

**JUNIATA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS**

Thursday, April 20, 2017

8:00 PM REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Tuscarora Junior High School

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Juniata County School District was held Thursday, April 20, 2017 in the Tuscarora Junior High School cafeteria, all members having been duly notified. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by Mr. Mark F. Wagner, President.

II. BOARD MEMBERS

The following board members were present at roll call:

Mr. Dennis R. Irvin
Mrs. A. Christine McLaughlin
Mr. Larry J. Rothrock
Mrs. Christine D. Shadel

Mr. Joseph R. Shearer
Mr. Danny R. Snyder
Mrs. Amy L. Wagner
Mr. Mark F. Wagner

Mrs. J. Erin Derr was absent.

III. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Public Comment Period

Andrew Ciecierski spoke in support of elementary school consolidation and thanked the Board members who have supported the plan.

Suzanne Lutinski thanked the Board for moving forward with consolidation plans and spoke about the benefits of consolidation for students with special needs.

Angela Varner thanked the Board for moving forward with consolidation, spoke about the benefits of consolidation and suggested that Lack-Tuscarora Elementary School be included in the plan.

Keith Kint thanked the Board for their support of consolidation; requested an explanation from directors who oppose the project; responded to a remark made at a previous meeting by suggesting that district graduates succeed despite a lack of programs that are available to students in other districts; noted that consolidation gives the Board the ability to trim administrative costs; and said that renovations to buildings is merely an attempt to avoid change.

JoAnna Cameron thanked the Board for their support of consolidation and said that as prospective District residents, her family's decision regarding relocation takes into consideration educational opportunities in a given area.

Shanna Varner spoke about the benefits of consolidation.

Simon Cameron thanked the Board for moving forward with consolidation; complimented students who had recently competed in the Husky Dog Pound Entrepreneurial Competition; and reported that a former East Juniata High School student is running for a seat on State College Borough Council.

Jennie Seigler spoke about accountability, asking Mr. Rothrock to resign his seat on the

Board based on his record of meeting attendance. Ms. Seigler asserted that Mr. Rothrock has violated the Board Members' Code of Ethics, that his absence from meetings has been a disservice to the residents of Monroe Township and District students, and asked the Board to vacate his seat.

B. School Board Secretary

The Board secretary had no comments.

C. School Board Members

Mrs. Wagner praised the recent combined elementary music concert and spoke about the Husky Dog Pound Entrepreneurial Competition in which District students competed. Mr. Wagner reported on the Tuscarora Intermediate Unit's Convention of School Directors.

D. School District Administration

Mr. Bennett extended an invitation to attend the Tuscarora Junior High School concert the following evening.

Mrs. Kramer reported that Fayette Elementary School's Jump Rope For Heart raised over \$4,000.

Mr. Mitchell praised Tuscarora Junior High School Math 24 Competition participants.

Mr. Yarger announced that anyone interested was invited to accompany him on a tour of Mid-West School District's consolidated elementary school on April 24.

As the President of the Board of School Directors conducts this meeting, it will not be necessary to announce each Director's name for each roll call vote. If, however, a Director or Directors wish to comment or have his/her comment or vote specifically recorded, the Director(s) shall have the opportunity to so state. The President of the Board of Directors will announce before each roll call vote that if he hears no objections from any members of the committee present, the vote will be considered a unanimous roll call vote and so recorded.

- IV. It was moved by Mrs. Wagner and seconded by Mrs. McLaughlin to approve minutes of school board committee meetings, special and regular school board meetings held, and listing of executive sessions conducted.

A. Committee-of-the-Whole Meetings

March 16, 2017 Regular Board Meeting

March 30, 2017 Special Board Meeting

April 12, 2017 Workshop Meeting

April 12, 2017 Special Board Meeting

EXHIBIT MINUTES V

B. Executive Sessions Conducted

March 16, 2017 Executive Session for Personnel Issues

March 30, 2017 Executive Session for Personnel Issues

April 20, 2017 Executive Session for Personnel Issues

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Irvin, McLaughlin, Rothrock, Shadel, Shearer, Snyder, A. Wagner, M. Wagner

Nays: None

Motion carried.

V. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

It was moved by Mr. Snyder and seconded by Mrs. Wagner to consider items 1 and 2 as one motion, as follows:

1. Approval of the Fermanagh-Mifflintown Elementary School improvement plan.
EXHIBIT CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION A-1
2. Approval to contract with Snyder Union Mifflin Child Development for School Age Child Care services to be provided in District elementary schools. EXHIBIT CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION A-2

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Irvin, McLaughlin, Rothrock, Shadel, Snyder, A. Wagner, M. Wagner

Nays: Shearer

Motion carried.

INFORMATION: Monroe Elementary School will be piloting a Girls on the Run program in fall 2017. The program is designed for girls in grades three through five, who participate two days per week in 90-minute after-school sessions. The curriculum encourages positive emotional, social, mental and physical development, looking at the importance of teamwork and health relationships. EXHIBIT CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION A-3

B. CUSTODIAL-MAINTENANCE-PROPERTY

1. It was moved by Mr. Snyder and seconded by Mrs. Shadel to approve the following facility use requests, in accordance with the rental fee schedule outlined in Policy 707:

Bryant Kantz, Boys' Basketball Travel Team, EJHS Gym, Practices, Tues./Thurs., April-May 2017;

Philip Adam, Rohrer Bus, JHS Parking Lot/Cafeteria, Bus Safety Competition, May 6, 2017;

Dennis Sankey, EJ Girls' Soccer Boosters, EJHS Fields, Soccer Camp, Mon.-Fri., June 12-16, 2017;

Bobbi Leister, First National Bank of Mifflintown, EJHS Auditorium, Concert, July 3, 2017;

Daniel Stump, Dutch Days, Monroe Elementary Grounds, Parking, July 15, 2017;

Kelly Showers, Juniata County Head Start, Fermanagh-Mifflintown Elementary School Facilities, Kindergarten Readiness Class, July 31 – August 11, 2017;

Wes Diehl, EJ Girls' Elementary Basketball, EJHS Gym, Practice, November 2017-March 2018.

Motion carried.

INFORMATION: A request from Kim Stuck for the East Juniata Boys' Basketball Booster Club to use the East Juniata High School facilities for a camp June 5-9, 2017 was approved by the Board in March. Due to work being performed at the East Juniata gymnasium,

however, the camp will be held at Tuscarora Junior High School.

2. It was moved by Mrs. Wagner and seconded by Mrs. McLaughlin to approve the use of Fermanagh-Mifflintown Elementary School for Migrant-ELL Summer School 2017, operated by the Lincoln Intermediate Unit 12 Migrant Education Program, in conjunction with the Juniata County School District.

Motion carried.

3. It was moved by Mr. Snyder and seconded by Mr. Irvin to approve awarding the bid for paving at the District's administrative office building to Mike Cleck Paving and Seal Coating at a total cost of \$15,500. EXHIBIT CUSTODIAL-MAINTENANCE-PROPERTY B-3

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Irvin, McLaughlin, Rothrock, Shadel, Shearer, Snyder, A. Wagner, M. Wagner

Nays: None

Motion carried.

4. It was moved by Mrs. Wagner and seconded by Mr. Snyder to approve contracting with Keystone Lawn Treatment, Inc. for lawn maintenance on the East Juniata High School soccer field, at a cost of \$2,240. EXHIBIT CUSTODIAL-MAINTENANCE-PROPERTY B-4

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Irvin, McLaughlin, Rothrock, Shadel, Shearer, Snyder, A. Wagner, M. Wagner

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Mrs. Wagner asked for, and received, clarification that the East Juniata and Juniata high school soccer teams are not being combined, as had been rumored.

