Minutes
of the
KUTZTOWN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Directors Meeting
Monday, November 16, 2015, 7:30 p.m.

The Board of Directors of Kutztown Area School District met for a regular board meeting on Monday, November 16, 2015 at 7:30 p.m., in the high school library, pursuant to due notice to board members and the public.

Present  Alan Darion, Eric Johnson, Karl Nolte, Christine Ryan, James Shrawder, Caecilia Holt, Carl Ziegler, Randy Burch, Tyler Akers (student representative)

Absent   Michael Hess

Also Present Katherine Metrick, Rikki DeVough, Matthew Link, Dave Miller, Diane Barrie, Chris Harrington, Barry Flicker, James Brown, Erin Anderson, Chris Nelson, Tom Nardone, Lori Arndt, Carol Schulley, Emily Leayman, Karen Chandler

Call to Order The meeting was called to order at 7:37 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 announced there was an executive session conducted prior to the meeting to discuss personnel matters. He indicated that this meeting was being tape recorded.

Meeting Minutes Motion made by Caecilia Holt, seconded by Christine Ryan, to approve the Minutes from the November 2, 2015 School Board Meeting.
Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 1 (Hess)
Motion carried.

Treasurer’s Report Motion made by Karl Nolte, seconded by Eric Johnson, to approve the Treasurer’s Report of the General Fund.
Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 1 (Hess)
Motion carried.

Ratification of General Account Motion made by Caecilia Holt, seconded by Karl Nolte, to ratify for payment the general account bills in the amount of $1,606,106.23.
Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 1 (Hess)
Motion carried.

Approval of General Account Motion made by Karl Nolte, seconded by Eric Johnson, to approve for payment the general account bills in the amount of $589,719.29.
Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 1 (Hess)
Motion carried.

Approval of Construction Account Motion made by Karl Nolte, seconded by Caecilia Holt, to approve for payment the construction account bills in the amount of $30,766.83.
Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 1 (Hess)
Motion carried.

Superintendents Report Mrs. Metrick recognized Mariah Cory for winning a spot as artist of the month from PBS 39. She was the only Berks County student to receive this honor. Mrs. Metrick also reminded board members and the public that the all-school musical production of Beauty and the Beast is this weekend, and tickets are still available.

Board Committee Reports
E.I.T. No report.
PSBA Mrs. Holt reported the leaders are continuing to be urged to pass a budget.
BCIU No report.
BCTC Dr. Ryan reported the committee obtained a success audit review, and the Center initiated the Meet and Greet to welcome new students.

P & C Mrs. Holt reported the committee received a presentation from Dr. Barrie on Data Team Meetings and Data-Driven Decision Making.

ECC Mr. Burch reported the committee received information on the Beauty and the Beast production, fall coach evaluations, and the fall sports banquet.

Facilities Mr. Burch reported the committee received an update on the high school project and the Hall of Fame trophy case.

Student Dr. Darion reported the committee received a report on standardized test scores.

Achievement

Personnel

Motion made by Al Darion, seconded by Caecilia Holt, to approve the following personnel items:

1. The acceptance, with regret, of the resignation due to retirement of Marta M. Schunk as a Spanish teacher at the high school, effective the end of the 2015-2016 school year.
2. The acceptance of the resignation of Tina M. Smith as a custodian at the middle and high schools, effective November 13, 2015.
3. The acceptance of the resignation of Barry S. DeWitt II as a speech and language pathologist, effective November 30, 2015.
4. The approval of Bryan M. Hartman as a resource person for Dustin A. Shirk for the 2015-2016 school year, effective October 27, 2015, at salary of $300.
5. The approval of a PLACEHOLDER as weight room attendant for the 2015-2016 winter sports season at a stipend of $600.
6. The approval of the following winter coaches and salaries for the 2015-2016 school year, effective November 17, 2015:
   - Wrestling
     - Head Coach: Daniel F. Aruscavage $4,739
     - Assistant Coach: Tucker B. Gordner $2,100
     - Middle School Coach: Steven J. Wehr $2,307
     - Middle School Assistant Coach: PLACEHOLDER
     - Volunteer Coach: Richard J. Batz
       - Nathan A. Lewis
       - Robert G. Fisher
   - Boys Basketball
     - High School Varsity Assistant Coach: Gregory M. Thren $2,477
     - High School J.V. Head Coach: PLACEHOLDER
     - Middle School Head Coach: Jeffreys A. Saadi $2,248
     - Middle School Assistant Coach: Steven E. Royles $2,248
   - Girls Basketball
     - High School Varsity Assistant Coach: Robert L. Clark $2,477
     - High School Girls J.V. Head Coach: PLACEHOLDER
     - Middle School Head Coach: Scott D. Heiter $2,416
     - Middle School Assistant Coach: Katelyn L. Moll $2,262
   - Cheerleading
     - High School Winter Coach: PLACEHOLDER
     - High School Assistant Coach: PLACEHOLDER
     - Middle School Coach: PLACEHOLDER
   - Track and Field
     - Volunteer Indoor Club Coach: Truman K. Nearyart
   - Twirling
     - Indoor Coach: Alyssa L. Sitarik $928
     - Volunteer Coach (Indoor/Outdoor): Melissa A. Ziegler
   - Dance Team
     - Volunteer Coach: Melissa A. Ziegler
   - Swimming
     - Volunteer Coach: Melissa M. Nolte
     - Sandra R. Floyd

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

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

Motion carried.
Motion made by Karl Nolte, seconded by Al Darion, to approve the agreement with Service Access & Management (SAM), Inc. to provide services to district students, effective July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016.

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

2015-16 Teacher Salary Matrix

Motion made by Al Darion, seconded by Christine Ryan, to approve the teacher salary matrix for the 2016-2017 school year.

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

MS Theatre Program

Motion made by Randy Burch, seconded by Jim Shrawder, to direct the administration to draft a proposal for a middle school theatre program at a cost of $3,000, which would consist of $1,500 for advisor stipends and $1,500 toward production expenditures.

Motion made by Al Darion, seconded by Jim Shrawder, to table original motion and direct the administration to engage in conversation with Mr. Nardone and Ms. Storch to establish parameters for a middle school theatre program.

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

2016-17 Budget

Motion made by Al Darion, seconded by Karl Nolte, to direct the administration to draft budget for the 2016-2017 school year limiting the increase to the 2.4% Index.

Roll call vote: Yes 7  No 1 (Darion)  Absent 1 (Hess)
Motion carried.

Adjournment

Motion made by Jim Shrawder, seconded by Karl Nolte, to adjourn the meeting at 8:43 p.m.
Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Rikki L. DeVough
School Board Secretary