DANVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

February 24, 2015 Minutes

The Danville Area School Board held their meeting in the Senior High School Cafeteria on Tuesday, February 24, 2015.

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

ROLL CALL - Board Members

Mrs. Barbara Bickhart, Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mrs. Dawn Gill, Mr. Jamie Hosterman, Mr. Randy Keister, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mr. Allan Schappert, and Mr. David Weader were present. Mrs. Dawn Gill and Dr. Joseph Stemm was absent.

OTHERS PRESENT

Mrs. Cheryl Latorre, Superintendent; Mrs. Janis Venna, Business Manager; Mrs. Dawn Brookhart, Director of Curriculum, Instruction & Technology; Mr. Jeremy Winn, Assistant Middle School Principal; Mr. Chris Johns, Intermediate Principal; Mr. Rick Engle, Director of Building and Grounds; Mrs. Bonnie Edmeads, Board Secretary and sixty members of the staff and public, and news media.

Motion: (To approve the February 12, 2015 minutes)
A motion was made by Randy Keister to approve the minutes
The motion was seconded by Christopher Outt
The motion was approved on a voice vote 7 yes - Mrs. Barbara Bickhart, Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mrs. Dawn Gill, Mr. Jamie Hosterman, Mr. Randy Keister, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mr. Allan Schappert, and Mr. David Weader; 0- No; 2 Absent – Mrs. Dawn Gill and Dr. Joseph Stemm

I. BOARD ADMINISTRATIVE ANNOUNCEMENT

Reports –
CSIU – Dave Weader
Columbia Montour Vo-Tech – Allan Schappert

Dave Weader gave a brief update on the CSIU meeting. They adopted the 2015-2016 preliminary CSIU general budget.

Allan Schappert gave a brief update on Columbia Montour Vo-Tech meeting. A new director of CSIU was appointed. It is David Bacher. Two students were expelled. Open House was a success. Danville School Board will receive Columbia Montour Vo-Tech preliminary budget to act upon in the near future.

II. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. There was a Executive Session at 6:00 PM

B. June 10 has been added as a snow make-up day

C. Congratulations to Matt Bloom, Wrestling Coach was named Sportsmanship Coach of the Year and team award Northeast Bradford Duals Championship

D. Thank you to our students who assisted with the fire in our community last week.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Brown spoke for the teachers. He feels the district does a great job with our finances but our teachers also do a fine job. He asked the board and teachers to come to a resolution.

Mary Williams spoke about the teacher contract. She feels the board has not had the teachers and community in the best interest. She complained about doing a community room at the Danville Elementary Building and new lockers for the high school. Mary said the school board needs to settle this contract.

Consent Agenda Items
The Board will take action to approve the proposed consent agenda items.

Motion: (To approve the consent agenda items)
A motion was made by Randy Keister to approve the consent agenda items.
The motion was seconded by Christopher Outt
The motion was approved on a roll call vote 7 yes - Mrs. Barbara Bickhart, Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mrs. Dawn Gill, Mr. Jamie Hosterman, Mr. Randy Keister, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mr. Allan Schappert, and Mr. David Weader; 0- No; 2 Absent – Mrs. Dawn Gill and Dr. Joseph Stemm

IV. PRESENTATIONS/OUTSIDE GUESTS (Max. of 10 minutes each)

A. Borough Representative – Dan Knorr

B. 2013-2014 District Audit Presentation – Michael Fuller of Wagner, Dreese, Elsassen and Associates, P.C.

C. Nutrition, Inc. Presentation – Sue Farrell

Dan Knorr was not present this evening.

Michael Fuller, Wagner, Dreese, Elsassen and Associated, P.C. reviewed the audit report with the board.

Sue Farrell and Vicki Starr gave a presentation for Nutrition, Inc. Currently they on budget for this year. They also spoke about some programs they had with the children. They had a parent and grandparent luncheon at the primary school. It was a great success. They have programs scheduled for March as well as the rest of the school year.

V. SCHOOL PROPERTY & SUPPLIES

A. The Board will take action to approve Houck Services Inc. for the restoration project of the middle school roof under the AEPA Contract # KPN-201301-03B at a cost of $985,026.62. (Enclosure 1)

B. The Board will take action to approve the purchase of 720 metal lockers, color purple, for the entire high school from C.M. Eichenlaub Co. under costars – 014-090 at a cost of $236,160.00.

