

HOPEWELL AREA SCHOOL BOARD  
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING  
JANUARY 26, 2016

The Board of Directors of the Hopewell Area School District met in regular session on Tuesday, January 26, 2016, in the Board Room, Administration Building, 2354 Brodhead Road, Hopewell Township.

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m. by David Bufalini, Board President.

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

David Bufalini  
Lesia Dobo  
Rob Harmotto (via video conference)  
Lori McKittrick  
Daniel Santia

Members absent:  
John Bowden  
Christopher Galzerano  
Anna Segner  
Jeffrey Winkle

Also in attendance were: Dr. Charles M. Reina, Superintendent; Dr. Jacie Maslyk, Assistant Superintendent; John Salopek, Solicitor; Johannah M. Robb, Business Administrator; Nancy Barber, Secretary; Michael Milanovich and Rob Kartychak, Principals; Sheri Douglass, Director of Transportation and visitors.

January is School Director Recognition month. Each Board member received a certificate for their service and Dr. Reina thanked them on behalf of the District and the community.

“Good News” reports were presented by Mr. Kartychak from the elementary schools and Mr. Milanovich from the Senior High School. Copies of each report and one for the Junior High School are attached to these minutes.

Mr. Bufalini thanked all for their fine reports.

Mr. Bufalini asked for approval of minutes.

### APPROVAL OF GROUPEd ITEMS

#### MOTION #1

By Lesia Dobo, seconded by Daniel 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 December 22, 2015 business meeting minutes as presented.
2. Recommendation to approve the January 12, 2016 work meeting minutes as presented.

### APPROVAL OF GROUPEd ITEMS

#### MOTION #2

By Daniel Santia, seconded by Lori McKittrick, 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 December 2015, 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 December 2015, as presented, and make said report a part of these minutes.

#### Financial Statements

3. Recommendation to accept Financial Statements for the month of December 2015, as presented, and make said statements a part of these minutes.

VISITOR'S COMMENTS

No visitors wished to address the Board.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An Executive Session was held beginning at 7:16 p.m. to discuss personnel matters. The meeting resumed at 7:25 p.m. This announcement is being made to be in compliance with Act 84 of 1986, Pennsylvania's Sunshine Law, as amended.

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 Lori McKittrick, to approve senior high school students to participate in CCBC Health Academy. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #4

By Lesia Dobo, seconded by Daniel Santia, to approve the InnovatED course at the Junior High School. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all the Directors in attendance.

**Buildings and Grounds by Daniel Santia**MOTION #5

By Daniel Santia, seconded by Lesia Dobo, to approve the request of Mike Shuleski to use the main and auxiliary gyms at Hopewell High School to conduct a Youth Baseball Camp from February 29 through March 5, 2016. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all directors in attendance.

MOTION #6

By Daniel Santia, seconded by Lori McKittrick, to approve the request of Mike Shuleski for the varsity and junior varsity baseball teams to travel to the Iron Horse Sports Complex in Windber, Pennsylvania on March 24, 2016 through March 26, 2016 for spring training. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #7

By Daniel Santia, seconded by Lesia Dobo, to approve the request from Pam Fiejdasz to use Tony Dorsett Stadium on April 16, 2016 from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. for the “Pitch, Hit and Run” event. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #8

By Daniel Santia, seconded by Lori McKittrick, to approve the request of Brandi Yurcina to use the Senior High School Auditorium on May 3, 2016 from 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. for the Beaver County Spelling Bee. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #9

By Daniel Santia, seconded by Lesia Dobo, to approve the request of Pennsylvania West Soccer Association and Steve Thomas, to use the stadium and bathrooms on March 12 and April 2, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. for youth soccer games. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

**Finance and Budget by Lesia Dobo**APPROVAL OF GROUPEd ITEMSMOTION #10

By Lesia Dobo, seconded by Daniel Santia, 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 payments in the amount of \$316,296.24
2. Cafeteria Fund payments in the amount of \$217,228.54
3. Capital Reserve Fund payments in the amount of \$9,784.68
4. General Fund payments in the amount of \$3,064,047.28

MOTION #11

By Lesia Dobo, seconded by Lori McKittrick, to approve the Audit Report of the Hopewell Area School District for the year ended June 30, 2015 issued by Hosack, Specht, Muetzel & Wood, LLP, Certified Public Accountants. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative roll call vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #12

By Lesia Dobo, seconded by Daniel Santia, to ratify the renewal of a Certificate of Deposit in the amount of \$1,019,489.30 with WesBanco for nine months at a rate of .5% to mature September 20, 2016. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

**Personnel by Rob Harmotto, Chair**MOTION #13

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Lori McKittrick, to accept the resignation of Natalee Bufalini as assistant track coach, effective January 7, 2016. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

APPROVAL OF GROUPED ITEMSMOTION #14

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Daniel 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. Employment of Mackenzi Woolsey as assistant girl's volleyball coach, effective January 26, 2016, at a stipend of \$1,265.00.
2. Employment of Vanessa Trombetta as assistant girl's volleyball coach, effective January 26, 2016, at a stipend of \$1,265.00.

MOTION #15

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Lesia Dobo, to approve the substitute employee rosters, as presented. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #16

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Lori McKittrick, to approve the termination of Christian D'Alessandro, bus driver, effective January 26, 2016. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative roll call vote of all Directors in attendance.

**Policy by David Bufalini, Chair**

**MOTION #17**

By David Bufalini, seconded by Lesia Dobo, to approve the following revised Board policies. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all directors in attendance.

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| a. | 115 | Career and Technical Education                    |
| b. | 317 | Conduct/Disciplinary Procedures                   |
| c. | 806 | Child Abuse                                       |
| d. | 824 | Maintaining Professional adult/student boundaries |
| e. | 916 | Volunteers  |

**Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Reina announced that kindergarten registration would begin March 1, 2016. He also stated that he would bring to the Board in February the 2016-2017 school calendar and that Mr. Rowe would be presenting ideas for new electives at the Senior High School.

**Solicitor's Report**

Nothing to report.

**Unfinished Business**

Nothing to report.

**Upcoming School Board Meetings**

February 9, 2016 – 7:00 p.m. Work Meeting, Central Administration

February 23, 2016 – 7:00 p.m. 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 Daniel Santia, seconded by Lori McKittrick, that the meeting be adjourned.  
MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Bufalini adjourned the meeting at 7:33 p.m.

HOPEWELL AREA SCHOOL BOARD

David H. Bufalini, President

Nancy Barber, Secretary