DANVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

April 28, 2015 Minutes

The Danville Area School Board held their meeting in the Senior High School Cafeteria on Tuesday, April 28, 2015.

The meeting was called to order at 7:20 p.m. by Allan Schappert, President, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

ROLL CALL - Board Members

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

OTHERS PRESENT

Mrs. Cheryl Latorre, Superintendent; Mrs. Janis Venna, Business Manger: Mrs. Dawn Brookhart, Director of Curriculum, Instruction & Technology; Mr. Lee Gump, High School Principal; Michelle Garman, Assistant High School Principal; Mr. Jeremy Winn, Assistant Middle School Principal; Mr. Chris Johns, Intermediate Principal; Mr. John Bickhart, Primary Principal; Mrs. Susan Blake, Director of Head Start; Mr. Rick Engle, Director of Building and Grounds; Mrs. Jennifer Gurski, Assistant Principal of Cyber School; and Mrs. Bonnie Edmeads, Board Secretary and twelve members of the staff and public, and news media.

Motion: (To approve the April 14, 2015 minutes)
A motion was made by Barb Bickhart to approve the minutes
The motion was seconded by Gregg Campbell
The motion was approved on a voice vote 7 yes – Mrs. Barbara Bickhart, Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mr. Randy Keister, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mr. Allan Schappert, Dr. Joseph Stemm, and Mr. David Weader; 0- No; 2 Absent – Mr. Jamie Hosterman and Mrs. Dawn Gill

I. BOARD ADMINISTRATIVE ANNOUNCEMENT

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

Dave gave a brief CSIU report. The general operating budget has been approved.

Allan said selection letters will be going out to students who were chosen to attend next year. They will be selling land. Graduation will be June 1, 2015. Dave Bacher will be taking over as of May 1, 2015 for Mr. William Forsyth.

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

II. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. There was an Executive Session at 6:00 PM to discuss personnel and legal matters.

B. Used Clothing Drive May 1-15 to support (CSO) Central Susquehanna Opportunities, Inc. Drop off site will be at the Danville Elementary School building between the hours of 8:00 AM and 3:00 PM.

C. Graduation tentatively set for June 12, 2015 at 7:00 PM in the stadium, weather permitting. Valediction is June 11, 2015 at 7:00 PM in the gymnasium. Baccalaureate is scheduled for June 7, 2015 at 7:00 PM in the Middle School Auditorium.

D. First Annual "Celebrate the Arts Night" Wednesday, May 13, 2015 6:00 – 8:00 pm at the Danville Primary School. (Jess Noel Primary Art Teacher).

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

Jim Gulliver questioned the budget which was approved on April 14. He was concerned with the tax increase. Janis and Cheryl explained to him that the state would allow 1.9% but we are only increasing 1%. He also asked for enclosure number 2 from this agenda. Jim also asked Allan why the public comment at the end of the meeting was taken away. Allan told him that it has been abused in the past and we are only required to have public comment at one time during the meeting.

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

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

A. American Heart Association Jump Rope for Heart Award to Cheryl Seidel – (Presented by John Bickhart)

B. Borough Representative – (Presenter Dan Knorr)

C. Updates on employer responsibilities with regard to the Affordable Care Act – (Presenter Jon Sapochak) (30 minutes)

John Bickhart spoke about the American Heart Association Jump Rope for Heart Award. Cheryl Seidel was presented with a certificate for her work with this fundraiser.

Dan Knorr was not present this evening.

Jon Sapochak was present this evening to give an update on employer responsibilities with regard to the Affordable Care Act. He covered the mandates for the school district. Allan asked if we will need to hire additional staff to process all the paperwork for this. Randy asked if this will include coaches, club advisors, any additional hours an employee works, etc. Jon said it will be an increase in paperwork but feels it will be able to be completed without hiring additional staff. He also said that it will include any additional hours worked by employees.

V. SCHOOL PROPERTY & SUPPLIES

A. The Board will take action to approve the surfacing for the Primary School playground. The price is $96,610.00 under Co-Stars contract number 014.074. The material to be used is latex free. (Rick Engle)

B. Discussion - Convection Steamer convection for High School Cafeteria (Rick Engle)

Dave Weader left the meeting at 8:05 pm

Motion: (To approve Item A under School Property and Supplies)
A motion was made by - to approve item A under School Property and Supplies
The motion was seconded by -

The motion was approved on a roll call vote 6 yes – Mrs. Barbara Bickhart, Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mr. Randy Keister, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mr. Allan Schappert, and Dr. Joseph Stemm; 0- No; 3 Absent – Mr. Jamie Hosterman, Mrs. Dawn Gill and Mr. David Weader.

Rick spoke briefly on the playground surface at the primary school. He had samples of new surfacing which was past around to the board to look at. The existing surface sticks to children's shoes and is all over the building. When resurfacing the play-gound we would also fix the drainage problem with water going across the road and in the winter it freezes and is really a problem.

Rick spoke about the convection steamer in the high school system. It will cost around $80,000 to replace it. It will take approximately 4 to 6 weeks to put new in. We will have an item on the next board agenda to replace the equipment.

