

TYRONE AREA SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR/REORGANIZATIONAL SESSION MEETINGS

December 1, 2020

MINUTES

Members Present: Rose Black; Jeff Long; David Fusco (zoom); William Lash; Randy Miles; Jim Raabe (zoom); Mollie Bakhsheshe; Lori Walk

Members Absent: Andrew Woomer

Student Representatives Present: None

Media Present: Meredith Peachey, *Tyrone Daily Herald*; Dom Cuzzolina, *Altoona Mirror*

Administration Present: John Clark; Leslie Estep; Glen Drager; Jordan Good; Kristin Musselman; Jess Anderson; Tom Yoder; Kristen Pinter

Public Present: Via Zoom: Amanda Owens; Mackenzie Hyde; Elizabeth Detwiler; Jason Jolley

****SECTION A – OPENING EXERCISES AND PRESENTATIONS***

OPENING EXERCISES

President Rose Black called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. All present were asked to stand and pledge allegiance to the American flag, followed by a moment of silent meditation. President Black announced that the meeting was being audio taped and welcomed everyone present via zoom.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. William Lash, in the form of a motion, recommended board approval to the proposed agenda for the December 1, 2020 Old Business/Reorganizational/New Business meeting. The motion was seconded by Ms. Mollie Bakhsheshe, and it carried by a roll call vote of 8-0-0. (William Lash, yes; Lori Walk, yes; James Raabe, yes; Randy Miles, yes; David Fusco, yes; Jeff Long, yes; Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Rose Black, yes.)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

In the form of a motion, Mr. Randy Miles recommended board approval to the minutes of the November 10, 2020 Regular Session meeting. Mr. William Lash seconded the motion and it carried by a roll call vote of 8-0-0. (Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Jeff Long, yes; David Fusco, yes; Randy Miles, yes; James Raabe, yes; Lori Walk, yes; William Lash, yes; Rose Black, yes).

PUBLIC INPUT

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Board met in executive session following the November 10, 2020 regular meeting to discuss personnel.

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The board held an emergency meeting November 25, 2020 due to health and safety issues.

Joe Geisweidt, Vice President and Jen Weaver, Regional Manager of the Nutrition Group gave presentation to the board.

****SECTION B – REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD FOR 2021****

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS OF TEMPORARY BOARD PRESIDENT

President Rose Black opened the floor for nominations for Temporary Board President. Mr. James Raabe nominated Mr. Randy Miles. Being no other nominations, the nomination of Mr. Randy Miles as Temporary Board President carried with a roll call vote of 8-0-0. (William Lash, yes; Lori Walk, yes; James Raabe, yes; Randy Miles, yes; David Fusco, yes; Jeff Long, yes; Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Rose Black, yes.)

ELECTION OF BOARD PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT

As Temporary Board President, Mr. Randy Miles opened the floor for nominations for Board President. Ms. Mollie Bakhsheshe nominated Ms. Rose Black for Board President and Mr. Randy Miles seconded the nomination. Motion was made by Mr. James Raabe to close the nominations and second was made by Mr. William Lash. Board closed nominations by consensus. Roll call vote for the position of president was as follows: Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Jeff Long, yes; David Fusco, yes; Randy Miles, yes; James Raabe, yes; Lori Walk, yes; William Lash, yes; Rose Black, yes

The floor was then opened for nominations of Vice President. Dr. David Fusco nominated William Lash as Vice President. Mr. James Raabe motioned to close the nominations and Ms. Mollie Bakhsheshe seconded the motion and it carried with a roll call vote of 8-0-0. (William Lash, yes; Lori Walk, yes; James Raabe, yes; Randy Miles, yes; David Fusco, yes; Jeff Long, yes; Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Rose Black, yes.)

Temporary Board President Randy Miles turned the meeting over to newly elected Board President Rose Black.

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS FOR 2021

President Rose Black announced that the 2020 committee appointments will be reviewed. Board members interested in changing their current committee assignments were requested to contact her, Board Secretary John Clark, or Superintendent Leslie Estep.

PSBA LIAISON

The PSBA Liaison serves as a link to the state organization; key contact for the PSBA regional director; legislative representative with primary responsibility to keep the board informed of developments in the PA General Assembly and provide legislators with board's position on key issues; voting delegate to the Legislative Policy Council; and represents the board at county legislative meetings held twice each year.

Mr. William Lash agreed to fill the position of PSBA Liaison

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PSBA EMPLOYEE RELATIONS CONTACT

This position creates an opportunity for dialogue between local school directors and PSBA on the many issues facing boards in their role as an employer. Information, ideas and needs will be solicited from and disseminated through this contact person, in addition to announcements of in-service opportunities.

Ms. Black asked Dr. David Fusco if he would be interested in continuing in this capacity as he currently holds this position. Dr. Fusco agreed to be appointed as PSBA Employee Relations Contact for 2021.

MEETING DATES

In the form of a motion, Mr. William Lash recommended board approval to the list of public board meeting dates and times for 2021. This list is subject to change and meetings may be re-advertised with board approval. The motion was seconded by Ms. Mollie Bakhsheshe, and it carried by a roll call vote of 8-0-0. (William Lash, yes; Lori Walk, yes; James Raabe, yes; Randy Miles, yes; David Fusco, yes; Jeff Long, yes; Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Rose Black, yes.)

