

**COATESVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
9/10 CENTER AUDITORIUM
December 4, 2014**

Immediately following Reorganization Meeting

OPENING ACTIVITIES

1. CALL TO ORDER AT 6:45 P.M.

2. READING OF 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.

3. ADVISEMENT

By notice of the President, Board Members are advised that all votes shall be regarded as roll call votes. The minutes should also note that public notice was given for this meeting in accordance with Act 93 of 1998, Section 1. School Board meetings shall proceed in accordance with School Board policy.

4. ROLL CALL

Board of School Directors

James L. Fox - present
Diane M. Brownfield - present
Stuart C. Deets - present
James Hills - present
Laurie C. Knecht - present
Michele S. Maffei - present
Dean A. Snyder - present
Deborah L. Thompson - present

Student Representatives

Katie Stefanski, Senior Class Representative - absent
Andrew Scott Patterson, Junior Class Representative - absent

Solicitor

Michael I. Levin, Esquire - present

Administration

Dr. Cathy Taschner, Superintendent of Schools - present
Dr. Angelo Romaniello, Jr., Assistant to the Superintendent - absent
Dr. Kimberly R. Donahue, Assistant to the Superintendent of Curriculum & Learning - present
Ronald G. Kabonick, Director of Business Administration & School Board Secretary - present
Erika Zeigler, Director of Human Resources - absent
Abdallah Hawa, Director of Technology - absent
John Reid, Director of Pupil Services, Data & Assessment - present
Dave Krakower, Director of High School & Curriculum Instruction - Special Education (6-12) - absent
Dr. Teresa Powell, Director of Middle School Education & Curriculum Instruction - absent
Jason Palaia, Director of Elementary Education (3-5) - Special Education (K-5) - absent

5. **MOMENT OF SILENCE AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

ADDITIONS, DELETIONS OR MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA

Modification to Amend:

2. B. Constellation NewEnergy, Inc. Electricity Supply Agreement

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the minutes for the November 20, 2014 Special Board meeting subject to any addition, deletions, modifications or clarifications. (*Enclosure 1*)

Approval of Minutes 11-20-2014 Approved Vote: 8-0-0
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Motion: Jim Fox

Second: Diane Brownfield

Vote: 8-0-0

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

The Board has requested all persons making comments on **agenda items** to list their name, address, telephone number and motion item(s) on the sheet provided. There is a three (3) minute limit per person. The Board does not take action or discuss items not appearing on the agenda. The Board values public comments and wishes to convey that although Board members cannot discuss items that are not on the agenda, they listen carefully and appreciate and value input from the public.

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- An executive session will be held on Thursday, December 4, 2014 after the meeting for legal and personnel reasons.
- Two executive sessions were held before and after the meeting on Tuesday, November 25, 2014 for legal and personnel reasons.
- An intermission executive session was held on Tuesday, November 25, 2014 for new board member briefing.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The superintendent's report was provided by Dr. Cathy Taschner.

IMPORTANT DATES

Date	Time	Meetings	Place
December 16, 2014	7:00 pm	Special School Board Meeting	9/10 Center Auditorium
Dec. 22 – Jan. 2, 2015	~	Winter Break	<i>No School for Faculty, Staff & Students</i>
<i>The following dates are tentative until the calendar is Board approved.</i>			
January 13, 2015	6:00 pm	All Committee Meetings	9/10 Center Auditorium
January 19, 2015	~	<i>Observance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day</i>	Schools & Offices Closed
January 27, 2015	7:00 pm	School Board Meeting	9/10 Center Auditorium

SPECIAL REPORTS

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE’S REPORT

MOTION ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

Committee meeting action items considered routine will be enacted under one motion unless removed for separate action upon Board request. The purpose of the consolidated motion is to expedite Governing Board action on all consent items, which are not held for discussion. Items that have been held for discussion by the Governing Board will be enacted upon at the time the item is discussed.

