

TRINITY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Meeting Minutes
April 20, 2006
Board Room – Trinity Hall

The meeting was called to order by the president, Gerald Chambers, at 6:30 p.m., followed by the pledge of allegiance and roll call

Board Members Present: Gerald Chambers, Jenifer Fetcko, Stephanie Komorowski, Charles McCreery, Dennis McWreath, Emily Minor, Samuel Puglisi and Kathleen Pienkowski

Board Member Absent: Ivy Rodgers

Others Present: Thomas Turnbaugh, Superintendent; Yvonne Beverina Weaver, Assistant Superintendent; James Shargots, Director of Fiscal Services/Board Secretary; Michael Brungo, solicitor; and Joan Martos, recording secretary

Public Comment

None

Communications

None

1. Motion by Kathleen Pienkowski and seconded by Emily Minor to approve the Minutes, Treasurer's Report, Cafeteria Report, Extracurricular Account, High School Activities Account, Middle School Activities Account and Officials Account - ENCLOSURES 4A, 4B, 4D, 4E, 4F, 4G and 4H
Motion carried unanimously
2. Motion by Samuel Puglisi and seconded by Emily Minor to approve the Bill Lists – ENCLOSURE 4C
Motion carried – 7 ayes – 1 nay (McWreath)'

Superintendent's Report

3. Motion by Stephanie Komorowski and seconded by Kathleen Pienkowski to approve policies as follows:
 - Second Reading
 - 902 – Publications Program – ENCLOSURE 5A
 - 903 – Public Participation in Board Meetings – ENCLOSURE 5B
 - 904 – Public Attendance at School Events – ENCLOSURE 5C
 - 907 – School Visitors – ENCLOSURE 5E
 - 911 – News Media Relations – ENCLOSURE 5F
 - First Reading
 - 008 – Organization Chart – ENCLOSURE 5G
 - 105.2 – Exemption from Instruction – ENCLOSURE 5H
 - 106.1 – Composition Policy (Elimination) – ENCLOSURE 5I
 - 113 – Special Education – ENCLOSURE 5J
 - 113 – Special Education (Elimination) ENCLOSURE 5J.1
 - 113.1 – Discipline of Students with Disabilities – ENCLOSURE 5K
 - 113.1 – Discipline of Students with Disabilities (Elimination) – ENCLOSURE 5K.1
 - 113.2 – Behavior Support Plan – ENCLOSURE 5L
 - 113.2 – Behavior Support Plan (Elimination) – ENCLOSURE 5L.1

- 116 – Tutorial Instruction – ENCLOSURE 5M
- 117 – Homebound Instruction – ENCLOSURE 5N
- 121 – Field Trips – ENCLOSURE 5O
- 123 – Interscholastic Athletics – ENCLOSURE 5P
- 131 – Federal Program/Chapter I (Elimination) – ENCLOSURE 5Q
- 131 – Title I Program – ENCLOSURE 5R
- 135 – Print Shop (Elimination) – ENCLOSURE 5S
- 137 – Home Education Programs – ENCLOSURE 5S-1
- 138 – Limited English Proficiency Program – ENCLOSURE 5T

Tabled

- 904.1 – Access to School District – ENCLOSURE 5D
- 913 – Relations with Special Interest Groups – ENCLOSURE 5U
- 916 – Volunteers – ENCLOSURE 5V

Motion carried unanimously

4. Motion by Emily Minor and seconded by Dennis McWreath to approve the Student Adjudication as per ENCLOSURE 12B.1
Motion carried unanimously
5. Motion by Dennis McWreath and seconded by Jenifer Fetcko to approve the informal student agreement as per ENCLOSURE 12H
Motion carried unanimously

Assistant Superintendent's Report

Student Recognitions - Yvonne Weaver recognized Benjamin Jennings, high school student and Thomas Snee, middle school student, as the "Students of the Month" for March

Student Representative – Megan Black gave her report of high school activities

Report on Oracle Certificate – ENCLOSURE 6C.1

6. Motion by Samuel Puglisi and seconded by Emily Minor to approve Melanie Sirianni's training for Oracle Academy at UCLA—Summer 2006 – ENCLOSURE 6C
Motion failed – 4 ayes, 4 nays (Komorowski, McCreery, McWreath, Pienkowski)
7. Motion by Charles McCreery and seconded by Dennis McWreath to approve the Textbook Adoption – ENCLOSURE 6B
Motion carried unanimously
8. Motion by Kathleen Pienkowski and seconded by Dennis McWreath to approve the National History Day State Competition – University Park, PA - ENCLOSURE 6D
Motion carried unanimously
9. Motion by Jenifer Fetcko and seconded by Kathleen Pienkowski to approve the New Course Proposal and revisions to the Graduation Project - ENCLOSURE 8C
Motion carried – 6 ayes, 2 nays (Komorowski, Minor)

