DANVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

July 11, 2017 Minutes
Regular Board Meeting

The Danville Area School Board held their meeting in the Community Room at DES Building on Tuesday, July 11, 2017.

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by Mr. David Weader, President, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

ROLL CALL - Board Members

Mr. Wayne Brookhart, Mrs. Dawn Gill, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mrs. Mr. Derl Reichard, Mrs. Erin Ross, and Mr. David Weader were present. Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mr. Randy Keister, and Dr. Joel Klena were absent.

OTHERS PRESENT

Mrs. Janis Venna, Business Manager;; Mr. Chris Johns, High School Principal; Mr. Jeremy Winn, High School Assistant Principal; Mr. Charles Smargiassi, Middle School Principal; Mr. David Snover, Middle School Assistant Principal; Mr. Lee Gump, Intermediate Principal; Mr. John Bickhart, Primary School Principal; Dr. Jennifer Gurski, Assistant Principal of Cyber School; Mrs. Bonnie Edmeads, Board Secretary; Mr. David Price; and ten members of the staff, public, and news media.

I. BOARD ADMINISTRATIVE ANNOUNCEMENT

- Reports:
  CSIU – Mr. David Weader
  Columbia Montour Vo-Tech – Mr. Randy Keister

Mr. David Weader had nothing to report from CSIU. They did not have a July board meeting.

Mr. Randy Keister was not present for a report tonight.

Motion: (To add addendum items to the agenda)
A motion was made by Mr. Outt to add addendum items to the agenda. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Dawn Gill

The motion was approved on a voice vote 6 yes - Mr. Wayne Brookhart, Mrs. Dawn Gill, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mrs. Mr. Derl Reichard, Mrs. Erin Ross, and Mr. David Weader; 0 – No; 3 – Absent – Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mr. Randy Keister, and Dr. Joel Klena

II. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

No superintendent's report this evening.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mrs. Leslie Yeich, parent and member of band boosters, spoke about the band trailer. The boosters are looking into redoing the trailer but was concerned that it would be worth spending the money on this trailer or if they should consider a new trailer. Mrs. Venna told her she would have Mr. Engle take a look at the trailer to get his opinion on the status of the trailer.

Mrs. Yeich also thanked the interviewing committee and the board for hiring a new band director in a timely manner.

Mrs. Yeich also spoke briefly about considering more support in scheduling band and chorus classes. Having band 9th period seems to create some problems with athletics sometimes leaving early for sports, students not being able to participate in club meetings and such. Mrs. Yeich would like to see more electives for students in the music field.

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 Mrs. Gill to approve the consent agenda items. The motion was seconded by Mr. Brookhart

The motion was approved on a roll call vote 6 yes - Mr. Wayne Brookhart, Mrs. Dawn Gill, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mrs. Mr. Derl Reichard, Mrs. Erin Ross, and Mr. David Weader; 0 – No; 3 – Absent – Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mr. Randy Keister, and Dr. Joel Klena

IV. PRESENTATIONS/OUTSIDE GUESTS (Max. of 5 minutes each)

A. Borough Update – Jamie Shrawder

Ms. Jamie Shrawder had nothing new to report tonight. She did however, give Mrs. Venna information regarding some funding from PennDot for projects for her to review to see if the district would be interested in anything.

V. SCHOOL PROPERTY & SUPPLIES

A. The Board will take action to approve change order #1 from FieldTurf in the amount of $79,658.33 as presented. (Enclosure 1)

B. The Board will take action to approve the bid process for a new maintenance/band truck. The existing truck cannot pass inspection. This is a budgeted item.

C. The Board will take action to approve the invoice from Metso Minerals in the amount of $3,590.00 for 16 desk sets, 3 conference tables, 10 chairs, 14 filing cabinets also flip charts, white boards, bulletin boards which they donated. (Attachment 1)

D. The Board will take action to approve the attached furniture quote for the Science Classrooms through Penn Co. (Attachment 2)

E. The Board will take action to approve the quote for 4 stadium benches, 2 soccer goals and 2 field hockey goals in the amount of $9,640.

The Board will take action to approve items A-E under School Property and Supplies.

Motion: (To approve items A-E under School Property and Supplies)

A motion was made by Mrs. Gill to approve items A - E. The motion was seconded by Mr. Outt

The motion was approved on a roll call vote 6 yes - Mr. Wayne Brookhart, Mrs. Dawn Gill, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mrs. Mr. Derl Reichard, Mrs. Erin Ross, and Mr. David Weader; 0 – No; 3 – Absent – Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mr. Randy Keister, and Dr. Joel Klena.

