

Minutes
of the
KUTZTOWN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Directors Meeting
Monday, January 19, 2015, 7:30 p.m.

School Director Recognition Month

The Board of Directors of Kutztown Area School District met for a regular board meeting on Monday, January 19, 2015 at 7:30 p.m., in the high school library, pursuant to due notice to board members and the public.

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

Absent Michael Hess

Also Present Katherine Metrick, David Miller, Rikki DeVough, Matthew Link, Diane Barrie, Chris Harrington, Barry Flicker, Deb Barnes, Wanda Herring, Nancy Eisenhard, Beth Stump, Melissa Blatt, Donna Kegllovits, Ron Devlin, Brenda Boyer, Jeff Huffert, Janet Yost, Jeremy Rothermel, Zoe Marmarou, Maria Marmarou

Call to Order The meeting was called to order at 7:33 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 January 5, 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 Randy Rurch, 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 Christine Ryan, seconded by Caecilia Holt, to ratify for payment the general account bills in the amount of \$13,188,395.45.

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

Approval of General Account Motion made by Randy Burch, seconded by Al Darion, to approve for payment the general account bills in the amount of \$485,317.05.

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

Approval of Construction Account Motion made by Karl Nolte, seconded by Eric Johnson, to approve for payment the construction account bills in the amount of \$66,150.00.

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

Superintendent's Report Mrs. Metrick recognized the members of the board for School Director Recognition Month. Each board member had a book placed in one of the building's library in dedication of their service.

Mrs. Metrick shared the placing results of our students at the PA Farm Show.

Board Committee Reports E.I.T. No report.

PSBA Mrs. Holt reported congress has an emphasis on NCLB. "Action Day" is this Wednesday, and all education-oriented groups are encouraged to contact their legislators.

BCIU Mr. Ziegler reported Jason Bottiglieri from Tulphehocken School District was appointed Assistant Director.

BCTC No report.

P & C Mrs. Holt reported the committee further discussed the concussion policy.

ECC No report.

Facilities Mr. Burch reported the committee provided an update to Dr. Winkler, on behalf of the Education Foundation, on the renovations for the high school, and thanked the Foundation for their generosity.

Student No report.

Achievement

Personnel

Motion made by Eric Johnson, seconded by Christine Ryan, to approve the following personnel items:

1. The acceptance, with regret, of the resignation due to retirement of Paul R. Schafer as head custodian at the middle school, effective April 10, 2015.
2. The acceptance, with regret, of the resignation due to retirement of Nancy Eisenhard as an information and technology aide, effective January 30, 2015.
3. The acceptance of the resignation of Darlene S. Bogert as a nurse aide at Greenwich-Lenhartsville Elementary School, effective January 19, 2015.
4. The acceptance of the resignation of Tammi Rabert as tax collector for Albany Township, effective December 31, 2014.
5. The approval of Tina Weidele as tax collector for Albany Township, as appointed by the respective municipality, effective January 1, 2015.
6. The approval of Heather M. DiLapo as a guest substitute teacher through the Berks County Intermediate Unit for the 2014-2015 school year, effective January 20, 2015, at a rate of \$100 per day for days 1-20 and \$110 per day for days 21 and thereafter.
7. The approval of Nancy S. Brooks as a guest substitute teacher through the Berks County Intermediate Unit for the 2014-2015 school year, effective January 20, 2015, at a rate of \$100 per day for days 1-20 and \$110 per day for days 21 and thereafter.
8. The approval of Jaimee L. Stemko as a substitute nurse aide for the 2014-2015 school year, effective January 20, 2015, at a rate of \$13.50 per hour.
9. The approval of Alyssa L. Sitarik as an indoor twirling coach for the 2014-2015 school year, effective January 20, 2015, at a stipend of \$928.
10. The approval of Steven E. Fritz as an Eshelman bus/van driver for the 2014-2015 school year, effective January 20, 2015.
11. The approval of the following positions and salaries for the 2014 Musical, effective September 1, 2014:

Choreographer	Megan R. Laudenslager	\$450
Producer	Melissa M. Nolte	\$250

Roll call vote: Yes 7 No 0 Present 1 (Nolte) Absent 1 (Hess)

Motion carried.

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

Conference Request

Motion made by Caecilia Holt, seconded by Karl Nolte, to approve employee #885 to attend the PASBO Annual Conference on March 10-15, 2015 in Hershey, PA, at a cost of \$674.03.

Roll call vote: Yes 7 No 0 Present 1 (Shrawder) Absent 1 (Hess)

Motion carried.

Rental Fee Waiver

Motion made by Christine Ryan, seconded by Karl Nolte, to approve waiving the \$200 rental fee for the Kutztown Bicentennial Committee to use the high school auditorium on Saturday, June 20, 2015, for a Miss Kutztown Bicentennial Pageant.

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

Motion carried.

Budget 2015-16 Motion made by Al Darion, seconded by Caecilia Holt, to advertise a proposed preliminary budget for the 2015-2016 school year including the retirement exception and the Act 1 Index of 1.9% to increase revenue.
Roll call vote: Yes 6 No 2 (Nolte, Shrawder) Absent 1 (Hess)
Motion carried.

Motion made by Caecilia Holt, seconded by Al Darion, to advertise the intent for the Board to adopt a preliminary budget for the 2015-2016 school year at the February 9, 2015 Budget and Finance Committee Meeting.
Roll call vote: Yes 6 No 2 (Nolte, Shrawder) Absent 1 (Hess)
Motion carried.

2015-16 Motion made by Christine Ryan, seconded by Eric Johnson, to approve August 24, 2015 as the student start date for the
Start Date 2015-2016 school year.
Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 1 (Hess)
Motion carried.

Public Comment Maria Marmarou expressed her concern on the student impact from the cut in the high school instrumental music position.

Adjournment Motion made by Jim Shrawder, seconded by Eric Johnson, to adjourn the meeting at 8:46 p.m.
Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Rikki L. DeVough
School Board Secretary