

The Steelton-Highspire School Board met on the above date for the purpose of planning and developing the agenda for the regular meeting of March 21, 2018 with the following members present: Ms. Danae House; Ms. Karen Harris; Ms. Janice Elliott; Mr. Calvin Johnson; Ms. Rachel Slade; Ms. Joyce Culpepper; and Ms. Mary Carricato; Ms. Natalie Bowman. Also present were Mr. Travis Waters, Superintendent; Mr. Vincent Champion, School Solicitor; Mr. Mick Iskric, Jr., Assistant to the Superintendent; Mr. Michael Simonetti, Business Manager; and Ms. ShaQuita Burton, Board Secretary.

Attached is a copy of a list of names of the members of the public who were present.

Ms. Slade called the meeting to order at 6:40 PM

The meeting opened with the “Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag”.

### **ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Ms. Slade announced an Executive Session was held prior to the meeting to discuss personnel and litigation.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

### **PRESENTATION**

None

### **Follow Up**

Mr. Waters mentioned that at the last meeting I mentioned about the dismissal procedures changing and I wanted everyone know that are children did well and we don't always pat our kids on their back so I wanted to let everyone know how good our students are doing. I also wanted to speak about last year we made Terry Martin the principal of Junior High School, next year we will be trying to do the same thing with Ms. Megan Byrnes as our early childhood education principal. We are also meeting with Harrisburg School District and Susquehanna School District and we are trying to get all the children school ready. Also a state initiative is to get our students school ready. We have to stop doping the catch up game and have our kids come to school ready on the correct levels so we educate our children better o other topics rather than playing catch up.

### **APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

Ms. Carricato made a motion to approve the Planning Board Meeting minutes for January 11, 2018. The motion was second by Ms. Elliott. All the members present voted yes and the motion carried.

Ms. Carricato made a motion to approve the Legislative Board Meeting minutes for January 18, 2018. The motion was second by Ms. Elliott. All the members present voted yes and the motion carried.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

## **Personnel**

### **F.M.L.A**

Mr. Johnson made a motion to approve the request from Mr. Joseph Spogli, special education teacher for intermittent F.M.L.A. to begin January 28, 2018. The motion was second by Ms. Carricato. All the members present voted yes and the motion carried.

### **Resolutions**

Ms. Elliott made a motion to approve the resolution opposing the ESA voucher program (SB2). The motion was second by Ms. Carricato. All the members present voted yes and the motion carried.

## **FINANCE REPORT**

Financial reports for February 2018 General Fund, Cafeteria Fund, Student Activities Fund, and Athletic Fund will be brought forward for approval at the Legislative Meeting on March 21, 2018.

## **PERSONNEL REPORT**

Athletic Appointments and Supplemental contracts will be brought forward for approval at the Legislative Meeting on March 21, 2018.

## **TRANSPORTATION REPORT**

Field trips are for approval at the Legislative Meeting on March 21, 2018.

## **STUDENT ACTIVITIES REPORT**

Fundraisers will be brought forward for approval at the Legislative Meeting on March 21, 2018.

## **PSBA**

PSBA report would like us to discuss the principles and adopt them. Once we adopt them and sign them we can agree to it and send it back they will send us a poster to hang around the school. The Board will discuss this during their retreat.

## **PUPIL SERVICES REPORT**

No content.

## **SPECIAL PROJECTS REPORT**

Mr. Water spoke about the funding of Aquaponics it cost \$96,000 to run the aquaponics. Intag ran it last year but they are now stepping away and are now moving on internationally. We do not want to take on that cost so we are in contact and communicating with Harrisburg University to take over it and maintain the aquaponics. They are talking about taking over it and making us a satellite campus with them and we are trying to do dual enrolment with them as well and we may even be able to get our students to get in and attend for free. We do not have a time frame but they did agree to take over it but we are now working on the lease agreement for that.

### **SCHOOL BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Approval for conference request and donations will be brought forward for approval at the Legislative Meeting on March 21, 2018.

### **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Approval for conference request and donations will be brought forward for approval at the Legislative Meeting on March 21, 2018.

### **Special Reports**

- A. Athletic Association:
  - a. We're setting up a meeting
  - b. Good luck to our Boys and Girls' Basketball teams
- B. PSBA Representative:
  - a. Meeting Monday, March 12, 2018
- C. Buildings and Grounds:
  - a. A person wants to talk the board about concession stand repairs.
- D. Budget Planning:
  - a. Working on the budget we just had a meeting last week.
  - b. Budget presentation at the next meeting.
  - c. Next meeting the March 27, 2018.
- E. Negotiations:
  - a. Next meeting Tuesday the 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Brenda Horner 436 2<sup>nd</sup> St in Highspire, wanted to let you know I am participating in the aquaponics and I am really enjoying it. Also last Thursday I attended Literacy night here with Ms. Culpepper and there was a great turn out. Finally if you guys use a wireless mouse and will help and make it easier.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:10 PM on a motion by Ms. Elliott. Second by Ms. Carricato. All members present voted aye.

*ShaQuita Burton*  
ShaQuita Burton, Board Secretary