

EASTERN LEBANON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
180 ELCO Drive, Myerstown, PA 17067

Board of Education
Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting

ELCO Senior High School Library

October 5, 2009

6:02 p.m.

The Eastern Lebanon County School Board met in a Committee-of-the-Whole Session in the ELCO Senior High School Library with President Moyer presiding.

Roll Call

The secretary called the roll. The following members were present: Mrs. Moyer, Mrs. Boyer, Messrs. Good, Houtz, Kahl, Kramer, Moll, Ondrusek, and Simmermon. Also in attendance were the following from the administrative team: Dr. Nilsen, Dr. Grove, Mr. Felty, Mr. DuBois, Mrs. Bowersox, and Mrs. Shoemaker; Gwen Boltz, Business Manager; Laura LeBeau of WLBR; and thirteen members of the community.

Board President Communications

No report.

Public Comments - Items on the Agenda

Comments were made by Robert Regnell.

ACTION ITEMS

Personnel Committee - Mr. Jack Kahl, Chairperson

On a motion by Kahl, seconded by Kramer and approved by voice vote, all voting Aye, Item A was approved:

- A. Approved a travel request from Doug Bohannon to travel to and attend the National Interscholastic Athletic Admin. Assoc. Conference in Dallas, TX, December 11-15, 2009. (Cost to the district is approximately \$500, which has been budgeted. Any additional costs will be paid by the League.)**

General Services Committee - Mr. Douglas Good, Chairperson

A motion by Good to place a new motion on the agenda was made, seconded by Moll and approved by voice vote, all voting Aye.

On a motion by Good, seconded by Kramer and approved by voice vote, all voting Aye, Item A was approved:

- A. Approved moving the bus stop currently located at 105 Walnut St., Richland, to 15 Walnut St., Richland, and adding an additional bus stop at 203 Walnut St., Richland.**

Personnel Committee - Mr. Jack Kahl, Chairperson

The Board reviewed and discussed the following:

- A. Recommend approval to accept a “Letter of Resignation” from Katie Kokan as the Choreographer for Odd-18, effective immediately.
- B. Recommend approval to accept a “Letter of Resignation” from Michele Auman, one-to-one personal care aide at the Middle School, effective October 14, 2009.
- C. Recommend approval to accept a “Letter of Retirement” from Richard Wartluft, district maintenance, effective December 28, 2009.
- D. Recommend approval for the following trips/conferences:
1. Jonathan Bickel and yearbook students (8) to travel and attend the JEA/NSPA National High School Journalism Convention in Washington, D.C., November 13-14, 2009. (Cost to the district is fuel for the school van and substitute.)
 2. Katie Kokan and Student Council students (5) to travel and attend the PASC State Conference at Pennridge High School, Perkasië, PA, November 12-14, 2009. (Cost to the district is fuel for the school van, hotel (\$250) and substitute.)
- E. Recommend the following individuals be added to the ELCO sub listing:
1. Michelle Frey – Elementary Ed.
 2. Joshua Hoover – Music K-12
 3. Amber Smith – Social Studies 7-12, English 7-12
 4. Danielle Brandt – Elementary Ed.
 5. Theresa Fox – Elementary Ed.
 6. Denise Smith – Elementary Ed.
 7. Rebecca Scalese - German
 8. Emily Martin – IU sub – all areas
 9. Kim Bair – IU sub – all areas

10. Luzi Ditzler – IU sub – all areas

F. Recommend approval of the following individuals as Full-day Tutors, pending approval of the Accountability Block Grant through the State Budget:

1. Ashley Gerhart – Myerstown Elementary
2. Diane Fiorentino – Myerstown Elementary
3. Emily Weiler – Jackson Elementary
4. Pamela Leahy – Jackson Elementary
5. Betty Lou Weik – Fort Zeller Elementary
6. Linda Troil – Fort Zeller Elementary
7. Phran Zimmerman – Schaefferstown Elementary
8. TBA – Schaefferstown Elementary

G. Recommend approval of Angie Struckmann as advisor for Odyssey of the Mind for the elementary and middle school teams.

H. Recommend approval of status change, substitute driver, David Madara, to full-time driver of Van #39, retroactive to October 5, 2009. (This is a new van added to the fleet.)

