

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

Regular Board of Education Meeting  
ELCO High School Library

January 12, 2015

The Regular Board of Education Meeting was called to order by President Brandon Bernard at 6:00 p.m.

The Eastern Lebanon County School Board met in a Regular Session in the ELCO High School Library with President Bernard presiding and Mr. Jack Kahl leading the Opening Exercises.

Roll Call

The Secretary called the roll. The following members were present: Mrs. Walck; and Messrs. Bernard, Gardener, Houtz, Kahl, Mark and Moll. Absent from the meeting were Mrs. Boyer and Mrs. Souders. Also in attendance were the following from the administrative team: Dr. Zuilkoski, Dr. Stauffer, Ms. Haas, Mr. Gerhart, Mr. Rada, Mr. Cascarino, Mrs. Shoemaker, ~~Mr. Sweger~~, Mrs. Kassay, Mr. Rohrbaugh, Mr. Boltz, ~~Mr. Dresch~~ and Mrs. Kunkelman; Gloria Hill - Board Secretary; a reporter from the Lebanon Daily News; four community members; and three faculty/staff members.

Students of the Month - presented by Mr. Edward Gardener

Intermediate School – Joshua Redcay & Lillie Mohn (Mr. Eric Longenecker's 5<sup>th</sup> grade class)

Middle School – \*Elizabeth Hower, Riley Kilheffer & Kaylin Nolt

High School – Benjamin Spitler & Leanne Superdock

\*Designates December student recognized at the January 12, 2015 meeting.

Student Council Report – Hannah Kercher

Student Council President, Hannah Kercher, reported on the following events/activities: gave an update on the Holiday Fun Day and Pep Rally and competitions that were held prior to the December break; in March members of the Student Council will be attending the District VIII Student Council Conference.

President Bernard congratulated the students being recognized and thanked the parents for their support, also commending Mr. Longenecker for attending in support of his 5<sup>th</sup> grade students. President Bernard also commented on the involvement of each student and their future goals. Each principal highlighted their accomplishments and Mr. Gardener presented students with a plaque of recognition.

Presentation of the 2015-2016 Budget

Mr. Kurt Rohrbaugh, ELCO Business Manager, shared a PowerPoint presentation of the preliminary 2015-2016 budget. A copy of the presentation slides are attached to the Minutes, and will also be posted on the District website for viewing.

Board President Communications

No communications were reported.

Public Comments – Items On the Agenda

No comments were made.

On a motion by Mr. Gardener, seconded by Mr. Houtz and approved by Voice vote, all voting Aye, the Minutes of 12-02-14 & 01-05-15 were approved.

On a motion by Mr. Houtz, seconded by Mr. Kahl and approved by Voice vote, all voting Aye, the Treasurer's Report for months ending 11-30-14 & 12-31-14 were approved.

The Board entered into a discussion regarding the use of Construction Funds remaining in the account and will discuss options at a future meeting.

**CONSENT ITEMS (items discussed 01-05-15)**

Personnel Committee

On a motion by Mr. Moll, seconded by Mr. Mark and approved by Voice vote, all voting Aye, all Consent Items were approved:

Personnel Committee

A. Approved trip/travel requests as listed:

1. Mrs. Melodie Fair and student participants (4), to travel and participate in the PMEA District Chorus Festival to be held January 23-24, 2015 at Gettysburg High School, Gettysburg, PA. (Costs have been budgeted.)
2. Mr. Jonathan Bickel, chaperones, and students of FBLA and Potential Millionaires Club to travel to and visit sights in New York City, Friday, February 27, 2015. (Any costs to the District have been budgeted.)

B. Approved adding the following individuals to the ELCO sub listing (pending receipt of all required documentation/clearances):

1. Bruce Kreider – IU sub, all areas
2. Marwa Khalil – IU sub, all areas
3. Shauna Haak – IU sub, all areas
4. Susan Kline – Café sub
5. Sharon Brubaker – Instructional Aide sub

**NON-CONSENT ITEMS**

Personnel Committee – Mr. Edward Gardener, Chair

On a motion by Mr. Gardener, seconded by Mr. Mark and approved by Voice vote, all voting Aye, Item A was approved:

**A. Approved the employment of Alana Clements as a full-time Personal Care Assistant (subject to assignment) at an hourly rate of \$9.97, 6.5 hrs./day, effective on or about January 13, 2015 (pending receipt of all required documentation/clearances). (Board Attachment)**

On a motion by Mr. Gardener, seconded by Mr. Kahl and approved by Voice vote, all voting Aye, Item B was approved:

**B. Approved a “Letter of Resignation” from Rebecca Balsbaugh, HS Vo Ag teacher, effective January 6, 2015.**

On a motion by Mr. Gardener, seconded by Mr. Houtz and approved by Voice vote, all voting Aye, Item C was approved:

**C. Approved adding the following individuals to the ELCO sub listing (pending receipt of all required documentation/clearances):**

1. Christopher Grove, Social Studies 7-12
2. Rebecca Balsbaugh – Agriculture K-12

Finance Committee – Mr. Scott Houtz, Chair

On a motion by Mr. Houtz, seconded by Mr. Mark and approved by Voice vote, 6 Aye votes and 1 Abstention by Mr. Bernard, Item A was approved:

**A. Approved payment of bills as found listed and attached to the January 5, 2015 Board Agenda in the amounts indicated (Board Attachment):**

*General Fund payments in the amount of*

*\$1,914,560.25*

<i>Construction Fund payments in the amount of</i>	\$0.00
<i>Cafeteria Fund payments in the amount of</i>	\$112,206.84
<i>Debt Service</i>	\$301,096.35
<i>Capital Reserve Fund</i>	\$0.00

### Superintendent's Report

#### 1. New requirements for Act 153 & Act 168

Dr. Zuilkoski reported on the new requirements for Act 153 & Act 168.

- Act 153 will affect all ELCO employees who were notified via email and letters will be sent with detailed information on the new regulations for clearances. This information will also be mailed to all our current volunteers and substitutes.
- Act 168 concerns new hiring procedures for any prospective employee of the district who has or had employment where direct contact with children occurred.

#### 2. Recognition and appreciation presentation

January has been designated by PSBA to recognize and thank our local school board. Dr. Zuilkoski recognized the members of the ELCO School Board for their service to the District by presenting plaques and gifts to each member as a Thank You for their time and service to the ELCO community.

#### 3. Upcoming Dates:

January 19, 2015 – NO School (snow makeup day if needed)  
January 22, 2015 – End of 2<sup>nd</sup> marking period

### Public Comments – Items On/Off the Agenda

No comments were made.

### Old Business

No Old Business was reported.

### New Business

No New Business was reported.

### Adjournment

On a motion by Mr. Gardener, seconded by Mrs. Walck and approved by a voice vote, all voting Aye, President Bernard adjourned the meeting at 6:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gloria J. Hill  
Board Secretary