

**Minutes of the
KUTZTOWN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Directors Meeting
November 15, 2021 - 7:30 p.m.**

The Board of Directors of Kutztown Area School District met for a regular monthly board meeting on Monday, November 15, 2021, at 7:30 p.m., in the Middle School Commons and remotely via Zoom and YouTube, pursuant to due notice to board members and the public.

Present Michelle Batz, Randy Burch, Michael Hess, Caecilia Holt, Dennis Ritter, Charles Shurr, Eric Johnson (remotely), Karl Nolte, Alan Darion

Absent

Also Present Christian Temchatin, Rikki DeVough, David Miller, Steven Leever, Ed Myers, Erin Anderson, James Brown, Richard Laubenstein, Jenny Rakus, Peter Karch, Lillian Karch, Elise McCauley, Hannah Hotalen, Amanda Slichter, Kristin Neary, Steve Morris, Erin Fenstermacher, Tosha Bahr, Jen Lindsay, Rachel Lambdin, Jenn Hatch, Kathleen Walck, Lorie Zimmerman, Christopher Smith, Michael Friday, Amy Friday, Kathy Miller, Nevin Miller, Laurel Delaney, Jackie Bridges, Tricia Leiby, Shelby Brett Sophia Arnold, Arabel Elliot, Connor O'Neil, Addie Peters, Sherie Kugler, Jeri Sievert, Angela Troutman, Mike Erdman, Eric Smith, Andrew McFarland, Chilt Shaffer, Chloe Blum, Curtis Treptow, Laura Miller, Jeremiah Light, Diana Rydzewski, Angelica Mishra, Dillon Gayman, Christine Scheaffer, Maranda Hewitt, Carrie Wessner, Jennifer Kaufinger, Donna Feiertag, Hannah Cuzzupe, Kathy Lynch, Jill Wismer, Dan Wismer, Jason Koch, George Sirrakos, Ron Zimmerman, Erin Engel

Call to Order The meeting was called to order at 7:44 p.m. by President Nolte.

Welcome President Nolte opened the meeting with a moment of silence and Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. He requested that anyone wishing to speak on an agenda item please use the raise his/her hand feature to be recognized. He indicated that this meeting was being recorded and there was an Executive Session held prior to the meeting for the purpose of Personnel and Legal content.

Meeting Minutes Motion made by Michael Hess, seconded by Dennis Ritter, to approve the Minutes of the November 1, 2021 School Board Meeting.

Roll call vote: Yes 9 No 0 Absent 0
Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report Motion made by Michael Hess, seconded by Charles Shurr to approve the Treasurer's Report of the General Fund.

Roll call vote: Yes 9 No 0 Absent 0
Motion carried.

Ratification of General Account Motion made by Dennis Ritter, seconded by Caecilia Holt, to ratify for payment the general account bills in the amounts of \$1,943,726.69.

Roll call vote: Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0
Motion carried.

Approval of General Account Motion made by Caecilia Holt, seconded by Michael Hess, to approve for payment the general account bills in the amount of \$716,758.90.

Roll call vote: Yes 9 No 0 Absent 0
Motion carried.

Ratification of Construction Account Motion made by Caecilia Holt, seconded by Randy Burch, to ratify for payment the construction account bills in the amount of \$4,989.36.

Roll call vote: Yes 9 No 0 Absent 0
Motion carried.

Approval of Construction Account Motion made by Randy Burch, seconded by Michael Hess, to approve for payment the construction account bills in the amount of \$206,186.78.
Roll call vote: Yes 9 No 0 Absent 0
Motion carried.

Superintendent's Report Veterans Day
 Departing Board Directors
 National FFA Convention

Student Representative Report Proposal to install student suggestion boxes

Board Committee Reports

PSBA No report.

BCIU The IU hosted the Violins of Hope exhibit from the GoggleWorks. The committee ratified various agreements and contracts and approved personnel.

