

HOPEWELL AREA SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
FEBRUARY 28, 2017

The Board of Directors of the Hopewell Area School District met in regular session on Tuesday, February 28, 2017, in the Board Room, Administration Building, 2354 Brodhead Road, Hopewell Township.

The meeting was called to order at 7:13 p.m. by David Bufalini, Board President.

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

David Bufalini
Lesia Dobo
Rob Harmotto
Lori McKittrick
Daniel Santia
Anna Segner
Jeffrey Winkle

Members absent:
John Bowden

Daria Minton (Resigned as of 2/28/17)

Also in attendance were: Dr. Michelle Miller, Superintendent; Dr. Jacie Maslyk, Assistant Superintendent; John Salopek, Solicitor; Johannah M. Robb, Business Administrator; Nancy Barber, Secretary; Michael Allison, Principal; and visitors.

Mr. Bufalini asked for approval of minutes.

APPROVAL OF GROUPEd ITEMS

MOTION #1

By Lori McKittrick, seconded by Anna Segner, 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 24, 2017 business meeting minutes as presented.

2. Recommendation to approve the February 14, 2017 work meeting minutes as presented.

APPROVAL OF GROUPED ITEMS

MOTION #2

By Jeff Winkle, seconded by Daniel Santia, 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 2017, 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 2017, as presented, and make said report a part of these minutes.

Financial Statements

3. Recommendation to accept Financial Statements for the month of January 2017, 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 #3

By Lesia Dobo, seconded by Daniel Santia, to approve 2017-2018 School Calendar. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

Buildings and Grounds by Anna Segner, Chair**MOTION #4**

By Anna Segner, seconded by Lesia Dobo, to accept the quote from Century Sports, Inc. in the amount of \$18,438.95 for a pole vault pit. This price includes shipping and will be paid out of the Capital Reserve fund. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

APPROVAL OF GROUPED ITEMS**MOTION #5**

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 from Tim Gaertner and Doug Biega to use the main gym at the Senior High School to conduct the 2017 Hopewell Basketball Summer Skills Camp, June 12, 2017 through June 16, 2017 from 9:00 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.
2. Request from Our Lady of Fatima School to use the soccer field at the Senior High School on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. beginning March 14, 2017 through June 11, 2017. (**New Item**)

Finance and Budget by Jeff Winkle, Co-Chair**APPROVAL OF GROUPED ITEMS****MOTION #6**

By Jeff Winkle, seconded by Lesia Dobo, 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 roll call vote of all directors in attendance.

1. General Fund payments in the amount of \$586,381.30
2. Cafeteria Fund payments in the amount of \$81,553.44
3. Capital Reserve Fund payments in the amount of \$10,572.60
4. General Fund payments in the amount of \$545,230.84

MOTION #7

By Jeff Winkle, seconded by Daniel Santia, to accept the audit report of the Hopewell Area School District for the year ended June 30, 2016 issued by Hosack, Specht, Muetzel & Wood, LLP, Certified Public Accountants. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative roll call vote of all directors in attendance.

MOTION #8

By Jeff Winkle, seconded by Anna Segner, to ratify PigitPLUS-CD purchase with the following banks at \$246,000.00 each (total \$492,000.00) with the following terms. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all directors in attendance.

Name of Bank	# of Days	Net Rate %	Maturity
Cit Bank, N.A. (fka Onewest Bank, N.A.) Pasadena, CA	365	1.130%	1/30/18
Bank of Versailles (The), Versailles, MO	365	1.110%	1/30/18

MOTION #9

By Jeff Winkle, seconded by Lesia Dobo, to accept the proposal from the Reschini Group for COBRA medical, dental and vision administrative services in the amount of \$1.00 per medical coverage member per month. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all directors in attendance.

MOTION #10

By Jeff Winkle, seconded by Daniel Santia, to accept the proposal from Hawley Consulting Group for a postretirement medical valuation for the District under GASB 75 at a cost of \$5,000.00. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all directors in attendance.

Personnel by Rob Harmotto, Chair

MOTION #11

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Lesia Dobo, to accept the resignation of Martin Byrnes, head girls soccer coach, effective March 1, 2017. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all directors in attendance.

APPROVAL OF GROUPED ITEMS

MOTION #12

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Lesia Dobo, to approve items (1) through (6) 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. Employment of Jonathan Miller, substitute bus driver, effective January 30, 2017.

2. Employment of Brittany Powell, permanent bus driver, effective January 26, 2017.
3. Resignation of Charlynn Barber Schollaert, transportation nurse, effective January 26, 2017. Ms. Schollaert would like to remain on the transportation substitute roster.
4. Request of Michelle Acon, transportation aide, for up to six weeks of leave without pay, effective January 25, 2017.
5. Resignation of Georgette O'Connor, transportation aide, effective February 10, 2017.
6. Resignation of Lisa Sinclair, bus driver, effective February 13, 2017. Ms. Sinclair would like to remain on the transportation substitute list.

APPROVAL OF GROUPED ITEMS

MOTION #13

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Lesia Dobo, 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. Employment of Georgette O'Connor, individual special education aide at Independence Elementary School, effective February 13, 2017.
2. Employment of Lisa McClure-Steals, individual special education aide at Independence Elementary School, effective February 21, 2017.

APPROVAL OF GROUPED ITEMS

MOTION #14

By Rob Harmotto, 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 roll call vote of all directors in attendance.

1. Appointment of Jim Brown, volunteer assistant football coach, effective March 1, 2017.
2. Resignation of Mike Gill as co-sponsor of the Math Counts Club at the Junior High School, effective June 1, 2017.

Transportation by Daniel Santia, Chair**MOTION #15**

By Daniel Santia, seconded by Lesia Dobo, to approve the sale for scrap of van #24, 2004 Ford Van, VIN 1FTNS24L75HA17855. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all directors in attendance.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Miller attended her first bocce match. This year Hopewell participated in Special Olympics Unified Bocce. Teams are made up of students with and without disabilities. In its inaugural season, Hopewell came in 3rd.

Dr. Miller and Dr. Maslyk attended the Junior High School Steam Walk, funded by the Beaver County Education Trust.

Solicitor's Report

Nothing to report.

Unfinished Business

Nothing to report.

Upcoming School Board Meetings

March 14, 2017 – 7:00 p.m. Work Meeting, Central Administration

March 28, 2017 – 7:00 p.m. Regular Business Meeting, Central Administration

Executive Session

An Executive Session was held following the meeting to discuss personnel matters. This announcement is being made to be in compliance with Act 84 of 1986, Pennsylvania's Sunshine Law, as amended.

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 Daniel Santia, seconded by Lesia Dobo, that the meeting be adjourned.
MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Bufalini adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

HOPEWELL AREA SCHOOL BOARD

David H. Bufalini, President

Nancy Barber, Secretary