The Board of Directors of Kutztown Area School District met for a regular board meeting on Monday, December 3, 2013 at 7:30 p.m., in Greenwich-Lenhartsville Elementary School, pursuant to due notice to board members and the public.

Present  Michael Hess, Randy Burch, Alan Darion, Karl Nolte, Eric Johnson, Caecilia Holt, James Shrawder, Carl Ziegler

Absent

Also Present  Katherine Metrick, David Miller, Rikki DeVough, Matt Link, Tracy Blunt, James Brown, Barry Flicker, Barbara Richard, Erin Anderson, Wanda Herring, John Noll, Joyce Dietrich, Beth Stump, Walt and Jessie Hess, Melissa Blatt, Diana Ryakewski, Donna Keglovits, Terry Guers, Jen Schumaker, Claire Kempes, Louise DeMatteo, Celeste Ball, Andrew Brett, Melissa Leiby, Kayla Fusselman, Dennis Heffner, and Kristy Heffner

Call to Order  The meeting was called to order at 7:42 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.

Superintendent’s Report  FFA National Competition Results

Personnel  Motion made by Randy Burch, seconded by Caecilia Holt, to approve the following personnel items:

1. The approval to accept the resignation of Karen Austin as a mentor for Jade Dalhquist for the 2013-2014 school year, effective November 30, 2013. Mrs. Austin’s stipend will be prorated at $90 for the number of months serving as mentor.
3. The approval of a family medical leave (FMLA) for employee #42 commencing on November 18, 2013 through February 10, 2014.
4. The approval of Justin Dahlquist as a substitute classroom aide for the 2013-2014 school year, effective November 13, 2013, at a rate of $9.50 per hour.
6. The approval of Christopher Heiner as a maintenance and custodial substitute for the 2013-2014 school year, effective December 4, 2013, at a rate of $9.50 per hour.
7. The approval of Margaret Sharp as a substitute teacher for the 2013-2014 school year, effective December 3, 2013, at a rate of $100 per day for days 1-20 and $110 per day for days 21 and thereafter.
8. The approval of Margaret Sharp as a substitute classroom/clerical aide for the 2013-2014 school year, effective December 3, 2013, at a rate of $9.75.

Roll call vote: Yes 8  No 0  Absent 0

Motion carried.

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

Student Vacation  Motion made by Caecilia Holt, seconded by Jim Shrawder, to approve the parent request for student #105497 to take a six-day absence from January 27-February 3, 2014.

Roll call vote: Yes 8  No 0  Absent 0

Motion carried.

Sp.Ed. ACCESS Program  Motion made by Al Darion, seconded by Randy Burch, to approve the Pennsylvania Department of Education School-Based ACCESS Program (SBAP) LEA Agreement to Participate for the 2013-2014 school year and the Pennsylvania Department of Education School-Based Administrative Claiming Program (ACP) LEA Agreement to Participate for the 2013-2014 school year.

Roll call vote: Yes 8  No 0  Absent 0

Motion carried.
Conference Requests

Motion made by Al Darion, seconded by Caecilia Holt, to approve Alison Kocis-Westgate to attend the PA Educational Technology Expo and Conference (Pete & C) in Hershey, PA, on February 10-11, 2014, at a cost of $815.00. This conference will be paid for from Title II funds.

Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 0
Motion carried.

Natural Gas Purchase

Motion made by Caecilia Holt, seconded by Jim Shrawder, to approve an agreement with Hess Energy Marketing to purchase natural gas for a fixed price of $4.868/Dth for the period of July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015. This price is based on bids received by the Berks County Joint Purchasing Board.

Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 0
Motion carried.

Engineering Services

Motion made by Randy Burch, seconded by Caecilia Holt, to approve the extension of the agreement with Barry Isett & Associates beyond the initial cost of $3,000 in providing services related to the redirection of Zettlemoyer Road in the area of Greenwich-Lenhartsville Elementary School.

Motion made by Caecilia Holt, seconded by Jim Shrawder, to amend the motion to approve an additional cost not to exceed $3,000 for engineering services related to the redirection of Zettlemoyer Road.

Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 0
Motion carried.

Motion made by Randy Burch, seconded by Caecilia Holt, to approve the extension of the agreement with Barry Isett & Associates for an additional cost not to exceed $3,000 to provide services related to the redirection of Zettlemoyer Road in the area of Greenwich-Lenhartsville Elementary School.

Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 0
Motion carried.

Aud. Entrance Carpeting

Motion made by Jim Shrawder, seconded by Randy Burch, to approve Bastian Carpeting to replace carpeting at the auditorium entrance at the high school for a cost of $8,779.87. Bid selection due to a higher quality carpet at a lower cost per year.

Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 0
Motion carried.

Interior Door Replacement

Motion made by Randy Burch, seconded by Jim Shrawder, to approve Morris Black to replace the interior doors in the auditorium entrance at the high school for a cost of $7,079.

Roll call vote: Yes 6 No 0 N/A 1 (Darion) Absent 1 (Hess)
Motion carried.

High School Blacktop Repair

Motion made by Jim Shrawder, seconded by Caecilia Holt, to approve Ronnie Folk Paving to repair blacktop at the rear of the high school per the proposal dated October 29, 2013, at a service cost of $5,415.

Roll call vote: Yes 7 No 0 N/A 1 (Hess) Absent 0
Motion carried.

Van Purchase

Motion made by Al Darion, seconded by Randy Burch, to approve the purchase of a 2014 GMC Savana Passenger Van from Faulkner Fleet Group for a cost of $29,071.10 through the PA COSTARS contract.

Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 0
Motion carried.

Discussion Items

KASD Van Driver Rates

Underground Oil Tank Repair at Greenwich-Lenhartsville Elementary School
Motion made by Al Darion, seconded by Randy Burch, to approve the repair of the underground fuel tank at Greenwich-Lenhartsville Elementary School with insurance it will pass the tightness test.

Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 0
Motion carried.

School Board Vacancy

Adjournment

Motion made by Caecilia Holt, seconded by Kurt Friehauf, to adjourn the meeting at 8:57 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.
Respectfully Submitted by,

Rikki L. DeVough
School Board Secretary