

Minutes
Of the
KUTZTOWN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Directors Meeting
Monday, April 7, 2014, 7:30 p.m.

The Board of Directors of Kutztown Area School District met for a regular board meeting on Monday, April 7, 2014 at 7:30 p.m., at the District Administration Building, pursuant to due notice to board members and the public.

Present Randy Burch, Al Darion, Michael Hess, Caecilia Holt, Eric Johnson, Karl Nolte, Christine Ryan, Carl Ziegler

Absent James Shrawder

Also Present Katherine Metrick, David Miller, Matthew Link, Rikki DeVough, Diane Barrie, Barbara Richard, Tracy Blunt, Barry Flicker, Erin Anderson, James Brown, Ed Myers, Chris Harrington, Kelsey Ruch, Ryan Williams, Beth Stump, Donna Keglovits, Scott Kramer, Melissa Blatt, John Noll, Jr., Terry Guers, Diana Rydzewski, V.I. Lacin

Call to Order The meeting was called to order at 7:54 p.m. by President Ziegler.

Welcome President Ziegler opened the meeting with a moment of silence and Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. He asked everyone to sign the attendance book and mark the topic of comment next to his/her name. He requested that anyone wishing to speak on an agenda item please raise his/her hand to be recognized. He indicated that this meeting was being tape recorded.

Superintendent's Report National History Day
Berks All Star Jazz
Trashion Fashion Show (Project Innovate)
Agriculture Essay Contest
KU Cantalobber Competition

Personnel Motion made by Caecilia Holt, seconded by Al Darion, to approve the following personnel items:

1. The approval of Vanessa Sherrer as a long-term substitute nurse assistant at Greenwich-Lenhartsville Elementary School, retroactive to March 31, 2014 through March 30, 2015, at a rate of \$13.50 per hour.
2. The approval of Stephen O. Maxlum as an Eshleman bus/van driver for the 2013-2014 school year, effective March 25, 2014.
3. The approval of the following volunteers to chaperone the third grade campout at Kutztown Elementary School on May 9, 2014:

Christa Levensgood	Chris Merkey	Steve Schnell	Lisa Schnell
Jill Remmick	Patrick Maley	Robin Underwood	Crystal Wengert
Ellen Sharadin	Merry Goodreau	Angie Garner	Laura Sherrod
4. The approval of Anderson J. Howat as a substitute teacher for the 2013-2014 school year, effective April 8, 2014, at a rate of \$100 per day for days 1-20 and \$110 per day for days 21 and thereafter.
5. The approval of the following volunteer coaches for the 2013-2014 school year effective April 8, 2014.

Lynn G. Edwards, Jr.	Middle School Baseball
Patrick D'Andrea	High School Baseball
Jennifer L. Knight	Track and Field
Michael A. Tucker	Middle School Baseball
6. The approval of Matthew P. Hoffert as head high school football coach for the 2014-2015 school year, effective April 8, 2014, at a stipend of \$4,739.
7. The approval of a child rearing leave for employee #563 commencing on August 19, 2014 through the end of the 2014-2015 school year.
8. The approval of a PLACEHOLDER as a second-shift custodian.
9. The approval of the following substitute nurse assistants for the 2013-2014 school year, effective April 8, 2014, at a rate of \$13.50 per hour:

Jessica Florkowski	Christina M. Eckenroth	Denise D. Heffner
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All Personnel are Approved Pending the District's Receipt of All Mandated Credentials

Roll call vote: Yes 8

No 0

Absent 1 (Shrawder)

Motion carried.

