Minutes
of the
KUTZTOWN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Directors Meeting
Monday, November 21, 2011, 7:30 p.m.

The Board of Directors of Kutztown Area School District met for a regular board meeting on Monday, November 21, 2011 at 7:30 p.m., in the High School Library, pursuant to due notice to board members and the public.

Present Patricia Bealer, Jeri Carroll, Alan Darion, Amy Faust, Leon Smith, Jo Stevens, Carl Ziegler

Absent Craig Schroeder, Jasper Ho

Also Present Nicholas Lazo, Karl Olschesky, Rikki Clark, David Miller, Cynthia Meyer, Rebecca Beidelman, James Brown, Barbara Richard, Bonnie Yurvati, Erica Yurvati, Josh Chambers, Randy Burch, Doug Dietrich, Matt Dietrich, Melissa Leiby, Sandy Daniels, Zachary Hoffman, Barry Hoffman, Jeff Huffert, Janet Yost, David Kenney, Donna Wasser, Carolyn Wasser, Karen Kabakoff, Amy Howard, Kurt Kanaskie, Randy Wert, Dustin Hoffman, Colby Heffner, Bridget Moyer, Maris Altieri, Evan Altieri, Laura Stoudt

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

Welcome President Bealer welcomed guests and opened the meeting with a moment of silence and Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. She asked everyone to sign the attendance book and mark the topic of comment next to his/her name. She requested that anyone wishing to speak on an agenda item please raise his/her hand to be recognized. She announced there was an executive session conducted prior to the meeting to discuss personnel matters. She indicated that this meeting was being tape recorded.

Approval of Minutes Motion made by Leon Smith, seconded by Jo Stevens, to approve the minutes of the October 17, 2011 School Board Meeting, the October 24, 2011 Policy and Curriculum Committee and Facilities Committee Meetings, and the November 7, 2011 School Board Meeting.
Roll call vote: Yes 6 No 0 Absent 2 (Ho, Schroeder) Abstain 1 (Darion)
Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report Motion made by Amy Faust, seconded by Leon Smith, to accept the treasurer's report of the General Fund.
Roll call vote: Yes 7 No 0 Absent 2 (Ho, Schroeder)
Motion carried.

Ratification of General Account Bills Motion made by Amy Faust, seconded by Leon Smith, to ratify for payment the general account bills in the amount of $9,131,672.67.
Roll call vote: Yes 7 No 0 Absent 2 (Ho, Schroeder)
Motion carried.

Approval of General Account Bills Motion made by Jo Stevens, seconded by Amy Faust, to approve for payment the general account bills in the amount of $525,773.90.
Roll call vote: Yes 7 No 0 Absent 2 (Ho, Schroeder)
Motion carried.

Approval of Construction Account Bills Motion made by Leon Smith, seconded by Jo Stevens, to approve for payment the construction account bills in the amount of $117,122.89.
Roll call vote: Yes 7 No 0 Absent 2 (Ho, Schroeder)
Motion carried.

Supt's Report

Mr. Lazo congratulated the cast, crew, and all involved in the production of the musical, "Singin' in the Rain" for a wonderful performance.

Mr. Lazo recognized the following students and adults:

- Andrew Burleigh for receiving a Letter of Commendation from the National Merit Scholarship Program for outstanding performance on the Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test in 2010.
- Dustin Hoffman and Andrew Dietrich for placing first in the youth trebuchet division of the Punkin' Chunkin' competition and setting the world record of 1143 feet. They will be featured on Mythbusters on November 24, 2011 at 8:00 p.m. on the Discovery Channel.
- Patricia A. Bealer for receiving recognition from the Pennsylvania School Boards Association for 12 years of service.
- The following retiring board members for their years of service:
  - Jo Stevens – 4 years
  - Jasper Ho – 4 years
  - Leon Smith – 1 ½ years
  - Jeri Carroll – 10 months

Josh Chambers and members of the Leo Club presented the Board with an update on the club's service and fundraising.

Committee Reports

EIT
Pat Bealer
Mrs. Bealer reported mini-seminars are being held to help inform the committee members about the changes.

BCTC
Craig Schroeder
No report.

ECC
Jo Stevens
Mrs. Stevens reported the athletic department will now be including information on concussions in the sports packets.

