

STEELTON-HIGHSPIRE SCHOOL DISTRICT

LEGISLATIVE MEETING

April 14, 2021

MINUTES

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Ms. Rachel Slade, President, Ms. Joyce Culpepper, Vice President (virtual), Mr. Calvin Johnson, Treasurer, Mr. Derek Lewis, Mr. Micheal Wanner, Ms. Karen Harris, and Mr. Leonard Garfield (virtual)

VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT: Ms. Hudaya House, Ms. Ashley Ward-McMullen and Mr. Leonard Garfield (left early)

NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Dr. Travis Waters, Superintendent, Mr. Vince Champion, Solicitor, Ms. Megan Armstead, Elementary Principal, Ms. Sam Neidlinger, Elementary Assistance Principal, Ms. Kate Gallagher, Jr./Sr. High Principal, and Mr. Michael Simonetti, Business Manager/Board Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Slade, President called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Audience

EXCUTIVE SESSION

No Executive session was held

PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda items)

No public Comment

PRESENTATION

American Red Cross

Presenters: Ms. Wendy Jackson-Dowe and Ms. Laura Burke, wasn't able to attend/present at this meeting

High School Senior Activities

Ms. Gallagher High School Principal, spoke to the upcoming Senior activities:

- Senior Prom on May 14, 2021 in the High School Gymnasium
- Senior Awards ceremony on May 27, 2021 in the High School Auditorium
- Senior Graduation on June 3, 2021 with 2 ceremonies to be held in the High School Gym or Auditorium so both parents/guardians can attend because Governor Wolf has indoor capacity at 25% but if the capacity percentage is lifted adjustments to the ceremony will be made.

FOLLOW UP

Dr. Waters discussed the following:

- City of Philadelphia Student Council saw the drive-thru Black History program and reached out to Mr. Aponte to invite his students to advocate with them for Equitable School Funding. They will be participating in a Zoom meeting with them on April 15, 2021
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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Administration respectfully recommends that the Board approve the **March 10, 2021 Legislative Meeting Minutes.**

Motion by Ms. Harris, Second by Mr. Wanner; Ms. Culpepper, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Garfield, Ms. Slade. *(7 ayes, 0 nays, 2 virtual, 2 absent)* Motion carried.

REVIEW OF BOARD REPORTS

Reports are all listed individually

FINANCE REPORT ACTION ITEM

Finance Report

The Administration respectfully recommends that the Board approve the **March 2021 Finance Reports** which includes the Treasurer's Report and Accounts Payable/Estimated Expenditures Reports for the General Fund, Cafeteria Fund, Athletic Fund, and the Student Activities Account. Motion by Mr. Johnson, Second by Ms. Harris; Mr. Lewis, Ms. Culpepper, Mr. Wanner, and Ms. Slade. *(6 ayes, 0 nays, 1 virtual, 3 absent)* Motion carried.

PERSONNEL REPORT ACTION ITEM

The Administration respectfully recommends that the Board approve the Personnel Report. Motion by Ms. Culpepper, Second by Mr. Johnson; Ms. Harris, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Wanner, and Ms. Slade. *(6 ayes, 0 nays, 1 virtual, 3 absent)* Motion carried.

The Administration respectfully recommends that the Board approve the Personal Care Assistant (PCA) job description. This position will be part of the Steelton-Highspire School District Non-Academic agreement.

Motion by Ms. Culpepper, Second by Mr. Johnson; Ms. Harris, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Wanner, and Ms. Slade. *(6 ayes, 0 nays, 1 virtual, 3 absent)* Motion carried.

PROPERTY AND SUPPLIES REPORT

Disposal of Furniture Surplus

The Administration respectfully recommends that the Board approve of the following items declared as surplus.

Motion by Mr. Wanner, Second by Ms. Harris; Mr. Johnson, Mr. Lewis, Ms. Culpepper, Ms. Slade. *(6 ayes, 0 nays, 1 virtual, 3 absent)* Motion carried.

- 7-Chairs
- 4 -filing cabinets
- 25-Student desk
- 2 -Teachers desk

Hope-4-You

The Administration respectfully recommends that the Board approve the facility request from Angela Rodery, Hope-4-You to use the school parking lot on 3/27/2021, 4/2/2021 and 4/17/2021 from 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. for food distribution.

Motion by Mr. Wanner, Second by Ms. Harris; Mr. Johnson, Mr. Lewis, Ms. Culpepper, Ms. Slade. *(6 ayes, 0 nays, 1 virtual, 3 absent)* Motion carried.

Soccer Training

The Administration respectfully recommends that the Board approve the facility request from Julian Dorsey, JTDF to use the Cottage Hill football field for soccer training on the following days 6/24/2021, 6/27/2021, 7/1/2021, 7/11/2021, 7/15/2021, 7/18/2021, 7/22/2021, 7/25/2021, 7/29/2021, 8/1/2021, 8/5/2021 and 8/8/2021. The foundation is requesting no charge in exchange for free soccer camp for Steelton-Highspire students.

Motion by Mr. Wanner, Second by Mr. Johnson; Ms. Harris, Mr. Lewis, Ms. Culpepper, Ms. Slade. (6 ayes, 0 nays, 1 virtual, 3 absent) Motion carried.