Student Vacation Requests	Motion made by Caecilia Holt, seconded by Al Darion, to approve the parent request for students #105328, 104969, and 103085 to take an eleven-day educational trip/vacation absence from April 23 to May 7, 2014. This will exceed the allotted educational trip/vacation time by six days per child. Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 1 (Shrawder) Motion carried.
	Motion made by Eric Johnson, seconded by Caecilia Holt, to approve the parent request for student #105728 to take a five-day educational trip/vacation absence from March 19-25, 2014. This will exceed the allotted educational trip/vacation time by one day due to a previous absence. Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 1 (Shrawder) Motion carried.
	Motion made by Caecilia Holt, seconded by Christine Ryan, to approve the parent request for students #105489 and 105099 to take a six-day educational trip/vacation absence from May 2-9, 2014. This will exceed the allotted educational trip/vacation time by one day per child. Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 1 (Shrawder) Motion carried.
	Motion made by Christine Ryan, seconded by Caecilia Holt, to approve the parent request for student #104741 to take a three-day educational trip/vacation absence from March 26-28, 2014. This will exceed the allotted educational trip/vacation time by four days due to a previous absence. Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 1 (Shrawder) Motion carried.
Conference Request	Motion made by Al Darion, seconded by Randy Burch, to approve Rebecca E. Beidelman to attend the 2014 PAGE Annual Conference on April 24-25, 2014 in Lancaster, PA, at a cost of \$733.50. Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 1 (Shrawder) Motion carried.
Cafeteria Tile	Motion made by Eric Johnson, seconded by Caecilia Holt, to approve Division 09 Contract Flooring to replace the tile on the cafeteria floor at Greenwich-Lenhartsville Elementary School at a cost of \$2,040. Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 1 (Shrawder) Motion carried.
Elementary Principal Search	Motion made by Randy Burch, seconded by Michael Hess, to attain the Berks County Intermediate Unit's services to coordinate the elementary principal search. Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 1 (Shrawder) Motion carried.
Policies First Reading	Motion made by Randy Burch, seconded by Al Darion, to approve the first reading of the following policies: Policy 006: Meetings Policy 008: Organization Chart Policy 204: Attendance Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 1 (Shrawder) Motion carried.
GASB 45 Valuation	Motion made by Karl Nolte, seconded by Caecilia Holt, to approve Markley Actuarial to perform the GASB 45 valuation that is required of school districts every two years. Cost of the service is \$2,900. Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 1 (Shrawder) Motion carried.
2014 Summer School Programs	Motion made by Randy Burch, seconded by Christine Ryan, to approve the following summer programs and staffing for 2014: <u>Elementary Summer Reading Program</u> Staff: Jade E. Dahlquist Jane E. Venkauskas Lori E. Arndt Ann L. Dietrich Kerri L. Schegan Librarian: Katharine S. Mannai (2 days per week)

Coordinator: Donna A. Keglovits (stipend of \$500)
Staff Dates: June 16 (teacher preparation day)
June 17-July 24 (Monday through Thursday), 24 days total (including prep day) for 3 hours per day, at a rate of \$24.50 per hour (current curriculum rate)
Student Dates: June 17-July 24 (Monday through Thursday), 23 days total (Tuesday through Thursday – first week only)

Middle School Summer Program

Staff: Mathematics – PLACEHOLDER
Reading/Language Arts – PLACEHOLDER
Staff Dates: June 16 (teacher preparation day)
June 16-July 24 (Monday through Thursday), 24 days total (including prep day) for 3 hours per day, at a rate of \$24.50 per hour (current curriculum rate)
Student Dates: June 16-July 24 (Monday through Thursday), 23 days total (Tuesday through Thursday – first week only)
Cost: \$75 per course for resident students; \$100 per course for out-of-district students

High School Summer Program

Staff: Mathematics – PLACEHOLDER
Language Arts – Thomas Miller
Science – PLACEHOLDER
Social Studies – Thomas Sally
Staff Dates: June 16 (teacher preparation day)
June 16-July 24 (Monday through Thursday), 24 days total (including prep day) for 3 hours per day, at a rate of \$24.50 per hour (current curriculum rate)
Student Dates: June 16-July 24 (Monday through Thursday), 23 days total (Tuesday through Thursday – first week only)
Cost: \$200 per course for resident students; \$225 per course for out-of-district students

Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 1 (Shrawder)
Motion carried.