BCTC No report.

P & C The committee supplied finishing touches to Policy 809 and reviewed Policies 001 and 003.

ECC & Facilities The committee was presented a fall sports end-of-season wrap-up. Football held a dry-goods drive which was donated to Friend, Inc. The committee discussed thermography cleaning and band cabinets, and well as received an update on the tennis court construction.

TCC No report.

Public Comment The following community members expressed their opposition and concern with Policy 809:
 Jackie Bridges
 Jennifer Kaufinger
 Hannah Cuzzupe

The following community members spoke in favor of Policy 809:
 Connor O'Neil
 Amanda Slichter

Laura Miller expressed her concern on masking for students with anxiety.

Jeri Sievert requested clarification on review of specific books.

Personnel Motion made by Michael Hess, seconded by Eric Johnson, to approve the following personnel items:

- The approval of Siobhan Walsh-Bonis as a substitute nurse for the 2021-2022 school year to a rate of \$22.00 per hour effective November 16, 2021.
- The approval of the following coaches, advisors, and stipends for the 2021-2022 school year:

Beth Rumble	Swim Coach - Boys	Volunteer
Peter Clauss	Swim Coach - Boys	Volunteer
Allison Stoudt	Swim Coach - Girls	Volunteer
Tina Gammons	Swim Coach - Girls	Volunteer
- The acceptance of the resignation of Keith Guistwite, as Head Custodian at Kutztown Area High School, effective December 2, 2021.

Personnel is Approved Pending Receipt of All Mandated Credentials.

Roll call vote: Yes 9 No 0 Absent 0
Motion carried.

Policy 809

Motion made by Dennis Ritter, seconded by Eric Johnson, to approve the first reading of Policy 809 Educational Equity.

Roll call vote: Yes 7 No 2 (Batz, Nolte) Absent 0
Motion carried.

Travel Accident Insurance

Motion made by Michael Hess, seconded by Randy Burch, to approve the purchase of 24-hour AD&D Travel Accident Insurance, effective January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022, from the Pennsylvania School Boards Association (PSBA) Insurance trust for the following employees at an annual cost of \$30.00 per person:

Rikki L. DeVough Christian T. Temchatin Edward Myers
Jennifer Elliker David J. Miller Edward F. Yapsuga
Steven A. Leever Diane E. Quinn Richard Laubenstein
Wanda Herring

Roll call vote: Yes 9 No 0 Absent 0
Motion carried.

Title I Services

Motion made by Caecilia Holt, seconded by Dennis Ritter, to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with The Carbon Lehigh Intermediate Unit #21 (CLIU) to provide Title I services to non-pubic students.

Roll call vote: Yes 9 No 0 Absent 0
Motion not carried.

KASD Strategic Goals

Motion made by Michael Hess, seconded by Al Darion, to approve the KASD Strategic Goals for the 2021-2022 school year.

Roll call vote: Yes 9 No 0 Absent 0
Motion carried.

KASD Comprehensive Plan

Motion made by Randy Burch, seconded by Dennis Ritter, to approve the KASD Comprehensive Plan for the years 2022-2025.

Roll call vote: Yes 9 No 0 Absent 0
Motion carried.

Donation Acceptance

Motion made by Charles Shurr, seconded by Randy Burch, to accept the \$300 GeoBoost grant to be used in the AP Human Geography classroom from the American Geographical Society.

Roll call vote: Yes 9 No 0 Absent 0
Motion carried.

Thermography

Motion made by Michelle Batz, seconded by Charles Shurr, to approve the agreement with C.M. High Electric to complete Thermography and Switchgear Cleaning on all district buildings at a cost of \$23,100.

Roll call vote: Yes 9 No 0 Absent 0
Motion carried.

Adjournment

Motion made by Charles Shurr, seconded by Eric Johnson, to adjourn the meeting at 9:06 p.m.
Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Rikki L DeVough
School Board Secretary