

TRINITY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Board of Education  
Minutes of the Voting Meeting  
January 17, 2013  
High School Auditorium

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President, Scott Day, followed by the pledge of allegiance and roll call.

Board members present: Penny Caleffe; Henry Clemens; Sandra Clutter; Scott Day; Jenene Hupp; Jennifer Morgan; and Tamara Salvatori (participated via telephone)

Absent: Colleen Interval

Others present: Paul T. Kasunich, Superintendent; Michael P. Lucas, Assistant Superintendent; James Shargots, Director of Fiscal Services/Board Secretary; Dennis Makel, Solicitor; and Judy Walz, recording secretary.

1. Motion by Mrs. Morgan, seconded by Mr. Clemens to add the employment of an Assistant Softball Coach and a Volunteer Softball Coach to the agenda.

Motion carried unanimously.

2. Motion by Mrs. Clutter, seconded by Mrs. Caleffe to approve the Minutes of the December 6 reorganization and regular meetings.

Motion carried unanimously.

## **RECOGNITIONS**

The following Students of the Month were recognized:

High School: Natalie Standish – November 2012; Robin Crowley – December 2012

Middle School: Kaci Hott – November 2012; Quentin McIlvaine – December 2012

## **HEARING OF CITIZENS**

Judi Panasik, South Strabane Township, addressed the board regarding the JROTC program being implemented as well as concerns with the eligibility policy.

Ken Bonnell, Canton Township, commented on LERTA. He also commended the bus company, in particular bus driver Ron Peel, regarding an incident with his grandchild.

Dale Lyons, Schweinebraten Bus Company, addressed the board with concerns regarding the RFP for transportation contracts.

Leslie Alexas, North Franklin Township, remarked on her concerns with the revisions to the eligibility policy, 122.

Jason Rice, Canton Township, also noted his concerns with Policy 122 and its' impact on the students.

**TRANSPORTATION/FINANCE COMMITTEE- Scott Day, Chairperson**

Mr. Jay West, Metz Food Service, gave his Food Service Report for December, 2012.

3. Motion by Mrs. Clutter, seconded by Ms. Hupp to approve the payment of bills from the General Fund in the amount of \$948,915.27 and from the Capital Reserve Account in the amount of \$11,597.56 (item 4.2)

Motion carried unanimously.

4. Motion by Mrs. Clutter, seconded by Mr. Clemens to approve the Act 1 2013-2014 budget resolution as submitted (item 4.3).

Motion carried unanimously.

5. Motion by Mr. Clemens, seconded by Mr. Mulac to table the renewal of the lease with Range Resources at the Middle School.

Motion carried unanimously.

6. Motion by Mrs. Clutter, seconded by Ms. Hupp to table the establishment of \$15,000 matching grants for Trinity School District's elementary schools.

On a roll call vote, motion failed: 4 ayes (Mulac, Clutter, Day, Hupp); 4 nays (Morgan, Salvatori, Caleffe, Clemens)

Motion by Mrs. Morgan, seconded by Mrs. Caleffe, to approve the establishment of \$15,000 matching grants for Trinity School District's elementary schools.

On a roll call vote, motion carried: 6 ayes (Mulac, Salvatori, Caleffe, Clemens, Day, Morgan) 2 nays (Clutter, Hupp)

**PERSONNEL/ATHLETICS – Scott Day, Board President**

7. Motion by Mr. Clemens, seconded by Mr. Mulac to accept the resignation of Kate Speer, Foreign Language teacher (Spanish), effective date to be determined by the Superintendent.

Motion carried unanimously.

8. Motion by Mr. Day, seconded by Mr. Clemens, to approve the employment of James T. Bull as a secondary social studies teacher effective January 25, 2013 at the third step bachelor's salary of \$48,613 (prorated) and Traci DeGarmo as a Foreign Language teacher (Spanish), effective date to be determined by the Superintendent, at the second step master's salary of \$49,013 (prorated).

On a roll call vote, motion carried: 5 ayes (Salvatori, Clutter, Day, Hupp, Mulac); 3 nays (Caleffe, Clemens, Morgan)

9. Motion by Mrs. Morgan, seconded by Mrs. Caleffe, to approve Anson Zacour as Assistant Softball Coach at the appropriate step and salary as determined by the administration and Shawn Gray as a volunteer Assistant Softball Coach (non-compensated position).

Motion carried: 6 ayes; 2 nays (Clutter, Day)

**EDUCATION COMMITTEE – Tamara Salvatori, Chairperson**

No report

**BUILDING & GROUNDS – Sandra Clutter, Chairperson**

Mrs. Clutter indicated that the committee meeting schedule would remain the same as last year.

**POLICY COMMITTEE – Jennifer Morgan, Chairperson**

No report

**WESTERN AREA CAREER & TECHNICAL CENTER – Penny Caleffe,  
Representative/Tamara Salvatori, Alternate**

No report

**NORTH FRANKLIN BUSINESS & RECREATION AUTHORITY – Sandra Clutter, Jenene  
Hupp, Scott Day & Henry Clemens, Representatives**

No report

**CITIZENS LIBRARY – Tina Hilk, Representative**

No report

**PSBA LIAISON – Tamara Salvatori, Representative**

No report

**ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

- Mr. Day noted committee meeting dates and indicated that the first meeting of the Finance Committee would be held January 31.

10. Motion by Mrs. Clutter, seconded by Ms. Hupp, to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m.  
Motion carried unanimously.

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James R. Shargots, Secretary  
Trinity Area School District Board of Education

