DANVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

October 13, 2015 Minutes

The Danville Area School Board held their meeting in the Community Room at DES Building on Tuesday, October 13, 2015.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 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. Randy Keister, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mr. Allan Schappert, and Mr. David Weader were present. Mr. Jamie Hosterman and Dr. Joseph Stemm was absent.

OTHERS PRESENT

Mrs. Cheryl Latorre, Superintendent; Mrs. Janis Venna, Business Manager; Mrs. Dawn Brookhart, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Technology; Mrs. Jill Shupp; Director of Special Education; Lee Gump, High School Principal; Mr. Jeremy Winn, Assistant Middle School Principal; Mr. Chris Johns, Intermediate Principal; Mrs. Jennifer Gurski, Assistant Principal of Cyber School; Mr. Rick Engle, Director of Building and Grounds; Mrs. Bonnie Edmeads, Board Secretary and forty members of the staff, public, and news media.

Motion: (To approve the September 22, 2015 minutes)
A motion was made by Barbara Bickhart to approve the minutes
The motion was seconded by Randy Keister

The motion was approved on a voice vote 7 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 – Mr. Jamie Hosterman and Dr. Joseph Stemm

I. BOARD ADMINISTRATIVE ANNOUNCEMENT

II. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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

B. Primary School Library Presentation – Ellen Salsbery Blue, former Riverside Librarian (The Blue Family has provided a trust to provide books in her memory to the libraries)

C. Enrollment Report (Enrollment 1)

D. Homecoming Update

E. A Special Thank-You for all who have been supporting the Riley Family

Mrs. Latorre spoke about the Ellen Salsbury Blue Family and John Bickhart introduced David Fry, her grandson. David spoke about his late grandmother and her love for books and the Riverside Library. He also spoke about the trust that was set up to purchase books each year for the Primary School and Liberty Valley School.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

Jim Gulliver asked if the Stadium Council has been making any progress for the turf and track. Cheryl told Mr. Gulliver it is on hold at present.

Bill Flatley, a community member, spoke about the teachers having no contract for 3 years. He spoke about the steps we went through to get to where we are at this time. He is asking to get rid of this deadlock. Settle the 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 Randy Keister to approve the consent agenda items.
The motion was seconded by Chris Outt
The motion was approved on a voice vote 7 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 – Mr. Jamie Hosterman and Dr. Joseph Stemm

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

A. Borough Representative – Dan Knorr

B. Drama Department – John Brady, Linda Hamati and Lea Sharp
(Fall Productions is Robert Fulghum's – Uh Oh Here Comes Christmas, November 20 and 21 at 7 pm and November 22 at 2 pm at the Middle School Auditorium.) (Enclosure 2)

Dan Knorr was not present this evening.

Linda Hamiti spoke about starting a booster organization for the drama department and performing arts. John Brady spoke about the program. He also spoke about safety and efficiency problems that should be addressed.

V. SCHOOL PROPERTY & SUPPLIES

A. The Board will take action to purchase a 2016 Ford F-350 4x4 pickup truck at a total cost of $42,952.92 through Co-stars 025-213 from Gibbons Ford. This is a budgeted item. Co-stars is an approved state bid process. (Rick Engle) (5 votes)

B. The Board will take action to purchase whiteboards for the continuation of the technology updates at the high school in the amount of $15,818.00 through Co-stars 014-090 from C. M. Eichenlaub Co. This is a budgeted item. Co-stars is an approved state bid process. (Rick Engle) (5 votes)

Motion: (To approve the Items A-B under School Property and Supplies)
A motion was made Dawn Gill to approve Items A-B under School Property and Supplies
The motion was seconded by Chris Outt
The motion was approved on a voice vote 7 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 – Mr. Jamie Hosterman and Dr. Joseph Stemm

