DANVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

October 27, 2015 Minutes

The Danville Area School Board held their meeting in the Community Room at DES Building on Tuesday, October 27, 2015.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by temporary president Randy Keister followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

ROLL CALL - Board Members

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

The appointment of a temporary president was the first order of business.
Motion: (To appoint a temporary president)
A motion was made by Chris Outt to appoint Randy Keister as temporary president
The motion was seconded by Gregg Campbell
The motion was approved on a voice vote 7 yes - Mrs. Barbara Bickhart, Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mr. Jamie Hosterman (via phone), Mr. Randy Keister, Mr. Christopher Outt, Dr. Joseph Stemm, and Mr. David Weader (via phone); 0 – No; 2 Absent – Mrs. Dawn Gill and Mr. Allan Schappert

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; Ms Michelle Garman, Assistant High School Principal; Mr. Charles Smargiassi, Middle School Principal; Mr. Jeremy Winn, Assistant Middle School Principal; Mr. John Bickhart, Primary Principal; Mr. Chris Johns, Intermediate Principal; Mrs. Jennifer Gurski, Assistant Principal of Cyber School; Mr. Rick Engle, Director of Building and Grounds; Mr. Jeffrey Ryan, Director of Network Administration; Mrs. Bonnie Edmeads, Board Secretary and 150 members of the staff, public, and news media.

Motion: (To approve the October 13, 2015 minutes)
A motion was made by Barbara 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. Jamie Hosterman (via phone), Mr. Randy Keister, Mr. Christopher Outt, Dr. Joseph Stemm, and Mr. David Weader (via phone); 0 – No; 2 Absent – Mrs. Dawn Gill and Mr. Allan Schappert

I. BOARD ADMINISTRATIVE ANNOUNCEMENT

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

No reports were given this evening.

II. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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

B. October is National Bullying Prevention Month

C. Strategic Plan (30 day review) Thank you Mrs. Brookhart for your work on the Strategic Plan

D. Volunteer handbook provided to all volunteers. All volunteers are required to complete Act 124, 151, and 134 and Confidentiality Agreement.

E. Alumni Banquet October 30, 2015

Mrs. Latorre thanked Mrs. Brookhart for her work on the Strategic Plan.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT (Limited to 2 minutes)

No public comment at this time.

Consent Agenda Items
The Board will take action to approve the proposed consent agenda items.
Chris Outt made a motion to add the following items to consent items. Under Policy and Insurance Items B, C, and D; under Athletics/Activities items A and B; under Curriculum and Management Report item A; and under Finance item B. The board agreed with a voice vote.

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

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

A. Borough Representative – Dan Knorr

Dan Knorr was not present this evening.

V. POLICY & INSURANCE

A. The Board will take action to approve or reject the Danville Area Education Association proposed contract agreement effective July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2019.

B. The Board will take action to approve the expulsion of student # 6877130537 for thirty school days beginning October 29, 2015. This student will be attending Milton PATH.

C. The Board will take action to approve the expulsion of student # 1437261329 for thirty school days beginning October 29, 2015. This student will be attending our e-Learning Academy.

D. The Board will take action to approve a Selinsgrove School District student to attend our elementary emotional support program beginning October 22, 2015. This student will be a tuition paying student.

Motion: (To approve the Policy & Insurance Item A)
A motion was made Chris Outt to approve the Policy & Insurance item A.
The motion was seconded by Gregg Campbell
The motion was approved on a voice vote 6 yes - Mrs. Barbara Bickhart, Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mr. Jamie Hosterman (via phone), Mr. Randy Keister, Mr. Christopher Outt, and Mr. David Weader (via phone); 1 – No – Dr. Joseph Stemm; 2 Absent – Mrs. Dawn Gill and Mr. Allan Schappert

Those in attendance celebrated with applause.
Dave Fortunato thanked the board for moving forward especially Randy Keister, Chris Outt, and David Weader. He said he feels both sides have learned a lot through all this.

VI. SCHOOL PROPERTY & SUPPLIES

A. The Board will take action to approve the purchase of Cachebox 230 at a cost of $9,590.00 (Cost includes Cachebox 230 Hardware, support, 1 year support and shipping) as presented. This is not a budgeted item, but is necessary to support the technology resources of the district. Jeff Ryan (Enclosure 1)

Motion: (To approve the School Property & Supplies item A)
A motion was made Chris Outt to approve the School Property & Supplies item A.
The motion was seconded by Barbara Bickhart

The motion was approved on a voice vote 7 yes - Mrs. Barbara Bickhart, Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mr. Jamie Hosterman (via phone), Mr. Randy Keister, Mr. Christopher Outt, Dr. Joseph Stemm, and Mr. David Weader (via phone); 0 – No; 2 Absent – Mrs. Dawn Gill and Mr. Allan Schappert

VII. ATHLETICS/ACTIVITIES

A. The Board will take action to approve the AP Biology class trip to Chincoteague Bay Field Station (Wallops Island Virginia) from May 15 through May 18, 2016. The only cost to the district will be for 3 substitute teachers at $100 per substitute. (Enclosure 2)

B. The Board will take action to approve Stephanie DiDomenico and Joanna Kreisher as co-advisers for High School Key Club effective immediately. Their stipends will be $825 each.

VIII. CURRICULUM AND MANAGEMENT REPORT

A. The Board will take action to approve an AP Drawing course as a component of the art curriculum and course selection effective January 2016. (Enclosure 3)

IX. SCHOOL/COMMUNITY RELATIONS

X. FINANCE

A. The Board will take action to approve the resolution electing to keep real estate tax rates within the Act 1 index for the 2016-17 school year. (Enclosure 4)

B. The Board will take action to approve the purchase of a NCDS Digital Copier/printer proposal for a 48 month lease at a cost of $215.79 per month for special education. This is a budgeted item. Janis Venna (Enclosure 5)

Motion: (To approve the Finance Item A)
A motion was made Chris Outt to approve the Finance item A.
The motion was seconded by Barbara Bickhart

The motion was approved on a voice vote 7 yes - Mrs. Barbara Bickhart, Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mr. Jamie Hosterman (via phone), Mr. Randy Keister, Mr. Christopher Outt, Dr. Joseph Stemm, and Mr. David Weader (via phone); 0 – No; 2 Absent – Mrs. Dawn Gill and Mr. Allan Schappert

XI. PERSONNEL

*A. The Board will take action to extend FMLA from 8 weeks to 10 weeks for employee #7262305 with the return date to work to be Monday, November 2, 2015. (Enclosure 6)

*B. The Board will take action to approve FMLA for employee #7916276 to begin approximately December 10, 2015 with return to school to be May 1, 2016. Sick and personal days will be used until winter holiday break with additional days being FMLA and uncompensated days. (Enclosure 7)

*C. The Board will take action to approve the following mentors Jason Foresman for Noah Mantione, Andrea Baney for Elizabeth Kribbs, and Michael Capita for Jayme Feld at a stipend of $800 year one and $500 for each second and third year.

*D. The Board will take action to accept the retirement of Stephen Shaffer, as a custodian in our district, effective January 4, 2016. (Enclosure 8)

*E. The Board will take action to approve the change of Amy Wieand from 205 day guidance secretary to a year around guidance secretary at the high school.

XII. TRANSPORTATION

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

XIII. BOARD CONCERNS & ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING AGENDA

XV. PUBLIC COMMENT

Jim Gulliver asked for enclosure 4.
Lori Flatery and other teachers said thank you to the board.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:16 pm motion was made by Chris Outt and seconded by Gregg Campbell to adjourn the meeting.
The motion was approved by voice vote.

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Bonnie A. Edmeads
Board Secretary