5. It was moved by Mr. Snyder and seconded by Mr. Shearer to table action on a recommendation to contract with School Installers of PA, Inc. for construction of an 8' x 24' press box attached to the new bleachers at Dietrick Field at a cost of \$66,905.00. EXHIBIT CUSTODIAL-MAINTENANCE-PROPERTY B-5

Mr. Snyder indicated that he would like to have more information about the project, and Mr. Shearer said that he would like the District to explore other options.

Roll Call Vote on Motion To Table:

Ayes: Irvin, Rothrock, Shadel, Shearer, Snyder, M. Wagner

Nays: McLaughlin, A. Wagner

Motion carried.

C. FINANCE

BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT

It was moved by Mr. Snyder and seconded by Mrs. Wagner to consider items 1 and 2 as one motion, as follows:

1. Approval of financial reports for March 2017. EXHIBIT FINANCE C-1
2. Approval of listing of bills for payment. EXHIBIT FINANCE C-2

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Irvin, McLaughlin, Shadel, Shearer, Snyder, A. Wagner, M. Wagner

Nays: Rothrock

Motion carried.

TAXES

D. CAFETERIA

E. TRANSPORTATION

F. STUDENT-RELATED

1. It was moved by Mrs. Wagner and seconded by Mr. Irvin to approve the following student field trip requests:

- Fayette/Monroe/Thompstontown-Delaware Elementary Grades 3-6 Instrumentalists, Combined Band Day, EJHS, Tuesday, April 11, 2017;
- EJHS Students (3), Tour, Hiram G. Andrews Center, Johnstown, Tues., April 11, 2017;
- *EJHS Economics Students (6), Competition, Bloomsburg, Tuesday, April 18, 2017;
- *EJHS FFA, Rural Road Safety, Millerstown, Wednesday, April 19, 2017;
- *TSA, State Conference, Seven Springs, Wednesday-Friday, April 19-21, 2017;
- *JHS/EJHS FFA, Public Speaking Competition, Mechanicsburg, Tues., April 25, 2017;
- *Ducks Unlimited Members (10), Wood Duck Box/Conservation Day, Mifflintown, Fri., April 28, 2017;
- TJHS Students (8), STEM Activities, McVeytown, Thursday, May 4, 2017;
- *JHS/EJHS FFA/Forestry Students, Envirothon, Burnham, Thursday, May 4, 2017;
- Fayette/Monroe/Thompstontown-Delaware Elementary Sixth Graders, Meet and Greet, Thompstontown, Friday, May 5, 2017;
- *Fayette/Monroe/Thompstontown-Delaware Elementary Fifth Graders, Gettysburg Historical Sites, Wednesday, May 10, 2017;
- *Fayette/Monroe/Thompstontown-Delaware Elementary Sixth Graders, National Aquarium/Maryland Science Center, Baltimore, Thursday, May 11, 2017;
- *JHS Jazz Band, Performances, Walker/Lack-Tuscarora Elementary Schools, Thurs., May 11, 2017;
- Fayette Elementary Students, Grandparents' Day, Lost Creek Community Park, Friday, May 12, 2017;
- *Thompstontown-Delaware Elementary Grade One, Smith School, Thompstontown, Fri., May 12, 2017;
- *TJHS Students (8), Math Tournament, Huntingdon, Tuesday, May 16, 2017;
- *Ducks Unlimited Members (5-6), Trout Release, Thompstontown, Tues., May 16, 2017;
- Fermanagh-Mifflintown Elementary Students (4), Math Competition, Huntingdon, Tues., May 16, 2017;
- *Fayette Elementary Grades 5-6, Trout Release, Thompstontown, Tues., May 16, 2017;
- *Walker Elementary Grade One, Smith School/Haldeman Park, Thompstontown, Wed.,

May 17, 2017;

