

**JUNIATA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
Thursday, March 16, 2017
8:00 PM REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Fermanagh-Mifflintown Elementary School**

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Juniata County School District was held Thursday, March 16, 2017 in the Fermanagh-Mifflintown Elementary School multipurpose room, 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
Mrs. Christine D. Shadel
Mr. Joseph R. Shearer

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

Mrs. J. Erin Derr participated in the meeting by telephone.
Mr. Larry J. Rothrock was absent.

III. COMMUNICATIONS

A. School Board Secretary

The board secretary had nothing to report.

B. School Board Members

There were no comments from board members.

C. School District Administration

Mr. Yarger reported that the annual spring senior citizens' luncheon would be held April 11. Mr. Fausey commended wrestler Garrett Gabel for reaching state-level competition, as well as the girls' basketball team, who were District IV runners-up. He also reported that Friday evening's musical performance had been postponed until Sunday afternoon. Mr. Apple congratulated Josie Swartz for scoring 1,000 points in basketball; Sydney Houtz, for post-season swimming accomplishments; and the boys' and girls' basketball teams for post-season wins, the boys' team having qualified for state competition. Mrs. Holderman reported that Fermanagh-Mifflintown Elementary School's intervention team and been invited to present at a state conference.

D. Public Comment Period

Leah Fronk spoke about elementary consolidation, asking the Board not to close Thompsontown-Delaware Elementary School and to consider renovating buildings rather than consolidating.

Lauren Smith asked the Board to repair elementary buildings rather than close them;

presented a petition containing over 300 signatures of individuals opposed to elementary consolidation; and said that parents were committed to raising funds to build a gym on property the District recently purchased adjacent to Monroe Elementary School. Paula Lauver shared concerns about Superintendent Yarger purportedly circulating election petitions for a school board candidate. Mr. Wagner interrupted Mrs. Lauver to say that comments must pertain to items on the board meeting agenda. Jesse Whitesel spoke about concerns about the financial impact of the proposed consolidation project and said that he believes many county residents are unaware of what consolidation involves. Troy Woodward shared questions about the financial aspect of the consolidation proposal and urged the Board to consider renovating existing buildings rather than consolidating.

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 Mr. Snyder and seconded by Mr. Irvin 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**
February 16, 2017 Regular Board Meeting
March 8, 2017 Workshop Meeting

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B. **Executive Sessions Conducted**
March 16, 2017 Executive Session for Personnel Issues

Motion carried.

V. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

A. **CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION**

1. It was moved by Mrs. McLaughlin and seconded by Mrs. Shadel to approve the planned courses Anatomy and Physiology, Investing 101 and Personal Financial Management, at Juniata High School, and Music Appreciation - Music of the 20th Century, at East Juniata High School, for the 2017-2018 school year. EXHIBIT CURRICLUM AND INSTRUCTION A-1

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Derr, Irvin, McLaughlin, 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 Mr. Snyder to approve the following facility use requests, in accordance with the rental fee schedule outlined in Policy 707:

Tammy Brackbill, EJ Elementary Boys' Basketball, EJHS Gym, Tournament, February 24-25, 2017;

Lisa Buskey, Cocolamus Tigers, Fayette Elementary Field, Practice/Games, March 1-July 1, 2017;

Tammy Brackbill, EJ Elementary Boys' Basketball, TJHS Gym, Practice, March 2 and 9, 2017;

Tammy Brackbill, EJ Elementary Boys' Basketball, EJHS Gym, Practice, March 5, 12, 19, 26, April 2, 9, 23, 30, May 7, 21, 28, 2017;

Malachi Scott, Hustle Elite, TJHS Gym, Practice, Mon./Fri., March 17-June 7, 2017;

Clint Mitchell, Thompsettown Youth Baseball, Thompsettown-Delaware Elementary Field, Practice, Mon.-Sun., March 19-July 1, 2017;

William Walton, Mifflintown Youth Baseball, TJHS Facilities, Tryouts, March 21, 2017;

Kim Stuck, EJ Boys' Basketball Booster Club, EJHS Facilities, Tournament, April 8, 2017;

Mike Smith, Masonic Lodge, Fermanagh-Mifflintown Elem. Grounds, Egg Hunt, April 15, 2017;

Kim Stuck, EJ Boys' Basketball Booster Club, EJHS Facilities, Camp, June 5-9, 2017;

Richard Gilson, Jr., Juniata Wrestling, JHS Facilities, Tournament, January 5-6, 2018;

Richard Gilson, Jr., Juniata Wrestling, JHS Facilities, Tournament, January 12-13, 2018.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: None

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 February 2017. EXHIBIT FINANCE C-1
2. Approval of listing of bills for payment. EXHIBIT FINANCE C-2

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: None

Motion carried.

