

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

Regular Board of Education Meeting

ELCO High School Library

February 8, 2010

The Regular Board of Education Meeting was called to order by President Gardener at 6:06 p.m.

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

Roll Call

The Secretary called the roll. The following members were present: Mrs. Souders; Messrs. Bernard, Gardener, Houtz, Kahl, Mark, Moll, and Ondrusek. Absent from the meeting was Mrs. Boyer. Also in attendance were the following from the administrative team: Dr. Nilsen, Dr. Grove, Mr. DuBois, Mr. Felty, Mrs. Bowersox, Mrs. Stauffer, and Mrs. Shoemaker; Gwen Boltz, Business Manager; Douglas Good, Board Secretary; and seventeen (17) members from the community.

Board President Communications

An Executive Session for legal and personnel matters was held at 5:45 p.m., February 8, 2010.

Students of the Month – Presented by Mr. Scott Houtz

Elementary – Stephanie Palashnyuk & Quinten Weaver (Mrs. Gretchen Miller's class)
Elizabeth Palashnyuk & Ryan Eshleman (Mrs. Kathy Shappell's class)

Middle School – Emily Sheaffer & Zachary Walker

High School – Daniel Arnold

Student Council Report – Anthony Allwein

Anthony reported on the following activities: Haiti Fundraiser, carnation sale.

Recognition

Mr. Felty, High School Principal, recognized Mrs. Stacy Dieffenbach and the FFA program for their presentation on display at the Farm Show in Harrisburg.

Public Comments – Items on the Agenda

No comments were made.

Board In-Service

Anti-Bullying in the elementary schools was the subject of the Board In-Service presented by Mrs. Bowersox and Mr. Muhr. Present for the presentation were teachers, Brad Entrekin, Libby McGuire; and students present were, Kyle Wenger, Alexa Barry, and Austin Scheaffer.

On a motion by Ondrusek, seconded by Kahl and approved by voice vote, all voting Aye, the Minutes of 01-11-10 and 02-01-10 were approved.

On a motion by Moll, seconded by Kahl and approved by voice vote, all voting Aye, the Treasurer's report was approved as presented and filed for audit for the month ending 01-31-10.

Consent Items (Items discussed on 02-01-10) – Mr. Raymond Ondrusek

On a motion by Ondrusek, seconded by Bernard and approved by voice vote, all voting Aye, all Consent items, with the exception of Item E, Personnel, were approved:

Personnel Committee

- A. Approved a job description for the position of Board Secretary. (See attached.)
- B. Approved Absence Without Pay (AWOP) to the following employees:
 - 1. Eugene Brown, part-time high school custodian, 2 days, March 11-12, 2010
 - 2. Mary Weigley, middle school instructional aide, 3-1/2 days, April 20 (pm), 21, 22, 23, 2010
- C. Approved a "Child Bearing Leave" to Jonelle Edris, 3rd grade elementary teacher at Schaefferstown, beginning approximately March 24, 2010 through June 7, 2010.
- D. Approved employment of the following individuals as Full-Day tutors (funding through the Accountability Block Grant) for the Spring session beginning February 9, 2010:
 - 1. Danielle Brandt – Myerstown Elementary
 - 2. Amy Schaeffer – Schaefferstown Elementary
 - 3. Denise Kramer – Jackson Elementary
- F. Accepted a "Letter of Retirement" from the following employees:
 - 1. Jacqueline Shaak, 3rd grade teacher at Jackson, effective the last day of the 2009-2010 school year.
 - 2. Peggy Troxel, elementary Librarian, effective the last day of the 2009-2010 school year.
 - 3. Suzanne Swanger, high school Librarian, effective the last day of the 2009-2010 school year.
- G. Approved the following trips/conferences:

1. Ken Krause and qualifying student to travel and attend the PMEA District VII Band, at Big Spring High School, February 12-13, 2010. (Cost to the district is for usage of school van.)
2. Paul Dissinger and the Quiz Bowl team to travel to and compete at the University of Delaware, March 6, 2010. (Cost to the district is for usage of school van.)
3. Stacy Dieffenbach and FFA students to travel and attend the State Leadership Legislative Conference, March 14-16, 2010, in Grantville, PA. (Cost to the district is approximately \$150, which was budgeted.)

