

HOPEWELL AREA SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
OCTOBER 28, 2014

The Board of Directors of the Hopewell Area School District met in regular session on Tuesday, October 28, 2014, in the Board Room, Administration Building, 2354 Brodhead Road, Hopewell Township.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by David Bufalini, Board President.

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

John Bowden
David Bufalini
Lesia Dobo
Rob Harmotto
Lori McKittrick
Daniel Santia

Members Absent
Tony Guy
Anna Segner
Jeffrey Winkle

Also in attendance were: Dr. Charles M. Reina, Superintendent; John Salopek, Solicitor; Johannah M. Robb, Business Administrator; Nancy Barber, Secretary; Robert Kartychak, Principal; and citizens.

“Good News” reports were presented by Mr. Kartychak from the elementary schools. A copy of his report is attached to these minutes as well as one for the Junior High School.

Mr. Bufalini asked for approval of minutes.

APPROVAL OF GROUPED ITEMS

MOTION #1

By Lesia Dobo, seconded by Rob Harmotto, 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 September 23, 2014 business meeting minutes as presented.
2. Recommendation to approve the October 14, 2014 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 September 2014, 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 September 2014, as presented, and make said report a part of these minutes.

Financial Statements

3. Recommendation to accept Financial Statements for the month of September 2014, as presented, and make said statements a part of these minutes.

VISITOR'S COMMENTS

No visitors wished to address the Board.

At 7:05 p.m. Mr. Bufalini announced that an Executive Session would be held at this time to discuss personnel. This announcement is being made to be in compliance with Act 84 of 1986, Pennsylvania's Sunshine Law, as amended. The meeting resumed at 7:22 p.m.

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 the Marching Band trip to Chicago from April 23, 2015 through April 26, 2015. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #4

By Lesia Dobo, seconded by John Bowden, to approve the request from Mr. Katkich for Mike Gill and Robert Mawhinney to sponsor the Math Counts Club at the Junior High School. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #5

By Lesia Dobo, seconded by Daniel Santia, to approve the Agreement with Gary Chadwell to provide technical assistance to staff regarding the Collins Writing Program on November 17, 2014 and January 19, 2015 at a cost of \$1,700 per day plus expenses. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #6

By Lesia Dobo, seconded by Lori McKittrick, to approve the Web Hosting Agreement with The Cooper Institute for hosting of the Fitnessgram application used by the elementary school's physical education department in the amount of \$1,219.56. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

Buildings and Grounds by Daniel Santia, Co-Chair

MOTION #7

By Daniel Santia, seconded by John Bowden, to approve the request from Mike Shuleski to use the gym at the Junior High School on November 1, 8, 15 and 22, 2014 for an instructional baseball camp for children ages 9-12. Proceeds will go to the Baseball Boosters. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #8

By Daniel Santia, seconded by Lesia Dobo, to approve the request by the Greek Orthodox Church to utilize Gym A at the Junior High School Friday evenings from October 24, 2014 through March 31, 2015 from 8:30 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #9

By Daniel Santia, seconded by Lori McKittrick, to approve the request from Hopewell Youth Baseball Association to perform work on the fields at Hopewell Elementary School MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

Finance and Budget by John Bowden, Chair

APPROVAL OF GROUPEd ITEMS

MOTION #10

By John Bowden, seconded by Daniel Santia, to approve items (1) through (3) and to 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 List of Bills in the amount of \$605,103.54
2. Capital Reserve Fund payment in the amount of \$216,117.73
3. Cafeteria Fund payments in the amount of \$107,569.05
4. Capital Reserve Fund payments in the amount of \$87,348.00
5. General Fund payments in the amount of \$4,591,895.14

MOTION #11

By John Bowden, seconded by Daniel Santia, to approve the Resolution to participate in the Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit's Joint Purchasing Program for the 2015-2016 school year at a cost of \$600.00. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

APPROVAL OF GROUPEd ITEMS

MOTION #12

By John Bowden, seconded by Lesia Dobo, to approve items (1) through (7) 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. Two Year Preventive Maintenance Agreement with Renick Brothers for the pool pak unit.
 - a. Year one \$5,020.00
 - b. Year two \$5,198.00
2. Payment application from Northern Athletic Construction Company for payment No. 5 in the amount of \$84,002.80.