3. It was moved by Mr. Snyder and seconded by Mrs. McLaughlin to approve establishing a Juniata High School life skills class account, in order for the class to raise funds for supplies and activities.

Motion carried.

4. It was moved by Mr. Snyder and seconded by Mrs. Wagner to approve the 2017-2018 Tuscarora Intermediate Unit General Operating Budget in the amount of \$3,122,568.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: None

Motion carried.

TAXES

1. It was moved by Mrs. Wagner and seconded by Mr. Irvin to approve the attached list of taxpayers exonerated from paying per capita taxes. Names of taxpayers exonerated from paying per capita taxes are also provided for informational purposes. EXHIBIT TAXES C-1

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: None

Motion carried.

D. CAFETERIA

E. TRANSPORTATION

1. It was moved by Mrs. Wagner and seconded by Mrs. Shadel to approve Tiffany Shank, Lisa Thome and Dana Sayers as contracted drivers for the Juniata County School District.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: None

Abstention: Shearer

Motion carried.

It was moved by Mr. Irvin and seconded by Mr. Snyder to consider items 2 and 3 as one motion, as follows:

2. Approval that the district pay transportation cost for all preapproved combined grade level field trips for elementary school students across the district as approved. Home and School organizations will supply transportation for all other trips by following district guidelines as set forth in policy.

3. Approval of a transitional inter-district transportation agreement with Mifflin County School District, for provision of transportation to students experiencing homelessness. EXHIBIT TRANSPORTATION E-3

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: None

Motion carried.

F. STUDENT-RELATED

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

- JHS Medical Terminology Students, Tour, Geisinger-Lewistown Hospital, Lewistown, Date To Be Determined in March;
- JHS/EJHS FFA, Public Speaking, Huntingdon, Tuesday, March 21, 2017;
- *JHS Flute Ensemble, Performance, Port Royal Lutheran Church, Tues., March 28, 2017;
- *JHS FFA, Volleyball Tournament, Millerstown, Friday, March 31, 2017;
- *Thompsontown-Delaware Elementary Grades 5 and 6, Trout Release, AMVETS, Thompsontown, Monday, April 10, 2017;
- Juniata High School Political Science Students (17), Defense Logistics Agency, New Cumberland, Tuesday, April 11, 2017;
- *EJHS Building Trades Students, Triangle Tech Tour, Sunbury, Wed., April 12, 2017;
- *Fermanagh-Mifflintown/Walker/Mountain View/Tuscarora Valley/Lack-Tuscarora Elem. Grade 4 Students, Landis Valley Museum, Lancaster, Wed., April 12, 2017;
- Lack-Tuscarora/Walker/Fermanagh-Mifflintown/Mountain View/Tuscarora Valley Elementary Students, Spring Concert, Juniata High School, Wed., April 19, 2017;
- JHS FFA/Ag Mechanics Students, Rural Road Safety, Liverpool, Wed., April 19, 2017;
- East Juniata High School Students (8), Science Iditarod, Bloomsburg, Friday, April 21, 2017;
- *Thompsontown-Delaware/Fayette/Monroe Elementary Kindergarteners, Chocolate World/ZooAmerica, Hershey, Monday, April 24, 2017;
- Fayette, Lack-Tuscarora/Walker/Fermanagh-Mifflintown Elementary Students (13), Chorus Fest, Curwensville, Friday, April 28, 2017;
- *Fayette Elementary Life Skills Class, Discovery Space, State College, Friday, April 28, 2017;
- *Fermanagh-Mifflintown/Walker/Mountain View/Tuscarora Valley/Lack-Tuscarora Elem. Grade 3 Students, Capitol/Whitaker Center, Harrisburg, Tues., May 9, 2017;
- *Fermanagh-Mifflintown/Walker/Mountain View/Tuscarora Valley/Lack-Tuscarora Elementary Grade 5 Students, Gettysburg Historical Sites, Wed., May 10, 2017;
- Fayette Elementary Students (6), Band Fest, Three Springs, Friday, May 12, 2017;
- *Fermanagh-Mifflintown/Walker/Mountain View/Tuscarora Valley/Lack-Tuscarora Elementary Grade 2 Students, Lincoln Caverns, Huntingdon, Tues., May 16, 2017;
- *Fermanagh-Mifflintown/Walker/Mountain View/Tuscarora Valley/Lack-Tuscarora Elementary Kindergarten Students, Lake Tobias, Halifax, Friday, May 19, 2017;
- *Tuscarora Junior High School Grades 6 and 7, Knoebels Amusement Resort, Elysburg, Wednesday, May 24, 2017;
- *JHS FFA, Activities Week, Penn State University, Tues.-Thurs., June 13-15, 2017;
- *JHS Band, Performance, FNB Field, Harrisburg, Saturday, August 5, 2017.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: None

