

TYRONE AREA SCHOOL BOARD

REGULAR SESSION

September 13, 2016

- Members Present:** Mollie Bakhsheshe; Rose Black; Brian Bressler; James Crawford; William Hartsock; Luther Laird; Randy Miles; James Raabe.
- Members Absent:** None.
- Board Positions Vacant:** One.
- Student Representatives Present:** Haley Butina and Grayson Putt.
- Media Present:** Sean Sauro, *Altoona Mirror*; Julie White, *The Daily Herald*.
- Administration and Deans Present:** John Clark; Glen Drager; Leslie Estep; Cathy Harlow; Lisa Hartsock; Kourtney Klock; Thomas Muir; Thomas Yoder.
- Others Present:** Jennifer Bryan; Jennifer Durbin; Steve Frye; David Fusco; Danielle Gibbons; Stephen Grot; Wendy Grot; Deanna Heichel; Jen Irons; Melissa Kohler; Bill Lash; Jeff Long; Sue Loose; Terry McCaulley, Jr.; Kerry Naylor; Tanya Sharer; Gary Sorensen; Amy Weaver.

OPENING EXERCISES

President James Crawford called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m. All present were asked to stand and pledge allegiance to the American flag, followed by a moment of silent meditation. President Crawford announced that the meeting was being audio taped and welcomed everyone present, with the reminder that all guests are required to sign the meeting roster.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Brian Bressler, in the form of a motion, recommended board approval to the proposed agenda for the September 13, 2016 Regular Session meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Luther Laird and carried with a roll call vote of 8-0-0. (Brian Bressler, yes; Luther Laird, yes; James Raabe, yes; Randy Miles, yes; William Hartsock, yes; Rose Black, yes; Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; James Crawford, yes.)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

In the form of a motion, Mr. James Raabe recommended board approval to the minutes of the August 9, 2016 Regular Session meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. William Hartsock and carried with a roll call vote of 8-0-0. (Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Rose Black, yes; William Hartsock, yes; Randy Miles, yes; James Raabe, yes; Luther Laird, yes; Brian Bressler, yes; James Crawford, yes).

PUBLIC INPUT

Mr. Kerry Naylor addressed the board regarding his perception on the condition of Gray Field and the athletic field where the youth football program is playing their games this year. He is very interested in pursuing the possibility of artificial turf for Gray Field and asked the board what research has been done since he addressed the board last school year; was a feasibility study completed. Mr. Naylor also questioned the drainage at Gray Field.

Several parents/coaches also addressed the board expressing their concerns on the condition and access to the athletic field for the youth football games. Their concerns included, but were not limited to, high grass; no shade; not sufficient amount of water for the players; limited access to the field for the handicapped and elderly; bleachers; and proximity of the concession stand and restrooms to the field.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President James Crawford announced that the board met in Executive Session following adjournment of the September 6, 2016 Work Session meeting to discuss personnel items. In addition, he announced that the board will meet again in Executive Session following adjournment of the September 13, 2016 Regular Session meeting to discuss personnel items.

2017 PSBA OFFICERS

In the form of a motion, Mr. Luther Laird recommended board approval to the election of the following candidates as the official votes to be cast for the specified 2017 PSBA offices, with votes to be submitted electronically to PSBA by the board secretary before October 3, 2016:

- President Elect: Michael Faccinetto
- Vice-President: David Hutchinson
- PSBA Insurance Trust Trustees: William S. LaCoff (term ending December 31, 2018)
Kathy K. Swope (term ending December 31, 2019)
Mark B. Miller (term ending December 31, 2019)
Marianne L. Neel (term ending December 31, 2017)
Michael Faccinetto (term ending December 31, 2017)

The above motion was seconded by Mr. William Hartsock. However, following further board discussion and prior to a board vote, Mr. Randy Miles recommended revision to the motion to include abstentions for Mark B. Miller and Marianne Neel. The motion was seconded by Mr. William Hartsock and carried with a roll call vote of 8-0-0. (Brian Bressler, yes; Luther Laird, yes; James Raabe, yes; Randy Miles, yes; William Hartsock, yes; Rose Black, yes; Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; James Crawford, yes.)

