

**JUNIATA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS  
Thursday, August 17, 2017  
8:00 PM REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
Administrative Office Building, 146 Weatherby Way, Mifflintown**

**MINUTES**

**I. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE**

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Juniata County School District was held Thursday, August 17, 2017 at the Administrative Office Building, all members having been duly notified. The meeting was called to order at 8:10 p.m. by Mr. Mark F. Wagner, President.

**II. BOARD MEMBERS**

The following board members were present at roll call:

Mrs. J. Erin Derr	Mrs. Christine D. Shadel
Mrs. Heather Z. Kelly	Mr. Joseph R. Shearer
Mrs. A. Christine McLaughlin	Mrs. Amy L. Wagner
Mr. Larry J. Rothrock	Mr. Mark F. Wagner

Mr. Danny R. Snyder participated by telephone.

Also present were: Superintendent Keith Yarger, Solicitor Scott Etter, Business Manager Richard Meily, Secretary Polly Digon, Mrs. Christie Holderman, Mrs. Valerie Ricedorf, Mrs. Nancy Kramer, Mr. Aaron Bennett, Mr. Edward Apple, Mr. Clint Mitchell, Mr. Benjamin Fausey, Mrs. Wendy Varner and Mrs. Jill Condo.

**III. COMMUNICATIONS**

**A. Public Comment Period**

Troy Woodward questioned the Board concerning the scope of the elementary consolidation project, including completion dates and milestones.

Clay and Sue MacTarnaghan addressed the Board regarding water runoff and flooding that the MacTarnaghans attribute to construction at Fermanagh-Mifflintown Elementary School. Jeff Harris of Reynolds Building Solutions responded to the MacTarnaghans' concerns and said that he would be in contact with ELA Group, Inc. and local municipalities to come up with a cost-effective solution to the problem.

**B. School Board Secretary**

The Board secretary had no comments.

**C. School Board Members**

There were no comments from Board members.

**D. School District Administration**

Mr. Mitchell reported on successful kindergarten orientations and improvements at Lack-

Tuscarora Elementary Schools.

Mr. Bennett, Mr. Fausey and Mr. Apple all reported that orientation programs had gone smoothly at their schools.

Mr. Apple also reported that the new volleyball program, with 47 players, is under way and that the new cross-country course is taking shape.

Mrs. Holderman said that kindergarten orientations had gone well, noted that the Fermanagh-Mifflintown Elementary School kindergarten orientation had been rescheduled, and said that the Misty Hoover Scholarship Creative Arts Fun Festival would be held August 19.

Mr. Yarger said that he had been visiting buildings and observing work in progress.

*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. Shadel 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

July 10, 2017 Special Meeting

August 9, 2017 Workshop Meeting

EXHIBIT MINUTES IV

B. Executive Sessions Conducted

August 9, 2017 Executive Session for Contractual Issues

August 17, 2017 Executive Session for Contractual Issues

Motion carried.

V. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

1. It was moved by Mrs. Wagner and seconded by Mrs. Shadel to approve an agreement with The Meadows Psychiatric Center for the provision of educational services for students who are receiving mental health and educational services at The Meadows during the 2017-2018 school year. EXHIBIT CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION A-1

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

B. CUSTODIAL-MAINTENANCE-PROPERTY

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

Judy Fitzgerald, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Juniata Valley, TJHS Facilities, After School Mentoring Program, Thursdays, September 2017-May 2018.  
Heather Kelly, Girls on the Run, Monroe Elementary School Facilities, After School Program, Tues./Thurs., September 12-November 9, 2017;  
Daniel Reed, Central PA Youth Ministries, EJHS Cafeteria, Banquet, October 3, 2017;  
Brooke Reichenbach, Tiger Cheer Boosters, EJHS Caf., Paint Party, Oct. 14, 2017;  
Brooke Reichenbach, Tiger Cheer Boosters, EJHS Athletic Field/Concession Stand/Caf., Powder Puff Football Game and Dance, October 28, 2017.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None.

