

**ANTIETAM SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING ON OCTOBER 26, 2015**

The Antietam School Board met in regular session at 7 p.m. on Monday, October 26, 2015 in the district office conference room. Mr. David Stauffer, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the pledge of allegiance. Mr. Stauffer asked if there were any corrections to the agenda. Mr. Stauffer mentioned that there would be a discussion of TIF under Finance and a second opportunity for public comment at the end of the meeting.

The following members were present:

Chris Faro	Ann Sellers
John Fielding	David Stauffer
Larry O'Boyle	Judith Swartz
Walter Saylor	Michelle Worrall

Absent: Julia Kleiman-Baer

Also present:

Dr. Melissa Brewer	- Superintendent
Tracy Detwiler	- Business Manager
Keith Shively	- Supervisor of Special Ed.
Brian Boland	- Solicitor
Pam Janda	- Board Secretary

Dr. Brewer informed the Board that the District's United Way goal was exceeded by almost \$1,000 this year. She commended the junior class for their hard work and success they had at the Renaissance Faire earlier in October. Dr. Brewer received a thank-you note from the sorority that Mrs. Beverly Daniels was a member of, thanking the District for their hospitality when they visited the library to see the display of the books they had donated in Mrs. Daniels' memory. Dr. Brewer introduced three students who were in attendance and received Antietam Applause awards: Gabe Webb for his help over the summer at the AVCP movie night, Evan Cardinal and Matthew Saylor for all their assistance at the Farmer's Market all season.

Mr. Stauffer noted that the minutes of the September 28, 2015 meeting had been distributed and asked if there were any corrections. None were noted. A poll of the Board by a voice vote resulted in the minutes being approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mrs. Swartz reported year-to-date revenue of \$8,194,233.21; year-to-date expenditures of \$3,280,322.26, leaving a balance (unaudited) of \$10,604,184.63, and cash and investments as of September 30, 2015 of \$10,155,215.50.

Mrs. Swartz moved, seconded by Mr. Faro, to approve the Treasurer's Report, petty cash activity reports, Cash and Investments for September 2015, and payment of bills for October 2015, as presented.

A poll of the Board resulted in the following vote:

Yes 8 Mmes. Sellers, Swartz, and Worrall; Messrs. Faro, Fielding, O'Boyle, Saylor and Stauffer
Motion carried.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mrs. Swartz moved, seconded by Mr. Faro, to approve the special education agreement and release for a special education student, as presented.

Approve the 2014B PlanCon Part K Project Refinancing and authorize submission of the required documentation to PDE.

Approve the 2015 PlanCon Part K Project Refinancing authorize submission of the required documentation to PDE.

Ratify the agreement between the Antietam School District and WestEd for the services provided by Melissa Devlin in her role as the Pennsylvania State Coordinator for Reading Apprenticeship: Writing Connections, as presented.

A poll of the Board resulted in the following vote:

Yes 8 Mmes. Sellers, Swartz, and Worrall; Messrs. Faro, Fielding, O’Boyle, Saylor, and Stauffer

Motion carried.

At this time, Mr. Ken Pick, County of Berks, spoke on behalf of the TIF committee, requesting a representative to the committee from the Board and explaining what was involved with this commitment. Mr. Jack Gulati, owner of Stokesay Castle, was also present, and briefly outlined his future plans for the land surrounding Stokesay.

After the discussion, Mr. Fielding made a motion, seconded by Mr. Faro, to appoint a member of the Board or community to the TIF committee.

A poll of the Board resulted in the following vote:

Yes 5 Mrs. Swartz; Messrs. Faro, Fielding, O’Boyle, and Saylor
No 3 Mmes. Sellers and Worrall; Mr. Stauffer

Motion carried 5-3.

POLICY COMMITTEE

Dr. Worrall moved, seconded by Mrs. Swartz, to approve the revised list of new and reissued guardianship affidavits for the 2015-2016 school year.

