

TRINITY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Education
Minutes of the Planning Meeting
March 5, 2015
Board Room, Trinity Hall

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m. by President, Jennifer Morgan, followed by the pledge of allegiance, and roll call.

Board members present: Sean Dobich (participated via phone), Thomas Durbin, Frances Eates, Frank Golsky, Kerrin McIlvaine, Jennifer Morgan, and Edmund B. Trapuzzano

Absent: Penny Caleffe, Henry Clemens,

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

MINUTES – Voting meeting

RECOGNITIONS

Students of the Month for January were recognized: Forrest Cullings, High School and Julia Chakos, Middle School.

Trinity East first grade student Colby Jeffrey was recognized for organizing a toy drive supporting the Toys for Tots campaign held at Trinity East.

REPORTS

Student Advisory Board Member Kyle Kozlowski and Alternate Member Stephen Aber reported to the Board on events taking place at the high school (Item 3.1).

President's Report – Voting Meeting

Superintendent's Report – Voting Meeting

HEARING OF CITIZENS

Mr. Sam Puglisi, South Strabane Township, addressed the board regarding use of facilities fees.

FINANCE/TRANSPORTATION

1. Motion by Mrs. McIlvaine, seconded by Mrs. Eates to approve the payment of bills from the General Fund in the amount of \$208,836.72; from the Cafeteria Account in the amount of \$46,599.27; and from the Extracurricular Account in the amount of \$766.00

Motion carried unanimously.

The Treasurer's Report, Resolution and Agreement for the collection of delinquent taxes, appointment of the Deputy Tax Collector for Amwell Township, re-appointment of the Mercantile License Tax Collector, and a proposal for the restructuring of long-term debt will be presented at the March 19 voting meeting.

PERSONNEL/ATHLETICS

2. Motion by Mr. Durbin, seconded by Mr. Golsky, to extend the contract of Mr. Aaron Scott as Director of Facilities/Transportation, effective March 6, 2015 through June 30, 2019, in accordance with the attached agreement (Item 6.1)

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Motion by Mrs. Eates, seconded by Mrs. McIlvaine, to name Mr. Jack Minnick as the District's Director of Human Resources and Accountability effective May 1, 2015 through June 30, 2019 as identified in the terms of the attached agreement (Item 6.2)

Motion carried unanimously.

4. Motion by Mrs. McIlvaine, seconded by Mr. Durbin, to voluntarily transfer Mrs. Sandra Deems to the position of principal of Trinity East Elementary School, and to voluntarily transfer Mr. Patrick Baughman to the position of Middle School Assistant Principal, both transfers effective May 1, 2015.

Motion carried unanimously.

5. Motion by Mr. Trapuzzano, seconded by Mrs. Eates, to name Mr. John Digon to the position of High School Assistant Principal and Child Accounting Director, effective May 1, 2015. Mr. Digon will serve as the interim Director of Technology until July 1, 2015.

Motion carried unanimously.

6. Motion by Mr. Durbin, seconded by Mr. Trapuzzano, to provide John Digon with a one time \$5,000.00 stipend for taking on additional responsibilities as the interim athletic director.

Motion carried unanimously.

7. Motion by Mr. Trapuzzano, seconded by Mrs. Eates, to approve to adjust the salary of personnel effective May 1, 2015 as per attachment (Item 6.6)

Motion carried unanimously.

8. Motion by Mr. Durbin, seconded by Mr. Trapuzzano, to advertise for the position of Director of Technology, position to be available July 1, 2015.

Motion carried unanimously.

9. Motion by Mr. Trapuzzano, seconded by Mr. Durbin, to approve Jonathan Miller as Head Varsity Football Coach for a 2 year contract (2015-16 and 2016-17) at the 11th step salary of \$7,577.00 and as Head Weightlifting Coach, effective March 6, 2015 through the 2016-17 school year, at the 11th step salary of \$3,714.00 (to be pro-rated for the remainder of the 2014-15 school year).

Motion carried unanimously.

10. Motion by Mrs. McIlvaine, seconded by Mr. Durbin, to employ Eric Lauver as Band Director, effective the 2015-2016 school year, at the 9th step salary of \$7,036.

Motion carried: 6 ayes; 0 nays; 1 abstention (Dobish)

11. Motion by Mr. Durbin, seconded by Mr. Trapuzzano, to approve Jonathan Miller as a substitute teacher, effective March 6, 2015.

Motion carried unanimously.

12. Motion by Mr. Trapuzzano, seconded by Mr. Durbin, to approve the following volunteer coaches (non-compensated positions) effective the 2014-2015 school year:

Nicholas Phillips - Baseball

Joseph Costello - Softball

Michael Wright and Stacy McCullough - Middle School Softball

Motion carried unanimously.

13. Motion to approve the following employee requests for leaves of absence:

Family Medical Leave for C.M., effective March 9, 2015, not to exceed 4 weeks

Family Medical Leave for E.F. effective approximately March 26, 2015, not to exceed 12 weeks

Extension of unpaid leave for T.D., effective February 11, 2015, not to exceed 4 weeks

Intermittent Family Medical Leave to T.K., effective March 6, 2015

Motion carried unanimously.

EDUCATION

14. Motion by Mr. Durbin, seconded by Mr. Trapuzzano, to approve revisions to the 2014-2015 school calendar, as attached (Item 7.1)

Motion carried unanimously.

15. Motion by Mrs. Eates, seconded by Mr. Golsky, to approve the student expulsion agreement as attached.

Motion carried unanimously.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

No report.

POLICY

No report.

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 discussed the Governor's proposed budget and the possibility that a limit will be placed on what school districts pay towards cyber schools.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Mrs. Morgan announced that executive session was held at 5:30 p.m. March 5 for personnel purposes.

16. Motion by Mr. Trapuzzano, seconded by Mrs. Eates, to adjourn the meeting at 7:14 p.m.
Motion carried unanimously.

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