

**ANTIETAM SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING ON FEBRUARY 22, 2016**

The Antietam School Board met for their regularly scheduled meeting on February 22, 2016 in the district office conference room. Mr. David Stauffer, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. followed by the pledge of allegiance. Mr. Stauffer asked if there were any corrections to the agenda. No changes were noted. Prior to the meeting the Board moved to the cafeteria, where Dr. Brewer presented Antietam Applause awards to Girl Scout Troop 6345 members for their on-going community volunteerism. Mrs. Tammy Cooper and Joann Bussinger, troop co-leaders, added their accolades.

The following members were present:

Chris Faro	Walter Saylor
Julia Kleiman-Baer	Ann Sellers
Larry O'Boyle	David Stauffer
Kyla Ramsey	Michelle Worrall

Absent: Michael Gierula

Also present:

Dr. Melissa Brewer	- Superintendent
Tracy Detwiler	- Business Manager
Dr. Felice Stern	- MSHS Principal
Mr. Keith Shively	- Supervisor of Special Education
Brian Boland	- Solicitor
Pam Janda	- Board Secretary

Jamie and Kelly Weikel, Student Council representatives, gave the Board an update on activities that took place in December, which included "Wish Week", when students could give wishes to Student Council members to grant (i.e., small tokens of candy, etc.). It was a huge success; they had over 200 wishes! They also volunteered at Salvation Army where they assisted wrapping and sorting gifts from the Angel Trees. They are having their Gertrude Hawk fundraiser, in hopes of earning funds to defray costs for the Student Council District convention in March.

Dr. Brewer shared with the Board that this week is National Anti-Bullying week. The staff wore t-shirts on Monday and there are other special events going on, culminating with an assembly on Friday. Seventh grade students participated in the Science Fair and several students will go on to compete in the Science Fair that will be held at Albright College on March 14-17. Next week the district will participate in "Read Across America Week".

Mr. Stauffer noted that the minutes of the January 27, 2016 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

Mr. O'Boyle reported year-to-date revenue of \$12,236,031.51; year-to-date expenditures of \$8,408,849.89, leaving a balance (unaudited) of \$9,517,455.10, and cash and investments as of January 31, 2016 of \$10,345,481.86.

Mr. O’Boyle moved, seconded by Mr. Faro, to approve the Treasurer’s Report, petty cash activity reports, Cash and Investments for January 2016, and payment of bills for February 2016, as presented.

A poll of the Board resulted in the following vote:

Yes 8 Mmes. Kleiman-Baer, Ramsey, Sellers, and Worrall; Messrs. Faro, O’Boyle, Saylor and Stauffer

Motion carried.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mr. O’Boyle moved, seconded by Mrs. Sellers, to accept the Fulton Bank Proposal for the refunding of the 2011 Bond issue.

A poll of the Board resulted in the following vote:

Yes 7 Mmes. Ramsey, Sellers, and Worrall; Messrs. Faro, O’Boyle, Saylor, and Stauffer
Abstain 1 Mrs. Kleiman Baer

Motion carried.

Mr. O’Boyle moved, seconded by Mr. Faro, to ratify two (2) agreements between the Antietam School District and New Story for the 2015-16 school year.

Ratify the Linkage letter between the Antietam School District and SAM (Service Access and Management, Inc.) for the 2015-2016 school year.

Approve the agreement between the Antietam School District and xtel for building to building fiber Ethernet links’ services for \$3,146/month for the term of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2021.

A poll of the Board resulted in the following vote:

Yes 8 Mmes. Kleiman-Baer, Ramsey, Sellers, and Worrall; Messrs. Faro, O’Boyle, Saylor, and Stauffer

Motion carried.

POLICY COMMITTEE

Dr. Worrall moved, seconded by Mr. Saylor, to approve March 23, 2016 as snow make-up day #3

Approve the first reading of revisions to the following policies:

- o No. 109 – Resource Materials
- o No. 138 – English as a Second Language/Bilingual Education Program
- o No. 711 – Surplus Equipment & Supplies

A poll of the Board resulted in the following vote:

Yes 8 Mmes. Kleiman-Baer, Ramsey, Sellers, and Worrall; Messrs. Faro, O’Boyle, Saylor and Stauffer

Motion carried.

BERKS COUNTY INTERMEDIATE UNIT

Dr. Worrall moved, seconded by Mrs. Sellers, to approve the Berks County Intermediate Unit Mandated Services Budget for the 2016-2017 school year.

A poll of the Board resulted in the following vote:

Yes 8 Mmes. Kleiman-Baer, Ramsey, Sellers, and Worrall; Messrs. Faro, O’Boyle, Saylor and Stauffer

Motion carried.

ATHLETICS & ACTIVITIES

Mr. Faro moved, seconded by Dr. Worrall, to approve including Girls’ MS Softball in the Exeter School District cooperative agreement, beginning the 2015-2016 season.

A poll of the Board resulted in the following vote:

Yes 8 Mmes. Kleiman-Baer, Ramsey, Sellers, and Worrall; Messrs. Faro, O’Boyle, Saylor and Stauffer

Motion carried.

CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

Due to a schedule conflict with Mrs. Devlin, who will be presenting Reading Apprenticeship at the March meeting, the Curriculum Committee meeting will be held on March 8th at 6 p.m.

The Board held a discussion on the proposed change to the MSHS bell schedule, going from a 7-period/day to an 8-period day schedule, which will shorten classes from 47 minutes to 44 minutes and allow for extended remediation and/or enrichment during 8th period homeroom.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Mrs. Ramsey moved, seconded by Mrs. Kleiman-Baer, to approve Carmella DeLeyva as a part-time elementary cafeteria worker, \$9.55/hour, without benefits, effective February 22, 2016.

Ratify Staci Fink to provide up to 5 hours/week of in-home study to a 9th grade student, \$30/hour, effective February 1, 2016.

Ratify Amy Koller as Assistant Cheerleading Coach, \$2393, in accordance with the co-curricular contract, effective the 2015-2016 winter season.

Ratify a change of employment for Tisa Unger, part-time elementary cafeteria worker, to part-time elementary lead cafeteria worker, \$10.38 /hour, effective February 1, 2016.

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

Shanna Bossler – BCIU Guest Teacher
Carrie Bouchard – BCIU Guest Teacher
Julie Flowers – BCIU Guest Teacher
Michael Paxson – BCIU Guest Teacher
Elaine Shunk – BCIU Guest Teacher

A poll of the Board resulted in the following vote:

Yes 8 Mmes. Kleiman-Baer, Ramsey, Sellers, and Worrall; Messrs. Faro, O'Boyle, Saylor and Stauffer

Motion carried.

Mr. Stauffer announced that the Board had an executive session after the Workshop meeting on February 16th to discuss a personnel matter. They did not re-convene. As there was no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8 p.m.

Submitted by,

Pamela S. Janda, Board Secretary