SUSQUEHANNA TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17110

CALL TO ORDER

At 7:03 p.m., the February 3, 2025, meeting of the Susquehanna Township Board of

School Directors was called to order by President Jesse Rawls, Sr.

SCHOOL BOARD
MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Jesse Rawls, Sr., Ms. Tameka Hatcher, Ms. Elise I. LeMelle, Jackie Hill, Mr. Jayonn Folks, Mr. Eric Hedenberg, Keita Kalonji Johnson, Esq., Mr. Steven H.

Johnson, Dr. Anita Mareno

DISTRICT OFFICE

PRESENT

Dr. Tamara Willis, Dr. Andrae Martin, Mr. Oslwen Anderson, Jr., Mrs. Kathy Ciaciulli,

Ms. Ann-Marie Rathmell, Mr. Justin Green, Mr. Jonathan Bishop

SOLICITOR

Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott, LLC

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The President announced that executive session was held immediately prior to the meeting for the purpose of personnel, student, real estate and legal matters.

REPORTS/
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Committee Reports: Mr. K. Johnson shared that the Education and Athletics committee will meet tomorrow evening at 5:30 pm. Ms. Hatcher announced that the Policy Committee will meet on February 19th at 5:30 pm. Mr. Rawls informed everyone that the next agenda will include an item to appoint Mrs. Hill to another three-year term as the representative to the Capital Area Intermediate Unit Board.

Superintendent's Notes: Dr. Tamara Willis reminded everyone that February is Black History Month and there will be several activities and events to include the Blacks in Wax event at Thomas Holtzman Elementary. Winter sports have had their Senior Nights to honor senior athletes and coaching staff. Dr. Willis shared that the sale for the Wayne Avenue property was finalized on January 31. The district will place the tax referendum back on the ballot this November. The district will host several town halls in each of the wards as well as several public hearings to share information. Dr. Willis thanked the board for supporting the district through this process and also thanked Harrisburg School District for selling the property and returning it to the township.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS FOR FEBRUARY 3, 2025

MOTION TO APPROVE

2.A. Moved by Mr. K. Johnson, seconded by Ms. Hatcher to approve the meeting agenda for February 3, 2025.. Motion passed 9-0, 0 abstentions, 0 absent

2.B. Board Member Comments

Mr. K. Johnson shared that tomorrow will be the annual Governor's address.

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Ms. Hatcher thanked Dr. Willis for her commitment to continuing cultural celebrations in the district. She shared that as a district, we stand strong on our Core Value: Diversity is our Strength.

III. HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

None

IV. PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSIONS

PRESENTATION

4.A. Sara Lindemuth / Anna Carter Primary School Building Spotlight (attached to

BoardDocs)

Presenters:

Amanda Pressley - Principal

Nicole Stewart - Assistant Principal

Jo Ellen Showers - Teacher Shy Lawing - Counselor Beth Miller - STEM Teacher Natasha Fehntrich, PTO President

V. MINUTES

MOTION TO APPROVE

5.A. Moved by Mr. K. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Hedenberg to approve Item 5.A. Motion passed 9-0, 0 abstentions, 0 absent

5.A. Approve the Minutes of the January 21, 2025, Board meeting.

VI. PROGRAM

None

VII. PERSONNEL

MOTION TO APPROVE

7.A.B.C.D.E. Moved by Ms. Hatcher, seconded by Mr. K. Johnson to approve Items 7.A.B.C.D.E.

Motion passed 8-0, 1 abstention (Folks), 0 absent

- **7.A.1.** Approve the resignation of Stephen Roth as Business Education Teacher at the Susquehanna Township High School, effective February 3, 2025.
- **7.A.2**. Approve the resignation of Paul Ellis as Part-Time Food Service Worker at the Susquehanna Township Middle School, effective January 31, 2025.

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- **7.B.1**. Approve Sydney Hover as Elementary School Teacher at the Thomas W. Holtzman, Jr. Elementary School at a salary of \$55,000.00, pro-rated, effective February 18, 2025. Sydney will be replacing Jodi Pagni.
- **7.B.2.** Approve Joshua Yeckley as English Teacher at the Susquehanna Township High School at a salary of \$76,004.00, pro-rated, effective date to be determined. Joshua will be replacing Stephanie Ungerer.
- **7.B.3.** Approve Sara Ulrich as English Teacher at the Susquehanna Township Middle School at a salary of \$66,860.00 effective March 28, 2025. This is a new position.
- **7.C.** Approve Sobeyda Romero as Night Custodian at the Thomas W. Holtzman, Jr. Elementary School at a rate of \$17.70 per hour, effective February 4, 2025. Sobeyda will be replacing Victor Rodriguez.
- 7.D.1. Approve the following coaches/advisors for the 2024-2025 school year:

Name	Position	Location	Stipend
Britanai Burns	Head Track Coach	STMS	\$2,500.00
Charles Vaughn	Assistant Track Coach	STMS	\$2,400.00
Delonne Wilbourn	Assistant Track Coach	STMS	\$2,300.00
Kenneth Connor	Head Varsity Baseball Coach	STHS	\$5,200.00
Christian Ciotti	Head JV Baseball Coach	STHS	\$3,200.00
Jack Port	Head Boys Tennis Coach	STHS	\$4,000.00
Ronald Foster, Jr.	Volunteer Boys Tennis Coach	STHS	\$0
Dwayne McCarthur	Head Track Coach	STHS	\$3,200.00
Brett Smith	Assistant Track Coach	STHS	\$2,900.00
Erica Dickerson	Assistant Track Coach	STHS	\$2,800.00
Brianna Tutuska	Assistant Track Coach	STHS	\$2,800.00
Carolyn Caston	Substitute Secretary	STSD	\$21.30 per hou

