

HOPEWELL AREA SCHOOL BOARD  
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING  
FEBRUARY 25, 2019

The Board of Directors of the Hopewell Area School District met in regular session on Monday, February 25, 2019, in the Board Room, Administration Building, 2354 Brodhead Road, Hopewell Township.

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Lesia Dobo, Board President.

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

Daniel Caton  
Lesia Dobo  
George Patterson  
Rob Harmotto  
Lori McKittrick  
Darren Newberry  
Kathryn Oblak  
Daniel Santia (arrived at 7:07)

Members absent:  
Jeffrey Winkle

Also in attendance were: Dr. Michelle Miller, Superintendent, Dr. Jacie Maslyk, Assistant Superintendent, John Salopek, Solicitor; Jennifer Conrad, Business Administrator; Nancy Barber, Board Secretary; Rob Kartychak and Jessica Webster, Principals; Donald Short, Athletic Director and visitors.

Dr. Maslyk presented performance data and updated the Board on upcoming events and initiatives.

“Good News” was presented by Mr. Kartychak from the Elementary Schools, Mrs. Webster from the Junior High School and Mr. Short from the Athletic Department. Copies of these reports are attached to these minutes.

Mrs. Dobo asked for approval of minutes.

MOTION #1

By Dan Santia, seconded by Darren Newberry, to approve the January 28, 2019, Business Meeting Minutes and the February 11, 2019, Work Meeting Minutes. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance. Mr. Patterson abstained from approving the January 28, 2019 minutes, as he was not in attendance for that meeting.

## APPROVAL OF GROUPED ITEMS

### MOTION #2

By Lori McKittrick, seconded by Darren Newberry, 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 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 January, 2019, as presented, and make said report a part of these minutes.

### Financial Statements

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

## VISITOR'S COMMENTS

Julie Arington asked if the District would consider holding a curriculum night for 8<sup>th</sup> grade students and parents so that families are well informed as to the curriculum offered at the Senior High School. Mrs. Arington also complimented Nicole Rodgers, school counselor at the Junior High School, as being very caring and helpful to her son.

### **Educational/Curriculum/Instruction by Rob Harmotto, Co-Chair**

Mr. Harmotto announced that Severe Weather Make-Up days for students will be March 15, 2019 and April 23, 2019. The District will hold an Act 80 day for staff professional development on May 10, 2019.

### **Buildings and Grounds, by Daniel Santia, Chair**

### MOTION #3

By Daniel Santia, seconded by Kathryn Oblak, to approve the request of the Hopewell Quarterbacks and Football Boosters to use facilities at Tony Dorsett Stadium and to conduct a 50/50 raffle during the 2019 football season. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

#### MOTION #4

By Daniel Santia, seconded by Rob Harmotto, to approve the request of the Hopewell Quarterbacks and Football Boosters to use the Senior High School cafeteria to provide lunch during football camp, August 12-16, and August 18, 2019. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

#### MOTION #5

By Daniel Santia, seconded by Darren Newberry, to approve of the sale of New Alexandria Trailer (VIN 198T20223N121004) in “as is” condition by a sealed bid submission of \$555.00 from Bob McDonald, 3948 State Rte 151, Aliquippa, PA 15001. Sealed bids were received in the Business Office by Thursday, February 21, 2019, at 3:00 PM, and were opened and tabulated by the Business Administrator. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

### **Finance and Budget by Lori McKittrick, Chair**

#### APPROVAL OF GROUPED ITEMS

#### MOTION #6

By Lori McKittrick, seconded by Kathryn Oblak, to approve items (1) and (2) 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 \$532,159.43
2. Cafeteria Fund payments in the amount of \$102,603.20
3. General Fund payments in the amount of \$549,376.94
4. Capital Reserve Fund payments in the amount of \$52,408.40

### **Nutrition and Food Service by Rob Harmotto, Co-Chair**

#### MOTION #7

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Darren Newberry, to approve Board Policy #246, Wellness. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

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

#### MOTION #8

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Lori McKittrick, to accept the spring coaches and salaries. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

### MOTION #9

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Dan Santia, to accept the resignations of the following coaches. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

1. Amanda Moore, softball
2. Lauren Schieb, track
3. Brandon Fedorka, track
4. Eric David, track

### MOTION #10

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Darren Newberry, to approve the employment of Marianne Salzman as PIMS Coordinator/Accountant at a salary of \$42,000/year, pro-rated for actual days worked in 2018-19. Start date estimated to be March 4, 2019. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

Mr. Harmotto reported that all administrators were trained by Mrs. Kross on Infant, Child and Adult CPR and Choking and the administration of Epi-Pen and Naloxone.

### Superintendent's Report

Nothing to report.

### Solicitor's Report

Nothing to report.

### Unfinished Business

Nothing to report.

### Upcoming School Board Meetings

March 11, 2019, Regular Work Meeting, Central Administration  
March 25, 2019, Regular Business Meeting, Central Administration

### Executive Session

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

MOTION by Rob Harmotto, 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 8:00 p.m.

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Lesia Dobo, Board President

Nancy Barber, Secretary