# DANVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

## December 7, 2009 Minutes

The Danville Area School Board held their meeting in the Senior High School Cafeteria on Monday, December 7, 2009.

The meeting was called to order at 7:25 p.m. by President Allan Schappert followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

**ROLL CALL - Board Members**

Mrs., Barbara Boyer, Mr. Gregg Campbell, Mrs. Dawn Gill, Mr. Jamie Hosterman, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mr. Steve Schooley, Mr. Martin Walzer, Mr. David Weader, and Mr. Allan Schappert were present.

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Dr. Susan Bickford, Superintendent; Mrs. Dawn Brookhart, Director of Curriculum, Instruction, and Technology; Ricki Boyle, Director of Student Support Services; Mr. Richard Snodgrass, Business Administrator, Board Secretary; Mrs. Jennifer Gurski, Assistant High School Principal; Mr. Charles Smargiassi, Middle School Principal; Mr. Edward Sanders, Assistant Principal, Middle School; Mr. Chris Johns, Assistant Elementary Principal; Mr. John Bickhart, Elementary Principal; Mrs. Pam Burrows; Director of Food Services; Mr. Rick Engle, Director of Building and Grounds; Mrs. Marie Dryer, Director of Transportation; and Mr. Jeff Ryan; Director of Network Administration; and approximately ten members of the staff and public, and news media.

**Motion: (To Approve Minutes from the November meeting)**
A motion was made by Dawn Gill to approve the minutes.
The motion was seconded by Jamie Hosterman.
The motion was approved on a voice vote

**Recognitions**

**I. BOARD ADMINISTRATIVE ANNOUNCEMENT**

**II. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Executive session was held at 6:00 pm to discuss personnel and labor relations.

Enrollment Report

## III. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Ashita Mittal was not in attendance to give a report.

Jen Gurski, Assistant High School Principal gave a brief update as follows:
FFA fruit sale
FCCLA – green sale
Art classes paint windows at Geisinger
Blanket drive and toy drive
4-sight
Band and chorus concert Dec. 17

## IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

Kellie Krum – Act 34 hearing change in design parent and bus pick-up and drop-off – was it done before borough council saw the design; enrollment report K, 1, and 2 grade – plans for next year; cost savings at Act 34 hearing was differ – can you go over the cost savings

Susan Bickford – traffic patterns – have talked about it at borough meeting - the borough is aware of the redesign
It is designed to have room for more students

Christy Payton – said hello and welcome to the new board members; asked the new board members to make people accountable for what they are telling you as a board member.

## V. CURRICULUM AND MANAGEMENT REPORTS

A. Academic Standards & Assessment Midpoint Review Plan – Dawn Brookhart (Enclosure B)

B. Professional Education Plan – Dawn Brookhart (Enclosure C)

C. Educational Technology Report – Jeff Ryan (Enclosure D)

D. Student Services Report – Ricki Boyle (Enclosure E)

E. The Board will take action on the recommendation of the Superintendent to grant approval of the Academic Standards & Assessment Mid-

term Review Plan, Professional Education Plan, Educational Technology Report and Student Services Report.

Dr. Bickford asked the board members to take a look at the reports and ask any questions regarding any of these reports that board members may have.

David Weader asked if format is driven by PDE, can updates be made at a later date.
Dr. Bickford said the format is driven by PDE and also changes can be made at a later time.
Allan Schappert asked in the future to take one at a time and go over them, also include budget and success level of them.

**Motion: (To Approve Curriculum and Management Reports – Item E)**
A motion was made by Dawn Gill to approve finance.

The motion was seconded by Steve Schooley.
The motion was approved on a voice vote.

## VI. SCHOOL/COMMUNITY RELATIONS

## VII. FINANCE

A. General Fund – Revenues and Expenditures Summary (Enclosure F)

C. Local Revenues – Actual vs. Budget (Enclosure G)

C. State Revenues – Actual vs. Budget (Enclosure H)

D. Cash Receipts (Enclosure I)

E. Investments (Enclosure J)

F. Bills for Payment – November 4, 2009 through December 2, 2009 (Enclosure K)

**Motion: (To Approve Finance F)**
A motion was made by Barbara Boyer to approve finance.

The motion was seconded by Dawn Gill.
The motion was approved on a roll call vote 9 yes, 0 no

## VIII. PERSONNEL

A. The Board will take action on the recommendation of the Superintendent to grant approval of Deb Gerringer as a 2nd year mentor for Vanessa Devett to replace Angela Haines.

B. The Board will take action on the recommendation of the Superintendent to grant approval of an additional 20.50 accumulated sick days from her last district for Michele Lynch.

C. The Board will take action on the recommendation of the Superintendent to grand approval of Ann Rainmaker as an aide at the high school. (Enclosure L)

D. The Board will take action on the recommendation of the Superintendent to accept the resignation of Adelyn Elliott, as a Language Arts teacher at the Danville Middle School, effective January 18, 2010. (Enclosure M)

E. The Board will take action on the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve Courtney Hugo as a co-advisor for the Class of 2011.

