

*Minutes of the*  
KUTZTOWN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Monday, September 16, 2019 - 7:30 p.m.

The Board of Directors of Kutztown Area School District met for a regular monthly board meeting on Monday, September 16, 2019, at 7:30 p.m., in the High School Library, pursuant to due notice to board members and the public.

**Present** Randy Burch, Michael Hess, Dennis Ritter, Eric Johnson, Karl Nolte, Alan Darion, Carl Ziegler, Charles Shurr, Jim Shrawder

**Absent**

**Also Present** Christian Temchatin, Rikki DeVough, Scott Hand, Deb Barnes, Barry Flicker, Melissa Blatt, Dan Stemko, Jaimee Stemko, Kerri Schegan, Jeff Huffert, Kylie LaSota Hand, Carol Schulley, Michele Schoener, Pam Ashman, Donna Hill-Chaney, Kristen Tuerk, Benjamin Hoffman

**Call to Order** The meeting was called to order at 7:32 p.m. by President Ziegler.

**Welcome** President Ziegler opened the meeting with a moment of silence and Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. He asked everyone to sign the attendance book and mark the topic of comment next to his/her name. He requested that anyone wishing to speak on an agenda item please raise his/her hand to be recognized. He noted there was an Executive Session held prior to the meeting to discuss matters of personnel and legal. He indicated that this meeting was being tape recorded.

**Meeting Minutes** Motion made by Michael Hess, seconded by Charles Shurr, to approve the Minutes of the September 3, 2019 School Board Meeting.

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

**Treasurer's Report** Motion made by Dennis Ritter, seconded by Eric Johnson 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 Michael Hess, seconded by Dennis Ritter, to ratify for payment the general account bills (including manual checks) in the amount of \$4,122,185.97.

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

**Approval of General Account** Motion made by Dennis Ritter, seconded by Charles Shurr, to approve for payment the general account bills in the amount of \$918,441.35.

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

**Approval of Construction Account** Motion made by Dennis Ritter, seconded by Michael Hess, to approve for payment the construction account bills in the amount of \$27,610.00.

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

**Superintendent's Report** Outstanding Visual Arts Community Recognition  
Suicide Awareness  
Alumni Homecoming Reception  
Greenwich Elementary Patriot Day  
Traveling Art Show

**Board Committee Reports**

- T.C.C.** No report.
- PSBA** Annual conference is in October.
- BCIU** No report.
- BCTC** An agreement with RACC was approved, and the new welding building will soon be completed.
- P & C** The committee received a presentation on professional development related to literacy, and reviewed policies.
- ECC and Facilities** The committee discussed the district hosting the Student Council conference.
- Secondary Programming and Scheduling** No report.

**Personnel**

Motion made by Eric Johnson, seconded by Karl Nolte, to approve the following personnel items:

1. The acceptance, with regret, of the resignation due to retirement of Jonathan Stickler as head custodian at Kutztown Area Middle School, effective January 1, 2020.
2. The approval of Margaret B. Mansell as a Speech and Language Pathologist effective on or after September 23, 2019 at an annual salary of \$62,168 per Master's Degree, Step 2, of the KATA/KASD contract.
3. The approval of the following coaches/extra duty positions and stipends for the 2019-2020 school year:

|                     |   |            |
|---------------------|---|------------|
| Angela DiCello      | Freshman Class Co-Advisor                         | \$ 475.00  |
| Ryan Thomas         | Freshman Class Co-Advisor                         | \$ 475.00  |
| Michael DiBenedetto | Track/Field Assistant Coach - Jumps               | \$2,340.00 |
| Ryan Thomas         | Track/Field Assistant Coach - Throws              | \$2,440.00 |
| Shelby Brett        | Track/Field MS Head Coach (also Distance)         | \$2,740.00 |
| Larry Chester       | Track/Field HS Jumps/Sprints Coach                | \$2,420.00 |
| Christine Thomas    | Track/Field Volunteer Coach - Throws              |            |
| Kay Schwalm         | Track/Field Volunteer Coach - Distance            |            |
| Emily Bubbenmoyer   | Track/Field Volunteer Coach - Sprints             |            |
| Celine Neyhart      | Track/Field HS/MS Volunteer Coach                 |            |
| Anson Weidner       | Track/Field Winter Club Assistant Volunteer Coach |            |

4. The approval of the following resource persons/mentors and stipends for the 2019-2020 school year:

|               |  |                    |
|---------------|--|--------------------|
| Ashley Dewitt | for Margaret Mansell (Speech and Language) | \$600.00(Prorated) |
| Sue Mixa      | for Athina Yadush(LTS Math Teacher KAHS)   | \$300.00(Prorated) |

**All Personnel are Approved Pending Receipt of All Mandated Credentials**

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

**Policy Maintenance**

Motion made by Randy Burch, seconded by Eric Johnson, to approve the first reading of the following policies:

|            |                        |
|------------|------------------------|
| Policy 004 | Membership             |
| Policy 201 | Admission of Students  |
| Policy 208 | Withdrawal From School |

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

**Internship Agreement** Motion made by Dennis Ritter, seconded by Karl Nolte, to approve the Internship Agreement to be used with organizations agreeing to accept student interns.

**Roll call vote:**                      **Yes 9**                      **No 0**                      **Absent 0**

**Motion carried.**

**Salt Spreader** Motion made by Randy Burch, seconded by Eric Johnson, to approve the purchase of a salt spreader from Grim's Trailers, LLC at a cost of \$7,585.

**Roll call vote:**                      **Yes 9**                      **No 0**                      **Absent 0**

**Motion carried.**

**Adjournment** Motion made by Eric Johnson, seconded by Jim Shrawder, to adjourn the meeting at 8:19 p.m.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

Respectfully Submitted by,

Rikki L. DeVough  
School Board Secretary