

HOPEWELL AREA SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
JANUARY 27, 2020

The Board of Directors of the Hopewell Area School District met in regular session on Monday, January 27, 2020, in the Cafeteria at Hopewell Junior High School, 2354 Brodhead Road, Hopewell Township.

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

Prayer was led by Lori McKittrick. Flag salute was led by Addison Blosnick and Tommy Turino, 4th grade students at Margaret Ross Elementary School. Roll call by the secretary followed. Those Directors in attendance were:

Daniel Caton
Lesia Dobo
Matthew Erickson
Megan Harries
Lori McKittrick
Darren Newberry
Kathryn Oblak
Daniel Santia
Jeffrey Winkle

Also in attendance were: Dr. Michelle Miller, Superintendent; Dr. Jacie Maslyk, Assistant Superintendent; John Salopek, Solicitor; Jennifer Conrad, Business Administrator; Nancy Barber, Secretary; Michael Allison, Douglass Rowe, Edward Katkich, Kylee Babish, Korri Kane, and Rob Kartychak, Principals; Mike Lipnicky, Director of Technology; and visitors.

Dr. Maslyk and each of the principals presented Viking Connect, the District's 1:1 computer initiative.

Dan Engen and Jacklyn Cowan from VEBH presented the District's Feasibility Study. A question and answer period followed. Due to the number of questions being asked, individuals did not give their names prior to their question. Mr. Engen, Ms. Cowan, Mr. Newberry and Dr. Miller all answered questions. A Frequently Asked Question document (FAQ) was provided to all visitors and visitors were welcome to submit written questions or inquiries at the end of the meeting.

Mrs. Dobo asked for approval of minutes.

MOTION #1

By Jeff Winkle, seconded by Dan Caton, to approve the December 16, 2019, Special Business Meeting Minutes and the January 13, 2020, Work Meeting Minutes. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

APPROVAL OF GROUPED ITEMS

MOTION #2

By Dan Santia, seconded by Jeff Winkle, 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, 2019, 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, 2019, as presented, and make said report a part of these minutes.

Financial Statements

3. Recommendation to accept Financial Statements for the month of December, 2019, as presented, and make said statements a part of these minutes.

VISITOR'S COMMENTS

Questions regarding the Feasibility study continued.

Educational/Curriculum/Instruction by Jeff Winkle, Chair

APPROVAL OF GROUPED ITEMS

MOTION #3

By Jeff Winkle, seconded by Dan Santia, to approve items (1) through (4) 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. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

1. Senior High School Course Curriculum Guide for the 2020-2021 school year.
2. 2019-2020 Tuition Agreement with the School District of Pittsburgh to educate a student residing at Pediatric Specialty Care.
3. 2021 Kennywood School Picnic on Wednesday, June 16, 2021.
4. Employment Options Center School-to-Work Transition Services Agreement by and between the District and McGuire Memorial.

Buildings and Grounds by Darren Newberry, Chair

MOTION #4

By Darren Newberry, seconded by Dan Santia, to approve Beaver County K-9 training on approximately four Saturdays at Hopewell High School to be coordinated with high school administration and Hopewell Township Police Department between February 1- August 1, 2020. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

Finance and Budget by Lori McKittrick

APPROVAL OF GROUPEd ITEMS

MOTION #5

By Lori McKittrick, seconded by Darren Newberry, to approve items (1) through (3) and ratify items (4) and (5) 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 \$329,379.05
2. Cafeteria Fund payments in the amount of \$91,603.24
3. Capital Reserve Fund payments in the amount of \$8,243.98
4. General Fund payments in the amount of \$4,122,051.81
5. Capital Reserve Fund payments in the amount of \$60,940.00

Personnel by Matthew Erickson, Chair

APPROVAL OF GROUPEd ITEMS

MOTION #6

By Matthew Erickson, 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. Resignation for retirement of Robert McDonald, custodian, effective February 1, 2020.
2. Change of employment status for James Malesky from permanent bus driver to substitute transportation aide, effective January 13, 2020.

Policy by Megan Harries, Chair

MOTION #7

By Megan Harries, seconded by Dan Santia, to approve the renewal of Board Policy 011, Board Governance Standards/Code of Conduct. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

Superintendent's Report

Nothing to report.

Solicitor's Report

Nothing to report.

Unfinished Business

Nothing to report.

Upcoming School Board Meetings

February 10, 2020: Work Meeting, Central Administration

February 24, 2020: Business Meeting, Central Administration

Executive Session

Mrs. Dobo announced that the Board met in executive session prior to the meeting and would be meeting in executive session following this evening's meeting to discuss personnel. The announcement was made to be in compliance with Act 84 of 1986, Pennsylvania's Sunshine Law, as amended.

MOTION by Jeff Winkle, seconded by Kathryn Oblak that the meeting be adjourned. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

Mrs. Dobo adjourned the meeting at 9:36 p.m.

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Lesia Dobo, Board President

Nancy Barber, Secretary