- **7.D.2**. Approve Kiva Sutton as Sponsor for Sara D. Ulrich effective March 28, 2025, at a pro-rated stipend of \$130.00 for the 2024-2025 school year.
- **7.D.3**. Approve Lola Itzhaki as Mentor for Sydney Hover at a pro-rated stipend of \$404.25 for the 2024-2025 school year.
- **7.D.4**. Approve Paul Ellis as Crossing Guard at the Thomas W. Holtzman, Jr. Elementary School at a rate of \$28.39 per hour, effective February 4, 2025.

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7.E. Approve the creation of a new Act 93 position: Payroll and HR Coordinator.

VIII. FINANCES

MOTION TO APPROVE

- **8.A.B.C.D.** Moved by Ms. Hatcher, seconded by Mrs. Hill, to approve Items 8.A.B.C.D. Motion passed 9-0, 0 abstentions, 0 absent
- **8.A.** Approve the payment of Activity Fund bills from the First National Bank Activity Fund Checking, as listed on the Computer Check Summary, totaling \$3,275.00.
- **8.B.** Approve the payment of Capital Reserve PSDLAF checking bills from the Capital Reserve PSDLAF Checking, as listed on the Computer Check Summary, totaling \$44,864.90.
- **8.C.** Approve the payment of First National General Fund Checking bills from the First National General Fund Checking, as listed on the Computer Check Summary, totaling \$1,791,396.23.
- **8.D.** Approve the payment of Food Service bills from the Food Service Checking, as listed on the Computer Check Summary, totaling \$54,635.14.

IX. CONTRACTS

MOTION TO APPROVE

9.A.B.C.D. Moved by Ms. Hatcher, seconded by Mr. Hedengerg to approve Items 9.A.B.C.D.

Motion passed 8-1(K. Johnson), 0 abstentions, 0 absent

- **9.A.** Approve the Agreement with Vector Solutions for additional training libraries which will include libraries for Safety & Compliance, Inclusive Instruction & Intervention, Cybersecurity, Facilities Maintenance, and DEI.
- **9.B.** Approve the Agreement between STSD and CAIU for email archiving services. STSD has used the IU for email archiving for multiple years. The IU is replacing its solution, and this agreement represents the new solution. This solution is necessary to meet the Records Management Board Policy 800.
- **9.C.** Approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Susquehanna Township School District and Susquehanna Township Police Department.
- **9.D.** Approve the Administration's recommendation to reject all bids regarding the Susquehanna Township School District High School Kitchen Improvement Project as defined and disclosed in the attached bid tabulation.

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9.F. Discuss the contracts with Frey Lutz (\$62,810.00) and WTI/Tremco (\$11,612.35) for a total of \$74,422.35. We are proposing the installation of 12 total water hydrants on roofs of the four school. The hydrants will provide water at each school so all rooftop HVAC equipment can be properly cleaned and maintained for maximum efficiency and service life. Note: WTI/Tremco installed the new roofing on our school and contracting with them to seal in the new hydrants will ensure the new roof warranty will remain intact. Frey Lutz is an approved COSTARS supplier. WTI/Tremco is an approved Keystone Purchasing Network (KPN) supplier.

The board had a discussion on the cost and scope of work of item 9.F. and would like to revisit this item during the next Long Term Facilities Planning Committee meeting.

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9.G. Discuss the contract with Builders Specialty Service, Inc. for \$ 90,840.00. The bleachers at the Middle School have reached the end of their service life and need replacement. We are proposing new bleachers similar in style, color, and operation to our High School Gymnasium bleachers. Builders Specialty Service, Inc. is an approved PA COSTARS Supplier.

X. POLICY

None

XI. OTHER

MOTION TO APPROVE

- **11.A.** Moved by Mr. S. Johnson, seconded by Mrs. Hill, to approve Item 11.A. Motion passed 9-0, 0 abstentions, 0 absent
- 11.A. Approve the 2025-2026 STSD School Calendar.

MOTION TO APPROVE

11.B. Moved by Ms. Hatcher, seconded by Mr. Hedenberg, to approve Item 11.B.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Aye:

Mrs. Hill, Dr. Mareno, Mr. K. Johnson,

Mr. Folks, Mr. Hedenberg, Ms. Hatcher, Ms. LeMelle, Mr. S.

Johnson, Mr. Rawls

Nay:

None

Abstain:

None

Absent:

None

Motion passed 9-0, 0 abstentions, 0 absent

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11.B. The Board panel for student # 2024-25/019 recommends the Adjudication and Disposition, as discussed in executive session, be adopted by the full Board of Directors of the Susquehanna Township School District.

XII. NEW BUSINESS

None

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Moved by Mr. K. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Folks to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed: 9-0, 0 abstentions, 0 absent

Meeting adjourned 8:14 p.m.

Elise LeMelle Board Secretary