C. The Board will take action to approve the grant of Right-Of-Way for PPL and Danville Area Community Center as presented. (Enclosure 2)

D. The Board will take action to approve the sale of 1994 F350 Dump Truck 4 x 4 to Matteo LoDouca at a price of $4,660.00. (Enclosure 3)

E. The Board will take action to approve the sale of 1998 Dodge Ram Cargo Van 2500 to Joseph Gressavage at a price of $625.00. (Enclosure 4)

Motion: (To approve Item A under School Property and Supplies)
A motion was made by David Weader to approve item A under School Property and Supplies
The motion was seconded by Christopher Outt
The motion was approved on a roll call vote 7 yes - Mrs. Barbara Bickhart, Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mrs. Dawn Gill, Mr. Jamie Hosterman, Mr. Randy Keister, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mr. Allan Schappert, and Mr. David Weader; 0- No; 2 Absent – Mrs. Dawn Gill and Dr. Joseph Stemm

Motion: (To approve Item B under School Property and Supplies)
A motion was made by Randy Keister to approve item B under School Property and Supplies
The motion was seconded by Christopher Outt
The motion was approved on a roll call vote 7 yes - Mrs. Barbara Bickhart, Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mrs. Dawn Gill, Mr. Jamie Hosterman, Mr. Randy Keister, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mr. Allan Schappert, and Mr. David Weader; 0- No; 2 Absent – Mrs. Dawn Gill and Dr. Joseph Stemm

Motion: (To postpone Item C under School Property and Supplies)
A motion was made by David Weader to postpone item C under School Property and Supplies
The motion was seconded by Gregg Campbell
The motion was approved on a roll call vote 7 yes - Mrs. Barbara Bickhart, Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mrs. Dawn Gill, Mr. Jamie Hosterman, Mr. Randy Keister, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mr. Allan Schappert, and Mr. David Weader; 0- No; 2 Absent – Mrs. Dawn Gill and Dr. Joseph Stemm

Motion: (To approve Items D and E under School Property and Supplies)
A motion was made by Randy Keister to approve items D and E under School Property and Supplies
The motion was seconded by Jamie Hosterman
The motion was approved on a roll call vote 7 yes - Mrs. Barbara Bickhart, Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mrs. Dawn Gill, Mr. Jamie Hosterman, Mr. Randy Keister, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mr. Allan Schappert, and Mr. David Weader; 0- No; 2 Absent – Mrs. Dawn Gill and Dr. Joseph Stemm

VI. ATHLETICS/ACTIVITIES

*A. The Board will take action to approve Nevin Gorki as Head Girls Soccer Coach at the High School, at a salary of $4,040, effective immediately.

*B. The Board will take action to action to approve Jon Vella as Head Boys Track Coach at the High School, at a salary of $4,040, effective immediately.

*C. The Board will take action to amend Michelle Becker's stipend for Freshman Class Adviser from $562.50 to $1,125 per year. (Enclosure 5)

VII. CURRICULUM AND MANAGEMENT REPORT

VIII. SCHOOL/COMMUNITY RELATIONS

A. The Board will take action to approve Christopher Johns and Jamie Hosterman as district representatives for the Montour Area Recreation Commission and Jeremy Winn as alternate representative for the Montour Area Recreation Commission.

Motion: (To approve Item A under School/Community Relations)
A motion was made by Gregg Campbell to approve item A under School Community and Relations
The motion was seconded by Barbara Bickhart
The motion was approved on a roll call vote 6 yes - Mrs. Barbara Bickhart, Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mrs. Dawn Gill, Mr. Randy Keister, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mr. Allan Schappert, and Mr. David Weader; 0- No; 2 Absent – Mrs. Dawn Gill and Dr. Joseph Stemm; 1 Abstained – Jamie Hosterman

IX. FINANCE

A. The Board will take action to approve PlanCon H documents for the 60B Series of 2011 for the Primary Elementary School as presented. (Enclosure 6)

Motion: (To approve Item A under Finance)
A motion was made by Gregg Campbell to approve item A under Finance
The motion was seconded by Christopher Outt
The motion was approved on a roll call vote 7 yes - Mrs. Barbara Bickhart, Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mrs. Dawn Gill, Mr. Jamie Hosterman, Mr. Randy Keister, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mr. Allan Schappert, and Mr. David Weader; 0- No; 2 Absent – Mrs. Dawn Gill and Dr. Joseph Stemm

X. PERSONNEL

A. The Board will take action to approve FMLA leave for employee #3937918 beginning June 15, 2015 using an unused sick leave if needed.