F. The Board will take action on the recommendation of the Superintendent to accept the resignation of Lyanne Fegley, as a part-time cafeteria worker, effective October 27, 2009. (Enclosure N)

G. The Board will take action on the recommendation of the Superintendent to grant approval of the employment of the 2009-2010 substitute list (Teachers, Teachers Aides, Custodians, Cafeteria Workers, Secretaries, etc.) (Enclosure O)

H. The Board will take action on the recommendation of the Superintendent to grant approval of a $10,000 salary increase for Marie Dryer, effective immediately.

**Motion: (To Approve Personnel Item A through G)**
A motion was made by Barbara Boyer to approve Personnel

The motion was seconded by Dawn Gill
The motion was approved on a roll call vote 9 yes, 0 no

**Motion: (To postpone indefinitely item H under Personnel)**
A motion was made by Steve Schooley to approve Personnel

The motion was seconded by Dawn Gill
The motion was approved on a voice vote

## IX. SCHOOL PROPERTY & SUPPLIES

A. Update on the building project. –Roger Hulsey and Henry Burdett
Walt Tack – Reynolds

Roger Hulsey gave a brief update on the project to date for the new board members.
Project will go out to bids in January with bids opened in February.
Henry Burdett showed a PowerPoint presentation with drawings of the new building and updated sports fields, and first and second level floor plans of the building.

Barbara Boyer asked about storage space. Henrie showed where storage is located in the building. Dr. Bickford also stated the additional storage has been added in classrooms.
Gregg Campbell asked where the high school students would be driving. He was told they would come in along the cemetery.
Walt Tack talked about the cost estimate project booklet. He also talked about milestone dates. Jan. 8 – PlanCon F, Feb. 11 – bid date (can be extended to Feb. 18, present bids on Feb. 23 and March 9 vote to accept bid, start construction in April with completion to be in July 2011.

Dave Weader questioned the expansion cost and how it would affect the schedule. Walt said it would delay the project for several months.

Two additional public comments were submitted to the Act 34 hearing minutes.

Dawn Gill made a motion for a 10-minute recess
Steve Schooley seconded the motion
It was approved by a voice vote.

After ten-minute recess the board reconvened at 9:10 PM

B.The Board will take action on the recommendation of the Superintendent to grant approval of PlanCon D and E. (Enclosure P)

**Motion: (To Approve School Property & Supplies – Item B)**
A motion was made by Steve Schooley to approve School Property and Supplies

The motion was seconded by David Weader
The motion was approved on a roll call vote 9 yes, 0 no

## X. POLICY & INSURANCE

## XI. ATHLETICS/ACTIVITIES

A. The Board will take action on the recommendation of the Superintendent to grant approval of the winter coaches salaries for the 2009-2010 school year. (Enclosure Q)

B. The Board will take action on the recommendation of the Superintendent to grant approval of Jim Keiser as Weight Lifting Advisor to replace John Lipsey, effective June 9, 2009.

After a brief discussion regarding winter coaches and salaries the board adjourned to executive session at 9:15 pm.
The board reconvened at 9:30 pm.

**Motion: (To Approve Athletics/Activities Item A updated coaches and salaries)**
A motion was made by Jamie Hosterman to approve Athletics/Activities

The motion was seconded by Dawn Gill
The motion was approved on a roll call vote 8 yes, 0 no, 1 Abstain – Steve Schooley abstained because his brother is a winter coach.

**Motion: (To Approve Athletics/Activities Item B)**
A motion was made by Dawn Gill to approve Athletics/Activities

The motion was seconded by Barbara Boyer
The motion was approved on a roll call vote 9 yes, 0 no

## XII. TRANSPORTATION

A. The Board will take action on the recommendation of the Superintendent to grant approval of A. Edward Snyder, as a van driver for W. L. Myers and Sons.

**Motion: (To Approve Transportation Item A)**
A motion was made by Steve Schooley to approve Transportation

The motion was seconded by Dawn Gill
The motion was approved on a roll call vote 9 yes, 0 no

## XIII. BOARD CONCERNS AND ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING AGENDA

Steve Schooley has concerns about PSERS and asked if we had any information about it. Mr. Snodgrass he has information and will provide information to the board.
Dawn Gill concerned about the H1N1 vaccine location for the second vaccine. She feels it shouldn't be at Liberty Valley because of the traffic problems the last time.
Dr. Bickford said she is working on a location, time, and date for the second vaccine.

Dawn Gill thanked Pam Burrows for her online lunch accountants.

Jamie Hosterman said Global connect worked great.

## XIV. PUBLIC COMMENT

Kellie Krum said after seeing the site plan today, she is concerned with the play-ground size.
Christy Payton suggested that if we set-up times for coming to the H1N1 clinic to go by last name and not grade level because some parents have children in more than one grade level.

## ADJOURNMENT

At 9:45 pm motion was made by Dawn Gill and seconded by Barbara Boyer to ad-journ the meeting.
The motion was approved by voice vote.

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Richard B. Snodgrass
Board Secretary

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Bonnie A. Edmeads
Assistant Board Secretary