creighton. The total amount raised was \$978.01 (district office - \$213, HS - \$280,

MS - \$218, TWH - \$138.01, SLAC - \$129)

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS FOR JANUARY 9, 2023

MOTION TO APPROVE

**2.A.** Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Johnson to approve the meeting agenda

for January 9, 2023.

Motion passed 9-0, 0 abstentions, 0 absent

2.B. Board Member Comments

SPEAKER

Mr. Johnson shared that the incoming administration has named a new Secretary of Education, Dr. Khalid Mumin. Superintendent of Lower Merion School District.

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#### III. HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

# SPEAKER H. Holmes shared her concerns with customized learning.

## IV. PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSIONS

#### **PRESENTATION**

**4.A.** Thomas W. Holtzman Building Spotlight was presented by Mr. Keith Edmonds, Principal. Additional presenters were Kristy Michael, parent; Hanna Layton, 3rd Grade Teacher; Kaitlin Blanar, student, and Mia Mucci, student.

4.B. Carrie Martin, Director of Special Education and Student Services, and Bethany Peters, Assistant Director of Special Education and Student Services presented an update on the Special Education Department.

8:00 pm - Mr. Campbell left the meeting (virtually) 8:15 pm - Mr. Campbell rejoined the meeting virtually

#### V. MINUTES

None

# VI. PROGRAM

# **MOTION TO APPROVE**

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

**6.A.** Approve the creation of a STEM Club at the Susquehanna Township High School as described below.

# DISCUSSION

**6.B.** Discuss the creation of the Free to Be Me (F2BM) Club at the Susquehanna Township Middle School.

#### VII. PERSONNEL

# **MOTION TO APPROVE**

**7.A.B.C.D.E.F.G.H.** Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to approve Items 7.A.B.C.D.E.F.G.H.

Motion passed 9-0, 0 abstentions, 0 absent

- **7.A**. Approve the creation of Substitute Support Staff Category.
- **7.B.** Approve the resignation of Megan Seely as Part-Time Food Service Worker at the Susquehanna Township High School, effective January 12, 2023.

- **7.C.1.** Approve Shannen DeLaurentis as Math Teacher at the Susquehanna Township Middle School at a salary of \$52,861.00 (pro-rated), effective date to be determined. Ms. DeLaurentis will be replacing Christine Renaldi.
- **7.D.1.** Approve Monicah Leah as LRN at the Susquehanna Township High School at a rate of \$30.00 per hour, effective January 4, 2023. Ms. Leah will be replacing Deb Bennett.
- **7.D.2.** Approve Jacqueline Hoffman as Assistant III at the Sara Lindemuth/Anna Carter Primary School at a rate of \$16.91 per hour, effective January 23, 2023. Ms. Hoffman will be replacing Laura Daniels.
- **7.D.3**. Approve Nancy Hile as Substitute Secretary at the Susquehanna Township School District.
- **7.E.1.** Approve Rebekah Batz as Math Academic Team Lead at the Susquehanna Township Middle School at a stipend of \$1,500.00, pro-rated, effective January 1, 2023.
- **7.E.2.** Approve Janeen Kime as AAP Facilitator at the Susquehanna Township Middle School at a rate of \$31.00 per hour for the 2022-2023 school year.
- **7.E.3.** Rescind Rebekah Batz as Mentor for Zachary Rowe at the Susquehanna Township Middle School, effective January 1, 2023.
- **7.E.4.** Rescind Rebekah Batz as Mentor for Jane Park at the Susquehanna Township Middle School, effective January 1, 2023.
- **7.E.5.** Approve Callan Wendell as Mentor for Zachary Rowe at the Susquehanna Township Middle School at a stipend of \$500.00, pro-rated, effective January 1, 2023.
- **7.E.6.** Approve Callan Wendell as Mentor for Jane Park at the Susquehanna Township Middle School at a stipend of \$500.00, pro-rated, effective January 1, 2023.
- **7.E.7.** Approve Ross Webb as Science Fair Advisor at the Susquehanna Township High School at a stipend of \$320.00 for the 2022-2023 school year.
- **7.E.8**. Rescind Caitlin Jodoin as Assistant Stage Manager at the Susquehanna Township Middle School for the 2022-2023 STMS musical.
- **7.E.9.** Approve the following for the 2022-2023 Susquehanna Township Middle School Musical:

Name	Position	Stipend (\$)	
Emily Colvin	Assistant Stage Manager	\$525.00	
Linda Hemmann	Costume Manager	\$525.00	
Linda Hemmann	Co-Set Painter	\$262.50	
Wesley Hemmann	Choreographer	\$525.00	

