

Minutes
of the
KUTZTOWN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Directors Meeting
Tuesday, April 7, 2015, 7:30 p.m.

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

Present Randy Burch, Caecilia Holt, Michael Hess, Karl Nolte, Jim Shrawder, Carl Ziegler, Christine Ryan, Eric Johnson

Absent Alan Darion

Also Present Katherine Metrick, Matthew Link, Rikki DeVough, David Miller, Diane Barrie, Deb Barnes, Chris Harrington, Barry Flicker, James Brown, Erin Anderson, Bud Runkle, Mark Shellhammer, Beth Stump, Bonnie Miller, Jodi Kirstein, Donna Hill-Chaney, Rebecca Ziegler, Melissa Blatt, Donna Keglovits, Michelle Reichard-Huff, Steve DeLucas, Brittani Whary, Kristin Haring, Deborah Kenney, David Kenney, Aaron Ashman, Andrea Orwig, Richard Hadley, Sarah Westland, Aly Hilbert, Katrina Billig, Rachel Fegely

Call to Order The meeting was called to order at 7:44 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 Caecilia Holt, seconded by Randy Burch, to approve the Minutes of the March 16, 2015 School Board Meeting.
Roll call vote: Yes 8 No 0 Absent 1 (Darion)
Motion carried.

Superintendent's Report Mrs. Metrick reported the music department returned last week from their trip to Disney, and they did a phenomenal job at their performances.

Middle School iPad Presentation

Personnel Motion made by Christine Ryan, seconded by Michael Hess, to approve the following personnel items:

1. The acceptance, with regret, of the resignation due to retirement of David S. Kenney, social studies teacher at the middle school, effective August 1, 2015.
2. The acceptance, with regret, of the resignation due to retirement of Linda A. Hudson, learning support teacher at the high school, effective June 30, 2015.
3. The acceptance, with regret, of the resignation due to retirement of Melinda D. Tercha, library aide at the high school, effective June 4, 2015.
4. The approval of Jonathan R. Stickler as head custodian at the middle school, effective April 10, 2015, at a rate of \$19.13 per hour.
5. The approval of Jesse W. Whitehouse as a weight room attendant for 1.5 hours per day, 3 days per week, for the spring season of the 2014-2015 school year, effective April 8, 2015, at a stipend of \$600.
6. The approval of Genevieve R. Altomare as a volunteer track and field coach for the 2014-2015 school year, effective April 8, 2015.
7. The approval of Lewis A. Weaver as an assistant baseball coach at the middle school for the 2014-2015 school year, effective April 8, 2015, at a stipend of \$1,218.
8. The approval of Dean A. Sweigart as an Eshelman substitute bus/van driver for the 2014-2015 school year, effective April 6, 2015.

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

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

BCTC 2015-16 Budget Motion made by Randy Burch, seconded by Christine Ryan, to authorize the expenditures of the Berks Career & Technology Center's General Program for the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016, as set forth herein.

