

TRINITY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
August 16, 2007  
Board Room – Trinity Hall

The meeting was called to order by the president, Stephanie Komorowski at 6:30 p.m.

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

Board Member Absent: Jenifer Fetcko

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

The Board met in executive session at 6:32 p.m. to discussion personnel and contracts. The meeting resumed at 7:14 p.m.

Public Comment

None

Communications

None

1. Motion by Emily Minor and seconded by Samuel Puglisi to approve Minutes, Treasurer's Report, Bill Lists, Cafeteria Report, Extracurricular Account, High School Activities Account, Middle School Activities Account and Officials Account - ENCLOSURES 4A, 4B, 4C, 4D, 4E, 4F, 4G and 4H  
Motion carried unanimously (Richard West abstained from voting on 4C)

Superintendent's Report

2. Motion by Emily Minor and seconded by Jenifer Fetcko to approve the second reading of the following policy revisions:  
Policy 618 – Student Activity Funds – ENCLOSURE 5A  
Policy 620 – Maintenance of Fund Balance – ENCLOSURE 5B  
Motion carried unanimously
3. Motion by Charles McCreery and seconded by Gerald Chambers to approve the District Recognized Groups – ENCLOSURE 8B  
Motion carried unanimously

Assistant Superintendent's Report

4. Motion by Jenifer Fetcko and seconded by Emily Minor to approve the Chapter 4 Educational Strategic Plan – ENCLOSURE 6B  
Motion carried unanimously
5. Motion by Emily Minor and seconded by Jenifer Fetcko to approve Pilot of Linux Program- ENCLOSURE 6C  
Motion carried unanimously

Business Manager's Report

6. Motion by Samuel Puglisi and seconded by Emily Minor to approve the following:
- A. Resolution to Advance Payoff for 2002 Bond Issue – ENCLOSURE 7A
  - B. Auditor General's Report for Years Ended June 30, 2004 and 2003 – ENCLOSURE 7B
  - C. Donation of the 92 Ford Van to WACTC
  - D. Contract with Tri-State Area School Study Council – ENCLOSURE 7D
  - E. O.Z. Enterprises Energy Management System (EMS) Contract – ENCLOSURE 12A
- Motion carried unanimously

Personnel

7. Motion by Dennis McWreath and seconded by Gerald Chambers to approve the following:
- A. Resignation: Nicole Costella, elementary librarian, effective August 17, 2007
  - B. Change of Status: Bob Redlinger from JV Assistant Football Coach to Varsity Assistant Football Coach at the 8<sup>th</sup> year rate - \$4,500, effective August 3, 2007; Ryan Daloia from JV Assistant Football Coach to Varsity Assistant Football Coach at the 8<sup>th</sup> year rate - \$4,500, effective August 3, 2007; Sean Bristor from Second Assistant Eighth Grade Football Coach to JV Assistant Football Coach at the 5<sup>th</sup> year rate - \$3,000, effective date of employment August 3, 2007
  - C. Leaves: Melissa Yannascoli, elementary physical education teacher – unpaid child rearing leave for the 2007-08 school year; Francesca Lounder, middle school English teacher – Family Medical Leave, effective August 30, 2007 through November 20, 2007; Melissa Monteleone, high school biology teacher - Family Medical Leave, effective August 27, 2007 not to exceed 12 weeks; Jaime Carson, Speech/Language Therapist - child rearing leave for the first semester of the 2007-08 school year; Melissa R. Santoro, Speech/Language teacher – child rearing leave for the first semester of the 2007-08 school year; Neil Day, van driver – unpaid medical leave, effective August 27, 2007
  - D. Substitutes: Lists for 2007-08 of teachers, clerical, classroom and cafeteria aides, custodians, cafeteria workers and van drivers – ENCLOSURE 12C
  - E. Ratify the action of the administration to employ the following
    - Amanda Hatcher – librarian
    - Sarah Kress – music teacher
    - Tamara Jeffers – ½ day elementary teacher – ENCLOSURES 12D
  - F. Employments: Johannah Vanatta, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls head soccer coach at the 5<sup>th</sup> year rate – \$3,000; Nicole Welsh, assistant girls varsity soccer coach at the 5<sup>th</sup> year rate - \$3,000; David Palacio, boys soccer varsity assistant coach at the 1st year rate - \$2,000; Melanie Dawson, chemistry teacher; Michelle Orchowski, English teacher; Sheila May, librarian, pending receipt of certification; Hayden Watson, long term substitute - physical education teacher; Ruth Hildebrand and Marianne Malanosky, cafeteria monitors – ENCLOSURES 12D
  - G. Abolish the 260 day secretarial position for the Director of Facilities and the 187 day cafeteria/bookkeeper coordinator position for the Director of Food Service; and create a 260 day secretarial position for the Director of Facilities and Director of Food Service, effective August 20, 2007
  - H. Secretarial Agreement - ENCLOSURE 12 J
  - I. \$2000 Stipend for National Certified Board Teacher
  - J. Increase in Sub Caller's Salary by 3 percent
  - K. Carol Painter as a substitute Speech/Language Pathologist at \$200 per day
  - L. Adriene Martos as a nurse aide
  - M. Band Drivers – James B. McCrerey, Michael Gauna, Kenneth J. Knowlson, Timmy G. Levers

Motion carried unanimously

8. Motion by Gerald Chambers and seconded by Jenifer Fetcko to approve the Assistant Superintendent's Contract – ENCLOSURE 12 G  
Motion carried unanimously
9. Motion by Samuel Puglisi and seconded by Richard West to approve the Addendum to Superintendent's Contract – ENCLOSURE 12 H  
Motion carried unanimously
10. Motion by Gerald Chambers and seconded by Richard West to approve the Director of Technology Contract ENCLOSURE 12 I  
Motion carried unanimously

Solicitor's Report

11. Motion by Dennis McWreath and seconded by Emily Minor to approve the A.G. Cullen Settlement Agreement – ENCLOSURE 12L  
Motion carried unanimously

President's Report

None

Old Business

Gerald Chambers, Dennis McWreath and Samuel Puglisi reported on the discussion with Bob Hollick and Tony Zelenka regarding the District's use of the South Strabane Township Softball Field. The District could have exclusive use of the field from April to Memorial Day and would be responsible for maintenance and upkeep during that time. The District would be asked to help build a concession stand and storage area for our team. The Board requested the Superintendent and Solicitor pursue an agreement with South Strabane Township

New Business

None

Public Comment

Leslie Alexas commented on vandalism that occurred at Trinity West on possibly two evenings. Richard West suggested the District remove the obscene graffiti as soon as possible

Robin Hughes expressed her concern regarding the class sizes at Trinity South

Adjournment

12. Motion by Jenifer Fetcko and seconded by Richard West that the meeting be adjourned at 7:40 p.m.  
Motion carried unanimously

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James R. Shargots, Secretary  
Trinity Area Board of Directors

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