B. The Board will take action to approve a sabbatical leave (policy 438) for employee # 4024647.

C. The Board will take action to approve the change in status from interim Assistant Middle School Principal to Assistant Middle School Principal under the Act 93 agreement salary $64,447, total compensation package is $86,794.57. (Enclosure 7)

D. The Board will take action to approve the employment of Rebecca Blansfield, as a Social Studies at the Middle School, at a salary of $45,556 MS Step 3, Year 3, total compensation package is $60,827.23, effective March 3, 2015. (Enclosure 8)

E. Legal Updates – Mr. Schappert

Motion: (To approve Item A-D under Personnel)
A motion was made by Gregg Campbell to approve item A-D under Personnel
The motion was seconded by Christopher Outt
The motion was approved on a roll call vote 7 yes - Mrs. Barbara Bickhart, Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mrs. Dawn Gill, Mr. Jamie Hosterman, Mr. Randy Keister, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mr. Allan Schappert, and Mr. David Weader; 0- No; 2 Absent – Mrs. Dawn Gill and Dr. Joseph Stemm

Allan gave a brief overview of our costs for legal fees and grievances.

XI. POLICY & INSURANCE

A. The Board will take action to approve the first reading of policy 005 - Organization (Enclosure 9)

B. The Board will take action to approve/reject the contract between the Danville Area School District and Danville Area Educational Support Personnel Association effective July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2019.

Motion: (To approve Item A under Policy and Insurance)
A motion was made by Randy Keister to approve item A under Policy and Insurance
The motion was seconded by Christopher Outt
The motion was approved on a roll call vote 7 yes - Mrs. Barbara Bickhart, Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mrs. Dawn Gill, Mr. Jamie Hosterman, Mr. Randy Keister, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mr. Allan Schappert, and Mr. David Weader; 0- No; 2 Absent – Mrs. Dawn Gill and Dr. Joseph Stemm

Motion: (To postpone Item B under Policy and Insurance)
A motion was made by Gregg Campbell to postpone item B under Policy and Insurance
The motion was seconded by Christopher Outt
The motion was approved on a roll call vote 7 yes - Mrs. Barbara Bickhart, Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mrs. Dawn Gill, Mr. Jamie Hosterman, Mr. Randy Keister, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mr. Allan Schappert, and Mr. David Weader; 0- No; 2 Absent – Mrs. Dawn Gill and Dr. Joseph Stemm

XII. TRANSPORTATION

*A. The Board will take action to approve Angela Marie Hall, as a bus driver for Danville Area School District through Reichard Busing, LLC, for the 2014-2015 school year. (Enclosure 10)

B. The Board will take action to approve the 2014-2015 Transportation Contracts as presented. (Enclosure 11)

Motion: (To approve Item B under Transportation)
A motion was made by Randy Keister to approve item B under Transportation
The motion was seconded by David Weader
The motion was approved on a roll call vote 7 yes - Mrs. Barbara Bickhart, Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mrs. Dawn Gill, Mr. Jamie Hosterman, Mr. Randy Keister, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mr. Allan Schappert, and Mr. David Weader; 0- No; 2 Absent – Mrs. Dawn Gill and Dr. Joseph Stemm

XIII. BOARD CONCERNS & ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING AGENDA

Allan spoke about an article that was recently in a local paper. He stated the article read that the teachers are working without a contract for the past three years. However, he said that is a false statement. The teachers work continues status quo to the latest contract. He spoke about board reasons for process of contract denial. It is on the webpage for anyone who would like to see. Non-bargaining arbitration is a legal step following a strike.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Jim Gulliver asked to get enclosure 6.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:05 pm motion was made by Randy Keister and seconded by Barbara Bickhart to adjourn the meeting.
The motion was approved by voice vote.

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Bonnie A. Edmeads
Board Secretary