

TYRONE AREA SCHOOL BOARD

REGULAR SESSION MEETING

March 9, 2021

MINUTES

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

Members Absent: Lori Walk

Student Representatives Present: None

Media Present: Meredith Peachey, *Tyrone Daily Herald*; Andrew Mollenauer, *Altoona Mirror* (zoom)

Administration Present: John Clark; Leslie Estep; Glen Drager; Jordan Good
Via Zoom: Kristin Musselman; Thomas Yoder; Shane Cowher; Kristen Pinter; Jessica Anderson

Public Present: Faith Swanson

**** SECTION A -- Separate Voting Items ****

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. Randy Miles, in the form of a motion, recommended board approval to the proposed agenda for the March 9, 2021 regular session meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. James Raabe, and it carried by a roll call vote of 8-0-0. (William Lash, yes; James Raabe, yes; Randy Miles, yes; Andrew Woomer, yes; David Fusco, yes; Jeff Long, yes; Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Rose Black, yes.)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

In the form of a motion, Mr. William Lash recommended board approval to the minutes of the February 9, 2021 Regular Session meeting. Mr. Randy Miles seconded the motion and it carried by a roll call vote of 8-0-0. (Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Jeff Long, yes; David Fusco, yes; Andrew Woomer, yes; Randy Miles, yes; James Raabe, yes; William Lash, yes; Rose Black, yes).

PUBLIC INPUT

None

PRESENTATION

The following administrators provided monthly updates to the board: Elementary Principal Kristin Musselman; Middle School Principal Shane Cowher; High School Principal Thomas Yoder; Physical Plant Supervisor Jordan Good; Network Administrator Glen Drager and Director of Curriculum and Instruction Kristen Pinter.

FINANCIAL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

In the form of a motion, Mr. Randy Miles recommended board approval to Report #1 - Treasurer's Financial Report for period ending February 28, 2021. The motion was seconded by Mr. James Raabe and carried with a roll call vote of 8-0-0. (William Lash, yes; James Raabe, yes; Randy Miles, yes; Andrew Woomeer, yes; David Fusco, yes; Jeff Long, yes; Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Rose Black, yes.)

Mr. Randy Miles, in the form of a motion, recommended board approval to Report #2 – Budget Transfers for period ending February 28, 2021. 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; Andrew Woomeer, yes; Randy Miles, yes; James Raabe, yes; William Lash, yes; Rose Black, yes).

In the form of a motion, Mr. Randy Miles recommended board approval to Report #3 – Food Service Operating Statement for period ending January 31, 2021. The motion was seconded by Mr. Andrew Woomeer and carried with a roll call vote of 8-0-0. (William Lash, yes; James Raabe, yes; Randy Miles, yes; Andrew Woomeer, yes; David Fusco, yes; Jeff Long, yes; Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Rose Black, yes.)

Next, in the form of a motion, Mr. Randy Miles recommended board approval to Report #4 – Tax Collection Report for the period ending February 28, 2021. Mr. James Raabe seconded the motion and it carried with a roll call vote of 8-0-0. (Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Jeff Long, yes; David Fusco, yes; Andrew Woomeer, yes; Randy Miles, yes; James Raabe, yes; William Lash, yes; Rose Black, yes).

Mr. Randy Miles, in the form of a motion, recommended board approval to Report #5 – Monthly Expenditures for March 2021. The motion was seconded by Mr. Andrew Woomeer and carried with a roll call vote of 8-0-0. (William Lash, yes; James Raabe, yes; Randy Miles, yes; Andrew Woomeer, yes; David Fusco, yes; Jeff Long, yes; Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Rose Black, yes.)

In the form of a motion, Mr. Randy Miles recommended board approval to Report #6 – Investment Analysis Report for the period ending January 31, 2021. Dr. David Fusco seconded the motion and it carried with a roll call vote of 8-0-0. (Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Jeff Long, yes; David Fusco, yes; Andrew Woomeer, yes; Randy Miles, yes; James Raabe, yes; William Lash, yes; Rose Black, yes).

