

TRINITY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Education
Minutes of the Voting Meeting
September 17, 2015
Board Room, Trinity Hall

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

Board members present: Penny Caleffe, Sean Dobich, Thomas Durbin, Frances Eates, Frank Golsky, Jennifer Morgan, Gregory Rudman and Edmund B. Trapuzzano

Absent: Kerrin McIlvaine

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

MINUTES -

1. Motion by Mrs. Eates, seconded by Mr. Dobich, to approve the minutes of the August 6th and 20th board meetings, the August 19 Athletic Committee meeting, the August 26 Finance Committee meeting, and the September 14 Education Committee meeting, as attached. (Item 1.3)

Motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS

Superintendent's Report - (item 2.2)

Dr. Lucas updated the board on a variety of items including the FAB Lab, Girls in Science sponsored by KDKA, the preschool at Trinity West, and Brandon Neuman speaking to the American Government classes. Mr. Snoke reported that the administration has applied for grants from Lowe's for a Trinity based FAB Lab, Safe Schools grants, as well as grants for safety equipment in the buildings.

HEARING OF CITIZENS

None

FINANCE/TRANSPORTATION

2. Motion by Mr. Rudman, seconded by Mr. Durbin, to approve the payment of bills from the General Fund in the amount of \$1,057,076.70 from the Cafeteria Account in the amount of \$65,241.19 and from the Extracurricular Account in the amount of \$855.00 (Item 4.1)

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Motion by Mr. Trapuzzano, seconded by Mr. Durbin, to approve bus routes as posted on the District website and drivers for 2015-16 as attached. (Item 4.2)

Motion carried unanimously.

4. Motion by Mr. Trapuzzano, seconded by Mr. Durbin, to approve the Joint Stipulation Agreement between the Schol District and HCB Foundry to resolve the outstanding tax assessment appeal with respect to property in Strabane Square.

Motion carried unanimously.

PERSONNEL/ATHLETICS

5. Motion by Mrs. Caleffe, seconded by Mrs. Eates, to approve the resignation of Traci DeGarmo, Spanish teacher, effective on or before January 8, 2015, as agreed upon by both parties.

Motion carried unanimously.

6. Motion by Mr. Durbin, seconded by Mrs. Eates, to approve the transfer of Tara Krieger to the position of Confidential Secretary to the Assistant Superintendent, effective September 18, 2015 at a salary of \$40,000 (prorated).

Motion carried: 7 ayes; 1 nay (Rudman)

Action will be taken on the employment of a high school Spanish teacher at the October 1 meeting.

7. Motion by Mrs. Caleffe, seconded by Mr. Durbin, to approve Brian Lantz, Diana Berry, Mark Marietta, Betty Clutter, Nita Houston, and Karen Mucho as substitute teachers effective September 18, 2015.

Motion carried unanimously.

8. Motion by Mr. Dobich, seconded by Mr. Golsky to approve the updated list of school volunteers as attached. After September 17, 2015 the Assistant Superintendent may update and adjust the list as needed.

Motion carried unanimously.

9. Motion by Mrs. Rudman, seconded by Mr. Durbin, to contract with Darla Gossett to provide student transportation at a rate of 57.5 cents per mile, effective the 2015-2016 school year.

Motion carried unanimously.

10. Motion by Mrs. Caleffe, seconded by Mr. Trapuzzano, to contract with Crossroads Speech and Hearing for the 2015-2016 school year at a rate of \$38.00 per hour.

Motion carried unanimously.

EDUCATION

11. Motion by Mr. Rudman, seconded by Mrs. Eates to approve a student expulsion agreement.

Motion carried unanimously.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

POLICY

WESTERN AREA CAREER & TECHNICAL CENTER – Penny Caleffe, Representative

NORTH FRANKLIN BUSINESS & RECREATION AUTHORITY –Frances Eates and Kerri McIlvaine, Representatives

Mrs. Eates noted that the auditor had presented a positive report at the last meeting.

PSBA LIAISON – Frank Golsky

Mr. Golsky reported that Trinity Area had been mentioned in the PSBA newsletter regarding the FAB Lab visiting the District. He also discussed the fact that there are 20,000 homeless students in Pennsylvania.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Executive session was held at 5:00 p.m. for personnel purposes.

12. Motion by Mr. Durbin, seconded by Mrs. Caleffe, to adjourn the meeting at 6:47 p.m.
Motion carried unanimously.

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