2014 ESY and Summer Work Programs

Motion made by Christine Ryan, seconded by Caecilia Holt, to approve the 2014 Extended School Year (ESY) and High School Summer Work Program and staffing for eligible special education students. One teacher preparation day will be granted for both programs. ESY and High School Summer Work students will attend Monday through Thursday from June 17-June 24. There is no student session on Monday, June 16. Hours of instruction for both programs will be 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Instructors will be paid \$24.50 per hour and paraeducators will be paid at \$14.00 per hour for ESY/Summer Work Program only.

Elementary School Learning Support at Kutztown Elementary School

Instructor: Vickie L. Bastian
Paraeducators: Ambika S. Khanna
Nora E. Bullock

Middle School Learning Support at Kutztown Middle School

Instructor: Lori E. Christ

Middle School Life Skills Support at Kutztown Middle School

Instructor: Dawn E. Starolis
Paraeducator: Joanne O. Waidelich

Elementary Life Skills Support at Kutztown Elementary School

Instructor: Linda M. Schroeder
Paraeducators: Martha J. Bergman
Marianne E. Hill-Strackbein
Melissa S. Giacobello

High School Summer Work Program at Kutztown Middle School and Kutztown Elementary School

Instructor: Danielle K. Berger
Paraeducators: Alison J. VanDuren
Amy J. Pettit
Julie A. Weaknecht

Braille Transcription: Kay L. Gernert (100 hours at \$14.00 per hour for ESY/Summer Work Program only)

Additional Personnel: June 17-June 24 from 9:00-11:45 a.m.
 Nurse Aide Carol J. Fairchild (then current hourly rate)
 Substitute School Nurse Brenda K. Loeb (\$24.50 per hour, current curriculum rate)
 Substitute Paraeducator/Instructor Korinne A. Stump-Dalton
 Pay Rate: Instructors - \$24.50 per hour (current curriculum rate)
 Paraeducators - \$14.00 per hour (ESY/Summer Work Program only)
Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 1 (Shrawder)
Motion carried.

Dental Insurance Motion made by Randy Burch, seconded by Eric Johnson, to approve the annual renewal of Dental Insurance with United Concordia for the 2014-2015 school year at the same premiums as the prior year.
Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 1 (Shrawder)
Motion carried.

Vision Insurance Motion made by Al Darion, seconded by Christine Ryan, to approve the annual renewal of Vision Insurance with Capital Blue Cross Vision for the 2014-2015 school year at the same premiums as the prior year.
Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 1 (Shrawder)
Motion carried.

Senior Class Trip Motion made by Randy Burch, seconded by Al Darion, to approve a senior class trip to the Inner Harbor in Baltimore, MD on June 10, 2014 at a student cost of \$110-\$135. The school district will not incur any cost for this trip.
Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 1 (Shrawder)
Motion carried.

Act 93 Agreement Motion made by Karl Nolte, seconded by Eric Johnson, to approve the Act 93 Agreement for the period of July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017.
Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 1 (Shrawder)
Motion carried.

Van Purchase Motion made by Christine Ryan, seconded by Caecilia Holt, to approve the purchase of a 2014 GMC Savana van from Faulkner Fleet Group for a cost of \$29,071.10.
Roll call vote: Yes 7 No 0 N/A 1 (Hess) Absent 1 (Shrawder)
Motion carried.

Discussion Items *Attendance to Annual Convention of Berks County School Directors – May 1, 2014*

2014-2015 Budget
 Motion made by Karl Nolte, seconded by Carl Ziegler, to remove further consideration of applying for the PSERS Exception in the amount of \$269,060.
Roll call vote: Yes 3 (Burch, Nolte, Ziegler) No 5 Absent 1 (Shrawder)
Motion not carried.

Adjournment Motion made by Randy Burch, seconded by Eric Johnson, to adjourn the meeting at 9:21 p.m.
Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Rikki L. DeVough
 School Board Secretary