- **7.E.10.** Approve the creation of a stipend of \$600 per semester for the preparation of Individualized Educational Plans, stipend will be paid per semester and will be in lieu of hourly rate payments. Eligibility will be determined through the Director of Special Education and Student Services or their designee.
- **7.E.11.** Approve Hannah Sprenkle as Sponsor for Margaret Keiser at the Sara Lindemuth/Anna Carter Primary School at a stipend of \$250.00 for the 2022-2023 school year.
- **7.E.12.** Approve a one-time salary stipend for Mr. Barry Seilhamer in the amount of \$4500.00. This stipend is for the 2022-23 school year only.
- **7.F.** Approve Michele Yeagy for a Sabbatical leave of absence for the second semester of the 2022-2023 school year, for the purpose of restoration of health. Effective January 24, 2023.
- **7.G.1.** Approve change in title for Dr. Kristi Prime from Data and Curriculum Supervisor to Director of Curriculum and Instruction, effective January 10, 2023, no change in salary.
- **7.H.** Approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Teamsters Local 776 and Susquehanna Township School District amending <u>Article 39 Wages and Classifications</u> to increase the base starting rates and base hourly rates for employees as follows:

Cafeteria Workers: \$2.50 Per hour Custodial Workers: \$3.00 Per Hour Maintenance Workers: \$2.00 Per Hour

New wage rates will be effective January 3, 2023.

All other provisions of the collective bargaining agreement will remain in effect.

#### **VIII. FINANCES**

#### MOTION TO APPROVE

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

8.A.B.C.D.E

Motion passed 9-0, 0 abstentions, 0 absent

- **8.A.** Approve the payment of Activity Fund bill from the First National Bank Activity Fund Checking, as listed on the Computer Check Summary, totaling \$1,805.00.
- **8.B.** Approve the payment of Capital Reserve PSDLAF checking bill from the Capital Reserve PSDLAF Checking, as listed on the Computer Check Summary, totaling \$75,166.00.
- **8.C.** Approve the payment of First National General Fund Checking bills from the First National General Fund Checking, as listed on the Computer Check Summary, totaling \$3,395,373.58.
- **8.D.** Approve the payment of Food Service bills from the Food Service Checking, as listed on the Computer Check Summary, totaling \$82,657.34.
- **8.E.** Approve the following Personal Tax Refunds:

1. Taxpayer Name: Anna C Collins

Bill #: 002241 Year: 2021

Refund Amount: \$294.00

Reason: Anna C Collins made a duplicate payment in error.

2. Taxpayer Name: Shaun C Collins

Bill #: 002245 Year: 2021

Refund Amount: \$294.00

Reason: Shaun C Collins made a duplicate payment in error.

#### DISCUSSION

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

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**9.A.** Approve the Affiliation Agreement with Millersville University to provide field experience for Psychology students.

## **DISCUSSION**

9.B. 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.

## X. POLICY

## **MOTION TO APPROVE**

- **10.A.** Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Johnson to approve Item 10.A. Motion passed 9-0, 0 abstentions, 0 absent
- **10.A.** Approve the revision of Policy 827: Conflict of Interest.

#### XI. OTHER

#### **APPOINTMENT**

- **11.A**. Board member representatives were appointed to serve as representatives for 2023.
  - 1. Pennsylvania School Board Association (PSBA) Ms. Newill and Mr. Johnson
  - 2. Harrisburg Community College (HACC) Mr. Rawls
  - 3. Dauphin County Tax Collection Committee Mr. Anderson
  - 4. Susquehanna Township Board of Commissioners Mr. Dietrich
- 8:51 The board adjourned to executive session to discuss student matters.
- 9:02 The board returned, and the regular meeting resumed.

# **MOTION TO APPROVE**

- **11.B.C.** Moved by Mr. Ali, seconded by Miss McCullough to approve Items 11.A.B. Motion passed 8-1(Campbell), 0 abstentions, 0 absent
- **11.B.** The Board panel for student #2022-23/015 recommends the Adjudication and Disposition as discussed in executive session be adopted by the full Board of Directors of the Susquehanna Township School District.
- **11.C.** The Board panel for student #2022-23/016 recommends the Adjudication and Disposition as discussed in executive session be adopted by the full Board of Directors of the Susquehanna Township School District.

### **XII. NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Dietrich shared that the board will be discussing LERTA at an upcoming meeting.

Mr. Ali would like the administration to address graduation waivers at the next meeting.

Mr. Dietrich requested that administration share an update on the house located next to the high school that the district has purchased. Dr. Willis shared that the Alumni Association is using part of the house to store items. Mr. Rawls and Mr. Dietrich shared that the students at Dauphin County Technical School are looking for projects if any construction, plumbing or electrical work needs completed at the house.

## XIII. ADJOURNMENT

# MOTION TO ADJOURN

Moved by Mr. Ali, seconded by Miss McCullough to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed: 9-0, 0 abstentions, 0 absent

Meeting adjourned at 9:09 p.m.

Julieann Newill Board Secretary

Juliann Newell