

HOPEWELL AREA SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
NOVEMBER 22, 2016

The Board of Directors of the Hopewell Area School District met in regular session on Tuesday, November 22, 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 Mrs. Robb. Roll call by the secretary followed. Those Directors in attendance were:

David Bufalini
Rob Harmotto (By Videoconference)
Lori McKittrick
Daria Minton
Anna Segner
Jeffrey Winkle

Members Absent
John Bowden
Lesia Dobo
Daniel Santia

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; and citizens.

“Good News” reports were presented by Mr. Rowe from the Senior High School and Mrs. Webster from the Junior High School. A copy of each report, including one from the elementary schools, is attached to these minutes.

Mr. Bufalini asked for approval of minutes.

APPROVAL OF GROUPED ITEMS

MOTION #1

By Jeff Winkle, seconded by Lori McKittrick, 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 October 25, 2016 business meeting minutes as presented.
2. Recommendation to approve the November 8, 2016 work meeting minutes as presented.

APPROVAL OF GROUPED ITEMS

MOTION #2

By Jeff Winkle, 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 October 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 October 2016, as presented, and make said report a part of these minutes.

Financial Statements

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

VISITOR'S COMMENTS

Ed Murphy from the B.F. Jones Memorial Library presented the December calendar. He also thanked the Board for the use of the Auditorium for the Johnny Angel & the Halos benefit concert.

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

Education/Curriculum/Instruction by Daria Minton, Co-ChairMOTION #3

By Daria Minton, seconded by Lori McKittrick, to approve Katie Creese, a student at Slippery Rock University, to fulfill a school health clinical experience under the supervision of Leah Meehan and Sarah Ambrose. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

Athletics by Daria Minton, ChairMOTION #4

By Daria Minton, seconded by Anna Segner, to approve payment of fall coaches beyond the regular season. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #5

By Daria Minton, seconded by Jeff Winkle, to approve the request of Mr. Allison and Mr. Rowe for the District to create a bocce team for the 2016-2017 school year through the Special Olympics Interscholastic Unified Sports program. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

Buildings and Grounds by Anna Segner, ChairAPPROVAL OF GROUPED ITEMSMOTION #6

By Anna Segner, seconded by Lori McKittrick, 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. Request by the Greek Orthodox Church to utilize Gym A at the Junior High School Friday evenings from November 4, 2016 through April 14, 2017 from 8:30 p.m. until 10:00 p.m.

2. Request of Mike Shuleski to use the main and auxiliary gyms at Hopewell High School February 27, 2017 through March 4, 2017 for youth baseball spring training camp.

Finance and Budget by Jeff Winkle, Chair

APPROVAL OF GROUPEd ITEMS

MOTION #7

By Jeff Winkle, seconded by Daria Minton, 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 \$1,138,206.69
2. Capital Reserve Fund payments in the amount of \$52,373.24
3. Cafeteria Fund payments in the amount of \$100,027.38
4. General Fund payments in the amount of \$2,794,009.51
5. Capital Reserve Fund payments in the amount of \$247,120.00

MOTION #8

By Jeff Winkle, seconded by Anna Segner, to approve the renewal of the Administrators Travel Accident Insurance coverage, effective for the period beginning December 1, 2016 through November 30, 2017, at an annual premium of \$17 per person. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #9

By Jeff Winkle, seconded by Lori McKittrick, to approve the fund balance assignments, restrictions and commitments as of June 30, 2016, listed below. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative roll call vote of all Directors in attendance.

Nonspendable	\$16,224.62
Restricted for Stadium	\$19,927.04
Committed for Budget	\$1,500,000.00
Committed for Health Care	\$750,000.00
Committed for Future Retire	\$2,000,000.00
Committed for Technology	\$750,000.00
Unassigned	\$2,741,969.00

MOTION #10

By Jeff Winkle, seconded by Anna Segner, to accept approval of Plancon Part J by the Pennsylvania Department of Education for the following projects. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

Project No.	Building Name	Type of Work	County	Board Action
2395	Jr. High School	Additions/Alterations	Beaver	8/23/11
2296	Hopewell Elementary	Additions/Alterations	Beaver	8/23/11
2490	Independence Elementary	Additions/Alterations	Beaver	8/23/11
2592	Margaret Ross Elementary	Additions/Alterations	Beaver	8/23/11
2315	Sr. High School	Additions/Alterations	Beaver	8/23/11

MOTION #11

By Jeff Winkle, seconded by Daria Minton, to accept approval of Plancon Part H: Project Financing – Revision by the Pennsylvania Department of Education for the following project. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

Project No.	Project Building	Type of Work	County	Board Action	Reimbursement Basis
2395	Jr. High School	Additions/Alterations	Beaver	GOB Series of 1997 – 11/28/00 GOB Series A of 2002 – 10/28/14	Maximum Reimbursable Formula Amount

MOTION #12

By Jeff Winkle, seconded by Anna Segner, to ratify PlgitPLUS-CD purchase with the following banks at \$248,000 each (total \$1,984,000) with the following terms. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