Motion carried.

G. PERSONNEL

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 elimination of a Level 1 paraprofessional position at Tuscarora Junior High School.
2. Approval of the following resignations:
 - Misty A. Scott, Tuscarora Junior High School Level 1 paraprofessional, effective February 24, 2017;
 - Sandra J. Dimm, Monroe Elementary School Level 1 paraprofessional, effective February 24, 2017;
 - Stacey M. Pannebaker, Fermanagh-Mifflintown Elementary School Level 1 paraprofessional, effective March 10, 2017.

Motion carried.

It was moved by Mrs. McLaughlin and seconded by Mr. Irvin to consider items 3 and 4 as one motion, as follows:

3. Approval of the transfer of a Fermanagh-Mifflintown Elementary School temporary Level 1 paraprofessional position to Walker Elementary School, through the conclusion of the 2016-2017 school year, and further approve the employment of Sandra D. Goss in the position, at an hourly rate of \$10.29, effective March 1, 2017.
4. Approval of the employment of Karley A. Doyle as a Level 1 paraprofessional at Mountain View Elementary School, at an hourly rate of \$10.29, effective March 13, 2017. Miss Doyle replaces Melinda Spade, who has resigned.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: None

Motion carried.

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

5. Approval of the employment of Blake M. Marks as a transportation aide, at an hourly rate of \$10.29, effective February 27, 2017.
6. Approval of the employment of Maggie K. Hohol as a substitute LPN.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: None

Motion carried.

7. It was moved by Mrs. Wagner and seconded by Mr. Irvin to approve the retirement of speech therapist Dr. Elise L. Hazel at the conclusion of the 2016-2017 school year.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: None

Motion carried.

H. ATHLETICS AND ACTIVITIES

1. It was moved by Mr. Snyder and seconded by Mrs. Wagner to approve the following extracurricular position for the 2016-2017 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Harley Straub	Junior high field hockey coach	EJHS	\$1,450.00

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: None

Motion carried.

INFORMATION: Harley Straub was erroneously listed on the February 2017 agenda as varsity field hockey coach.

2. It was moved by Mrs. Wagner and seconded by Mr. Irvin to approve the following volunteer extracurricular positions for the 2016-2017 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>School</u>
Dylan Haas	Track and field coach	EJHS
Kyle Hepner	Track and field coach	EJHS
Marnie Hart	Track and field coach	JHS

Motion carried.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

It was moved by Mr. Snyder and seconded by Mr. Irvin to approve the Superintendent to attend an Apple conference in Cupertino, CA, in lieu of a national or state conference at a cost to the district of one business class airfare.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nays: None

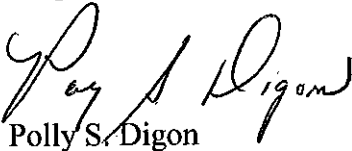
Motion carried.

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,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Polly S. Digon". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Polly S. Digon
Board Secretary