APPOINTMENT OF NEW BOARD MEMBER

President James Crawford opened the floor for nominations for the board vacancy created by the passing of Rev. Norman E. Huff. Mr. Brian Bressler nominated Dr. David J. Fusco. Mr. James Raabe motioned to close the nominations. Ms. Rose Black seconded the motion to close nominations and it carried with a roll call vote of 7-1-0. (Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Rose Black, yes; William Hartsock, no; Randy Miles, yes; James Raabe, yes; Luther Laird, yes; Brian Bressler, yes; James Crawford, yes.) Given this vote, President James Crawford declared Dr. David J. Fusco appointed to the school board filling the position of the late Rev. Norman E. Huff. President Crawford extended congratulations to Dr. Fusco and expressed appreciation to the four remaining candidates who expressed an interest in this position.

Next, President James Crawford administered the Oath of Office, followed by Dr. Fusco taking his place at the board table.

ELECTION OF SCHOOL TREASURER

President James Crawford open the floor for nominations for school treasurer to fill the vacancy created by the passing of Rev. Norman E. Huff. Mr. James Raabe nominated Mr. Randy Miles. Mr. William

Hartsock motioned to close the nominations. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Mollie Bakhsheshe and carried with a roll call vote of 9-0-0. (Brian Bressler, yes; Luther Laird, yes; James Raabe, yes; Randy Miles, yes; William Hartsock, yes; David Fusco, yes; Rose Black, yes; Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; James Crawford, yes.)

President Crawford declared Mr. Randy Miles unanimously elected as school treasurer.

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 July 31, 2016. The motion was seconded by Ms. Rose Black and carried with a roll call vote of 9-0-0. (Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Rose Black, yes; David Fusco, yes; William Hartsock, yes; Randy Miles, yes; James Raabe, yes; Luther Laird, yes; Brian Bressler, yes; James Crawford, yes.)

Mr. Randy Miles, in the form of a motion, recommended board approval to Report #4 – Tax Collection Report for period ending August 31, 2016. The motion was seconded by Mr. William Hartsock and carried with a roll call vote of 9-0-0. (Brian Bressler, yes; Luther Laird, yes; James Raabe, yes; Randy Miles, yes; William Hartsock, yes; David Fusco, yes; Rose Black, yes; Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; James Crawford, yes.)

Next, in the form of a motion, Mr. Randy Miles recommended board approval to Report #5 – Monthly Expenditures. Mr. Luther Laird seconded the motion and it carried with a roll call vote of 9-0-0. (Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Rose Black, yes; David Fusco, yes; William Hartsock, yes; Randy Miles, yes; James Raabe, yes; Luther Laird, yes; Brian Bressler, yes; James Crawford, yes.)

Mr. Randy Miles, in the form of a motion, recommended board approval to Report #6 – Investment Analysis Report for period ending June 30, 2016. The motion was seconded by Ms. Rose Black and carried with a roll call vote of 9-0-0. (Brian Bressler, yes; Luther Laird, yes; James Raabe, yes; Randy Miles, yes; William Hartsock, yes; David Fusco, yes; Rose Black, yes; Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; James Crawford, yes.)

In the form of a motion, Mr. Randy Miles recommended board approval to Report #7 – Student Activities Fund for period ending August 31, 2016. Mr. Brian Bressler seconded the motion and it carried with a roll call vote of 9-0-0. (Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; Rose Black, yes; David Fusco, yes; William Hartsock, yes; Randy Miles, yes; James Raabe, yes; Luther Laird, yes; Brian Bressler, yes; James Crawford, yes.)

CONSENSUS VOTE

In the form of a motion, Mr. Randy Miles recommended board approval to the consensus vote of the following items listed under Section B of the September 13, 2016 Regular Session agenda. Ms. Rose Black seconded the motion and it carried by a roll call vote of 9-0-0. (Brian Bressler, yes; Luther Laird, yes; James Raabe, yes; Randy Miles, yes; William Hartsock, yes; David Fusco, yes; Rose Black, yes; Mollie Bakhsheshe, yes; James Crawford, 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 Brian Bressler

A. Retirements/Resignations

Name	Position	Retirement/Resignation	Effective Date
Justin Brown	Assistant Swim Coach	Resignation	September 13, 2016

B. Election

Name & Address	Position	Salary or Special Service Fee	Benefits	Effective Date
Terry Tate 1859 Adams Avenue Tyrone, PA 16686	Head Varsity Wrestling Coach	\$4,250.00	None	September 14, 2016

C. Request board approval to the two listings of Field Trip Requests previously approved by the Building Principal; Director of Curriculum and Instruction; Business Manager; and Superintendent.