Approve the final reading of revisions to the following policies:

No. 130 “Homework”
No. 808 “Food Services”

A poll of the Board resulted in the following vote:

Yes 8 Mmes. Sellers, Swartz, and Worrall; Messrs. Faro, Fielding, O’Boyle, Saylor and Stauffer

Motion carried.

ATHLETICS AND ACTIVITIES

Mr. Saylor moved, seconded by Mrs. Swartz, to reinstate the Co-Curricular paid position for Teacher Coordinator of Mountaineer Academy

Approve the Co-Curricular paid position for Advisor for Newspaper Club at Mt. Penn Elementary Center.

Ratify the Co-Curricular list for the 2015-2016 school year, as presented.

Ratify the MPEC after-school tutoring at a cost not to exceed \$9,000 for the 2015-16 year.

Approve the nomination of the following individuals to the Antietam School District Hall of Fame for the 2015-2016 year:

- Dan Lorah – Athletics
- Daniel Pardo – Career
- Tom Sload – Athletics
- James Snyder – Service

A poll of the Board resulted in the following vote:

Yes 8 Mmes. Sellers, Swartz, and Worrall; Messrs. Faro, Fielding, O’Boyle, Saylor and Stauffer

Motion carried.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Mrs. Swartz moved, seconded by Dr. Worrall, to approve the transfer of Caitrin Rinkevich, part-time secondary instructional assistant, 5.5 hours/day, to part-time elementary instructional assistant, 5.5 hours/day, and no change in hourly rate.

Approve the transfer of Amy Oestreich, part-time elementary instructional assistant, 3.5 hours/day, to part-time secondary instructional assistant, 3.5 hours/day, and no change in hourly rate.

Ratify Jordan Gensemer at a part-time in-school suspension aide at the Antietam Middle-Sr. High School, 5.5 hours/day, \$9.77/hour, effective October 5, 2015.

Ratify the termination of support employee #001-2015, effective October 15, 2015.

Ratify the transfer of Amy Koller, part-time secondary instructional assistant II, 5.5 hours/day, to part-time in-school suspension aide, 5.5 hours/day, and no change in hourly rate.

Ratify Joy Kessock as a part-time instructional assistant in the Antietam Middle-Sr. High School, 5.5 hours/day, \$12.17/hour, effective October 14, 2015.

Ratify Theodore Delinko as a full-time, long-term substitute custodian at the Mt. Penn Elementary Center, with benefits, \$14.97/hour, effective October 19, 2015.

Ratify an increase in hours for Helen Reinbrecht, part-time kindergarten aide, from 4.5 hours/day to 5.5 hours/day for the 2015-16 school year.

Ratify an increase in hours for Jennifer Rothermel, part-time kindergarten aide, from 4.5 hours/day to 5.5 hours/day for the 2015-16 school year.

Approve the transfer of 15.5 sick days from the Twin Valley School District for Keith Shively.

Approve the following people to be added to the substitute list for the 2015-2016 school year:

Deborah Depolo – BCIU Guest Teacher
Randy Hagofsky – BCIU Guest Teacher
Amy Hess – van driver
Trent Koch – BCIU Guest Teacher
Amy Raugh – BCIU Guest Teacher
Deborah Shaffer – BCIU Guest Teacher
Jessica Venturelli – BCIU Guest Teacher

A poll of the Board resulted in the following vote:

Yes 8 Mmes. Sellers, Swartz, and Worrall; Messrs. Faro, Fielding, O’Boyle, Saylor and Stauffer

Motion carried.

Dr. Worrall brought up the possibility of going to electronic transmission of the board agenda in the future. The weekly report was also discussed, with the concern that it takes the administrators a lot of time to document everything that has transpired during the week. Dr. Brewer suggested that the administrators highlight 3-5 items every week, with the exception of her, as she will continue to present a more detailed report to the Board. As there was no further business to discuss, Mr. Stauffer adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Submitted by,

Pamela S. Janda, Board Secretary