1. CONSENT AGENDA (School Board President)

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board approves the consent agenda items:

Items to be removed from Consent Agenda:

- 2. A. Substitute Teacher Service Agreement
- 2. C. 2. b. Human Resources–New Appointment–Extra Duty–21st CCLC Cohort
6A After School Teachers for South Brandywine Middle School

Motion: Diane Brownfield Second: Laurie Knecht Vote: 8-0-0

Consent Agenda
Approved
Vote: 8-0-0

2. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Substitute Teacher Service Agreement

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approve the Substitute Teacher Service Agreement, pending review of the District Solicitor. (*Enclosure 2*)

Motion: Laurie Knecht Second: Deborah Thompson Vote: 8-0-0

Substitute Teacher Service Agreement
Approved
Vote: 8-0-0

B. Constellation NewEnergy, Inc. Electricity Supply Agreement

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approve the Electricity Supply Agreement with Constellation NewEnergy, Inc., as presented. (*Enclosure 3*)

Friendly Amendment Constellation NewEnergy
Approved
Vote: 8-0-0

Friendly Amendment to include the new Administration building to the Constellation NewEnergy, Inc. Electricity Supply Agreement.

Motion: Stuart Deets Second: Deborah Thompson Vote: 8-0-0

C. Human Resources

1. Resignations - Regular and Extra Duty

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the following Resignations - Regular and Extra Duty:

a. ADMINISTRATION

1) Edwards, Karen K., Network Manager for the Coatesville Area School District. Letter Dated: 12/1/14. Reason: Personal. Effective: 9/15/14.

b. FEDERATION

1) Ibrahim, Alie, Custodian for the South Brandywine Middle School. Letter Dated: 11/21/14. Reason: Personal. Effective: 11/21/14.

c. EXTRA DUTY

1) Fenimore, Shawn, 8th Grade Boys Soccer Coach for the North Brandywine Middle School. Letter Dated: 11/25/14. Reason: Personal. Effective: 11/25/14.

2. New Appointments - Regular and Extra Duty

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the following New Appointments - Regular and Extra Duty:

a. CATSS

1) Sterner, Kimberly, 6.5 Hour Special Education One-on-One Aide for the King's Highway Elementary School. Posted: 10/21/14. Salary: \$12.50/hr. Effective: 12/8/14. SP4: Approved.

b. EXTRA DUTY

1) 21st CCLC Cohort 6A After School Teachers for the South Brandywine Middle School. Posted: 10/22/14. Salary: \$33.00/hr. Effective: 2014 - 2015 School Year. SP4: Staff.

Kimberly Gredzinski
Anthony Olseski

Steve Jamison
Karen Smith

Extra Duty 21 st CCLC
Approved
Vote: 8-0-0

Motion: Diane Brownfield Second: Jim Fox Vote: 8-0-0

3. Leave(s) of Absence

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the following Leave(s) of Absence as indicated:

a. CATA

- 1) Burns, Jamie, Physical Education Teacher for the Caln Elementary School. Letter Dated: 12/1/14. Reason: FMLA. Effective: 2/6/15 – 5/1/15.
- 2) Griggs, Leila, Physical Education Teacher for the King's Highway Elementary School. Letter Dated: 10/31/14. Reason: FMLA. Effective: 1/5/15 – 3/13/15.
- 3) Jones, Cassandra, Special Education Teacher for the South Brandywine Middle School. Letter Dated: 11/20/14. Reason: FMLA. Effective: 1/21/15 – 4/15/15.

b. CATSS

- 1) Bisignaro, Carol, 6.5 Hour Special Education One-on-One Aide for the Coatesville Area Senior High School. Letter Dated: 11/25/14. Reason: FMLA. Effective: 11/17/14 – 12/19/14, Intermittent.

4. Change of Status

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approves the Change of Status as indicated:

a. CATSS

- 1) Holmes, Cassandra, move from 6.5 Hour Special Education One-on-One Aide for the Rainbow Elementary School to 6.5 Hour Special Education One-on-One Aide for the Coatesville Area Senior High School Campus – 9/10 Center. Posted: 10/29/14. Effective: 1/5/2015.
- 2) Stauffer, Kerri, move from 6.5 Hour Special Education One-on-One Aide for the East Fallowfield Elementary School to 6.5 Hour Special Education Classroom Aide for the East Fallowfield Elementary School. Posted: 10/21/14. Effective: 12/5/14.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Board has requested that 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

ADDITIONAL BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS

INFORMATION ITEMS

- CASD and Charter School Enrollment Reports as of December 1, 2014 (*Enclosure 4*)

ADJOURNMENT

This meeting was adjourned at 7:14 p.m. on a motion by Laurie Knecht and seconded by Stuart Deets.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Jackson, Recording Secretary

Ronald G. Kabonick, School Board Secretary

Anyone wishing to review the minutes verbatim should contact the Board Secretary to request a copy of the digital/audio file.