DANVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

January 25, 2011 Minutes

The Danville Area School Board held their meeting in the Senior High School Cafeteria on Tuesday, January 25, 2011.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Allan Schappert, board president, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

ROLL CALL - Board Members

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

OTHERS PRESENT

Mr. David Price, Acting Superintendent; Mrs. Dawn Brookhart, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Technology; Ms Jillann Robbins, Director of Special Education; Mr. Lee Gump, Principal, High School; Mrs. Jennifer Gurski, Assistant Principal, High School; Mr. Charles Smargiassi, Middle School Principal; Mr. Ed Sanders, Assistant Principal, Middle School; Mr. Chris Johns, Intermediate Principal; Mrs. Susan Blake, Director of Head Start; Mrs. Pam Burrows, Director of Food Services; Mr. Rick Engle, Director of Maintenance; Mr. Jeff Ryan, Director of Network Administration; Mr. Richard Snodgrass, Business Administrator, Board Secretary and approximately fifteen members of the staff and public, and news media.

I. BOARD ADMINISTRATIVE ANNOUNCEMENT

None

Motion: (To added items D, E, and F under personnel)
A motion was made by Steve Schooley to add items D, E, and F under personnel
The motion was seconded by Christopher Outt
The motion was approved on a voice vote.

II. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. There was a board meeting on Thursday, January 20, 2011.

B. There was an Executive Session at 6:00 p.m. to discuss personnel, labor relations and real estate.

III. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT - Ashita Mittal

The Board was updated on student educational, athletic, social and extra-curricular activities.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

Comment was made that the sound system was working well.

V. ATHLETICS/ACTIVITIES

There were no items for action.

VI. CURRICULUM AND MANAGEMENT REPORT

A. Professional Development Day – Schedule from January 17
A brief update on the activities of the January 17 professional development day was presented by Mrs. Dawn Brookhart, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Technology

B. Instruction Plan Update
Updates on instructional plans were made by each of the following administrators including presentations by staff members. The presentations included data which documented progress being made along with explanations and demonstrations of techniques being utilized.

Mrs. Susan Blake – PreK
Mr. John Bickhart – Primary
Mr. Chris Johns - Intermediate

VII. SCHOOL/COMMUNITY RELATIONS

There were no items for action.

VIII. SCHOOL PROPERTY & SUPPLIES

There were no items for action.

IX. FINANCE

There were no items for action.

X. PERSONNEL

A. **The Board will take action on the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve tenure for Todd Egger, high school band director.**

B. **The Board will take action on the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the resignation of Tracey Kneasel, cafeteria employee, effective January 12, 2011. (Enclosure A)**

C. **The Board will take action on the recommendation of the Superintendent to grant approval of the employment of the 2010-2011 substitute list. (Teachers, Teacher Aides, Custodians, Cafeteria Workers, Secretaries, etc.) (Enclosure B)**

D. **The Board will take action on the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the employment of Jennifer Ressler as a substitute for the Danville Area School District.**

E. **The Board will take action on the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the resignation of Nicole Watson, learning support teacher at Liberty Valley. We will hold her for 60 days, making her last day with the district Friday March 25, 2011. (Attachment)**

F. **The Board will take action on the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the employment of John Brady, drama club advisor, to produce spring musical at Danville High School, at a salary of $1500.00, effective immediately. (Attachment)**

Motion: (To Approve Personnel Items A thru E)
A motion was made by Steve Schooley to approve Personnel – Items A thru E
The motion was seconded by Dawn Gill
The motion was approved on a roll call vote 8 yes, 0 no, 1 Absent – Jamie Hosterman

Motion: (To Indefinitely Postpone Personnel Item F)
A motion was made by Steve Schooley to approve Personnel – Item F
The motion was seconded by Dawn Gill
The motion was approved on a roll call vote 8 yes, 0 no, 1 Absent – Jamie Hosterman

XI. POLICY & INSURANCE

There were no items for action.

XII. TRANSPORTATION

A. The Board will take action on the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve Gary Cardozo and Dawn Salisbury as bus drivers for Amity Leasing, CS. (Enclosure C)

Motion: (To Approve Transportation Item A)
A motion was made by Dawn Gill to approve Transportation– Item A
The motion was seconded by Christopher Outt
The motion was approved on a roll call vote 8 yes, 0 no, 1 Absent – Jamie Hosterman

XIII. BOARD CONCERNS & ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING AGENDA

XIV. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was a request for an update on the elementary building project. The Board stated that the construction manager will be at the next meeting to present an update.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:55 pm a motion was made by Dawn Gill and seconded by Steve Schooley to adjourn the meeting.

The motion was approved by voice vote.

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Richard B. Snodgrass
Board Secretary