3. Payment application from Dagostino Electronic Services, Inc. for payment No. 1 in the amount of \$119,943.68.
4. Invoice from Civil and Environmental Consultants Inc. in the amount of \$12,171.25 for geotechnical inspections at the Senior High School maintenance area.
5. Proposal from Comdoc for a lease/purchase of five Xerox multi-function devices at a monthly cost of \$1,318 for 60 months.
6. Purchase of a Certificate of Deposit for \$1,013,562.38 with ESB Bank at a rate of .50% to mature on May 20, 2015.
7. Change Order #EC-003 from Dagostino Electronic Services in the amount of \$0.00 to provide all necessary equipment to support fiber upgrade.

MOTION #13

By John Bowden, seconded by Lesia Dobo, to approve Plancon Part H for Project No. 2395, Hopewell Memorial Junior High School financed by Series A 2002 in the amount of \$1,745,000. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative roll call vote of all Directors in attendance.

Legislative by Lori McKittrick; Co-Chair

MOTION #14

By Lori McKittrick, seconded by John Bowden, to approve the HASD Board of Directors Reorganization meeting on December 2, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Central Administration Board Room. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

Personnel by Rob Harmotto, Chair

APPROVAL OF GROUPED ITEMS

MOTION #15

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by John Bowden, 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. Basketball coaching staff realignment and salaries:

Head Coach	Doug Williams	\$6,600.00
1 st Assistant Coach	Kurt Ross	\$5,000.00
2 nd Assistant Coach	Martin Vallecorsa	\$4,000.00
3 rd Assistant Coach	Dayne Smith	\$3,100.00
4 th Assistant Coach	Jimmy Deep	\$2,500.00
5 th Assistant Coach	Bill Kostial	\$1,497.00
Volunteer	Pat Phillips	

2. Wrestling coaching staff realignment and salaries:

Head Coach	Jason Martsolf	\$4,329.00
1 st Assistant Coach	Corey Getz	\$2,814.00
2 nd Assistant Coach	Wil Lynn	\$2,381.00
3 rd Assistant Coach	Brandon Fedorka	\$2,164.00
Volunteer	Bill Bain	
Volunteer	Jason Winters	
Volunteer	Jose Molina	
Volunteer	Mike Cicone	
Volunteer	Chris Georgetson	
Volunteer	Brett Smith	

MOTION #16

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Lori McKittrick, to approve the employment of Sandra Stewart as a special education classroom aide at Independence Elementary School, effective October 29, 2014. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #17

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Daniel Santia, to approve the employment of Brian Burton as a special education individual aide at Independence Elementary School, effective October 29, 2014. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #18

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Lori McKittrick, to accept the resignation of Diane Iannini, Assistant to the Business Administrator, effective December 5, 2014. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #19

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Lesia Dobo, to approve the employment of Marina Rosatelli as Assistant to the Business Administrator at an annual salary of \$51,000, effective November 10, 2014. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #20

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by John Bowden, to approve the employment of Christie Bailey as a breakfast monitor at Hopewell Elementary School, effective October 20, 2014. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #21

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Daniel Santia, to approve the request of Mark Guzzo for leave without pay, effective October 3, 2014. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #22

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.

Transportation by Daniel Santia, Chair

MOTION #23

By Daniel Santia, seconded by Lori McKittrick, to approve the contract with the Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit for transportation services for the 2014-2015 school year at a daily rate of \$129.78. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Reina and Mrs. Robb took a few moments to wish Mrs. Iannini well in her retirement. She has been with the District for 34 years and has been a wonderful and exemplary employee. She was helpful to everyone and always went above and beyond expectations. She was a joy to work with and will be sadly missed.

The District's Comprehensive Plan went on public view on our website today. The Board will be asked to review the Plan and will vote on it on November 25, 2014.

Most construction and upgrade projects throughout the District are close to completion.

The first nine weeks ended on October 24, 2014. Report cards should go out early next week.

Solicitor's Report

Nothing to report.

Unfinished Business

Nothing to report.

Upcoming School Board Meetings

November 10, 2014 – 7:00 p.m. Work Meeting, Central Administration

November 25, 2014 – 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 John Bowden, seconded by Daniel Santia, that the meeting be adjourned.
MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Bufalini adjourned the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

HOPEWELL AREA SCHOOL BOARD

David Bufalini, President

Nancy Barber, Secretary