****SECTION C -- NEW BUSINESS****

FINANCIAL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Mr. Randy Miles, in the form of a motion, recommended board approval to the modified cost per meal agreement with The Nutrition Group for the management of the food service program within the district for the 2020-2021 school year only as permitted by PDE Bureau of Food and Nutrition. Mr. William Lash seconded the motion and it carried with a roll call vote of 8-0-0. (Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Jeff Long, yes; David Fusco, yes; Randy Miles, yes; James Raabe, yes; Lori Walk, yes; William Lash, yes; Rose Black, yes).

BOARD REGULATORY ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

In the form of a motion, Mr. William Lash recommended board approval to the ratification of the Attestation Insuring Implementation of Mitigation Efforts as submitted by the November 30, 2020 deadline to the Penna. Department of Education. The motion was seconded by Mr. Randy Miles, and it carried with a roll call vote of 8-0-0. (William Lash, yes; Lori Walk, yes; James Raabe, yes; Randy Miles, yes; David Fusco, yes; Jeff Long, yes; Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Rose Black, yes.)

PHYSICAL PLANT AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Requested board approval to the agreement with KCBA Architectural and Engineering firm of Hatfield PA for services to include Design, Construction Documents, Bid Administration and Construction Administration. Cost is inclusive of Theatre Design Services from Scheu Consulting, Inc. at a cost of \$48,000. Total cost of services is \$166,800. Motion was made by Mr. Jeff Long to table the agreement for a future meeting, was seconded by Ms. Mollie Bakhsheshe and carried with a roll call vote of 8-0-0. (Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Jeff Long, yes; David Fusco, yes; Randy Miles, yes; James Raabe, yes; Lori Walk, yes; William Lash, yes; Rose Black, yes).

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CONSENSUS VOTE

Dr. David Fusco, in the form of a motion, recommended board approval to the consensus vote of the following items listed under Section X - New Business of the December 1, 2020 Reorganizational/ Regular Session Agenda. The motion was seconded by Mr. Randy Miles and it carried by a roll call vote of 8-0-0. (William Lash, yes; Lori Walk, yes; James Raabe, yes; Randy Miles, yes; David Fusco, yes; Jeff Long, yes; Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Rose Black, yes.)

****NEW BUSINESS – CONSENSUS VOTE****

X. ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE BOARD

A. Pending and Current Committee Reports, as called by the Board President.

1. Student Activities and Services Committee – Chairperson James Raabe

A. Retirements/Resignations

Name	Position	Retirement/Resignation	Effective Date
Chris Elder	Boys Jr. High Head Soccer Coach	Resignation	December 2, 2020
Matthew Elder	Boys Jr. High Assistant Soccer Coach	Resignation	December 2, 2020
Michael Kraft	Girls Volleyball Head Coach	Resignation	December 2, 2020

2. Financial Operations Committee – Chairperson Randy Miles

A. Due to the early date of the of the December 2020 board meeting, request board approval for administration to process December 2020 invoices for payment with report submitted to the board at the January 2021 Regular Session meeting.

3. Human Resources Committee – Chairperson Andrew Woomer

A. Retirements/Resignations

Name	Position	Retirement/Resignation	Effective Date
Charles Aungst	Paraprofessional	Resignation	December 2, 2020

B. Elections

Name & Address	Position	Assignment	Salary, Stipend or Rate/Hour	Benefits	Effective Date
Heather Becker	Early Intervention Teacher Hourly Temp. Support	2.75 hrs/wk	\$26.01/Hr	No Change in Benefits	Retro to November 16, 2020
Hilari Parsons 447 W. 15 th Street Tyrone, PA 16686	Daycare Lead Teacher	20 hrs/wk	\$10.69/Hour	1 personal day 5 sick days No Benefits	December 21, 2020

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Name & Address	Position	Assignment	Salary, Stipend or Rate/Hour	Benefits	Effective Date
Denise Schultz 107 Middle Ridge Rd Hollidaysburg, PA 16648	Long-Term Sub 6 th Grade 2 nd Semester Only	5 days/wk 7.5 hrs/day	\$21,918.50	1 personal day 5 sick days Benefits	January 21, 2021
Noelle Hand 263 Wagon Wheel Rd Tyrone, PA 16686	Early Intervention Teacher	5 days/wk 7.5 hrs/day	\$44,637.00	2 personal day 10 sick days Full Benefits	December 9, 2020

C. Request board approval to additions to the 2020-21 Substitute and Long-Term Volunteer List.

4. Educational Programs and Materials Committee – Chairperson Lori Walk

A. Request board approval to enter the articulation agreement with Altoona Area School District in accordance with ESSA requirements for Title I Funding. The agreement will allow for the pooling of Title I funds for the purpose of providing educational services to eligible students at St. Matthews School, Tyrone PA.

5. Board Regulatory Activities Committee – Chairperson William Lash

A. Request final approval of the following proposed board policies previously presented at the Regular Board Meeting of November 10, 2020.

1. Policy 800 Electronic Signatures-New

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. James Raabe motioned to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Mollie Bakhsheshe seconded the motion and it carried by an affirmative vote. The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John E. Clark
Board Secretary