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

Herbein + Company	Motion made by Karl Nolte, seconded by Caecilia Holt, to approve the agreement with Herbein + Company to provide auditing services for the years ending June 30, 2015, 2016, and 2017 with the option to renew for 2018 and 2019. Cost per year is not to exceed \$20,200. Roll call vote: Yes 7 Motion carried.	No 0	N/A 1 (Shrawder)	Absent 1 (Darion)
Maxatawny Twp Permit	Motion made by Eric Johnson, seconded by Karl Nolte, to approve the Early Learning Center to seek a zoning permit for "Change of Property Use" for the two rooms they lease at the District Administration Building. The change they are seeking is to extend the hours of use to 7:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Roll call vote: Yes 8 Motion carried.	No 0		Absent 1 (Darion)
Health Insurance Representative	Motion made by Christine Ryan, seconded by Michael Hess, to appoint David J. Miller as the management representative for the Berks County School Districts Health Trust for the term of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2017. Roll call vote: Yes 8 Motion carried.	No 0		Absent 1 (Darion)
Dental Insurance Renewal	Motion made by Randy Burch, seconded by Caecilia Holt, to approve the renewal of the dental insurance agreement with United Concordia for the 2015-2016 school year. There is no change in rates. Roll call vote: Yes 8 Motion carried.	No 0		Absent 1 (Darion)
Vision Insurance Renewal	Motion made by Jim Shrawder, seconded by Christine Ryan, to approve the renewal of the vision insurance agreement with Capital Blue Cross for the 2015-2016 school year. There is no change in rates. Roll call vote: Yes 8 Motion carried.	No 0		Absent 1 (Darion)
Special Education Software	Motion made by Caecilia Holt, seconded by Eric Johnson, to approve the Service Level Agreement for Special Education Application Software with the Berks County Intermediate Unit through the end of the 2017-2018 school year. Roll call vote: Yes 8 Motion carried.	No 0		Absent 1 (Darion)
Real Estate Tax Exemption	Motion made by Christine Ryan, seconded by Karl Nolte, to exempt property PIN #45-5415-00-83-6908- from real estate taxes as defined by the Disabled Veterans Real Property Tax Exemption Certification. Roll call vote: Yes 7 Motion carried.	No 0	N/A 1 (Shrawder)	Absent 1 (Darion)
2015 Summer School Programs	Motion made by Caecilia Holt, seconded by Eric Johnson, to approve the following summer programs and staffing for 2015:			
	<u>Elementary Summer Reading Program</u>			
	Staff:	Jade E. Dahlquist	Jane E. Venkauskas	
		Lori E. Arndt	Ann L. Dietrich	
		Kerri L. Schegan		
	Librarian:	Joyce E. Burch (2 days per week)		
	Coordinator:	Donna A. Keglovits (stipend of \$500)		
	Staff Dates:	June 15 (teacher preparation day)		
		June 16-July 23 (Monday through Thursday), 24 days total (including prep day) for 3.5 hours per day (4.5 hours per day for weeks 1 and 6), at a rate of \$24.50 per hour (current curriculum rate)		
	Student Dates:	June 16-July 23 (Monday through Thursday), 23 days total (Tuesday through Thursday – first week only)		
	<u>Middle School Summer Program</u>			
	Staff:	Mathematics – Justin Q. Dahlquist		
		Reading/Language Arts – Timothy N. Haas		
	Staff Dates:	June 15 (teacher preparation day)		
		June 16-July 23 (Monday through Thursday), 24 days total (including prep day) for 3.5 hours per day (4.5 hours per day for weeks 1 and 6), at a rate of \$24.50 per hour (current curriculum rate)		
	Student Dates:	June 16-July 23 (Monday through Thursday), 23 days total (Tuesday through Thursday – first week only)		
	Cost:	\$75 per course for resident students; \$100 per course for out-of-district students		

High School Summer Program

Staff: Mathematics – TBD
Language Arts – TBD
Science – TBD
Social Studies –TBD

Staff Dates: June 15 (teacher preparation day)
June 16-July 23 (Monday through Thursday), 24 days total (including prep day) for 3.5 hours per day (4.5 hours per day for weeks 1 and 6), at a rate of \$24.50 per hour (current curriculum rate)

Student Dates: June 16-July 23 (Monday through Thursday), 23 days total
(Tuesday through Thursday – first week only)

Cost: \$200 per course for resident students; \$225 per course for out-of-district students

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

**Discussion
Items**

Albany Elementary Building

Motion made by Jim Shrawder, seconded by Christine Ryan, to initiate the process for the sale of the Albany Elementary building by means of a public auction.

Roll call vote: Yes 6 No 2 (Burch, Nolte) Absent 1 (Darion)
Motion carried.

Staffing Budget Subcommittee Report

2015-2016 Budget

Weaver Chicken Farm

Motion made by Jim Shrawder, seconded by Randy Burch, to authorize the administration to employ legal council to assist in the dispute against the proposed chicken farm in Maxatawny Township.

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

Adjournment

Motion made by Jim Shrawder, seconded by Randy Burch, to adjourn the meeting at 9:37 p.m.
Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Rikki L. DeVough
School Board Secretary