VI. ATHLETICS/ACTIVITIES

A. The Board will take action to approve the disbursement of the SUSOBO (Stand Up Speak Out Be Outstanding) club at the high school due to lack of interest by the students. (Lee Gump) (Enclosure 3)

B. The Board will take action to approve the initiation of the Danville Area Performing Arts Boosters.

Motion: (To approve the Items A-B under Athletics/Activities)
A motion was made Gregg Campbell to approve Items A-B under Athletics/Activities
The motion was seconded by Chris Outt
The motion was approved on a voice vote 7 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 – Mr. Jamie Hosterman and Dr. Joseph Stemm

VII. CURRICULUM AND MANAGEMENT REPORT

VIII. SCHOOL/COMMUNITY RELATIONS

IX. FINANCE

A. General Fund – Revenues and Expenditures Summary (Enclosure 4)

B. Local Revenues – Actual vs. Budget (Enclosure 5)

C. State Revenues – Actual vs. Budget (Enclosure 6)

D. Federal Revenues – Actual vs. Budget (Enclosure 7)

E. Cash Receipts (Enclosure 8)

F. Investments (Enclosure 9)

G. Bills for Payment – September 2, 2015 to October 7, 2015 (Enclosure 10)

Motion: (To approve the Item G under Finance)
A motion was made Gregg Campbell to approve Item G under Finance
The motion was seconded by Chris Outt

The motion was approved on a voice vote 7 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 – Mr. Jamie Hosterman and Dr. Joseph Stemm

VI. PERSONNEL

*A. The Board will take action on the recommendation of the Superintendent to grant approval of the employment of the 2015-2016 substitute list. (Teachers, Teacher Aides, Secretaries, etc.) (Enclosure 11)

*B. The Board will take action to approve student # 7228201736 for homebound instruction from September 28 through October 23, 2015.

*C. The Board will take action to accept the resignation of Erin Conner Danville High School English teacher, effective September 28, 2015. (Enclosure 12)

D. The Board will take action to approve the employment of Elizabeth Kribbs, as a special education teacher at Liberty Valley, with a starting

salary of $ 40,703, BS, Step 1, effective October 14, 2015 with total compensation being $70,331.14. The salary will be prorated based on start date of October 14, 2015. This position will replace Molly Buchanan. (Enclosure 13)

Motion: (To approve Item D under Personnel)
A motion was made by Dawn Gill to approve item D under Personnel
The motion was seconded by Barbara Bickhart

The motion was approved on a voice vote 7 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 – Mr. Jamie Hosterman and Dr. Joseph Stemm

VII. POLICY & INSURANCE

XII. TRANSPORTATION

*A. The Board will take action to approve Mark Karc, as a bus driver, for the 2015-2016 school year for Danville Area School District through Fishing Creek Busing.

*B. The Board will take action to approve Stephen Daly, as a bus driver, for the 2015-2016 school year for Danville Area School District through Fishing Creek Busing.

*C. The Board will take action to approve Dean Diehl, as a bus driver, for the 2015-2016 school year for Danville Area School District through Fishing Creek Busing.

*D. The Board will take action to approve Marlene Eveland, as a bus driver, for the 2015-2016 school year for Danville Area School District through Fishing Creek Busing.

*E. The Board will take action to approve Roseann Fish, as a bus driver, for the 2015-2016 school year for Danville Area School District through Fishing Creek Busing.

*F. The Board will take action to approve Wendy Keefer, as a bus driver, for the 2015-2016 school year for Danville Area School District through Fishing Creek Busing.

*G. The Board will take action to approve Michael Rubendall, as a bus driver, for the 2015-2016 school year for Danville Area School District through Fishing Creek Busing.

XIII. PUBLIC COMMENT

Jim Gulliver asked for enclosure 3.

XIV. BOARD CONCERNS & ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING AGENDA

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:35 pm motion was made by Dawn Gill and seconded by David Weader to adjourn the meeting.
The motion was approved by voice vote.

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Bonnie A. Edmeads
Board Secretary