

HOPEWELL AREA SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
AUGUST 23, 2016

The Board of Directors of the Hopewell Area School District met in regular session on Tuesday, August 23, 2016, in the Board Room, Administration Building, 2354 Brodhead Road, Hopewell Township.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by David Bufalini, Board President.

Prayer and flag salute was led by Sheri Douglass. Roll call by the secretary followed. Those Directors in attendance were:

John Bowden
David Bufalini
Lesia Dobo
Rob Harmotto (Via Video Conference)
Daria Minton
Daniel Santia
Anna Segner
Jeffrey Winkle

Members Absent:
Lori McKittrick

Also in attendance were: Dr. Michelle Miller, Superintendent; Dr. Jacie Maslyk, Assistant Superintendent; John Salopek, Solicitor; Johannah M. Robb, Business Administrator; Nancy Barber, Secretary; Douglass Rowe and Jessica Webster, Principals; Sheri Douglass, Director of Transportation and visitors.

Mr. Bufalini asked for approval of minutes.

APPROVAL OF GROUPEd ITEMS

MOTION #1

By John Bowden, seconded by Dan Santia, to approve items (1) and (2) as presented in accordance with the School Board's agreement for grouping items in a single motion. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

Approval of Minutes

1. Recommendation to approve the August 9, 2016 business meeting minutes as presented.

2. Recommendation to approve the July 26, 2016 work meeting minutes as presented.

APPROVAL OF GROUPED ITEMS

MOTION #2

By Lesia Dobo, seconded by Anna Segner, to approve items (1) through (3) as presented in accordance with School Board's agreement for grouping items in a single motion. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

Tax Collectors' Report

1. Recommendation to accept report for taxes collected for the month of July 2016, as presented, and make said report a part of these minutes.

Treasurer's Report

2. Recommendation to accept report of the Treasurer for the month of July 2016, as presented, and make said report a part of these minutes.

Financial Statements

3. Recommendation to accept Financial Statements for the month of July 2016, as presented, and make said statements a part of these minutes.

VISITOR'S COMMENTS

Henry Bufalini, a member of the San Rocco Festa Band, thanked the District for the use of the band room at the Senior High School for practice leading up to the San Rocco Festa.

Linda Helms of the B.F. Jones Memorial Library presented their September Calendar.

At this time Mr. Bufalini asked that Committee discussion and recommendations begin.

Education/Curriculum/Instruction by Lesia Dobo, Chair

MOTION #3

By Lesia Dobo, seconded by Dan Santia, to approve the 2016-2017 School Picnic at Kennywood on June 14, 2017. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #4

By Lesia Dobo, seconded by Daria Minton, to approve the following appointments. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

- a. Dr. Moka as District Physician - \$10 per exam;
- b. Optometric Care as District Vision Examiner - \$3.25 per exam; and
- c. Dr. Timothy Ungarean to provide dental exams - \$5 per exam.

MOTION #5

By Lesia Dobo, seconded by John Bowden, to approve the Agreement with Interactive Story Adventures, LLC to provide supplemental STEM curriculum and associated programs for kindergarten students beginning the 2016-2017 school year. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

APPROVAL OF GROUPED ITEMS

MOTION #6

By Lesia Dobo, seconded by Dan Santia, to approve items 1 and 2, as presented in accordance with School Board's agreement for grouping items in a single motion. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

1. List of Senior High Club & Activity Sponsors for the 2016-2017 School Year.
2. List of Junior High Club & Activity Sponsors for the 2016-2017 School Year.

MOTION #7

By Lesia Dobo, seconded by Anna Segner, to approve the eighth grade field trip to the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum on Friday, October 28, 2016. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #8

By Lesia Dobo, seconded by Daria Minton, to approve the Cyber Services Agreement with the Seneca Valley School District for a 4 year term beginning the 2016-2017 school year through the 2019-2020 school year at an initial cost for the first year of \$13,650.00. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

APPROVAL OF GROUPEd ITEMS

MOTION #9

By Lesia Dobo, seconded by John Bowden, to approve items 1 through 3, as presented in accordance with School Board's agreement for grouping items in a single motion. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

1. Free school privileges for Shane Lewis to attend Hopewell High School for the 2016-2017 school year.
2. Free school privileges for Tyler Lewis to attend Hopewell Junior High School for the 2016-2017 school year.
3. Free school privileges for Talbot Allinder to attend Hopewell Junior High School for the 2016-2017 school year.

MOTION #10

By Lesia Dobo, seconded by Anna Segner, to approve the contract between the District and the Western Pennsylvania School for Blind Children Outreach Program to provide vision and/or orientation and mobility services for the 2016-2017 school year. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #11

By Lesia Dobo, seconded by Dan Santia, to approve the 2016-2017 list of Department/Grade Chairpersons. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

Athletics by Daria Minton, Chair

MOTION #12

By Daria Minton, seconded by Lesia Dobo, to approve the request from Hopewell Vikings Football Boosters, for Kenny Ross Toyota-Scion to display two new automobiles within Tony Dorsett Stadium during home football games during the 2016 football season, subject to proof of insurance from Kenny Ross Toyota-Scion prior to the placement of a vehicle on school property. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

Finance and Budget by John Bowden, Chair

APPROVAL OF GROUPED ITEMS

MOTION #13

By John Bowden, seconded by Jeff Winkle, to approve items (1) through (3) and to ratify item (4) as presented in accordance with School Board's agreement for grouping items in a single motion. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative roll call vote of all Directors in attendance.