- *Tuscarora Valley Elementary Life Skills Classroom Students, Lake Tobias, Halifax, Friday, May 19, 2017;
- *JHS Jazz Band, Performances, Mountain View/Tuscarora Valley/Fermanagh-Mifflintown Elementary Schools, Fri., May 19, 2017;
Fayette Elementary Students, Fun Day, Lost Creek Community Park/Lions Den Parking Lot, Friday, May 19, 2017;
Mountain View Elementary Fifth Graders, Pizza Party/Movie Night, Mountain View Elementary School, Saturday, May 20, 2017;
- *EJHS FFA, Competition, Johnstown, Mon.-Wed., May 22-24, 2017;
Fermanagh-Mifflintown Elementary Grades 4 and 5, Reading Reward, Mifflintown Playground, Wed., May 24, 2017;
- *EJHS Students (70), ZooAmerica/Chocolate World, Hershey, Thurs., May 25, 2017;
- *Thompsontown-Delaware Elementary Grade 1, Tabs Collection Reward, McDonald's, Mifflintown, Fri., May 26, 2017;
Fermanagh-Mifflintown Elementary Grade Three, Pen Pal Event, Mifflintown Playground, Date To Be Determined in May 2017.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Irvin, McLaughlin, Rothrock, Shadel, Shearer, Snyder, A. Wagner, M. Wagner

Nays: None

Motion carried.

It was moved by Mrs. Wagner and seconded by Mrs. McLaughlin to consider items 2 and 3 as one motion, as follows:

2. Approval of homebound instruction for a Fayette Elementary School student, March 27 – May 1, 2017.
3. Approval of the acceptance of Shin Ichikawa as a foreign exchange student from Japan for the 2017-2018 school year.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Irvin, McLaughlin, Rothrock, Shadel, Shearer, Snyder, A. Wagner, M. Wagner

Nays: None

Motion carried.

4. It was moved by Mrs. Wagner and seconded by Mr. Snyder to approve a settlement agreement and release with the parents of Juniata County School District students. (This agreement replaces an agreement previously approved by the Board.) EXHIBIT STUDENT-RELATED F-4

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Irvin, McLaughlin, Rothrock, Shadel, Shearer, Snyder, A. Wagner, M. Wagner

Nays: None

Motion carried.

G. PERSONNEL

1. It was moved by Mr. Snyder and seconded by Mr. Irvin to approve the following

retirements, effective at the conclusion of the 2016-2017 school year:

- Fayette Elementary School kindergarten teacher Jan C. Klinger;
- Tuscarora Junior High School science teacher Bruce D. Wilson.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Irvin, McLaughlin, Rothrock, Shadel, Shearer, Snyder, A. Wagner, M. Wagner

Nays: None

Motion carried.

2. It was moved by Mr. Shearer and seconded by Mrs. McLaughlin to approve the resignation of Tuscarora Valley Elementary School LPN Megan K. Gantz, effective April 12, 2017.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Irvin, McLaughlin, Rothrock, Shadel, Shearer, Snyder, A. Wagner, M. Wagner

Nays: None

Motion carried.

H. ATHLETICS AND ACTIVITIES

1. It was moved by Mr. Irvin and seconded by Mrs. Shadel to approve the following extracurricular positions for the 2017-2018 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Valerie Dressler	Girls' soccer coach	EJHS	\$2,490.00
Christian Dressler	Junior varsity girls' soccer coach	EJHS	\$1,700.00
Brian Watts	Boys' soccer coach	EJHS	\$2,490.00
Brian Clayton	Junior varsity boys' soccer coach	EJHS	\$1,700.00

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Irvin, McLaughlin, Rothrock, Shadel, Shearer, Snyder, A. Wagner, M. Wagner

Nays: None

Motion carried.

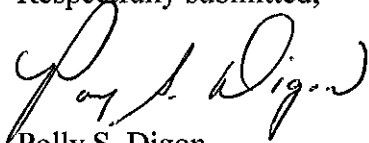
VI. OTHER BUSINESS

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Snyder and seconded by Mr. Irvin to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Polly S. Digon
Board Secretary