VI. ATHLETICS/ACTIVITIES

VII. CURRICULUM AND MANAGEMENT REPORT

A. The Board will take action to approve the Head Start's Goals and Objectives as presented. (Susan Blake) (Enclosure 1)

Motion: (To approve Item A under Curriculum and Management Report)
A motion was made by - to approve item A under Curriculum and Management Re-port
The motion was seconded by -
The motion was approved on a roll call vote 6 yes – Mrs. Barbara Bickhart, Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mr. Randy Keister, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mr. Allan Schappert, and Dr. Joseph Stemm; 0- No; 3 Absent – Mr. Jamie Hosterman, Mrs. Dawn Gill and Mr. David Weader.

VIII. SCHOOL/COMMUNITY RELATIONS

IX. FINANCE

A. The Board will take action to approve L.R. Kimball, the architectural firm for the Primary Building to apply for tax deduction incentives under Section 179D regarding the Energy Policy Act of 2005. (This has been reviewed by Attorney Pratt) (Janis Venna) (Enclosure 2)

B. The Board will take action to approve the Nutrition Inc. projected oper-ating budget as proposed effective July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016. This was presented at the last meeting. (Janis Venna) (Enclo-sure 3) (Five Votes)

C. The Board will take action to approve the 2015-2016 Head Start budget as presented. (Susan Blake) (Enclosure 4) (Five Votes)

D. The Board will take action to approve the Head Start Federal Re-Funding Application for Fiscal Year 2015 -2016 as presented. (Susan Blake) (Enclosure 5)

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 Chris Outt
The motion was approved on a roll call vote 6 yes – Mrs. Barbara Bickhart, Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mr. Randy Keister, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mr. Allan Schappert, and Dr. Joseph Stemm; 0- No; 3 Absent – Mr. Jamie Hosterman, Mrs. Dawn Gill and Mr. David Weader.

Motion: (To approve Items B, C, and D under Finance)
A motion was made by Randy Keister to approve items B, C, and D under Finance
The motion was seconded by Chris Outt
The motion was approved on a roll call vote 6 yes – Mrs. Barbara Bickhart, Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mr. Randy Keister, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mr. Allan Schappert, and Dr. Joseph Stemm; 0- No; 3 Absent – Mr. Jamie Hosterman, Mrs. Dawn Gill and Mr. David Weader.

X. PERSONNEL

*A. The Board will take action accept the resignation of Roger Hayman, custodian, effective April 21, 2015. (Rick Engle) (Enclosure 6)

B. The Board will take action to approve the employment of Kim Renz, as transportation administrative secretary in the administration office at a starting salary of $12.01 per hour, 40 hours per week, 12 month position, benefit package $22,186.92 with total compensation being $47,167.72. There will be a six month probation period. (Janis Venna) (Enclosure 7)

C. The Board will take action to approve the employment of Linda Marshall, as Director of Head Start at a starting salary of $55,500. Total compensation package is $77,653.47. (Susan Blake) (Enclosure 8)

*D. The Board will take action to accept the resignation of the Middle School cheerleading coaches Joann Gray and Mrs. Patynski. (Enclosure 9)

E. The Board will take action to adjust the placement of Brandon

Traugh to Step 3 retroactive to August 24, 2014. (Cheryl Latorre)

F. The Board will take action to approve the employment of John Hoffman, custodian, at the Danville Senior High School, at an hourly rate of $11.75. Total compensation package is $45,452.47. (Rick Engle) (Enclosure 10)

G. The Board will take action to approve the employment of Stanley Shultz, custodian, at the Danville Senior High School, at an hourly rate of $11.95. Total compensation package is $49,993.74. (Rick Engle) (Enclosure 11)

H. The Board will take action to approve the employment of Gerald Maurer, custodian, at the Danville Senior High School, at an hourly rate of $11.75. Total compensation package is $45,452.47. (Rick Engle) (Enclosure 12)

I. The Board will take action to approve for employment the individuals noted on the 2014-2015 substitute list enclosure. (Teachers, Teacher Aides, Secretaries, etc.) (Pam Burrows) (Enclosure 13)

Motion: (To approve Items B, C, F-I under Personnel)
A motion was made by Chris Outt to approve items B, C, F-I under Personnel
The motion was seconded by Gregg Campbell
The motion was approved on a roll call vote 6 yes – Mrs. Barbara Bickhart, Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mr. Randy Keister, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mr. Allan Schappert, and Dr. Joseph Stemm; 0- No; 3 Absent – Mr. Jamie Hosterman, Mrs. Dawn Gill and Mr. David Weader.

Motion: (To approve Item E under Personnel)
A motion was made by Chris Outt to approve item E under Personnel
The motion was seconded by Gregg Campbell
The motion was approved on a roll call vote 5 yes – Mrs. Barbara Bickhart, Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mr. Randy Keister, Mr. Christopher Outt, and Mr. Allan Schappert; 1- No – Dr. Joseph Stemm; 3 Absent – Mr. Jamie Hosterman, Mrs. Dawn Gill and Mr. David Weader.

XI. POLICY & INSURANCE

XII. TRANSPORTATION

*A. The Board will to approve Morris Houser as a bus driver for the Danville Area School District through Fishing Creek Transportation. (Beth Norman) (Enclosure 14)

A. BOARD CONCERNS & ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING AGENDA

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:40 pm motion was made by Gregg Campbell and seconded by Chris Outt to adjourn the meeting.
The motion was approved by voice vote.

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Bonnie Edmeads
Board Secretary