Minutes
of the
KUTZTOWN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Directors Meeting
Monday, June 21, 2010, 7:30 p.m.

The Board of Directors of Kutztown Area School District met for the regular board meeting on Monday, June 21, 2010 at 7:30 p.m., in the High School Library, pursuant to due notice to board members and the public.

Present
Patricia Bealer, Alan Darion, Craig Schroeder, Leon Smith, Jo Stevens, Sally Sunday, Carl Ziegler, Jasper Ho

Absent
Amy Faust

Also Present
Robert Gross, Joe Pugliese, Matt Link, Cynthia Meyer, Rebecca Beidelman, James Brown, Tracy Blunt, Peter Miller, Donald Kerchner, Barb Richard, Mick O’Neil, Mike Billman, Kristin Haring, Sue Collier, Donna Keglovits, Kurt Kanaskie, Jeff Huffert, Bruce Werley, Melissa Blatt, Toni Koller, Meredith DeVere, Josh Chambers, Bonnie Treadway, John Noll, Amanda Harden, Melissa Nolte, Beth Stump, Pam Heid, Carol Schulley, Barbara Soga, Joe Soga, Hallie Schumacher, Andrew Brett, David Kenney, Melanie Hartman, Jim Shrawder

Call to Order
The meeting was called to order at 7:58 p.m. by President Ziegler.

Approval
of Minutes
Motion made by Leon Smith, seconded by Jo Stevens, to approve the minutes of the following meetings of the Board of School Directors:
1. May 17, 2010 School Board Meeting
2. May 24, 2010 Policy and Curriculum Committee Meeting
3. June 7, 2010 School Board Meeting
4. June 14, 2010 Budget and Finance Committee Meeting
Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 1 (Faust)

Treasurer’s Report
Motion made by Craig Schroeder, seconded by Jo Stevens, to accept the treasurer’s report of the General Fund.
Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 1 (Faust)
Motion carried.

Ratification of General Account Bills
Motion made by Jo Stevens, seconded by Leon Smith, to ratify for payment the general account bills in the amount of $392,146.83.
Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 1 (Faust)
Motion carried.

Approval of General Account Bills
Motion made by Jo Stevens, seconded by Craig Schroeder, to approve for payment the general account bills in the amount of $553,127.54.
Roll call vote: Yes 6 No 2 (Bealer, Ho) Absent 1 (Faust)
Motion carried.

Ratification of Construction Account Bills
Motion made by Jo Stevens, seconded by Al Darion, to ratify for payment the construction account bills in the amount of $7,540.50.
Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 1 (Faust)
Motion carried.

Approval of Construction Account Bills
Motion made by Leon Smith, seconded by Jo Stevens, to approve for payment the construction account bills in the amount of $3,852.01.
Roll call vote: Yes 6 No 2 (Bealer, Ho) Absent 1 (Faust)
Motion carried.

Supt’s Report
Mr. Gross acknowledged a wonderful commencement ceremony which took place last week, and thanked faculty and staff, but mostly the students who conducted themselves with honor and dignity.
Mr. Gross also acknowledged John Bowen and Nathan Onorofsky who won the silver medal in the National History Day competition and Casey Trexler who took first place in the FFA statewide competition for her Extemporaneous Speech.

Mr. Gross presented a full-day kindergarten year-end classroom assessment report via PowerPoint depicting quantitative and qualitative data showing accelerated growth in literacy development and mathematic literacy in the full-day setting. Mr. Gross indicated the presentation is available to the public from the district website.

Committee Reports

EIT
Pat Bealer
No report.

BCTC
Craig Schroeder
No report.

ECC
Jo Stevens
Mrs. Stevens reported the committee discussed the fall coaches and salaries for the 2010-2011 school year. The coaching salaries do not depict an increase for the second consecutive year.

BCIU
Carl Ziegler
President Ziegler reported the $20 million expansion and renovation of the facilities the board was contemplating has been revamped to a $6-7 million facility revision.

PSBA
Pat Bealer
Mrs. Bealer reported the pension Omnibus Bill has been passed that limits increases on employer contributions and revises the eligibility requirements and contribution rates for new members.

Board President Comment

President Ziegler publically acknowledged and thanked both Mr. Gross, superintendent, and Mr. Lazo, assistant superintendent, for graciously agreeing to a zero percent (0%) salary increase for the 2010-2011 school year. He indicated this was not a reflection on job performance, but rather in recognition of the economic environment.

Personnel

Motion made by Al Darion, seconded by Sally Sunday, to approve the following personnel items:

1. The acceptance of the resignation of Sheryl Lyn E. Henry as a special education inclusion aide at the high school, effective June 22, 2010.

2. The approval of Carol C. Schuley as the high school family and consumer science teacher, effective August 23, 2010, at the rate per Bachelor’s, Step 4, non-tenured, per the KATA/KASD contract.