I. Recommend approval for the following coaches for the Winter 2009-10 season:

SPORT	HEAD COACH	ASSISTANT COACHES	VOLUNTEER COACHES
Boys Basketball	Chris Firestine	Chris George, Earl Thomas Jr., Robert Miller	Derek Fulk, Charles Gerberich, Joe Kirsch, Terry Faust
Girls Basketball	Dave Meyer	Brad Conners, Wes Harpold, Ashli Schwab	Fritz Firestine, Frank Noonan, Doug Strickler, John Zimmerman, John O'Donnell, Harold Haag
Wrestling	Chad Miller	Derek Thomas, Nicholas Wright, Zachary Cook, Mike Dunkel	Bob Martin, Shane Manney, Nelson Alleman, Dave Molnar
Indoor Track	Wyatt Hall	Katie Dalton	
Bowling	Todd Snook	N/A	Darlene Snook
Cheerleading	Lisa Liskey	Heidi Deitz, Jennifer Reinhart	Jennifer George

*Mike Dunkel and Nick Wright will split their salary due to supervision issues.

General Services Committee - Mr. Douglas Good, Chairperson

The Board reviewed and discussed the following:

- A. Recommend a Use of School Facilities to the ELCO Basketball Boosters for use of the high school gym, Sunday, November 15, 2009 from 1:00 to 6:30 p.m. for a fundraiser event (Zumba Class - aerobic dance class set to Latin music).

Finance Committee - Mr. Leon Moll, Chairperson

The Board reviewed and discussed the following:

- A. Request approval of payment of bills as found listed and attached to the October 5, 2009 Board Agenda in the amounts indicated:

General account bills amounting to	\$273,026.78
Cafeteria account bills amounting to	\$69,041.63
Athletic account bills amounting to	\$6,316.02
General account prepaids for August amounting to	\$646,800.52
Cafeteria account prepaids for August amounting to	\$0.00
Athletic account prepaids for August amounting to	\$6,178.76
General account prepaids for September amounting to	\$227,145.71
Cafeteria account prepaids for September amounting to	\$629.00
Athletic account prepaids for September amounting to	\$1,500.62
Construction Funds	\$92,047.44
Construction Funds prepaid for August	\$0.00
Construction Funds prepaid for September	\$65,064.69

- B. Request approval of Budget Transfers.

Superintendent's Report

The Board reviewed and discussed the following:

- A. Recommend approval for revisions to Board Policies, **first reading** (see attached):
 - 126 – Class Size
 - 218.3 – School Security
 - 311 – Suspensions and Furloughs (Administrative Employees)
 - 315 – Disqualification by Reason of Health (Administrative Employees)
 - 320 – Freedom of Speech in Non-school Settings (Admin. Employees)
 - 326 – Complaint Policy (Administrative Employees)
 - 351 – Drug and Substance Abuse (Administrative Employees)
 - 415 – Disqualification by Reason of Health (Professional Employees)
 - 426 – Complaint Policy (Professional Employees)
 - 451 – Drug and Substance Abuse (Professional Employees)
 - 551 – Drug and Substance Abuse (Classified Employees)
 - (DROP POLICY)** 120 – Programs

Dr. Nilsen reported on the following:

B. New Teacher/Board Member Dinner – October 19, 2009, 5:00 p.m. @ HS Café.

C. Apple Trip Questions – July 14-17 (18[?]), 2010

D. Budget Update – 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 was given by Gwen Boltz.

E. Elementary Grade Configuration Timeline

There was a consensus to have a Community Forum on November 19, 2009.

Public Comments - Items On/Off the Agenda

Comments were made by: Jamie Wolgemuth, Len Schott, and Melissa Newmaster.

Old Business - None

New Business

Scott Shearer of PFM made a presentation to the Board. The Board gave direction on borrowing approximately \$7.5 million utilizing a variable rate.

Adjournment - President Moyer declared the meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Douglas G. Good, Secretary