

**Tunkhannock Area School District
Board Minutes – Public Work Session/Board Meeting
February 22, 2018**

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

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

There were interested citizens present.

Mr. Farr called the meeting to order at 7:30PM and then led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Farr stated that the Board met in Executive Session last night with the administrative team to get an update on security measures. He also announced that tonight's meeting is being live-streamed.

<i>Public Comment on Agenda Items Only</i>

None.

<i>Minutes</i>

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

1. February 8, 2018 Public Work Session/Board Meeting as presented.

<i>Business and Finance</i>

Resolution # 2 : A motion was made by Mrs. Arnold and seconded by Mr. Parry to approve the Business and Finance items listed. Voting: Motion carried (8 – Yes, 1 – No) - see resolution number two in the minute book.

1. District Treasurers' Reports as presented.
 - a. District
 - b. Pennsylvania Liquid Assets
 - c. Payroll Account
 - d. Gas Lease Funds Account
 - e. Unemployment Compensation Fund
 - f. Capital Reserve

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- g. Scholarship Accounts
- h. Cafeteria
- i. Title I
- j. Title II
- k. Title IV
- l. Activities Accounts
- m. Pre K Funds
- n. General Fund Checking Account
- 2. Payrolls as presented:
 - a. District
 - January 10, 2018 \$758,915.61
 - January 25, 2018 \$757,791.51
 - b. Cafeteria
 - January 10, 2018 \$22,379.79
 - January 25, 2018 \$24,525.69
 - c. Chapter I
 - January 10, 2018 \$15,937.43
 - January 25, 2018 \$15,937.43
- 3. Ratify wire/ACH/fund transfers as presented.
- 4. Ratify district bills as presented in the amount of \$980,377.27.
- 5. Bills as presented:
 - a. District - \$379,361.96
 - b. Cafeteria - \$128,807.69
- 6. District financial reports as presented.

<i>Superintendent's Report</i>

Ms. McPherson asked the Board to approve items 1 through 4, table item 5, and approve 6 & 7 from the original agenda.

Resolution # 3 : A motion was made by Mr. Weidner and seconded by Mr. Parry to take action on the items from the Superintendent's Report as indicated below. Voting: Motion carried unanimously - see resolution number three in the minute book.

Approve the following:

- 1. Retirement of Teresa Keller, Mehoopany Medical Aide, effective 7/1/18.
- 2. Unpaid leave of Marny Hyde, Middle School Science teacher, beginning approximately 3/14/18 (date may be adjusted if additional snow days occur) and for the remainder of the school year.
- 3. Appointment of Extra Curricular positions as presented. Clearances and TB testing are on file in the Superintendent's Office as indicated. (see Exhibit A attached)
- 4. Appointment of Volunteers as presented. Clearances and TB testing are on file in the Superintendent's Office as indicated. (see Exhibit B attached)

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5. Approve the Overnight field trip listed:
 - a. Tara Kasperowski PMEA Regional Chorus Festival 2/28-3/2
6. Conference attendance as listed:
 - a. Sheri Brown Bringing Mindfulness to Your Classroom \$191.29
 - b. Mary Gene Eagen ASCD Empower 18 \$1,811.53
 - c. Steve Traver PDE Data Summit \$882.00

Table the following:

1. Van Drivers for Brown's Van Service as listed:
 - d. Ciara Moyer – pending Act 114 and 151
 - e. William Askew – Pending Act 151

Committee Reports

None.

Unfinished Business

None.

New Business

TASD Visa Account Statement was provided for information.

Resolution # 4 : A motion was made by Mr. Weidner and seconded by Mr. Parry to approve the distribution of a student survey for Grades 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, & 7. Survey questions will seek input from students on the upcoming consolidation.. Voting: Motion carried unanimously - see resolution number four in the minute book.

Ms. McPherson provided an overview and update on safety and security measures taken during the past few years as well as new measures just implemented.

Public Comment

Mr. Yuhas commented on the neighborhood crime watch, building exits, number of armed guards, response time, contact for security concerns, a log of security concerns and the ability of cameras to audibly recognize gunfire.

Emily Rickaby commented on security measures and student fear.

Ms. Lamello commented on Facebook posts, clear book bags, armed teachers, security for 7th grade between buildings next year and metal detector wands.

Anthony Eckert commented on door magnets being removed, door alarms, all call messages not received and secure vestibules.

Ms. DeMarco commented on contents of "Go-bags". Use of radios when outside buildings, keeping kids safe and the need for parents to pay attention to safety too.

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Ms. Melissa Walter commented on metal detectors and very large gym bags.

Ms. Crystal Werner commented on the need to educate new students on emergency procedures.

Ms. Bonnie commented on newly implemented security measures at Mill City, metal detectors, emergency procedures for students when they are outside of the classroom – hallway, bathroom etc.

Mr. Lomello commented on metal detectors, random bag checks with wands, logging of security issues, additional school resource officers and cameras in the Administration Building.

Ms. Karen commented on impact of video games and suggestion to have safety issue training videos posted on the District website.

Tunkhannock Borough Police Chief Carpenter commented on the opioid crisis, car accidents and the state of the mental health system.

Ms. Nichols commented on the mental health crises, anonymous tip line, SAP program and metal detectors

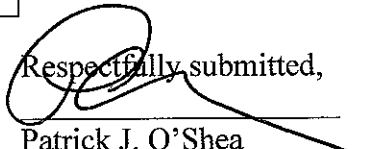
Mr. Farr announced that the Board would be going into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters and would not be returning.

A motion to adjourn was made at 9:05 pm by Mrs. Arnold and seconded by Mr. Swilley. Motion carried on all ayes.

ROLL CALL VOTE

<u>RESOLUTION</u> <u>#:</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>
Holly Arnold	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Lori Bennett	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Shana Gregory	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Rob Parry	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bill Prebola	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bill Swilley	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
John Burke	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bill Weidner	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Phil Farr	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Respectfully submitted,


Patrick J. O'Shea
Board Secretary

Attachments: Exhibits A & B

Volunteers 2-22-2018
2017-18 School Year

Volunteers	
Last	First
Chesner	Darrin
Darling	Terence
Eckman	Christopher
Forba*	Victoria
Gruver	Edward
Kalish	Barbara
Papi	Joe
Pasko	Michael
Purdy	Wendy
Repos	Mark
Stalker	Ryan
Theobald	Allison
Walsh**	John

* Pending TB testing

** Updated clearance will be needed during the 2017-18 school year.

EXHIBIT B