H. Approved the following individuals as coaches for the 2010 Spring sports season:

SPORT	HEAD COACH	ASSISTANT COACHES	VOLUNTEER COACHES
Baseball	Chris Weidner	Michael Simmons, Chad Miller	Lyle Krall, Michael Muhr, Bob Bashore
Girls Soccer	Steve Keller	Derek Fulk, Katie Lamm, Mike Seigfried, Erik Harlan	John Smith, John Mentzer, Cody Harvey, Robert Smith, Chris Pagano
Track & Field	Robert Miller	Holly Hartman, Earl Thomas Jr., Wyatt Hall, Katie Dalton, Todd Snook, Kylie Whoolery	Shane Manney, Joel Keller, Andrew Miller, Blake Ziegler, Robert Hogeland
Boys Tennis	Zach Cook		Cathy Shaak, Chris Gyorke

I. Approved the following individuals be added to the ELCO sub listing (pending receipt of all documentation):

1. Kristin Caccese, ELCO sub – Elementary K-6
2. Tiara Gordon, ELCO sub – Elementary K-6
3. Charles Hansell, ELCO sub – Math
4. Patricia Martin, ELCO sub – Secretarial, Instructional Aide
5. Rebecca Boerst, IU sub – all areas

On a motion by Ondrusek, seconded by Bernard and approved by voice vote, all voting Aye, Personnel Item E, 1 was approved:

E. Approved a “Letter of Temporary Employment” to the following individual:

1. Corinne Shaak (maternity leave of Erin Marquette), Kindergarten at Schaefferstown, beginning approximately February 19, 2010 through May 11, 2010, at a salary of Bachelors’ – step 1 (prorated, \$219.22/day).

On a motion by Ondrusek, seconded by Bernard and approved by voice vote, all voting Aye, Personnel Item E, 2 was approved:

E. Approved a “Letter of Temporary Employment” to the following individual:

2. Timothy Coomer (maternity leave of Lindsey Hibshman), 5th grade at Jackson, beginning approximately March 20, 2010 through June 10, 2010, at a salary of Bachelors' – Step 1 (prorated, \$219.22/day).

On a motion by Ondrusek, seconded by Moll and approved by voice vote, all voting Aye, with three (3) NO votes by Ondrusek, Souders, and Houtz, Personnel Item E, 3 was approved:

E. Approved a "Letter of Temporary Employment" to the following individual:

3. Kelly Christman (maternity leave of Jonelle Edris), 3rd grade at Schaefferstown, beginning approximately March 24, 2010 through June 4, 2010, at a salary of Bachelors' – Step 2 (prorated, \$224.01/day).

Curriculum Committee

A. Approved request to survey secondary students, grades 6-12, on Internet safety and online behaviors.

General Services Committee

A. Approved a Use of Facilities for the following:

1. ELCO Baseball for use of the high school gym for a Youth Baseball Coaches Clinic, Sunday, February 28, 2010 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
2. ELCO United Soccer for use of the high school soccer fields on Saturday and Sunday afternoons March – June 2010 after 1:00 p.m.

