

**COATESVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
REORGANIZATION MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 3, 2013 - 6:00 PM
9/10 CENTER AUDITORIUM**

District Mission Statement

The Mission of the Coatesville Area School District, a learning community rich in diversity and committed to excellence, is to educate all students by providing rigorous educational opportunities to become responsible, productive, life-long learners in a global society.

1. CALL TO ORDER AT 6:12 P.M.

2. ADVISEMENT

This meeting was called for the reorganization of the School Board under appropriate sections of Article IV of the School Laws of Pennsylvania as amended. Public notice was given for this meeting in accordance with Act 93 of 1998, Section 1. By notice of the Board Secretary, Board Members are advised that all votes shall be regarded as roll call votes.

3. ROLL CALL

Board of School Directors

Diane M. Brownfield - present
J. Neil Campbell - present
Joseph E. Dunn, Jr. - absent
James L. Fox - present
Paul L. Johnson - absent
Laurie C. Knecht - present
Richard M. Ritter - present
William A. Sweigart - absent
Dr. Tonya Thames Taylor - absent

Administration

Dr. Leonard D. Fitts, Interim Superintendent of Schools - present
Abdallah Hawa, Director of Technology - present
Ronald G. Kabonick, Director of Business Administration | School Board Secretary - present
Dave Krakower, Director of High School Education, Curriculum Instruction & Special Ed. (6-12) - present
Jason Palaia, Director of Elementary Education, Curriculum Instruction & Special Ed. (K-5) - present
Dr. Teresa Powell, Director of Middle School Education & Curriculum Instruction - present
John Reid, Director of Pupil Services/Data & Assessment - present
Dr. Angelo Romaniello, Jr., Assistant Superintendent - present
Erika Zeigler, Director of Human Resources - absent

Solicitor

James E. Ellison, Esquire - present

4. MOMENT OF SILENCE AND FLAG SALUTE

5. **SCHOOL BOARD REORGANIZATION** (*Karen Jackson, Recording*)

Reading of the List of Legally Elected and/or Qualified School Directors:

<u>Region I</u>	(Coatesville, Valley)	Diane M. Brownfield Paul L. Johnson Deborah L. Thompson
<u>Region II</u>	(West Brandywine, Caln)	J. Neil Campbell Richard M. Ritter Stuart C. Deets
<u>Region III</u>	(East Fallowfield, Modena, Sadsbury, West Caln, South Coatesville)	James L. Fox Laurie C. Knecht Kimberly M. Mammel

6. **SWEARING IN OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS**

Newly elected board members and incumbent(s) were sworn in by Judge Gregory V. Hines.

7. **REVIEW OF VOTING PROCEDURES BY THE SOLICITOR**

Mr. Ellison reviewed the voting procedures.

8. **ELECTION OF TEMPORARY PRESIDENT**

Nominations were entertained for election of a temporary president.

- Laurie Knecht nominated Rick Ritter for Temporary President.
- Rick Ritter nominated Diane Brownfield for Temporary President.

A motion was made by Neil Campbell and seconded by Jim Fox that nominations for a temporary president be closed.

On a 7-1 roll call vote in favor of Diane Brownfield being elected as Temporary President, effective immediately, for the Coatesville Area School District Board of School Directors until a President is elected, Ms. Brownfield took the chair.

9. **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

A. **PRESIDENT**

Temporary President Ms. Brownfield asked for nominations for President for the year 2014.

Jim Fox nominated, and Laurie Knecht seconded, Neil Campbell for President.
Deborah Thompson nominated Diane Brownfield for President.

A motion was made that the nominations for President be closed.

On a roll call vote 7-1, J. Neil Campbell was elected as President for 2014. He then took the chair.

B. VICE PRESIDENT

President Campbell asked for nominations for Vice President for the year 2014.

- Rick Ritter nominated Jim Fox for Vice President.
- Laurie Knecht nominated Rick Ritter for Vice President. Mr. Ritter declined his nomination.
- Deborah Thompson nominated Stuart Deets for Vice President.

A motion was made that the nominations for Vice President be closed.

On a roll call vote of 5-3, Jim Fox was elected for Vice President for 2014.

10. REMARKS BY THE NEW PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT

Brief remarks were made by President Neil Campbell and Vice President Jim Fox.

11. REMARKS BY THE PAST PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT

12. PUBLIC BOARD MEETING DATES

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the Public School Board Meetings for 2014 be advertised as per the attachment. (*Enclosure*)

In accordance with School Board Policy #006, adopted September 27, 2001 and revised on May 23, 2002 and October 19, 2004, all Board Members and the District Superintendent shall be advised of the dates and times for the scheduled public Committee and Board meetings.

Motion: Neil Campbell

Second: Diane Brownfield

Vote: 8-0-0

BOARD MEETINGS

January 28, 2014
February 25, 2014
March 25, 2014
April 22, 2014
May 27, 2014
June 24, 2014
No meetings in July
August 26, 2014
September 23, 2014
October 28, 2014
November 25, 2014
December 2, 2014

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

January 14, 2014
February 11, 2014
March 11, 2014
April 8, 2014
May 13, 2014
June 10, 2014
No meetings in July
August 12, 2014
September 9, 2014
October 14, 2014
November 11, 2014
No Committee meetings in December

13. **COMMITTEES**

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the committees as follows:

Community and Student Relations
Education
Finance and Personnel
Operations

Motion: Neil Campbell

Second: Jim Fox

Vote: 8-0-0

14. **BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

None

15. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

The Board has requested all persons making comments of public concern to list their name, address, telephone number and topic(s) on the sheet provided. There is a three (3) minute time limit per person.

None

16. **ADJOURNMENT**

This meeting was adjourned at 6:34 p.m. on a motion by Neil Campbell and seconded by Diane Brownfield.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Jackson, Recording Secretary

Ronald G. Kabonick, School Board Secretary

If any Board Member or member of the public wishes to review the minutes verbatim, please contact the School Board Secretary and make arrangements to come to the District Office and listen to the meeting tapes.