1. General Fund List of Bills in the amount of \$987,847.13
2. Cafeteria Fund payments in the amount of \$12,837.68
3. Capital Reserve payments in the amount of \$104,581.21
4. General Fund payments in the amount of \$2,272,780.42

MOTION #14

By John Bowden, seconded by Lesia Dobo, to approve the renewal of the interscholastic athletic, voluntary, and catastrophic student accident insurance for the 2016-2017 school year through AG Administrators and PSBA at an annual premium of \$19,850.00. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

Legislation by Jeff Winkle, Chair

MOTION #15

By Jeff Winkle, seconded by Dan Santia, to approve the following candidates for PSBA election of officers: A voting receipt is attached to these minutes as confirmation. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

- a. President-elect: Michael Faccinetto
- b. Vice President: David Hutchinson
- c. PSBA Insurance Trust: Mark Miller

Personnel by Rob Harmotto, Chair

MOTION #16

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Dan Santia, to accept the resignation of Carly Lewandowski, long-term substitute speech teacher at Independence Elementary School, effective August 22, 2016. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #17

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Anna Segner, to accept the resignation of Gary Koch, part-time school psychologist, effective August 31, 2016. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #18

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Daria Minton, to set the rate of pay for long-term substitute teachers at \$85.00 per day for the first 45 work days and \$100 per day beginning work day 46. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #19

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Dan Santia to approve the request of Valerie Alexander, food services, to extend her leave without pay from August 22, 2016 through November 28, 2016. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #20

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by John Bowden, to approve the substitute personnel rosters. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #21

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Anna Segner, to approve the change of employment status for Jamie McCollim from substitute cafeteria worker to temporary breakfast cook at the Senior High School, effective August 23, 2016. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #22

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Anna Segner, to approve the realignment of football coaches and salaries as stated below. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

Head Coach	Mark Washington	\$10,310.00
1 st Assistant	Keith Humphries	\$4,900.00
2 nd Assistant	Zack Heyward	\$4,600.00
3 rd Assistant	Lynwood Alford	\$4,500.00
4 th Assistant	Dan Hilton	\$4,200.00
5 th Assistant	Jeremy Martini	\$4,000.00
6 th Assistant	Sean Veights	\$4,000.00
7 th Assistant	Jeff Kelly	\$3,700.00
8 th Assistant	Dayne Smith	\$3,100.00
9 th Assistant	Dominique Henderson	\$3,100.00
Volunteer	Bob Cromer	\$0
Volunteer	Paul Mann	\$0
Volunteer	John Lord	\$0
Volunteer	Ron Weaver	\$0
	TOTAL	\$46,410.00

MOTION #23

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Lesia Dobo, to approve the Contract with PA-Educator.net to provide a clearinghouse for potential professional and non-certificated employees at an annual cost of \$2,175.00. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

Transportation by Daniel Santia, Chair

MOTION #24

By Dan Santia, seconded by Daria Minton, to approve the sale of the following vehicles at the 422 Auction. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

- a. Bus #4 – International - VIN# 4DRBRABN84B958306
- b. Bus #6 – International - VIN# 4DRBRABN14B958308
- c. Bus #8 – Blue Bird - VIN# 1BAKBCKA67F246966

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Miller stated that Nick DeSalle and Elizabeth Lehman, science teachers at the Junior High School as well as several students participated in the Global Moon Shot, a partnership with the Arthur C. Clarke Institute for Space Education, the University of California-San Diego, Carnegie Mellon University and NASA to send a time capsule to Mars.

Dr. Miller also stated that she continues to monitor enrollment numbers throughout the District. She is concerned about elementary numbers, especially first grade at Independence Elementary School.

During the September Board meeting, Dr. Miller would like the Board to consider a pilot program that would change the grading scale for science and social studies in the third grade to pass or fail.

Dr. Maslyk announced that Nicole Lash, the librarian at the Junior High School, received conditional approval from the Pennsylvania Department of Education for a \$30,000 grant that would upgrade technology in the library at the Junior High School, which may include a video production studio.

As a final comment, Dr. Miller said that the in-service held on Tuesday was very uplifting and inspiring. She met wonderful teachers and paraprofessional and she is very excited to start the school year. She is happy to be a part of such a wonderful team.

Solicitor's Report

Nothing to report.

Unfinished Business

Mr. Bufalini reported that the San Rocco Foundation made a donation to the Artist in Residence program in the amount of \$675.

Upcoming School Board Meetings

September 13, 2016, Regular Work Meeting, Central Administration
September 27, 2016, Regular Business Meeting, Central Administration

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion or recommendations to come before the Board of Directors, Mr. Bufalini asked for a motion for adjournment.

MOTION by John Bowden, seconded by Daria Minton, that the meeting be adjourned.
MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Bufalini adjourned the meeting at 7:47 p.m.

HOPEWELL AREA SCHOOL BOARD

David Bufalini, President

Nancy Barber, Secretary