3. The approval of the following salaries for fall head coaching staff for the 2010-2011 school year:

   - Benjamin J. McKnight, Football, $4,920
   - Harry A. McGonigle, Girls Tennis, $4,314
   - Krista L. Keim, Field Hockey, $5,247
   - Michael P. O’Neil, Boys Soccer, $4,994

4. The approval of the following fall coaching staff and salaries for the 2010-2011 school year:

   - FIELD HOCKEY
     - Assistant High School Coach, Jennifer L. Wyland, $2,255
     - Head Middle School Coach, Elaine M. Rabenald, $2,255
     - Assistant Middle School Coach, Megan B. Conrad, $2,262
     - Volunteer Mid School Coach, Denise L. Keim
     - Volunteer Middle School Coach, Rebecca L. Hottenstein

   - CROSS COUNTRY
     - Volunteer Coach, Randall T. Wert

   - CHEERLEADING
     - Head Coach, Kellie A. Pacher, $2,315
     - Assistant High School Coach, Placeholer, $1,832

   - FOOTBALL
     - Assistant Coach, Benjamin J. McKnight IV, $2,477
     - Assistant Coach, John M. DiGuardi, $2,262
     - Assistant Coach, Jonathan J. Hilbert, $2,417
     - Head Middle School Coach, James T. Picone, $2,477
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Assistant Middle School Coach  Mark Prevoznik  $2,417
Volunteer Coach  Michael J. Esterly
Volunteer Coach  David J. Guiles
Volunteer Coach  Nicholas R. McKnight

BOYS SOCCER
Assistant High School Coach  Ian R. Moreland  $2,255
Head Middle School Coach  Calvin M. Fridirici  $2,153
Assistant Middle School Coach  Placeholder  $2,100

GIRLS TENNIS
Assistant High School Coach  Jeffrey S. Zimmerman  $1,589

5. The approval of the following Eshelman bus and van drivers for the 2010-2011 school year, effective July 1, 2010:
   William F. Brobst
   Tara L. Jacoby
   Heather A. Mayer
   Richard Q. Haag
   Howard E. King

6. The approval of Melanie A. Wessner as a substitute van driver for Kutztown Area School District, effective June 22, 2010, at a rate of $10.00 per hour.

7. The approval of the following Senior Volunteer Tax Exchange Program participants for the 2010-2011 school year, effective July 1, 2010:
   Dorothy M. Bailey
   Gertrude E. Johnson
   Mary Jane MacKenzie
   Joan M. Brown
   Lillian I. Karch
   Audrey M. Miller
   Gladys Derstine
   Peter B. Karch
   Donald L. Miller
   Joyce C. Dietrich
   Lois E. Long
   Randall L. Schwartz
   Patricia R. Greenawalt
   Sandra A. Long

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

Motion carried.

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

Homestead & Farmstead Exclusion

Motion made by Sally Sunday, seconded by Pat Bealer, to adopt the 2010-2011 Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion Resolution per the attached.

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

Motion carried.

2010-2011 Final Budget

Motion made by Sally Sunday, seconded by Pat Bealer, to adopt the 2010-2011 Kutztown Area School District Expenditure Budget in the amount of $28,125,870.

RESOLVED, that the Board of School Directors of Kutztown Area School District hereby assess, levies, and enacts or re-enacts (a) a tax upon the assessment valuation of real estate in the said school district at the rate of 28.277 mills or $28.277 on each $1,000 of assessed valuation; (b) a tax of 5.00 upon each person residing in said school district on the first day of July 2010, under Section 679 of the Pennsylvania School Code; (c) a tax of 5.00 upon each person residing in said school district on the first day of July 2010, under authority of Act 511; (d) a tax of 1% upon the earned income of each resident of said school district, under authority of Act 511; (e) a 1% realty transfer tax upon the transfer of all real estate situated within the said school district under authority of Act 511; (f) a $10.00 Local Services Tax upon all persons having their principal place of employment within the geographical limits of said school district, under authority of Act 511; (g) a 10% tax on admissions to places of amusement, athletic events, and the like under authority of Act 511.

Roll call vote:  Yes 6  No 2 (Darion, Stevens)  Absent 1 (Faust)

Motion carried.

Miscellaneous Positions Compensation

Motion made by Craig Schroeder, seconded by Leon Smith, to approve the 2010-2011 miscellaneous positions compensation per the attached list.

Roll call vote:  Yes 7  No 0  Absent 2 (Faust, Ho)

Motion carried.
Summer Bus & Van Routes
Motion made by Leon Smith, seconded by Pat Bealer, to approve the 2010 summer bus and van routes per the attached list.
Roll call vote: Yes 7 No 0 Absent 2 (Faust, Ho)
Motion carried.

Insurance Renewals
Motion made by Sally Sunday, seconded by Jo Stevens, to approve the district insurance companies, coverages, and rates for 2010-2011 per the attached list.
Roll call vote: Yes 7 No 0 Absent 2 (Faust, Ho)
Motion carried.

ACCESS Coordinator
Motion made by Pat Bealer, seconded by Sally Sunday, to approve a contract for medical ACCESS services between Michele Morstatt and the Kutztown Area School District. Said contract has been reviewed by the solicitor, and is to be effective June 22, 2010.
Roll call vote: Yes 7 No 0 Absent 2 (Faust, Ho)
Motion carried.

Public Comment
Toni Koller urged the Board to be responsible for the students – the students come first. Ms. Koller also urged the board to have a vision for the teachers and the students and provide them with the funding and resources they need to achieve that vision.

Jim Shrawder expressed his concern on the amount the district spends per student.

Kurt Kanaskie expressed his concern that the cuts in the budget will have a negative impact on the students and by passing this budget, the Board is not investing in the future of our students.

Adjournment
Motion made by Leon Smith, seconded by Pat Bealer, to adjourn the meeting at 9:04 p.m.
Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by,

Rikki L. Clark
School Board Secretary