

*Minutes*  
of the  
KUTZTOWN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Monday, February 17, 2014, 7:30 p.m.

The Board of Directors of Kutztown Area School District met for a regular board meeting on Monday, February 17, 2014 at 7:30 p.m., in the high school library, pursuant to due notice to board members and the public.

**Present** Randy Burch, Al Darion, Michael Hess, Caecilia Holt, Eric Johnson (7:00 arrival), Karl Nolte, Christine Ryan, Carl Ziegler

**Absent** James Shrawder

**Also Present** Katherine Metrick, David Miller, Matthew Link, Rikki DeVough, Tracy Blunt, Barry Flicker, Erin Anderson, James Brown, Mick O'Neil, Chris Harrington, Wanda Herring, Donna Keglovits, Terry Guers, Jean Ziegler, Paul Hilienthal, Andrew Brett, Debra Kenney, Lori Arndt, Diana Rydzewski, Beth Sica, Adam Berrigan, Melissa DeLong, Pam Ashman, Dina Hayduk, Dona Hetman, Nathan Hayduk, Beth Stump

**Call to Order** The meeting was called to order at 7:34 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.

**Meeting Minutes** Motion made by Caecilia Holt, seconded by Christine Ryan, to approve the Minutes from the following meetings:  
February 10, 2014 School Board Meeting

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

**Treasurer's Report** Motion made by Randy Burch, seconded by Christine Ryan, to approve the Treasurer's Report of the General Fund.

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

**Ratification of General Account** Motion made by Caecilia Holt, seconded by Michael Hess, to ratify for payment the general account bills in the amount of \$1,982,241.69.

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

**Approval of General Account** Motion made by Caecilia Holt, seconded by Christine Ryan, to approve for payment the general account bills in the amount of \$1,549,030.42.

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

**Superintendent's Report** Presentations were given by student members of the following groups:

Future City  
Science and Technology Fair

Mrs. Metrick recognized accomplishments of the following groups:

Science Olympiad  
Field Hockey Academic All-Stars

**Subcommittee Reports** Academic Programs Budget Subcommittee

Student Services Budget Subcommittee

Student Activities/Athletics Budget Subcommittee

**Board Committee Reports**

- E.I.T.** No report.
- PSBA** Mrs. Holt reported the state is researching options for a fair funding formula.
- BCIU** Mr. Ziegler reported the committee was presented a proposed 2014-2015 budget which requires a zero-percent increase for participating districts.
- BCTC** Dr. Ryan reported the committee and administration are developing a budget for the 2014-2015 school year.
- P & C** Mrs. Holt reported the committee revised some policies and discussed the establishment of an Act 48 Committee.
- ECC** No report.
- Facilities** Mr. Burch reported the committee discussed some items that were recommended and approved by the board at the February 10, 2014 School Board Meeting.

**Student Achievement**

**Personnel**

- Motion made by Randy Burch, seconded by Karl Nolte, to approve the following personnel items:
- The approval of Adam R. Berman as a substitute teacher for the 2013-2014 school year, effective February 18, 2014, at a rate of \$100 per day for days 1-20 and \$110 per day for days 21 and thereafter.
  - The approval of the following as guest substitute teachers through the Berks County Intermediate Unit for the 2013-2014 school year, effective February 18, 2014, at a rate of \$100 per day for days 1-20 and \$110 per day for days 21 and thereafter:

Sarah M. Brown	Brenda T. Cherry	Heather M. DiLapo	
Alina E. Erlich	Kayla R. Welsh	Misty J. Young	Bonnie Yurvati
  - The approval of Jessica H. Tolton as a volunteer softball coach at the middle school for the 2013-2014 school year.
  - The approval of Melissa A. Ziegler as a volunteer twirling equipment van driver for the 2013-2014 school year.
- Roll call vote: Yes 8    No 0    Absent 1 (Shrawder)**
- Motion carried.**

***All Personnel are Approved Pending the District's Receipt of All Mandated Credentials***

**Assistant Superintendent**

- Motion made by Al Darion, seconded by Caecilia Holt, to approve the establishment of a commissioned position of assistant superintendent to be filled effective March 16, 2014.
- Roll call vote: Yes 8    No 0    Absent 1 (Shrawder)**
- Motion carried.**

**Agreement and Release**

- Motion made by Caecilia Holt, seconded by Randy Burch, to approve the Settlement Agreement and Release for student #105106.
- Roll call vote: Yes 8    No 0    Absent 1 (Shrawder)**
- Motion carried.**

**2014-2015 BCIU Budget**

- Motion made by Christine Ryan, seconded by Al Darion, to authorize the expenditures of the Berks County Intermediate Unit's General Program for the period of July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015 as set forth herein.
- Roll call vote: Yes 8    No 0    Absent 1 (Shrawder)**
- Motion carried.**

**2014-2015 District Calendar**

- Motion made by Caecilia Holt, seconded by Eric Johnson, to approve the 2014-2015 Kutztown Area School District calendar per the attached.
- Roll call vote: Yes 8    No 0    Absent 1 (Shrawder)**
- Motion carried.**

**All Hazards Plan**

- Motion made by Caecilia Holt, seconded by Karl Nolte, to approve the Kutztown Area School District All Hazards Plan.
- Roll call vote: Yes 8    No 0    Absent 1 (Shrawder)**
- Motion carried.**

**Waiver of Hearing** Motion made by Caecilia Holt, seconded by Eric Johnson, to approve the Waiver of Expulsion Hearing and Stipulation for student #105189.

**Roll call vote: Yes 8**

**No 0**

**Absent 1 (Shrawder)**

**Motion carried.**

**Act 48 Committee** Motion made by Karl Nolte, seconded by Christine Ryan, to approve the following representatives to serve on the Act 48 Professional Development Committee for the 2013-2014 school year:

Karise Mace

Parent Representative

Connie Skipper (BCIU)

Local Business Representative

Cathleen Brown

Community Representative

Caecilia Holt

School Board Representative

**Roll call vote: Yes 8**

**No 1 (Hess)**

**Absent 1 (Shrawder)**

**Motion carried.**

**Staff Development Day** Motion made by Caecilia Holt, seconded by Karl Nolte, to approve the change in the 2013-2014 district calendar to move the May 9, 2014 Staff Development Day to the day following the last student day of the 2013-2014 school year. This change is due to the number of weather make-up days and will move the last teacher day to the day following the last student day.

**Roll call vote: Yes 8**

**No 0**

**Absent 1 (Shrawder)**

**Motion carried.**

**Public Comment** Diana Rydzewski commented that the Board should hold informal meetings with sport booster parents regarding the district's budget.

**Adjournment** Motion made by Caecilia Holt, seconded by Karl Nolte, to adjourn the meeting at 9:19 p.m.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

Respectfully Submitted by,

Rikki L. DeVough  
School Board Secretary