Abstention: Kelly

Motion carried.

2. It was moved by Mrs. Wagner and seconded by Mrs. Kelly to approve the Guaranteed Energy Savings Agreement Amendment #5 dated August 17, 2017 with Reynolds Energy Services for the construction of the HVAC system for the addition and renovation projects at Fermanagh-Mifflintown and Monroe Elementary Schools in the amount of \$233,628.01, subject to solicitor review.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Kelly, McLaughlin, Shadel, Snyder, A. Wagner, M. Wagner

Nays: Derr, Rothrock, Shearer

Motion carried.

3. It was moved by Mrs. Wagner and seconded by Mrs. McLaughlin to approve a resolution to accept bids for elementary school building consolidation projects, to include:

Contract No. 1 – General Construction to Lobar, Inc., at a price of \$17,569,000.00, including the Combined Fermanagh-Mifflintown and Monroe Base Bid and Alternate No. 1.

Contract No. 2 – Sitework Construction at Fermanagh-Mifflintown Elementary School to Dave Gutelius, Inc., at a price of \$1,214,686.00 including the Base Bid and no Alternates; and Sitework at Monroe Elementary School to Glenn O. Hawbaker, Inc., at a price of \$1,404,000.00 including the Base Bid and no Alternates.

Contract No. 3 – Fire Protection Construction, to Rowe Sprinkler Systems, Inc., at a price of \$488,000.00, including the Combined Fermanagh-Mifflintown and Monroe Base Bid and no Alternates.

Contract No. 4 – Plumbing Construction, to reject all bids received and re-bid this contract; and recommend accepting the low responsible bidder upon receipt of new bids.

Contract No. 5 – Electrical Construction, to Bob Biter Electrical Enterprises, Inc.,

at a price of \$4,558,000.00, including the Combined Fermanagh-Mifflintown and Monroe Base Bid and Alternate No. 4.

EXHIBIT CUSTODIAL-MAINTENANCE-PROPERTY B-3

Roll Call:

Ayes: Kelly, McLaughlin, Shadel, Snyder, A. Wagner, M. Wagner

Nays: Derr, Rothrock, Shearer

Motion carried.

**C. FINANCE**

**BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT**

It was moved by Mrs. Kelly and seconded by Mrs. Shadel to consider items 1 and 2 as one motion, as follows:

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

Roll Call:

Ayes: Derr, Kelly, McLaughlin, Shadel, Shearer, Snyder, A. Wagner, M. Wagner

Nays: Rothrock

Motion carried.

**TAXES**

**D. CAFETERIA**

**E. TRANSPORTATION**

1. It was moved by Mrs. Wagner and seconded by Mr. Rothrock to approve a pupil transportation agreement with Rohrer Bus Service. EXHIBIT TRANSPORTATION E-1

Roll Call:

Ayes: Derr, Kelly, McLaughlin, Shadel, Snyder, A. Wagner, M. Wagner

Nays: Rothrock

Abstention: Shearer

Motion carried.

2. It was moved by Mrs. McLaughlin and seconded by Mrs. Shadel to approve contracted drivers, contracted vehicles and assigned routes as needed for the 2017-2018 school year. EXHIBIT TRANSPORTATION E-2

Roll Call:

Ayes: Derr, Kelly, McLaughlin, Rothrock, Shadel, Snyder, A. Wagner, M. Wagner

Nays: None

Abstention: Shearer

Motion carried.

**F. STUDENT-RELATED**

1. It was moved by Mrs. Wagner and seconded by Mr. Rothrock to approve revised Juniata County School District Policy 204, Pupils, Attendance. EXHIBIT STUDENT-RELATED F-1  
Roll Call:  
Ayes: Derr, Kelly, 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 following student field trip request:

Monroe Elementary Students, Walking Trip to Basom Park, Mobile Ag Lab, Mon.-  
Thurs., September 18-21, 2017.