Mr. Randy Miles, in the form of a motion, recommended board approval to Report #7 – Student Activities Fund for the period ending February 28, 2021. The motion was seconded by Mr. James Raabe and carried with a roll call vote of 8-0-0. (William Lash, yes; James Raabe, yes; Randy Miles, yes; Andrew Woomeer, yes; David Fusco, yes; Jeff Long, yes; Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Rose Black, yes.)

In the form of a motion, Mr. Randy Miles recommended board approval to the proposed 2021-2022 Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8 Preliminary General Fund Budget in the total amount of \$4,862,058.24 with the projected Tyrone Area School District contribution of \$6,276.50. The calculation of district contribution is based on the 2133.603 Weighted Average Daily Membership

and the 2021-2022 Projected Market Value Aid Ratio. 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; Andrew Woomer, yes; Randy Miles, yes; James Raabe, yes; William Lash, yes; Rose Black, yes).

Mr. Randy Miles, in the form of a motion, recommended board approval for Board Resolution on reimbursement of funds for Capital Projects. The motion was seconded by Mr. James Raabe and carried with a roll call vote of 8-0-0. (William Lash, yes; James Raabe, yes; Randy Miles, yes; Andrew Woomer, yes; David Fusco, yes; Jeff Long, yes; Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Rose Black, yes.)

Pursuant to Appalachia IU8's consortium bid for internet services and in the form of a motion, Mr. Randy Miles recommended board approval enter into a contract with IU8/Comcast Inc. for Internet transport and service for the term of July 1st, 2021 through June 30th, 2024 at the cost of \$1,050.00 per month for 1GB/s symmetric bandwidth with reimbursement from the E-Rate program. Comcast is the incumbent provider, and this represents no change to district costs. Mr. James Raabe seconded the motion and it carried with a roll call vote of 8-0-0. (Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Jeff Long, yes; David Fusco, yes; Andrew Woomer, yes; Randy Miles, yes; James Raabe, yes; William Lash, yes; Rose Black, yes).

CONSENSUS VOTE

Mr. James Raabe, in the form of a motion, recommended board approval to the following items under Section B - Consensus Vote of the March 9, 2021 Regular Session Agenda. Dr. David Fusco seconded the motion and it carried with a roll call vote of 8-0-0. (William Lash, yes; James Raabe, yes; Randy Miles, yes; Andrew Woomer, yes; David Fusco, yes; Jeff Long, yes; Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Rose Black, yes.)

**** SECTION B - Consensus Vote ****

I. 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
Cody Dickson	Jr. High Boys Basketball Assistant Coach	Resignation	February 17, 2021

B. Elections

Name & Address	Position		Benefits	Effective Date
Hilary Soellner 323 W. 17 th Street Tyrone, PA 16686	Assistant Jr. High Softball Coach	Stipend - \$600	No Benefits	March 10, 2021

Name & Address	Position		Benefits	Effective Date
Brandy Moyer 872 24 th Street Altoona, PA 16601	Head Varsity Girls Volleyball Coach	Stipend – \$2,550	No Benefits	March 10, 2021

- C. Request board approval to transfer Luke Hamer from Assistant Jr. High Baseball Coach (\$750, no benefits) to Head Jr. High Baseball Coach (\$1,200, no benefits) effective March 10, 2021.
- D. Class of 2021: Request board approval to tentative list of seniors eligible for graduation.