2. Financial Operations Committee – Chairperson Randy Miles

A. Request board approval to enter contract with Juniata College for the “Science In Motion” program for the 2016-17 school year at the subscription rate of \$7,650.00.

B. Request board approval to revised amendment to the second year of a two (2) year contract with Substitute Teacher Services of Aston, PA to provide substitute teachers and nurses at the following adjusted rates, covering the period of August 8, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

Personnel Provided	Type	STS Pay Rate	District Bill Rate	Markup
Per Diem Substitute Day 1-20	Full Day	\$ 90.00	\$ 117.00	30%
Per Diem Substitute Day 20+ (At Same Position)	Full Day	\$ 100.00	\$ 130.00	30%
Per Diem Substitute Day 1-20	Half Day	\$ 45.00	\$ 58.50	30%
Per Diem Substitute Day 20+ (At Same Position)	Half Day	\$ 50.00	\$ 65.00	30%

3. Human Resources Committee – Chairperson William Hartsock

A. Retirements/Resignations

Name	Position	Retirement/Resignation	Effective Date
Megan M. Anderson	Paraprofessional	Resignation	August 9, 2016
Angela J. Diebold	Daycare Grade-Level Chairperson	Resignation	September 13, 2016
Molly K. Riva	Musical Director	Resignation	September 13, 2016
Kimberly N. Woomer	Paraprofessional	Resignation	August 5, 2016

B. Elections

Name & Address	Position	Assignment	Salary, Stipend or Rate/Hour	Benefits	Effective Date
Lindsey Burket 402 Washington Ave Apt 6 Tyrone, PA 16686	School-To-Work Program	5 Days/Week 1.15 Hr/Day	\$7.25/Hour	No Benefits	September 2, 2016
Courtney Getty 207 Logan Blvd. Altoona, PA 16602	Early Intervention Long-Term Substitute Teacher	Half-Time Position 2.5 Days/Wk 2 Days @ 7.5 Hrs/Day 1 Day @ 3.75 Hrs/Day	\$21,618.50	5 Sick Days 1 Personal Day ½ Benefits	August 22, 2016
Krista Getz	Mentor for Grade 4 Long-Term Substitute Teacher Jessica Reese	N/A	\$545.56 – Special Service Fee	No Change in Current Benefits	August 22, 2016
Sierra L. Jones 476 Park Avenue Tyrone, PA 16686	Daycare Lead Teacher	180 Contract Days 5 Days/Week 8.0 Hours/Day	\$10.69/Hr	10 Sick Days 2 Personal Days	August 22, 2016
Ethan Naylor 366 Wild Goose Rd Tyrone, PA 16686	School-To-Work Program	5 Days/Week 1.15 Hr/Day	\$7.25/Hour	No Benefits	September 2, 2016
Elijah Weaver 331 McMonigal Lane Port Matilda, PA 16870	School-To-Work Program	5 Days/Week 1.15 Hr/Day	\$7.25/Hour	No Benefits	September 2, 2016

C. Request board approval to additions to the 2016-17 Substitute and Long-Term Volunteer List.

4. Educational Programs and Materials Committee – Chairperson James Raabe

A. Request board approval to enter Accelerated College Education (ACE) Agreement with Pennsylvania Highlands Community College (PHCC) permitting Tyrone Area School District students the opportunity to enroll in Dual Enrollment Classes approved by PHCC and the Tyrone Area School District, effective with the 2016-17 school year.

Section End –

REPORTS FROM STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES TO THE BOARD

Haley Butina/Grade 12: Haley commended the parents for coming in and caring so much about their students. She reported that everything is going well at the High School, curriculum is running smoothly, and the students are submitting their Homecoming votes.

Grayson Putt/Grade 11: Grayson also stated that he thought it was great that the community comes out and cares what the school district is doing. He shared that school is going very smoothly this year, that the students like the 15-20 minute reduction in the school schedule, and that all the athletic programs are going well.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. Randy Miles motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Luther Laird seconded the motion and it carried with an affirmative vote. The meeting adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tanya L. Sharer

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Board Secretary

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