Name of Bank	# of Days	Net Rate %	Maturity
Cornerstone Bank, Nebraska, York NE	91	.550%	1/30/17
Prudential Savings Bank, Philadelphia, PA	91	.450%	1/30/17
Quontic Bank, Great Neck, NY	123	.450%	3/3/17
Bofi Federal Bank, San Diego, CA	123	.450%	3/3/17
Cfg Community Bank, Lutherville, MD	150	.600%	3/30/17
Bank Leumi Usa, New York, NY	150	.450%	3/30/17
Bank of the Ozarks, Little Rock, AR	182	.720%	5/1/17
Landmark Community Bank, Collierville, TN	182	.650%	5/1/17

MOTION #13

By Jeff Winkle, seconded by Lori McKittrick, to approve the two year Preventive Maintenance Agreement with Renick Brothers for the pool pak unit. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

- a. Year one \$5,356.00
- b. Year two \$5,518.00

Legislative by Jeffery Winkle; Chair

APPROVAL OF GROUPED ITEMS

MOTION #14

By Jeff Winkle, seconded by Daria Minton, 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. Appointment of Lesia Dobo and John Bowden to the PSBA/BVIU Legislative Action Council.
2. Appointment of Lesia Dobo and John Bowden to the Beaver Valley Joint School Committee.
3. Appointment of Lesia Dobo and John Bowden to the Beaver County CTC Joint School Committee.

Personnel by Rob Harmotto, Chair

MOTION #15

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Jeff Winkle, to approve the appointment of Dawn Gailey as co-sponsor of Junior High Student Council. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #16

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Daria Minton, to accept the resignation of Danica Elder as second grade department chair, effective immediately. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

APPROVAL OF GROUPEd ITEMS

MOTION #17

By Rob Harmotto, 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.

1. Resignation of Marco Crivelli, volunteer wrestling coach, effective November 1, 2016.
2. Resignation of Melinda Suprak, 3rd assistant girls basketball coach, effective November 1, 2016. Ms. Suprak would like to remain a volunteer assistant.
3. Resignation of Erin Grow, boys tennis head coach, effective November 1, 2016.

MOTION #18

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Lori McKittrick, to approve the employment of Sue Hull as a transportation aide, effective November 3, 2016. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

APPROVAL OF GROUPEd ITEMSMOTION #19

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Lori McKittrick, 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.

1. Resignation of Patricia Acon, special education aide, effective November 18, 2016.
2. The addition of Diana Henry to the substitute transportation roster, effective November 9, 2016.
3. The addition of Christine Block to the substitute cafeteria roster, effective November 9, 2016.
4. The addition of Jason Gregorakis to the substitute custodial roster, effective November 23, 2016.

MOTION #20

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Daria Minton, to approve the addition of John Currie to the substitute custodial roster, effective November 23, 2016. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #21

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Jeff Winkle, to approve a one year extension to the Confidential Employees agreement, retroactive to July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #22

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Anna Segner, to approve the following changes to the Swim coaching positions for the 2016-2017 school year. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

a.	Interim Head Coach	Dave Kennedy	\$4,338.00
b.	1 st Assistant	Mark Rishak	\$2,820.00
c.	Volunteer	Steve DeLatte	

APPROVAL OF GROUPED ITEMSMOTION #23

By Rob Harmotto, 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.

1. The addition of Jocelyn Hertneky to the substitute secretarial roster, effective November 23, 2016.
2. The addition of Georgette O'Connor to the substitute aide roster, effective November 23, 2016.
3. Request of Dina Opsatnic for an unpaid leave of absence, effective January 16, 2017 through March 13, 2017.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Miller congratulated Joyce Gratson and John Lasky on their recent retirements. She also spoke of Margaret Ross and Hopewell Elementary Schools Family Fitness Night to help raise funds and awareness for the Highmark Caring Team.

Dr. Miller and several administrators attended Thanksgiving lunch in the Life Skills class at the Senior High School, where students helped prepare and serve lunch. She said what a wonderful opportunity it was to see the students and that they all did a wonderful job.

Dr. Maslyk announced that Margaret Ross Elementary School was named a PBS/WQED Inquire Within School, which is a collaboration between WQED and neighborhood libraries to help children ages 3 through 11 learn new reading, math and technology skills.

Dr. Maslyk also announced that Hopewell, along with the Beaver Area School District, the Rochester Area School District and the BVIU were awarded a \$50,000 grant from the Grable Foundation to improve collaboration between schools.

Solicitor's Report

Nothing to report.

Unfinished Business

Nothing to report.

Upcoming School Board Meetings

December 6, 2016, Reorganization, Central Administration

December 20, 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 Jeff Winkle, seconded by Daria Minton, that the meeting be adjourned.
MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Bufalini adjourned the meeting at 7:37 p.m.

HOPEWELL AREA SCHOOL BOARD

David Bufalini, President

Nancy Barber, Secretary