

TRINITY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Planning Meeting Minutes
August 2, 2007
Band Room – Trinity High School

The meeting was called to order by the president, Stephanie Komorowski, at 6:40 p.m.

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

Board Members Absent: Jenifer Fetcko and Emily Minor

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

Public Comment

Paul Sivie commented that he would like to be in attendance when Dr. O'Shea from the Intermediate Unit I reported on the KITS Consortium; however, he was unable to be in attendance at the next meeting. Dr. Turnbaugh replied that he would request Dr. O'Shea report at a meeting in September

Communications

Letter of thanks from Mike Buescher, Tanger Outlets, regarding the District's participation in the ground breaking ceremony

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

Superintendent's Report

- A. KITS Consortium – *Dr. Larry O'Shea – (Will be in attendance at a September meeting)*
- B. Second reading of the following policy revisions:
 - Policy 618 – Student Activity Funds – ENCLOSURE 5A
 - Policy 620 – Maintenance of Fund Balance – ENCLOSURE 5B
- C. PDE Meeting and Site Visit in September 10, 2007 regarding Trinity South Elementary School
- D. Submission of the Self-Certification Application for Non-reimbursable Construction Project forms to the Pennsylvania Department of Education; the projects were approved by the Board at their June 21, 2007 meeting – ENCLOSURE 5C

Assistant Superintendent's Report

- A. High School Drawing Club Trip to Boston Massachusetts – ENCLOSURE 6A
 - B. Chapter 4 Educational Strategic Plan – ENCLOSURE 6B
 - C. Pilot of Linux Program- ENCLOSURE 6C
 - D. Assessment of Student Progress – ENCLOSURE 6D
 - E. Enrollment Projections – Enclosure 6E
 - F. Full Day Kindergarten – Trinity South
1. Motion by Dennis McWreath and seconded by Samuel Puglisi to approve piloting full day kindergarten at Trinity South Elementary School at the start of the 2007-08 school year
Motion approved unanimously

Business Manager's Report

- A. Resolution to Advance Payoff for 2002 Bond Issue – ENCLOSURE 7A
 - B. Auditor General's Report for Years Ended June 30, 2003 and 2004 – ENCLOSURE 7B
 - C. Bids for Renovation of Trinity Hall and High School Windows – ENCLOSURE 7C
 - D. Donation of the 92 Ford Van to WACTC
 - E. Contract with Tri-State Area School Study Council – ENCLOSURE 7D
2. Motion by Gerald Chambers and seconded by Dennis McWreath to approve Bids for Renovation of Trinity Hall and replacement of high school windows - ENCLOSURE 7C
Motion approved unanimously

Administrators/Supervisors' Report

- A. Director of Facilities' Report:
 - Trinity Hall Exterior Repair
 - Board was informed that furniture for computer labs at elementary schools will be ordered – ENCLOSURE 8A
 - Terrazzo Floors in the High School
 - HVAC – Elementary Schools
 - Recommendation was made to relocate the softball field to Trinity West Elementary
- B. Director of Athletics/Activities Report:
 - School Sponsored Organizations – ENCLOSURE 8B

Solicitor's Report

No report

President's Report

Stephanie Komorowski announced the following:

- Her attendance at the Tanger Outlet Ground Breaking Ceremony with Dr. Turnbaugh and other board members on July 19, 2007; the Trinity Band performed and a donation of \$1,500 was given to the District
- An executive session took place at 5:30 p.m. prior to this meeting to discuss litigation, contracts and personnel
- The Leadership Team Luncheon will be held on August 27, 11:00 a.m. and all employees are invited to attend

Old Business

Stephanie Komorowski inquired about the appearance of the band uniforms. Mr. Snoke informed the Board that the uniforms were not transparent; however, undergarments were being purchased to be worn during cooler weather

Samuel Puglisi gave a LERTA update indicating that a volleyball court has been installed and the facilities can be rented by inquiring through the solicitor or the authority

New Business

None

Public Comment

In response to Paul Sivie's question, Dr. Turnbaugh replied that the District is a member of the Intermediate Unit 1 Consortium and the Intermediate Unit 1 would provide the information he requested

The Board met in executive session at 7:30 p.m. to discuss personnel with action to follow

The meeting reconvened at 8:35 p.m.

Personnel

3. Motion by Kathleen Pienkowski and seconded by Charles McCreery to approve the following:
Resignations:

- Laura Marks – High School Chemistry Teacher;
- Ken Adler – Learning Support Teacher;
- Tom Olszewski – Varsity Assistant Football Coach, effective June 17, 2007;
- Mickey Koroly – JV Boys Basketball Coach, effective June 17, 2007;
- AJ Lynch – Girls JV Softball and Girls JV Basketball Coach, effective June 17, 2007;
- Fernando Vellena – Boys Soccer Varsity Assistant Coach, effective June 5, 2007;
- Jim Webb – High School Girls Basketball Coach, effective July 17, 2007;
- Rebecca G. Lukach – Middle School Student Council Advisor, effective June 1, 2007;
- Shelby R. Svokos – Secondary English Teacher

Employments:

- Judy Sloane as Foreign Language Department Representative at the contractual rate, effective August 27, 2007;
- Nick Sworden as Second Assistant 9th Grade Football Coach at the contractual rate, effective August 3, 2007;
- Erik Presto as Second Assistant 8th Grade Football Coach at the contractual rate, effective August 3, 2007;
- Heather Watson as Guidance Counselor at the contractual rate, effective August 27, 2007;
- Karen Huff as Elementary Teacher at the contractual rate, effective August 27, 2007;
- Nicole Welsh as Physics Teacher at the contractual rate, effective August 27, 2007;
- Johannah Vanatta as Social Studies Teacher at the contractual rate, effective August 27, 2007;
- Susan Laayouni as French Teacher at the contractual rate, effective August 27, 2007;
- Andrew Migyanko as Business Education Teacher at the contractual rate, effective August 27, 2007 - ENCLOSURES 12 D

Motion carried unanimously

4. Motion by Gerald Chambers and seconded by Richard West that the District proceed with construction of the softball field at Trinity West Elementary School; and that the Committee of the Board continue discussion with South Strabane to pursue arrangements for use of their softball field
Motion carried unanimously

Adjournment

5. Motion by Dennis McWreath and seconded by Samuel Puglisi that the meeting be adjourned at 8:40 p.m.
Motion carried unanimously

James R. Shargots, Secretary
Trinity Area Board of Directors

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