

HOPEWELL AREA SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
FEBRUARY 23, 2016

The Board of Directors of the Hopewell Area School District met in regular session on Tuesday, February 23, 2016, 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 John Bowden. Roll call by the secretary followed. Those Directors in attendance were:

John Bowden
David Bufalini
Lesia Dobo
Christopher Galzerano
Rob Harmotto
Daniel Santia
Anna Segner
Jeffrey Winkle

Members absent:
Lori McKittrick

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

MOTION #1

By Jeff Winkle, seconded by John Bowden, to appoint Mrs. Robb as temporary secretary. MOTION carried by a unanimous vote of all Directors in attendance.

“Good News” reports were presented by Mr. Milanovich from the Senior High School, Mrs. Webster from the Junior High School, and Mr. Kartychak from the elementary schools.

Mr. Bufalini asked for approval of minutes.

APPROVAL OF GROUPED ITEMS

MOTION #2

By Lesia Dobo, seconded by Jeff Winkle, 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 January 26, 2016 business meeting minutes as presented.
2. Recommendation to approve the February 9, 2016 work meeting minutes as presented.

APPROVAL OF GROUPED ITEMS

MOTION #3

By Anna Segner, seconded by Lesia Dobo, 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 January 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 January 2016, as presented, and make said report a part of these minutes.

Financial Statements

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

VISITOR'S COMMENTS

Linda Helms from B.F. Jones Memorial Library presented the March calendar.

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

Education/Curriculum/Instruction by Lesia Dobo

MOTION #4

By Lesia Dobo, seconded by John Bowden, to approve 2016-2017 School Calendar. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #5

By Lesia Dobo, seconded by Anna Segner, to approve the transfer to the Student Council Activity Club of the following Club balances. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative roll call vote of all Directors in attendance.

Class of 2014	\$2,946.42
Class of 2015	\$301.43
Football Club	\$10.08

APPROVAL OF GROUPED ITEMS

MOTION #6

By Lesia Dobo, 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 roll call vote of all Directors in attendance.

1. Pilot Interactive Story Adventures (ISA) in kindergarten classrooms at Margaret Ross Elementary School beginning in March 2016.
2. New Electives at the Senior High School beginning the 2016-2017 school year:
 - a. Intro to Digital Awareness
 - b. Advanced Speech
 - c. Hot Topics

MOTION #7

By Lesia Dobo, seconded by Christopher Galzerano, to approve the creation of a dance squad as an extension of the Vikette's at Hopewell High School. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #8

By Lesia Dobo, seconded by Anna Segner, to approve the Hopewell Area School District's Procedure for the Administration of Medication During Field Trips and Other School-Sponsored Activities MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

Athletics by Christopher Galzerano, ChairMOTION #9

By Christopher Galzerano, seconded by John Bowden, to approve students from the Central Valley School District to practice and participate in swim meets with the Hopewell Area Junior High School Swim Team for the 2015-2016 School Year, effective in the spring 2016. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #10

By Christopher Galzerano, seconded by Daniel Santia, to approve students from the Aliquippa School District to practice and participate in swim meets with the Hopewell Area Junior High School Swim Team for the 2015-2016 School Year, effective in the spring 2016. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

Buildings and Grounds by Anna Segner, ChairAPPROVAL OF GROUPED ITEMSMOTION #11

By Anna Segner, seconded by Daniel Santia, 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. Request of Hopewell Youth Baseball to use gyms A and B at the Junior High School on Saturday, February 27, 2016 from 8:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. for placement drills.
2. Request of Hopewell Youth Baseball to use gyms A and B at the Junior High School from March 7, 2016 through April 22, 2016 from 6:45 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. for practice.
3. Request of Hopewell Youth Baseball to use gyms A and B at the Junior High School on April 22, 2016 and April 23, 2016 for pictures.

