

TRINITY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Education
Minutes of the Planning Meeting
January 22, 2015
Board Room, Trinity Hall

The meeting was called to order at 6:36 p.m. by President, Jennifer Morgan, followed by the pledge of allegiance, and roll call.

Board members present: Penny Caleffe, Henry Clemens, Sean Dobich, Thomas Durbin, Frances Eates, Frank Golsky, Kerrin McIlvaine, Jennifer Morgan, and Edmund B. Trapuzzano

Others present: Dr. Michael P. Lucas, Superintendent; David G. Roussos, Director of Fiscal Services/Board Secretary; Donald Snoke, Assistant Superintendent; Rachel Lozosky, solicitor, and Judy Walz, recording secretary.

1. Motion by Mrs. Eates, seconded by Mrs. Caleffe, to approve the minutes of the December 4, 2014 Reorganization and Planning/Voting Meetings, and the January 5, 2015 Education Committee Meeting.

Motion carried unanimously.

RECOGNITIONS

High School students Michael Hilzendeger and Megan Simpson were recognized as Students of the Month for November and December, respectively; as well as Middle School students Jackson MacTaggart and Shalinn Weaver.

Teachers Janice Kuhn and Heather Ruffa presented Trinity's CalcuSolve Competition teams. Sixth grade team members included: Ben Kozak, Lucas Jones, Kadyr Caruso, and Noah Heffner who came in third place at the 5th/6th Grade Calcu Solve Competition sponsored by IU1. Ben Kozak also came in third place as an individual. The seventh grade team was comprised on Patrick Bryant, Ann Kozak, Christian Messmer, and Alison Spadaro who came in third place. Sam Halulko came in fifth place as an individual.

Junior Anthony D'Orazio was congratulated for winning the Washington Symphony Orchestra's 2014 Young Artist Competition as well as for gaining a spot in the NAFME's 2015 All Eastern Honor Orchestra Ensemble.

STUDENT ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS

Student Representatives Kyle Kozlowski and Stephen Aber reported on winter sports results, noting the swim team's win. They also updated the board on the VoAg Greenhouse, Washington's Got Talent event being held at the high school, Trinity's participation in KDKA's Hometown High Q, noting that Trinity won over Sewickley Academy and will advance, the Mock Trial Team, and Kyle's Samsung Scholarship Award sponsored by the American Legion.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

No report.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Lucas reported on January events. (Item 3.3)

2013-14 AUDIT REPORT

Mr. Charles Ruper, Cypher and Cypher, gave the audit report for the year ending June 30, 2014. (Item 3.4)

HEARING OF CITIZENS

None

FINANCE/TRANSPORTATION

It was noted that notification that the proposed preliminary budget's availability for inspection in the Business Office was posted to the district website on January 19, 2015.

2. Motion by Mr. Durbin, seconded by Mr. Trapuzzano, to approve payment of bills from the General Fund in the amount of \$811,185.15 , from the Cafeteria Account in the amount of \$20,935.65, and from the Extracurricular Account in the amount of \$3,061.50. (Item 5.2)

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Motion by Mrs. McIlvaine, seconded by Mrs. Eates, to approve the Treasurer's Report for November, 2014 (Item 5.3)

Motion carried unanimously.

PERSONNEL/ATHLETICS

4. Motion by Mr. Clemens, seconded by Mr. Durbin, to accept the resignation of Kristen Bowers, Elementary Physical Education teacher, effective January 20, 2015.

Motion carried unanimously.

Administrative Regulation 123 AR 1 – Extra and Co-Curricular Salaries Initial Steps was presented to the board. The administration will adopt the procedures.

Mr. Aaron Scott, Director of Facilities/Transportation, reported to the board on the cost of addressing drainage issues at the Middle School and West Elementary softball fields. He also discussed the lease agreement with South Strabane regarding the use of their field and the agreement for the use of Consol Energy's field.

EDUCATION

No report.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

No report.

POLICY

5. Motion by Mrs. Caleffe, seconded by Mrs. Eates, to approve the second reading for adoption of policy 317.1 – Educator Misconduct. (Item 9.1)

Motion carried unanimously.

6. Motion by Mrs. McIlvaine, seconded by Mr. Durbin, to waive the first reading and adopt policy 719 – Donations of Commemorative Block Markers. (Item 9.2)

Motion carried unanimously.

First readings of policies 916 – Volunteers and 806 – Child Abuse, were presented for review.

WESTERN AREA CAREER & TECHNICAL CENTER – Penny Caleffe, Representative

No report.

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

No report.

PSBA LIAISON – Frank Golsky

Mr. Golsky indicated that school boards are concerned with the cost of standardized testing.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Executive session was held January 14, 2015 at 6:15 p.m., January 19, 2015 at 9 a.m., and January 22, 2015 at 4:30 p.m. and 7:55 p.m. for personnel purposes.

7. Motion by Mr. Durbin, seconded by Mr. Golsky, to adjourn the meeting at 7:55p.m. followed by executive session with no action to follow.

Motion carried unanimously.

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