Motion carried.

**H. PERSONNEL**

Mr. Wagner called an executive session to discuss a personnel issue, from 8:45 to 8:50 p.m.

1. It was moved by Mrs. Wagner and seconded by Mrs. McLaughlin to approve the employment of Caprice E. French and Lisa A. Yarger as part-time library aides, at an hourly rate of \$13.12, effective August 23, 2017.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

2. It was moved by Mr. Rothrock and seconded by Mrs. Kelly to approve the retirement of East Juniata High School social studies teacher Nora E. Houser, effective July 6, 2017.

Motion carried.

3. It was moved by Mrs. Wagner and seconded by Mr. Rothrock to approve the following resignations:

- Tuscarora Junior High School computer teacher Andrea T. Reickart, effective August 8, 2017;
- Tuscarora Junior High School English/language arts teacher Jennifer L. Martin, effective August 17, 2017.

Motion carried.

It was moved by Mrs. Wagner and seconded by Mrs. Shadel to consider items 4, 5 and 6 as one motion, as follows:

4. Approval of Rachael E. Kilmer as an itinerant speech therapist, on Master's Degree, Step 1 of the salary schedule, effective August 24, 2017. Miss Kilmer replaces Dr. Elise Hazel, who has retired.
5. Approval of the employment of Edward W. Gunkle II as an East Juniata High School social studies teacher, on Master's Degree, Step 14 of the salary schedule, effective August 24, 2017. Mr. Gunkle replaces Nora Houser.
6. Approval of the employment of Jennifer S. Nace as a Fermanagh-Mifflintown Elementary School ESL teacher on Bachelor's Degree, Step 6 of the salary schedule, effective August 24, 2017. Mrs. Nace replaces Emily Book, who has resigned.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

It was moved by Mrs. Wagner and seconded by Mrs. Kelly to consider items 7, 8 and 9 as one motion, as follows:

7. Approval of Erin N. Harris as a mentor for Rachael E. Kilmer.
8. Acceptance of the resignation of school psychologist Anne Frank Webb, effective September 29, 2017.
9. Approval of compensation of Anne Frank Webb to assist with completion of special education record review reevaluations at a price of \$110 per reevaluation.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

It was moved by Mrs. Kelly and seconded by Mr. Rothrock to consider items 10 and 11 as one motion, as follows:

10. Approval of the transfer of Robert D. St. Clair, Jr. from a Juniata High School computer teaching position to the Tuscarora Junior High School computer teaching position vacated by Andrea Reickart, effective August 24, 2017.
11. Approval of the transfer of Jenifer M. Lilley from a Title I teaching position at Walker and Thompsontown-Delaware Elementary Schools to the Tuscarora Junior High School English teaching position vacated by Jennifer Martin, effective August 24, 2017.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

12. It was moved by Mrs. Wagner and seconded by Mrs. McLaughlin to approve an annual salary of \$95,053.00 for Clint J. Mitchell, principal of Lack-Tuscarora and Tuscarora Valley Elementary Schools, effective July 1, 2017.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

13. It was moved by Mrs. McLaughlin and seconded by Mrs. Shadel to approve unpaid leave for:

Employee 74, September 5-8, 2017;

Employee 2671, October 12-20, 2017.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

