

Minutes
of the
KUTZTOWN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Directors Meeting
Monday, August 3, 2009, 7:30 p.m.

The Board of Directors of Kutztown Area School District met for a workshop board meeting on Monday, August 3, 2009, 7:30 p.m., in the High School Library pursuant to due notice to board members and the public.

Present Dan Walter, Carl Ziegler, Dennis Ritter, Pat Bealer, Jasper Ho, Don Vymazal, Alan Darion, Jo Stevens

Absent Mike Ramos

Also Present Robert Gross, Joseph Pugliese, Rikki Clark, Matt Link, Cindy Meyer, Rebecca Beidelman, Peter Miller, Donald Kerchner, Barbara Richard, Mick O'Neil, David Miller, Donna Keglovits, Dawn Fahim, Bruce Rohrbach, Bryan Hartman, Jennifer Weil, Christy Hetrick, Ben McKnight, Michelle Park, Susan Neumann, Krista Keim, Gordon Konemann, Melanie Hartman, Jennifer Erb

Call to Order The meeting was called to order at 7:49 p.m. by President Vymazal.

Welcome President Vymazal welcomed guests and opened the meeting with a moment of silence and Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. President Vymazal announced an Executive Session was conducted prior to the meeting to discuss personnel matters. He asked that everyone sign the attendance book and mark the topic of comment next to their name. He requested that anyone wishing to speak on an agenda item please raise his/her hand to be recognized. This meeting was being tape-recorded.

Personnel Motion made Pat Bealer, seconded by Jo Stevens, to approve the following personnel items:

- 1 The resignation of Rose N. Wentzel, social studies teacher at the high school, effective no later than October 2, 2009, or upon start of replacement personnel.
- 2 The resignation of Wendy A. Rosko, part-time cafeteria cashier at the middle school, effective July 23, 2009.
- 3 The approval of Brittani K. Budda as a full-time teacher of gifted students at the high school, effective August 25, 2009, at a salary of \$40,000, per Step 1, Bachelor's column (non-tenured) of the KASD/KATA contract.
- 4 The approval of Susan B. Neumann as a mathematics teacher at the middle school, effective August 25, 2009, at a salary of \$46,302, per Step 1, Master's column (non-tenured) of the KASD/KATA contract.
- 5 The approval of Christy L. Hetrick as a mathematics long-term substitute teacher at the high school during the 2009-2010 school year, at the substitute rate of \$100 per day for days 1-20, \$110 per day for days 21-45, and the remainder at the Bachelor's, Step 1 (non-tenured) pro-rated salary per the KASD/KATA contract.
- 6 The approval of Jill E. Lenhart as a long-term substitute teacher for life skills support at the middle school during the 2009-2010 school year, at the substitute rate of \$100 per day for days 1-20, \$110 per day for days 21-45, and the remainder at the Bachelor's, Step 1 (non-tenured) pro-rated salary per the KASD/KATA contract.

- 7 The approval of Stephanie D. Schumaker as a part-time (5 hrs/day) aide in the high school office and cafeteria, effective August 24, 2009, at an hourly rate of \$10.00.
- 8 The approval of tenure for Sara A. Patton, effective August 25, 2009, due to completion of three (3) years of satisfactory teaching at Kutztown Area School District and fulfillment of all requirements for tenure.
- 9 The approval of Randall L. Schwartz to participate in the Senior Volunteer Tax Exchange Program for the 2009-2010 school year.

Roll call vote: **Yes 7** **No 1 (Ho)** **Absent 1 (Ramos)**
Motion carried.

All Personnel were Approved Pending the District's Receipt of All Mandated Credentials.

Policy 815 Motion made by Dennis Ritter, seconded by Al Darion, to table the motion to approve the first reading of Policy 815 *Computer Hardware/Software/Network Usage* until the policy is reviewed by the Policy and Curriculum Committee.

Roll call vote: **Yes 8** **No 0** **Absent 1 (Ramos)**
Motion to table carried.

Policy 113.2 Motion made by Pat Bealer, seconded by Dan Walter, to approve the second reading and final adoption of Policy 113.2 *Student Behavior*.

Roll call vote: **Yes 8** **No 0** **Absent 1 (Ramos)**
Motion carried.

Relocation of District Admin. Offices Motion made by Carl Ziegler, seconded by Dan Walter, to approve relocation of the district administration office functions including: the superintendent's office, assistant superintendent's office, business office, information technology office, human resource and transportation office, archive storage, and all associated administrative assistant personnel and functions to the Maxatawny building, effective during the 2009-2010 school year, pending PDE final approval, zoning approvals, and any necessary facility modifications.

Roll call vote: **Yes 7** **No 1 (Ho)** **Absent 1 (Ramos)**
Motion carried.

Discussion Items Computer Laptop Insurance
High School Renovation and Construction

- 1 Review of previous Board action
- 2 Project budget update
- 3 Items to be determined in base bid, as an alternate, or to delete from bid process

Motion made by Al Darion, seconded by Jasper Ho, to give direction to the architects to proceed in gathering information and preparing for bids for the high school renovation construction project and construct the following as "deduct alternates" in the bid requests:

- 1 Renovation of technology education and agricultural sciences area
- 2 New choral and musical/dance arts room
- 3 New visiting team room

Roll call vote: **Yes 7** **No 1 (Stevens)** **Absent 1 (Ramos)**
Motion carried.

Athletic Facility Improvement

- 1 Needs overview
- 2 RFP responses
- 3 Athletic facility improvement budget options
- 4 Determine scope of project (base bid/alternates/changes)

Motion made by Al Darion, seconded by Jo Stevens, to award D'Huy Engineering, Inc. of Bethlehem, PA the athletic facility improvement proposal bid in the amount of \$137,000. Proposal includes the planning for, design of, and construction administration for a new artificial turf, all weather track, sports lighting, bleachers, toilet rooms, concession stand, and other improvements for the stadium.

Roll call vote: **Yes 8** **No 0** **Absent 1 (Ramos)**

Motion carried.

**Public
Comment**

Coach Ben McKnight stated his concern on student safety with the overuse of a natural turf field.

Krista Keim commented a synthetic turf field would reduce tax payer costs in the long run.

Bryan Hartman and Bruce Rohrbach stated their comments and request to meet the educational needs of all students and put money towards the choral/music renovations.

Adjournment

Motion made by Dennis Ritter seconded by Pat Bealer, to adjourn the meeting at 10:27 p.m.
Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by,

Rikki L. Clark
School Board Secretary