4. Request of Hopewell Youth Baseball to use the Hopewell High School parking lot as a staging area for their annual baseball parade on Thursday, April 21, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.
5. Request from Jeff Homziak to use the main and auxiliary gyms at Hopewell High School to have a basketball summer league for girls in grades 7 through 12 from May 9, 2016 through July 1, 2016 on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.
6. Request of Dawn Gailey and Rain Athletics to use the main and auxiliary gyms at Hopewell High School on September 18, 2016 from 12:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. for a cheer competition.
7. Request of Hopewell Youth Cheer to use gyms A and B at the Junior High School from April 25, 2016 through May 28, 2016 from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. for practice.

MOTION #12

By Anna Segner, seconded by John Bowden, to approve the solicitation of proposals for the demolition of the Markel house. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #13

By Anna Segner, seconded by Lesia Dobo, to approve the revised scope of the bus garage renovation project. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #14

By Anna Segner, seconded by Lesia Dobo, to approve the request of the Hopewell Viking Football Boosters to use the Junior High School library the second Monday of every month from 6:30 p.m. until 9:30 p.m. for meetings. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

Finance and Budget by John Bowden, Chair

APPROVAL OF GROUPED ITEMS

MOTION #15

By John Bowden, seconded by Jeff Winkle, to approve items (1) through (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 \$423,124.67
2. Cafeteria Fund payments in the amount of \$248,039.87
3. Capital Reserve Fund payments in the amount of \$10,901.27
4. General Fund payments in the amount of \$3,089,686.98
5. Capital Reserve Fund payments in the amount of \$2,250.00

MOTION #16

By John Bowden, seconded by Anna Segner, to approve the closing of the following Citizens Bank checking accounts. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all directors in attendance.

- a. Stadium Renovation Fund
- b. Student Activity
- c. Payroll Checking

Legislative by Jeff Winkle, Chair

MOTION #17

By Jeff Winkle, seconded by Anna Segner, to approve Mr. Bufalini and Mrs. Dobo to attend the National School Board Association National Conference in Boston, Massachusetts, April 9 through April 11, 2016. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #18

By Jeff Winkle, seconded by John Bowden to approve the PSBA Principles for Governance and Leadership. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

Nutrition and Food Services by John Bowden, Co-Chair

MOTION #19

By John Bowden, seconded by Anna Segner to approve the proposal for new Point of Service software to be used in all District cafeteria locations from PrimeroEdge. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

Personnel by Rob Harmotto, Chair

MOTION #20

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Daniel Santia, to accept the resignation for retirement of Karen Guman, Payroll and Benefits Coordinator, effective June 30, 2016. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #21

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Daniel Santia, to accept the resignation for retirement of Michael Wyckoff, Network Support Specialist, effective June 30, 2016. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

APPROVAL OF GROUPED ITEMS

MOTION #22

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Lesia Dobo, to approve items (1) through (5) 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. Spring sports coaches and stipends. (**Attachment**)
2. Change of employment status for Kristyn Stowers from substitute bus aide to permanent bus aide, effective January 25, 2016.
3. Change of employment status for Clifton Schreiber from substitute bus driver to permanent bus driver, effective January 25, 2016.
4. Employment of Joe Cioc as assistant girl's volleyball coach, effective February 23, 2016, at a stipend of \$633.00.
5. Change of employment status of Mackenzi Woolsey as assistant girl's volleyball coach, effective February 23, 2016, at a stipend of \$633.00.

MOTION #23

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

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Reina congratulated Mrs. Guman and Mr. Wyckoff on their retirement. He said that both made a tremendous contribution to the District and will be sorely missed.

Dr. Reina said that he has been doing research in the use of Naloxone (Narcan), an antidote for heroin or other opioid overdoses and will discuss with the Board in the coming weeks the potential for District officials to be prepared to use the drug in case of an overdose.

Solicitor's Report

Nothing to report.

Unfinished Business

Nothing to report.

Upcoming School Board Meetings

March 8, 2016 – 7:00 p.m. Work Meeting, Central Administration

March 22, 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 Anna Segner, seconded by Daniel Santia, that the meeting be adjourned.
MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Bufalini adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

HOPEWELL AREA SCHOOL BOARD

David H. Bufalini, President

Johannah Robb, Secretary