B. Approved PlanCon H documents for the General Obligation Notes, Series of 2009 for the Intermediate School Project.

C. Approved change orders as follows:

1. Change Order #14 to the general contract for the repair of a sinkhole in the amount of \$3,431.44.

Finance Committee

A. Approved payment of bills as found listed and attached to the February 1, 2010 Board Agenda in the amounts indicated:

General account bills amounting to	\$334,005.94
Cafeteria account bills amounting to	\$75,265.72
Athletic account bills amounting to	\$18,323.13
General account prepaids for January amounting to	\$1,249,637.76
Cafeteria account prepaids for January amounting to	\$868.76
Athletic account prepaids for January amounting to	\$13,010.84

General account prepaids for February amounting to	\$0.00
Cafeteria account prepaids for February amounting to	\$0.00
Athletic account prepaids for February amounting to	\$0.00
Construction Funds	\$0.00
Construction Funds prepaid for January	\$1,337,903.37
Construction Funds prepaid for February	\$0.00

B. Approved High School and Middle School Activity Accounts. (See attached.)

C. Approved the 2008-09 Fiscal Year Audit performed by Trout, Ebersole & Groff.

Personnel Committee – Mr. Jack Kahl, Chair

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

A. Approved one day of Absence Without Pay (AWOP) to Donna DelCollo, high school Social Studies teacher, March 5, 2010.

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

B. Approved the following individual as an ELCO substitute, pending receipt of all documentation:

1. Heather Reber – Elem. Ed. K-6

On a motion by Kahl, seconded by Bernard and approved by voice vote, all voting Aye, with one (1) abstention from Moll, Item C was approved:

C. Approved the following individuals as coaches for the 2010 Spring sports season:

SPORT	HEAD COACH	ASSISTANT COACHES	VOLUNTEER COACHES
Softball	Dennis Morgan	Randy Derr, Barry Lutz	Jill Chernich, Doug Hoffman, Joel Stamm, Leon Moll, Douglas Shuey, Karla Wenzler

Ondrusek made a motion to amend Item A under **General Services Committee**, seconded by Bernard and approved by voice vote, all voting Aye, motion was amended.

A. Approve the following change order:

1. Change Order to the HVAC contract for remobilization of the geotherm well driller in the amount of \$22,413.74.

Amended motion:

A. Approve the following change order:

1. Change Order to the HVAC contract for remobilization of the geotherm well driller in **an amount not to exceed \$22,000.00.**

General Services Committee – Mr. Raymond Ondrusek, Acting Chair

On a motion by Ondrusek, seconded by Bernard and approved by voice vote, all voting Aye, with two (2) NO votes by Souders and Mark, Item A, was approved:

A. Approved the following change order:

1. Change Order to the HVAC contract for remobilization of the geotherm well driller in an amount not to exceed \$22,000.00.

On a motion by Ondrusek, seconded by Moll and approved by voice vote, all voting Aye, Item B was approved:

B. Approved contract to silicone the brick walls of the high school band storage room for an amount not to exceed \$1,040.00.

Finance Committee – Mr. Leon Moll, Chair

On a motion by Moll, seconded by Houtz and approved by Roll Call vote, all voting Aye, with two (2) NO votes by Ondrusek and Souders, Item A was approved:

A. Approved adoption of Resolution # 02-08-10-I concerning the 2010-2011 general fund budget and authorize the administration to apply for exceptions for which the district is eligible (see attached).

Superintendent's Report

On a motion by Moll, seconded by Bernard and approved by voice vote, all voting Aye, with three (3) NO votes by Ondrusek, Souders, and Mark, Item A was approved:

A. Approved removing Policy 315 and 415 from the District Policy Manual, per the recommendation from PSBA (**second reading**). (See attached.)

Important Dates were shared:

1. 2010 Legislative Breakfast, March 8, 2010 to be held at the IU 13 – 7:30-9:45 AM. (**If interested in attending, please complete registration and return to Gloria Hill by February 12th.**) Dr. Grove will be coordinating.

Public Comments – Items On/Off the Agenda

Comments were made by:

1. Robert Regnell – regarding Executive Sessions, Legal response
2. Howard Kramer – regarding question on voting
3. Melissa Newmaster – legal fees for one year
4. Melissa Regnell – Right to Know

Old Business

No report.

New Business

No report.

On a motion by Ondrusek, seconded by Bernard and approved by a voice vote, all voting Aye, President Gardener adjourned the meeting at 7:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Douglas G. Good, Secretary