Mrs. Gill asked if we looked into any grant monies for field turf. Mrs. Venna said she would look into it.

Mrs. Ross reported that the Project Committee was informed during its meeting earlier today that the project is on schedule.

VI. ATHLETICS/ACTIVITIES

A. The Board will take action to approve the out-of-state trip to the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis from October 24 through 28, 2017 for 4 students and 1 district personnel. The only cost to the district would be for 1 substitute. (Handout)

Motion: (To approve item A under Athletics/Activities)

A motion was made by Mrs. Ross to approve item A under Athletics/Activities. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Gill

The motion was approved on a roll call vote 6 yes - Mr. Wayne Brookhart, Mrs. Dawn Gill, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mrs. Mr. Derl Reichard, Mrs. Erin Ross, and Mr. David Weader; 0 – No; 3 – Absent – Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mr. Randy Keister, and Dr. Joel Klena

VII. CURRICULUM AND MANAGEMENT REPORT

A. Required presentation from Dr. Gurski from her attendance at the out of state conference on NGSS Standards. (Two minutes)

Jennifer Gurski gave a brief update on the out of state conference on NGSS Standards she attended recently. Dr. Gurski thanked the board for allowing her to go to the conference. Dr. Gurski was honored to present her dissertation representing both Danville Area School District and Drexel University. Dr. Gurski was invited to go to a pre-college conference and is planning to share the information with the administration team.

Dawn Gill took a moment to congratulate Mrs. Dawn Brookhart for receiving her certificate of completion of the Orten-Gillingham training.

VII. SCHOOL/COMMUNITY RELATIONS

VIII. FINANCE

A. General Fund – Revenues and Expenditures Summary (Enclosure 2)

B. Local Revenues – Actual vs. Budget (Enclosure 3)

C. State Revenues – Actual vs. Budget (Enclosure 4)

D. Federal Revenues – Actual vs. Budget (Enclosure 5)

E. Cash Receipts (Enclosure 6)

F. Investments (enclosure 7)

G. Bills for Payment – June 7, 2017 to July 5, 2017 (Enclosure 8)

H. The Board will take action to approve payment of the invoice to Borough of Danville for engineering approvals for the DASD High School Land Development amounting to $2,687.13. (Enclosure 9)

I. The Board will take action to approve certificate for payment to FieldTurf in the amount of $239,802.11 as presented. (Enclosure 10)

J. The Board will take action to approve payment of the invoice to Fidevia in the amount of $23,100.00. (Enclosure 11)

K. The Board will take action to approve the payment of the invoice to G. R. Noto Electrical construction, Inc. in the amount of $23, 400.00. (Enclosure 12)

Motion: (To approve item G under Finance)
A motion was made by Mrs. Gill to approve item G under Finance. The motion was seconded by Mr. Brookhart

The motion was approved on a roll call vote 6 yes - Mr. Wayne Brookhart, Mrs. Dawn Gill, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mrs. Mr. Derl Reichard, Mrs. Erin Ross, and Mr. David Weader; 0 – No; 3 – Absent – Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mr. Randy Keister, and Dr. Joel Klena

Motion: (To approve items H through K under Finance)
A motion was made by Mr. Brookhart to approve items H & K under Finance. The motion was seconded by Mr. Outt

The motion was approved on a roll call vote 6 yes - Mr. Wayne Brookhart, Mrs. Dawn Gill, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mrs. Mr. Derl Reichard, Mrs. Erin Ross, and Mr. David Weader; 0 – No; 3 – Absent – Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mr. Randy Keister, and Dr. Joel Klena

IX. PERSONNEL

*A. The Board will take action to accept the retirement of Barbara Kessler, 2nd grade teacher at Primary School, effective the end of the 2016-2017 School year after 35 years of service in Danville. (Enclosure 13)

*B. The Board will take action to accept the resignation of Teri Conrad, Danville Head Start Family Advocate, effective immediately. (Enclosure 14)

*C. The Board will take action to accept the resignation of Marcie Kitka, as co-advisor of the Danville Middle School student council, effective immediately. (Enclosure 15)

*D. The Board will take action to accept the resignation of Rebecca Pritchard, as High School Color guard instructor, effective immediately. (Enclosure 16)

*E. The Board will take action to accept the resignation of Jeffrey Smith, as High School Band Director, effective June 21, 2017. Mr. Smith would be

available to help with the transition to the new director. (Enclosure 17)

*F. The Board will take action to accept the resignation of Vanessa DeVett, as Primary School Music Teacher, effective June 26, 2017. (Enclosure 18)

*G. The Board will take action to approve FMLA for employee #8468236 beginning November 27, 2017 for 12 weeks.