Business Manager's Report

10. Motion by Dennis McWreath and seconded by Emily Minor to approve the Trinity Area School District Credit Card
Motion carried unanimously
11. Motion by Charles McCreery and seconded by Emily Minor to approve the Western Area Career and Technology Center Budget for 2006-07 School Year
Motion carried unanimously
12. Motion by Emily Minor and seconded by Samuel Puglisi to ratify administrative action approving change orders H3, H4 and E17 - ENCLOSURE 7C
Motion carried unanimously
13. Motion by Stephanie Komorowski and seconded by Charles McCreery to appoint District Auctioneer – Harry Reese – ENCLOSURE 12F.1
Motion carried unanimously
14. Motion by Dennis McWreath and seconded by Stephanie Komorowski to approve the Self-Certification Application for Non-Reimbursable Construction Project – Trinity South Elementary School Repairs – ENCLOSURE 8G
Motion carried unanimously

Personnel

15. Motion by Stephanie Komorowski and seconded by Samuel Puglisi to amend Act 93 Agreement Language – ENCLOSURE 12A
Motion carried unanimously
16. Motion by Charles McCreery and seconded by Stephanie Komorowski to approve the Service Agreement: Heather Watson, Clinical Psychologist – ENCLOSURE 12C
17. Motion by Samuel Puglisi and seconded by Dennis McWreath to table the motion
Motion carried – 5 ayes, 3 nays (Komorowski, McCreery, Pienkowski)
18. Motion by Kathleen Pienkowski and seconded by Emily Minor to approve the following employments: Joy Daviduk, Long Term English Substitute, effective April 3 to June 9, 2006; Richard K. Hall, Computer Technician, effective April 24, 2006 through the remainder of the 2005-06 school year – ENCLOSURE 12C.1
Motion carried unanimously
19. Motion by Emily Minor and seconded by Stephanie Komorowski to approve the following substitutes: Jodi Alberta – Elementary Education Certification; Brian Cornali – General Science 7-12 Certification; Steven Humphreys – Physical/Health Education Certification; Charles R. Waggett – custodian; Christine Lee – custodian; Michele Digon – cafeteria worker (Policy 404.1 applies)
Motion carried unanimously
20. Motion by Kathleen Pienkowski and seconded by Emily Minor to approve the following resignations: Aaron Tuomi, computer technician – effective March 10, 2006; Rhonda Taylor, special services classroom aide – effective March 8, 2006; Donna Carlisle, substitute caller – effective June 9, 2006
Motion carried unanimously

21. Motion by Emily Minor and seconded by Jenifer Fetcko to approve the following leaves: Diane E. Clelland, cafeteria worker – Unpaid Medical Leave – effective March 8, 2006 to (on or before) April 30, 2006; Robert Hall, custodian – Family Medical Leave, effective March 6, 2006 not to exceed 12 weeks
Motion carried unanimously
22. Motion by Dennis McWreath and seconded by Samuel Puglisi to approve the Employment Separation Agreement – David Disque, Director of Facilities – ENCLOSURE 12D
Motion carried unanimously
23. Motion by Kathleen Pienkowski and seconded by Stephanie Komorowski to amend Contract of the Superintendent – ENCLOSURE 12E
Motion carried – 7 ayes, 1 nay (McWreath)
24. Motion by Stephanie Komorowski and seconded by Kathleen Pienkowski to approve the Contract Extension – Wesley Hursh – Two Months from May 10 to July 9, 2006 – ENCLOSURE 12I
Motion carried unanimously
25. Motion by Emily Minor and seconded by Charles McCreery to approve the Substitute Wages ENCLOSURE 12J
Motion carried unanimously
26. Motion by Dennis McWreath and seconded by Samuel Puglisi to approve the Employment Agreement: James R. Shargots, Director of Fiscal Services
Motion carried unanimously

Solicitor's Report

No report

President's Report

Gerald Chambers suggested that there be a review of a policy limiting the number of days a student could be absent from class for trips. The Superintendent would contact PSBA for sample policies

Old Business

The issue of security cameras and trophy cases would be reviewed at a future meeting

New Business

No new business

Adjournment

27. Motion by Emily Minor and seconded by Stephanie Komorowski that the meeting be adjourned at 7:50 p.m.
Motion carried unanimously

An executive session was held after the meeting with no action following.

James R. Shargots, Secretary
Trinity Area Board of Directors

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