## **I. ATHLETICS AND ACTIVITIES**

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

1. Approval of the following extracurricular positions for the 2017-2018 school year:

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Position</u></b>	<b><u>School</u></b>	<b><u>Stipend</u></b>
Laura Chubb	Cheerleading co-coach	EJHS	\$ 392.50
Sally Snook	Cheerleading co-coach	EJHS	\$ 392.50
Laura Toth	Freshman class advisor	EJHS	\$ 325.00
Jennifer Hund	Sophomore class advisor	EJHS	\$ 325.00
Reesa Watto	Junior class advisor	EJHS	\$ 950.00
Mark Ritzman	Senior class advisor	EJHS	\$1,025.00
Cory Benner	Senior class advisor	EJHS	\$1,025.00
Penny Ritzman	Junior class play director	EJHS	\$1,405.00
Kevin Milliken	Senior high marching band director	EJHS	\$2,250.00
Harley Straub	SAP Team	EJHS	\$ 500.00
Jonathan Sliski	SAP Team	EJHS	\$ 500.00
Simon Cameron	SAP Team	EJHS	\$ 500.00
Penny Ritzman	SAP Team	EJHS	\$ 500.00
Penny Ritzman	Senior play director	EJHS	\$1,405.00
Kevin Milliken	Senior play music director	EJHS	\$ 825.00
Julie Hannon	Student Council advisor	EJHS	\$ 200.00
Andrew Ciecierski	Yearbook advisor	EJHS	\$1,245.00
Jeremy Roush	Junior class play art director	EJHS	\$ 600.00
Jeremy Roush	Senior class play co-art director	EJHS	\$ 300.00
Tina Kerstetter	Senior class play co-art director	EJHS	\$ 300.00

Jessie Reed	SAP Team	TJHS \$ 500.00
Caren Mann	SAP Team	TJHS \$ 500.00
Lori Boyd	SAP Team	TJHS \$ 500.00
Zachary Smith	SAP Team	TJHS \$ 500.00
Phillip Lupolt	SAP Team	TJHS \$ 500.00

EJHS Game Personnel: James Tusing, Thomas Devine, Tom Feltman, Rodney Feltman, Jana Snyder, Tammy Brackbill, Todd Brackbill, Noah Brackbill, Travis Quici, Stacie Trent, Dennis Sankey, Jennifer Sankey

2. Approval of the following volunteer extracurricular positions for the 2017-2018 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>School</u>
Pietro Passalacqua	Girls' soccer coach	EJHS
Kirk Freed	Junior high boys' soccer coach	EJHS
Colton Shertzer	Football coach	JHS
Joyce Price	Cross country coach	JHS
Matthew Coldren	Boys' soccer coach	JHS
Lori Glace	Field hockey coach	EJHS
Chris Mann	Field hockey coach	EJHS
Cory Fronk	Junior high boys' soccer coach	EJHS

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

## **VI. OTHER BUSINESS**

It was moved by Mrs. Wagner and seconded by Mrs. Kelly to table items 1, 2, 4 and 5 until the September 2017 meeting and approve item 3, as follows:

1. Approval of David Hutchinson/Otto W. Voit III as the Juniata County School District approved candidate for Pennsylvania School Boards Association president-elect.
2. Approval of Eric Wolfgang/Gary Michael Smedley as the Juniata County School District approved candidate for Pennsylvania School Boards Association vice president.
3. Approval of Mike Gossert as the Juniata County School District approved candidate for Pennsylvania School Boards Association treasurer.
4. Approval of Larry Augustine/Clythera Hornung as the Juniata County School District approved candidate for Pennsylvania School Boards Association at-large representative representing Regions 4, 5, 6, 9 and 12.
5. Approval of Michael Faccinnetto/Marianne L. Neel as the Juniata County School District approved candidate for Pennsylvania School Boards Association Insurance Trust trustee.



Motion carried.

It was moved by Mrs. Wagner and seconded by Mrs. McLaughlin to accept the resignation of Erin Derr as representative of Region 9 on the Juniata County School District Board of Directors, effective August 17, 2017.

Motion carried.

Mrs. Shadel noted that Carter Smith was in attendance at the meeting in order to earn a Boy Scouting merit badge.

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, it was moved by Mrs. Wagner and seconded by Mrs. Kelly to adjourn the meeting.

The Board entered executive session to discuss a legal issue.

Respectfully submitted,



Polly S. Digon  
Board Secretary