2. Human Resources Committee - Chairperson Andrew Woomer

A. Retirements/Resignations

Name	Position	Retirement/Resignation	Effective Date
Fay Golden	Human Resources Secretary	Retirement	June 30, 2021
Cherie Golden	Main Office Secretary	Retirement	July 9, 2021
Rebecca Barlett	ESL Coordinator	Resignation	March 1, 2021

B. Elections

Name & Address	Position	Assignment	Stipend or Rate/Hour	Benefits	Effective Date
Scott Sessamen Grade 12	High School Café Student Worker	Maximum of 15 hours/week School Year	\$7.25/Hour	No Benefits	March 10, 2021
Randy Gorecki	HS/MS Head Custodian	5 Days/Week 8.0 Hours/Day	\$8,430.00 Stipend	No Change in Current Benefits	March 10, 2021

- C. Request board approval to addition of Nathaniel Soellner, 1810 Columbia Avenue, Tyrone as Long-Term Volunteer.
- D. Request board approval to the contract between the Tyrone Area School District and Faith Swanson of 1952 Dry Hollow Road, Warriors Mark, PA 16877 for the position of District Business Administrator at a salary of \$82,000 effective on or around June 10, 2021 and continuing through June 30, 2025.

3. Financial Operations Committee – Chairperson Randy Miles

- A. Request board approval to a 3-year agreement with Boyer and Ritter, LLC for Local Audit Services.

- B. Request board approval to updated Letter of Agreement with The Meadows Psychiatric Center of Centre Hall, PA for the cost of educational services provided to T ASD Students while admitted at the facility for the 2021-22 and 2022-23 school years.
- C. Request board approval to the agreement with Diligent Corporation (Board Docs) for district licensing of BoardDoc LT software, facilitating public access to Board Policy, Board agendas and minutes at a onetime non-recurring cost of \$1,000 for implementation and an annual cost of \$2,700.
- D. Request board approval to enter into a 42-month contract (3/2021-6/2024) with Blackboard Inc. of Washington, DC for web content management, mobile application and mass notification platforms. Implementation and training service costs totaling \$2,360.62 due with contract, followed by annual service fees of \$8,903.40 due 7/1 of each contract year.
- E. Request board approval to renewal of Agreement with Franklin and Marshall College for Pennsylvania College Advising Corps – Counseling Advisor at the cost of \$26,500 for the 2021-2022 school year. (This represents \$0 increase from last year.)

4. Educational Programs and Materials Committee – Chairperson Lori Walk

- A. Request board approval for the District Academic Calendar for the School Year 2021-2022.
- B. Request board approval for the 2021-22 Tyrone Area Middle School Changes; Middle School Course Description Booklet.
- C. Request board approval for the 2021-22 Tyrone Area High School Changes; High School Course Description Booklet.

5. Public and Student Relations Committee – Chairperson Mollie Bakhsheshe

- A. Request board approval to recommendations of the Tyrone Area School District Administration and School Board Public and Student Relations Committee on disciplinary action for the following student for violation of Board Policy #227 – Controlled Substances/Paraphernalia.

(1) Student Case Number 2020-21-G08-02

6. Physical Plant and Operations Committee – Chairperson Jeff Long

- A. Request board approval for the purchase of a Ventrac Tractor Model 4500Z mower with attachments at the total cost of \$37,646.60, priced according to Sourcewell cooperative bid contract #062117-VPI from Somerset Outdoor Equipment LLC, 312 S. Center Ave., Somerset, PA 15501.
- B. Request board approval to award bid for the general construction of improvements to the high school loading dock and related electrical service work (paid from Capital Projects Fund):

1. General construction low bid awarded to JT Masonry Construction, 4199 Leechburg Road, New Kensington, PA in the amount of \$96,000.00.
 2. Related project electrical work low bid awarded to Schultheis Electric, PO Box 798, Latrobe, PA in the amount of \$4,949.00.
- C. Request board approval to entering a 5-year contract for daily transportation services and supplemental transport as needed with cost determined by the PA Dept. of Education state formula, covering the school years of 2021-2022 through 2026-2027
1. Raystown Transit
 2. Beckwith Busing
- D. Request board approval for the initiation of the Construction Document phase of the Tyrone Area School District auditorium project at a cost of \$73,920 from the Capital Projects Fund once satisfactorily completed.

-End of Section-

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. Randy Miles motioned to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. William Lash and carried with an affirmative vote. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John E. Clark
Board Secretary

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