Minutes of the
KUTZTOWN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Directors Meeting
Monday, October 5, 2015, 7:30 p.m.

The Board of Directors of Kutztown Area School District met for a regular board meeting on Monday, October 5, 2015 at 7:30 p.m., at the District Administration Office Building, pursuant to due notice to board members and the public.

Present Randy Burch, Al Darion, Michael Hess, Caecilia Holt, Karl Nolte, James Shrawder, Carl Ziegler, Christine Ryan

Absent Eric Johnson

Also Present Katherine Metrick, David Miller, Matthew Link, Rikki DeVough, Diane Barrie, James Brown, Erin Anderson, Barry Flicker, Karen Chandler, Karise Mace, Christine Storch, Thomas Nardone, Emily Leayman

Call to Order The meeting was called to order at 7:40 p.m. by President Ziegler.

Welcome President Ziegler opened the meeting with a moment of silence and Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. He asked everyone to sign the attendance book and mark the topic of comment next to his/her name. He requested that anyone wishing to speak on an agenda item please raise his/her hand to be recognized. He indicated that this meeting was being tape recorded. There was an Executive Session conducted prior to the meeting to discuss personnel matters.

Minutes Motion made by Michael Hess, seconded by Christine Ryan, to approve the Minutes of the September 21, 2015 School Board Meeting and September 28, 2015 Special Board Meeting.

Roll call vote: Yes 7  No 0  N/A 1 (Burch)  Absent 1 (Johnson)

Motion carried.

Superintendent’s Report Mrs. Metrick reported jazz legend, Bob Dorough, performed for the students during an assembly in the high school.

Personnel Motion made by Caecilia Holt, seconded by Jim Shrawder, to approve the following personnel items:

1. The acceptance of the resignation of Melissa A. Bailey as a part-time cafeteria employee, effective October 6, 2015.
2. The acceptance of the resignation of Alison M. Kocsis-Westgate as student council advisor at the high school, effective November 5, 2015.
3. The approval of Kristen L. Fricke as student council advisor at the high school for the 2015-2016 school year, effective November 6, 2015, at an annual stipend of $1,650 to be prorated.
4. The approval of the following extra-duty positions and stipends for the 2015-2016 school year, effective October 6, 2015:
   - Scenery Construction Director – All School Musical  Robin D. Spease  $408
   - Scenery Painting Director – All School Musical  Robin D. Spease  $408
5. The approval of the following as an Eshelman bus/van drivers for the 2015-2016 school year, effective October 5, 2015.
   - Peter Skerret  Robin C. Stubblebine  Donna M. Hafner

All Personnel are Approved Pending the District’s Receipt of All Mandated Credentials

Roll call vote: Yes 8  No 0  Absent 1 (Johnson)

Motion carried.

Student Board Representative and Alternate Motion made by Randy Burch, seconded by Christine Ryan, to approve Tyler Akers as student representative to the Kutztown Area School District Board of Directors for the 2015-2016 school year, and Dean Delp as representative alternate.

Roll call vote: Yes 8  No 0  Absent 1 (Johnson)

Motion carried.

Transportation Contract Motion made by Christine Ryan, seconded by Michael Hess, to approve the transportation contract with the guardian of student #103396 for the 2015-2016 school year commencing on September 25, 2015.

Roll call vote: Yes 8  No 0  Absent 1 (Johnson)

Motion carried.

Policies - First Reading Motion made by Michael Hess, seconded by Christine Ryan, to approve the first reading of the following policies:

Policy 249 Bullying/Cyberbullying
Policy 815.2 Acceptable Posting

Kutztown Area School District does not discriminate in its educational programs, activities or employment practices based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, religion, ancestry or any other legally protected classification. This policy is in accordance with state and federal laws, including Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Sections 503 and 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act. Information relative to special accommodation, grievance procedure, and the designated responsible official for compliance with Title VI, Title IX and Section 504 may be obtained by contacting the school district. EOE.
Conference Requests

Motion made by Caecilia Holt, seconded by Al Darion, to approve the following conference requests:

1. The approval of employee #211 to attend the Food Service Directors Conference, Commodity Show, and Food Exhibit on November 17-18, 2015 in State College, PA, at a cost of $650.95.
2. The approval of employee #696 to attend the 2015 PAGE Conference “PA Empowered: Expanding the Possibilities” on November 5-6, 2015 in Pittsburgh, PA, at a cost of $1,380.45.
3. The approval of employee #885 to attend the PASBO Annual Conference on March 8-11, 2016 in Hershey, PA, at a cost of $671.91.

Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 1 (Johnson)
Motion carried.

Salt Spreader

Motion made by Karl Nolte, seconded by Jim Shrawder, to approve the purchase of a salt spreader from E.M. Kutz at a cost of $6,237.

Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 1 (Johnson)
Motion carried.

PowerSchool Software

Motion made by Karl Nolte, seconded by Christine Ryan, to approve the renewal of the 3-year contract with Carbon-Lehigh IU Software to provide PowerSchool to our district at a cost of $12.75 per student for the 2015-2016 school year (same cost as 2014-2015) with a 3% price increase in years 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 of the contract.

Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 1 (Johnson)
Motion carried.

Discussion Items

Tax Collector Reimbursement

Middle School Theatre Program

Motion made by Al Darion, seconded by Randy Burch, to direct the administration to investigate a possible proposal for a drama club at the middle school level.

Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 1 (Johnson)
Motion carried.

Adjournment

Motion made by Michael Hess, seconded by Randy Burch, to adjourn the meeting at 8:44 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Rikki L. DeVough
School Board Secretary