PUPIL SERVICES REPORT ACTION ITEM

TherAbilities

The Administration respectfully recommends that the Board approve the contract with TherAbilities and the Steelton-Highspire School District for student services for 2021-2022 school year.

Motion by Mr. Lewis, Second by Mr. Johnson; Ms. Culpepper, Ms. Harris, Mr. Wanner and Ms. Slade. (6 ayes, 0 nays, 1 virtual, 3 absent) Motion carried.

Capital Area Intermediate Unit (CAIU)

The Administration respectfully recommends that the Board approve the attached CAIU General Operating Budget for 2021-2022 school year with the attached resolution.

Motion by Mr. Lewis, Second by Mr. Johnson; Ms. Culpepper, Ms. Harris, Mr. Wanner and Ms. Slade. (6 ayes, 0 nays, 1 virtual, 3 absent) Motion carried.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES REPORT ACTION ITEM

The Administration respectfully recommends that the Board approve the fundraisers.

Motion by Ms. Harris, Second by Mr. Johnson; Mr. Lewis, Ms. Culpepper, Mr. Wanner, and Ms. Slade. (6 ayes, 0 nays, 1 virtual, 3 absent) Motion carried.

Club or Group /Advisor	Date	Type of Funding
PBIS/Mr. Wise	5/17/2021 – 5/21/2021	Spirit Week: Teacher “Theme Dress Day”
Class of 2023/Ms. Killian	4/15/2021 – 5/15/2021	Croc Charm Sale for \$3-\$5

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT ACTION ITEM

Conference Request

The Administration respectfully recommends that the Board approve the conference request.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, Second by Ms. Harris; Mr. Wanner, Ms. Culpepper, Mr. Lewis, and Ms. Slade. (6 ayes, 0 nays, 1 virtual, 3 absent) Motion carried.

Name	Conference	Date	Cost
Terry Martin	PAPSA Virtual Legal Forum	4/9/2021	\$99/Title II Funding

Donations

The Administration respectfully recommends that the Board approve the following donations. Motion by Mr. Johnson, Second by Ms. Harris; Mr. Wanner, Ms. Culpepper, Mr. Lewis, and Ms. Slade. (6 ayes, 0 nays, 1 virtual, 3 absent) Motion carried.

Name	Fund	Amount/Other
Powell Family Fund	Educational Enrichment program	\$4,079.00
Jennifer Rash	Families in Need	\$600.00
Joe Rabena, Pepsi	Softball Program	5-cases water 5-cases Gatorade
Marian Shatto, Class of 1963	Families in Need	\$500.00
Lindsey Neve	Families in Need	\$100.00
Travis Waters	Cheerleader Program 2020-2021	\$4000.00
Travis Waters	HS PBIS 2019-2020	\$4000.00
Staples, Union Deposit Rd.	Roller Raffle	Leather Office Chair (\$190 value)
Live. Work. Play.	Roller Raffle	Set of Yankee Candles and 20-inch Sound Bar (\$100 value)
Mark Wise	Roller Raffle	Teacher Classroom Kit (\$80 value)

CURRICULUM REPORT

No report at this time.

SPECIAL PROJECTS REPORT

No report at this time.

TRANSPORTATION REPORT

No report at this time.

SCHOOL BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Ms. Slade asked how are things going with students being back in the school?

Ms. Gallagher, it's an adjusted for students to be back in the building and re-adapting to in-person learning. Students grades are getting better and not a lot of behavior issues either.

Students for the lost part are also doing well with wearing their mask.

Ms. Armstead, spoke to how students are below grade level with being remote for so long she is looking forward to the summer school program which will be full 4-days a week for students to attend and the great team of teachers with getting student caught up. Behaviors are a work in progress as well.

SOLICITORS' REPORT

Mr. Champion is awaiting a decision from the Supreme Court.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

Athletics:

Mr. Lewis (Chairperson)

Weight training is going along good, Mr. Erby is supervising the program.

Next meeting will be disusing feeder program for Elementary students to participate in for all sports.

Budget:

Mr. Johnson (Chairperson)

Currently meeting and a preliminary budget will be presented to the board for approval.

Reminder that the budget must be posted for 30-days and hold a Special Board meeting later in the month for final approval.

Buildings and Grounds:

Mr. Wanner (Chairperson)

Meeting April 15, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. for a walk-through.

Discipline:

Mr. Lewis (Chairperson)

No report at this time.

Negotiations:

Ms. Culpepper (Chairperson)

No report at this time.

Policy:

Mr. Garfield (Chairperson)

No report at this time.

Strategic Planning:

Ms. Culpepper (Chairperson)

No report at this time.

Capital Area Intermediate Unit (CAIU)

Mr. Wanner (Representative)

HACC:

Ms. Harris (Representative)

No report at this time.

PSBA:

J. Culpepper (Representative)

No report at this time.

Roller Education Foundation (REF):
Mr. Johnson (Representative)
No report at this time.

BOARD ROUNDTABLE

PUBLIC COMMENT

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m. on a Motion by Mr. Lewis and Second by Mr. Johnson. All members present voted aye.

Respectfully Submitted,
Michael Simonetti
Board Secretary