

Minutes of the
KUTZTOWN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Directors Meeting
Monday, April 4, 2016, 7:30 p.m.

The Board of Directors of Kutztown Area School District met for a regular board meeting on Monday, April 4, 2016 at 7:30 p.m., at the District Administration Building, pursuant to due notice to board members and the public.

Present Randy Burch, Al Darion, Caecilia Holt, Karl Nolte, James Saunders, Eric Johnson, Michael Hess, Carl Ziegler, Tyler Akers (Student Representative)

Absent James Shrawder

Also Present Katherine Metrick, David Miller, Matthew Link, Rikki DeVough, Diane Barrie, Chris Harrington, Deborah Barnes, James Brown, Chris Nelson, Ed Myers, Darius Pleasant, Mark Shellhammer, Cyndi Parker, Jade Dahlquist, Steve DeLucas, Carol Schullely, Shelby Brett, Judy Sunders, Julianne Greenwood

Call to Order The meeting was called to order at 7:51 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 indicated that this meeting was being tape recorded.

Minutes Motion made by Caecilia Holt, seconded by Eric Johnson, to approve the Minutes of the March 21, 2016 School Board Meeting.
Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 1 (Shrawder)
Motion carried.

Superintendent's Report Mrs. Metrick reported the high school Academic Challenge team placed 2nd in the County and losing to Wyomissing by one point. She also reported the high school team placed 4th and the middle school team placed 8th in the state Odyssey of the Mind competition.

Personnel Motion made by Michael Hess, seconded by Randy Burch, to approve the following personnel items:

1. The approval of the following chaperones for the Music Department trip to Cleveland, Ohio, on April 28-30, 2016. The trip was approved in October 2015:

Kristen Berk	Judith A. Boyer	Nancy S. Brooks
Sarah M. Brown	Melissa S. Bubbenmoyer	Ann L. Buskaritz
Kim L. Cowell	Jeanine S. Frieauf	Robert B. Jensen
Jane G. Kniss	Mica C. Kornfeind	Melissa K. Leiby
Nevin F. Miller	Kenneth C. Querio	Melanie J. Querio
Carrie M. Rhode	Mikal A. Wilcoxson	Heidi A. Williamson
Hajime Yukawa		
2. The approval of Bryan M. Ghessi as a boys' tennis substitute head coach for the 2015-2016 school year, effective April 5, 2016, but not before the receipt of all Act 168 clearances and other new hire requirements, at a prorated stipend to be determined depending on end date. The total of all tennis coaches' stipends will not exceed the total budgeted amount for the head coach position.
3. The approval of Shaylon R. Claypoole as a mathematics teacher at the high school, effective August 22, 2016, at a salary of \$67,299 per Master's, Step 8 of the KATA/KASD contract.
4. The approval of Henry E. Breidegan, Jr. as an Eshelman bus/van driver for the 2015-2016 school year, effective April 5, 2016.

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

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

Speech/Language Therapy Services Motion made by Al Darion, seconded by Caecilia Holt, to approve the Independent Contractor Agreement with Lois D. Godfriaux, speech and language pathologist, beginning on or about April 29, 2016 through October 30, 2016, including Extended School Year services for the summer of 2016, at a rate of \$100 per hour.

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

Motion carried.

Act 48 Committee Motion made by Randy Burch, seconded by Michael Hess, to approve Diane King, Associate Dean at Kutztown University, to serve as a community member representative on the Act 48 Professional Development Committee.

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

Motion carried.

Policy 201 Motion made by Randy Burch, seconded by Eric Johnson, to approve the first reading of Policy 201. Admission of Students, with children reaching admission age requirement prior to September 1st and early admission eligibility if the child reaches admission age prior to October 1st.

Roll call vote: Yes 6 No 0 N/A 2 (Darion, Hess) Absent 1 (Shrawder)

Motion carried.

High School Marquee Motion made by Karl Nolte, seconded by Al Darion, to approve Signature Sign, Inc. to install a video marquee at the high school at a cost of \$13,852.

Roll call vote: Yes 6 No 2 (Hess, Saunders) Absent 1 (Shrawder)

Motion carried.

Athletic Dept. Donations Motion made by Randy Burch, seconded by Michael Hess, to accept the following donations made to the Kutztown Area School District Athletic Department:

1. \$1,000 from the Fraternal Order of Eagles to the Boys' Basketball Team
2. \$1,000 from the Fraternal Order of Eagles to the Softball Team
3. Miscellaneous catching gear from an anonymous family in the community
4. Two baseball helmets from Hibbet Sports store

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

Motion carried.

Discussion Items Busing Issue

2016-2017 Budget – Modification to Apple Lease

Motion made by Caecilia Holt, seconded by Karl Nolte, to remove Option #3 from the apple lease discussion which would replace high school student laptops with Chromebooks and teacher laptops with Apple Macbook Airs.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Eric Johnson, seconded by Caecilia Holt, to adopt Option #2 of the apple lease discussion which would replace high school student laptops and teacher laptops with Apple MacBook Airs.

Roll call vote: Yes 7 No 0 N/A 1 (Nolte) Absent 1 (Shrawder)

Motion carried.

Public Comment Dr. Julianne Greenwood commented on the early admission portion of Policy 201.

Judy Saunders expressed her disagreement with the board approving the spending for an electronic marquee sign at the high school.

Cyndi Parker expressed her concern with allowing for early admission into kindergarten.

Adjournment Motion made by Jim Shrawder, seconded by Michael Hess, to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Rikki L. DeVough
School Board Secretary