BCIU
Carl Ziegler
Mr. Ziegler reported five members will be retiring from the Board. He also reported the committee extended Dr. George's contract as Executive Director through 2016.

PSBA
Pat Bealer
Mrs. Bealer reported the state is working on a comprehensive rating for educators and administrators which will also include charter and private schools. She reported schools must decide whether to adopt the Keystone Exams or opt to create their own local assessment. She also reported the state house has extended their vote on vouchers until December.

Student Achievement
Al Darion
Dr. Darion reported the committee reviewed comparison information on individual PSSA scores and SAT scores.

Personnel

Motion made by Leon Smith, seconded by Amy Faust, to approve the following personnel items:

1. The approval of the change of status for Theresa L. O'Mara from a part-time to a full-time cafeteria employee at the high school, effective August 29, 2011.
2. The approval of James J. Simatos as a Kutztown University intern in the athletic department for the spring semester of the 2011-2012 school year.
3. The approval of the following coaches and salaries for the 2011-2012 school year:

Assistant High School Wrestling Coach	Ryan M. Postal	$2,369
Head High School Girls Softball Coach	Kevin K. Conrad	$3,877
Assistant Softball Coaches (3)	PLACEHOLDERS	$2,262 each
Volunteer Swim Coach	Kevin S. Stump	

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

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

Kutztown Area School District does not discriminate in our educational programs, activities or employment practices based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, religion, ancestry or any other legally protected classification. This policy is in accordance with state and federal laws, including Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Sections 503 and 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act. Information relative to special accommodation, grievance procedure, and the designated responsible official for compliance with Title VI, Title IX and Section 504 may be obtained by contacting the school district. EOE.

Student Vacation Requests Motion made by Amy Faust, seconded by Jeri Carroll, to approve the request for student #105131 to take an eleven day absence from December 22, 2011 through January 13, 2012. This will cause the student to exceed allotted vacation time by seven days due to a previous one day educational trip in September.

Roll call vote: Yes 4 No 3 (Darion, Stevens, Ziegler) Absent 2 (Ho, Schroeder)
Motion carried.

Motion made by Amy Faust, seconded by Jo Stevens, to approve the request for student #102118 to take a five day absence from December 5 through 9, 2011. This will cause the student to exceed allotted vacation time by five days due to previous vacation requests.

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

Conference Requests Motion made by Amy Faust, seconded by Leon Smith, to approve the request for Shelby L. Brett to attend the Pennsylvania Educational Technology Expo and Conference (PETE & C) on February 13 through 14, 2012, in Hershey, PA, at a cost of $601.

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

Motion made by Amy Faust, seconded by Leon Smith, to approve the request for John A. Ebner to attend the Pennsylvania Educational Technology Expo and Conference (PETE & C) on February 12 through 14, 2012, in Hershey, PA, at a cost of $743.

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

Athletic Training Services Motion made by Amy Faust, seconded by Leon Smith, to accept the proposal for athletic training services from The Reading Hospital and Medical Group, per the attached.

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

Real Estate Tax Exemption Request Motion made by Leon Smith, seconded by Amy Faust, to approve an exemption from real estate taxes for property PIN 45-5416-00-52-6529X01, per the notice from County of Berks, Pennsylvania Assessment Office. (Five acres and house are exempt, and the balance of the land is taxable.)

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

Compressor Purchase Motion made by Amy Faust, seconded by Leon Smith, to accept the low quote from Scales Industrial Technologies, Inc. of Pennsylvania to replace the compressor that operates the pneumatic controls at the high school at a delivered price of $4,192.

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

Change Order Credit for Roof Motion made by Amy Faust, seconded by Leon Smith, to accept the change order from TRS Roofing, Inc. that results in a net credit of $6,500 for the high school roof project.

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

Adjournment Motion made by Leon Smith, seconded by Jo Stevens, to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 p.m.
Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by,

Rikki L. Clark
School Board Secretary

Kutztown Area School District does not discriminate in our educational programs, activities or employment practices based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, religion, ancestry or any other legally protected classification. This policy is in accordance with state and federal laws, including Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Sections 503 and 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act. Information relative to special accommodation, grievance procedure, and the designated responsible official for compliance with Title VI, Title IX and Section 504 may be obtained by contacting the school district. EOE.