

Tunkhannock Area School District
Board Minutes – Public Work Session/Board Meeting
June 8, 2017

The Tunkhannock Area School District Board of Directors met on the above date at the Central Administration Building. The following members were present:

Board Member:	Present	Absent
Philip Farr, President	✓	
Bill Weidner, Vice-President	✓	
John Burke, Treasurer	✓	
Holly Arnold	✓	
Lori Bennett	✓	
Randy Greenip	✓	
Rob Parry	✓	
Bill Prebola	✓	
Bill Swilley	✓	

There were interested citizens present.

Mr. Farr called the meeting to order at 7:35PM and then led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Farr stated that the Board met in Executive Session immediately prior to this meeting to discuss personnel matters.

Public Comment on Agenda Items Only

Ms. Petterson commented the survey of parents asking if they would like their incoming Kindergarten students to start at Roslund Elementary next year instead of their respective catchment-area elementary school.

Mr. Sick commented on the following items:

- Feasibility Study impact analysis of the sewer system in town
- LIU #18 lease of space at Evans Falls Elementary
- Three Dean of Student positions

Student Spotlight

Ms. McPherson announced that High School Watershed Team presentation would not take place tonight since one of the members needed to be with the girls' softball team for the game.

Recognition of Judge & Mrs. Russell Shurtleff

Mrs. Eagen recognized Judge & Mrs. Shurtleff for their very generous donation via the United Way for the Summer Reading Program at Mehoopany Elementary School.

Recognition of Evans Falls Pre-K Counts

Mrs. Eagen recognized Ms. Cathy Franko, head of the Pre-K Counts Program for achieving a 4-Star Quality Rating from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

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Enrollments

The latest enrollments figures were provided for information only.

Student Spotlight

A presentation by the Robotics Team (Tigertrons) was made prior to calling the meeting to order this evening.

Enrollments

Enrollments were provided for information.

Minutes

Resolution # 1 : A motion was made by Mr. Swilley and seconded by Mr. Weidner to approve the minutes listed below. Voting: Motion carried unanimously - see resolution number one in the minute book

1. Board Minutes of the May 11, 2017 Public Work Session/Board Meeting as presented.
2. Board Minutes of the May 25, 2017 Public Work Session/Board Meeting as presented.

Superintendent's Report

Resolution # 2 : A motion was made by Mr. Parry and seconded by Mr. Weidner to approve the items from the Superintendent's Report listed below (with additions by Ms. McPherson that are included below). Voting: Motion carried unanimously - see resolution number two in the minute book

1. Volunteers for the 2016-17 school year as listed below. Candidates have on file in the Superintendent's Office, clearances and TB testing as required by district policy.
 - a. Stephen Cheskiewicz
 - b. Steven Salters
 - c. Luke Kresge
2. Field trip attendance as listed.
 - a. Steve Traver FFA State Activities Week 6/13-15
5 Students Attending and CDE Event
3. Conference attendance as listed:
 - a. Jackie Shaver NSAPA 2017 Annual Conference 5/10, 8/7-9 \$812.15
 - b. Jackie Shaver ServSafe Manager Certification 6/6 \$200.27
 - c. Mary Gene Eagen New Superintendents Academy 7/11-12 \$804.80
4. Cathy Chapla – 1 year unpaid leave 2017-18

Dr. Prebola provided an update on the Tunkhannock Area School District Foundation.

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Committee Reports

None.

Unfinished Business

Resolution # 3 : A motion was made by Mr. Parry and seconded by Mrs. Arnold to approve the second reading of Board Policy No. 246 – Student Wellness. Voting: Motion carried unanimously - see resolution number three in the minute book.

Resolution # 4 : A motion was made by Mr. Parry and seconded by Mrs. Arnold to approve the meal price increases listed below for the 2017-18 School year. Voting: Motion carried (8 – Yes, 1 – No) - see resolution number four in the minute book.

Group	Meal	2016-17	Increase	2017-18
Students	Breakfast	\$1.70	\$0.05	\$1.75
	Lunch	\$2.80	\$0.05	\$2.85
Adults	Breakfast	\$2.25	\$0.25	\$2.50
	Lunch	\$4.50	\$0.25	\$4.75

New Business

Resolution # 5 : A motion was made by Mr. Swilley and seconded by Mr. Parry to approve the renewal of insurance coverage for the 2017-18 school year with Tri-County General Insurance Agency, Inc. as presented. Voting: Motion carried unanimously - see resolution number five in the minute book.

Resolution # 6 : A motion was made by Mr. Parry and seconded by Mr. Weidner to approve an adult education night course for mechanics working at garages in the community and wishing to obtain their PA Safety Inspection Mechanic License as part of our training agreement with PennDot to maintain our approval as a PA Safety Inspection Mechanic training facility. Voting: Motion carried unanimously - see resolution number six in the minute book.

Resolution # 7 : A motion was made by Mrs. Arnold and seconded by Mr. Parry to approve the appointment of Highland Associates as the Engineering firm for the renovations and improvements to existing buildings for the purpose of consolidating schools. Voting: Motion carried (8 – Yes, 1 – No) - see resolution number seven in the minute book.

Possible Kindergarten Consolidation for Fall 2017: Ms. McPherson provided the results of the survey on possible kindergarten consolidation for Fall 2017. The Board decided not to consolidate and to leave kindergarten as is for the Fall of 2017.

Agreement with LIU #18 for use of space at Evans Falls Elementary: Ms. McPherson discussed the potential of leasing space to LIU#18 and presented a mock-up of the potential configuration.

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Ms. McPherson stated that the draft lease agreement is under review by the District’s Solicitor. The Board decided to table a decision until the lease agreement is finalized.

Posting of New Positions: Ms. McPherson presented a budget-neutral plan to re-organize staffing with the following slots begin filled from within

- 3 Deans of Students
- 1 Special Education Coordinator
- 1 Human Resources Assistant
- 2 Instructional Coaches

The Board authorized Ms. McPherson to post internally for these positions.

Public Comment

None

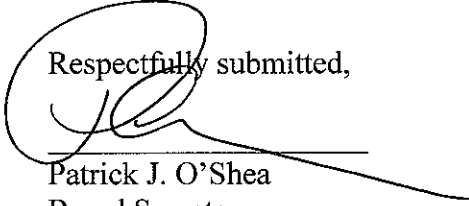
Mr. Farr announced that the Board would be going into Executive session to discuss personnel issues and would not be returning.

A motion to adjourn was made at 8:40 pm by Mr. Parry and seconded by Mr. Swilley. Motion carried on all ayes.

ROLL CALL VOTE

RESOLUTION #:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Holly Arnold	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Lori Bennett	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Randy Greenip	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Rob Parry	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bill Prebola	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bill Swilley	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
John Burke	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bill Weidner	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Phil Farr	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Respectfully submitted,


Patrick J. O'Shea
Board Secretary

Attachments: None