

TRINITY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Board of Education  
Minutes of the Planning Meeting  
February 6, 2014  
High School Auditorium

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President, Jennifer Morgan followed by the pledge of allegiance and roll call.

Board members present: Penny Caleffe, Henry Clemens, Thomas Durbin, Frances Eates, Joseph LaBella, Kerrin McIlvaine, Jennifer Morgan and Edmund B. Trapuzzano

Others present: Michael P. Lucas, Assistant Superintendent; David G. Roussos, Director of Fiscal Services/Board Secretary; Dennis Makel, Solicitor; and Judy Walz, recording secretary.

Absent: Paul T. Kasunich, Superintendent and Jenene Hupp,

Mrs. Morgan announced that the employment of Richard Horner as School Resource/Police Officer would be added to the agenda.

Dr. Lucas presented the revised school calendar which indicated the make up days for recent cancellations.

Minutes of the January 9 and 23 meetings will be approved at the voting meeting.

### **RECOGNITIONS**

Students of the Month for January will be recognized at the voting meeting.

Dr. Lucas introduced the following members of the maintenance staff and thanked them for their exemplary efforts in keeping facilities snow free during the recent weather conditions: Chris Bombash, Tascha Kopko, Reggie Hale, Don Weisgarber, Joe Brown, Rich Woods, Bob Reese, Mike Kirwan, Scott Hudak, and Scott Henson.

Dr. Lucas also introduced and congratulated Trinity South Elementary teachers Nicole Bockstoe and Jennifer Yim. The teachers presented at the 2013 Improving School Performance Conference on the topic of the Daily 5, an elementary reading strategy.

### **HEARING OF CITIZENS**

Jeff Cermak, Amwell Township addressed the board regarding the possibility of Girls Lacrosse becoming a school-sponsored sport.

Diane Ecker, South Strabane Township, commented on current issues regarding the superintendent.

### **FINANCE/TRANSPORTATION**

Mr. West will present the Food Service Report at the voting meeting.

Mrs. McIlvaine reported that due to inclement weather, the Finance Committee meeting has been rescheduled for February 12.

1. Motion by Mrs. McIlvaine, seconded by Mr. Clemens to approve the Treasurer's Reports for October and November. (Item 4.3)

Motion carried unanimously.

2. Motion by Mr. Clemens, seconded by Mr. LaBella to approve payment of bills from the General Fund in the amount of \$688,803.41; from the Capital Reserve Account in the amount of \$3,094.39; and from the Cafeteria Account in the amount of \$73,902.54. (Items 4.4)

Motion carried unanimously.

**PERSONNEL/ATHLETICS**

3. Motion by Mr Clemens, seconded by Mr. Trapuzzano, to extend the contract of Leaders in Learning for Special Education supervision at a cost of \$500 per day plus mileage, retroactive to January 1, 2014 through June 30, 2014. The agreement may be cancelled upon thirty days notice or upon mutual agreement between Leaders in Learning, LLC and Trinity Area School District.

Motion carried unanimously.

4. Motion by Mr. Trapuzzano, seconded by Mr. Durbin, to approve Angela Seaman as a long-term substitute at the high school, retroactive to January 16, 2014 through the last teaching day of the 2013-2014 school year at a rate of \$175 per day, to include individual medical benefits.

Motion carried: 7 ayes; 1 nay (Eates)

5. Motion by Mr. LaBella, seconded by Mr. Clemens to rescind the employment of Joseph Ingram as a maintenance employee.

Motion carried unanimously.

6. Motion by Mr. LaBella, seconded by Mr. Trapuzzano, to employ Trenae Caruso as a part-time cafeteria employee retroactive to January 27, 2014 and Shawn Gray as Head Varsity Softball Coach at the 5<sup>th</sup> step salary of \$4162, effective February 7, 2014 for a one year contract.

Motion carried unanimously.

7. Motion by Mrs. Caleffe, seconded by Mrs. McIlvaine to approve an intermittent Family Medical Leave for employee J.R., effective February 9, 2014; an intermittent Family Medical Leave for employee R.W. effective approximately May 1, 2014; and a Family Medical Leave for employee C.M. effective approximately March 19, 2014 not to exceed 12 weeks.

Motion carried unanimously.

Substitute employees will be approved at the voting meeting.

Approval of an Article of Agreement for Athletic Trainer Internships between California University and the district will be presented at the voting meeting.

8. Motion by Mr. Clemens, seconded by Mr. LaBella to approve a contract between the district and Mr. Richard Horner to serve as School Police Officer, effective February 10, 2014 to June 30, 2015, as per attachment.

Motion carried unanimously.

**EDUCATION**

Mrs. Morgan noted that the Education Committee meeting has been rescheduled due to inclement weather. The meeting is scheduled for February 10, 2014.

**BUILDING AND GROUNDS**

No report.

**POLICY**

Revisions to AR 707-4 will be presented at the voting meeting.

**WESTERN AREA CAREER & TECHNICAL CENTER – Penny Caleffe, Representative/Joseph LaBella, Alternate Representative**

No report

**NORTH FRANKLIN BUSINESS & RECREATION AUTHORITY – Henry Clemens and Frances Eates, Representatives**

No report

**CITIZENS LIBRARY – Gist Wylie, Representative**

No report

**PSBA LIAISON – Tom Durbin**

No report.

**ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

Mrs. Morgan announced that executive session was held at 6:00 p.m. for personnel purposes.

9. Motion by Mr. Clemens, seconded by Mrs. McIlvaine to adjourn the meeting at 7:23 p.m.  
Motion carried unanimously.

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David G. Roussos, Secretary  
Trinity Area School District Board of Education

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