H. The Board will take action to approve Abagail Drew Wise as a para professional starting August 21, 2017 at an hourly rate of $10.35. (Enclosure 19)

I. The Board will take action to approve Tara Musselman as a para Professional starting August 21, 2017 at a hourly rate of $10.35. (Enclosure 20)

J. The Board will take action to approve Jamie Brent as Head Start Teacher at a salary of $26,933 starting August 17, 2017. (Enclosure 21)

K. The Board will take action to approve Amanda Shepard as a second grade teacher effective August 21, 2017 at a salary of $46,466. (Enclosure 22)

L. The Board will take action to approve Madison Ernest as a first grade teacher effective August 21, 2017 at a salary of $46,466. (Enclosure 23)

M. The Board will take action to approve the employment of Thomas Hiravi as high school band director at step 3 BS at a salary of $48,966. (Attachment 3)

N. The Board will take action to approve the employment of Kristy Burns, as long term substitute for first grade with a starting salary of $46,466. Kristy will be filling in for Sarah Shovlin. (Attachment 4)

O. The Board will take action to approve Jennifer Hodish as Head Start Teacher at a salary of $26,933 starting August 17, 2017. (Attachment 5)

P. The Board will take action to approve stipend of $5,700 for Thomas Hiravi as high school band director. (Attachment 6)

Q. The Board will take action to approve the employment of Mandy La-Marca as 7th grade math teacher, pending certificate, at a salary of $46,466, step 1 BS. (Attachment 7)

Item J under Personnel has been withdrawn.

Motion: (To approve items H, I, K - L under Personnel)
A motion was made by Mrs. Ross to approve items H, I, K - L under Personnel. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Gill.

The motion was approved on a roll call vote 6 yes - Mr. Wayne Brookhart, Mrs. Dawn Gill, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mrs. Mr. Derl Reichard, Mrs. Erin Ross, and Mr. David Weader; 0 – No; 3 – Absent – Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mr. Randy Keister, and Dr. Joel Klena

Motion: (To approve items M - Q under Personnel)
A motion was made by Mrs. Gill to approve items M - Q under Personnel. The motion was seconded by Mr. Outt.

The motion was approved on a roll call vote 6 yes - Mr. Wayne Brookhart, Mrs. Dawn Gill, Mr. Christopher Outt, Mrs. Mr. Derl Reichard, Mrs. Erin Ross, and Mr. David Weader; 0 – No; 3 – Absent – Dr. Gregg Campbell, Mr. Randy Keister, and Dr. Joel Klena

The building principal's introduced the new employees who were present at the meeting.

X. POLICY & INSURANCE

*A. The Board will take action to approve the second reading of Policy 246 – School Wellness.

*B. The Board will take action to approve the letter of agreement between Beacon Light Behavioral Health System and Beacon Light Adult Residential Services and Danville Area School District for the fiscal year of 2017-2018. (Enclosure 24)

*C. The Board will take action to approve the letter of agreement between The Meadows and Danville Area School District for the 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 school year. (Enclosure 25)

*D The Board will take action to approve the agreement with Children's Service Center for the 2017-2018 school term. (Enclosure 26)

XI. TRANSPORTATION

XII. BOARD CONCERNS & ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING AGENDA

Mr. Brookhart would like to following items to be on upcoming board agenda:

- Riverside and Danville Elementary properties – what we are doing with them
- Summary on project financed

Mrs. Ross would like more discussion on hiring a few full-time subs to float within a building. Mrs. Venna mentioned that the District is reviewing a sub service system for potential use. The Board had a brief discussion on substitute service and the challenges that the District facing finding substitutes.

XIV. PUBLIC COMMENT

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:45 pm a motion was made by Mrs. Gill and seconded by Mr. Outt to adjourn the meeting.
The motion was approved by voice vote.

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Bonnie A. Edmeads
Board Secretary