

**COATESVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 10, 2015  
9/10 CENTER AUDITORIUM  
(Immediately Following Committee Meetings)**

**OPENING ACTIVITIES**

**1. CALL TO ORDER AT 8:40 P.M.**

**2. PURPOSE OF MEETING**

The purpose of this meeting is to approve the bills payable, and any other matters that may come before the Board.

**3. 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.*

**4. 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.

**5. ROLL CALL**

**Board of School Directors**

Dean A. Snyder, President - <i>absent</i>	(Finance & Personnel Committee)
Stuart C. N. Deets, Vice President - <i>present</i>	(Operations and Finance & Personnel Committees)
Diane M. Brownfield - <i>present</i>	(Education Committee)
James Hills - <i>present</i>	(Education and Operations Committees)
Laurie C. Knecht - <i>present</i>	(Operations Committee)
Michele S. Maffei - <i>present</i>	(Finance & Personnel Committee)
Deborah L. Thompson - <i>present</i>	(Education and Policy Committees)
Ann M. Wuertz - <i>present</i>	(Policy Committee)
Gregory D. Wynn - <i>present</i>	(Policy Committee)

**Solicitor**

Michael I. Levin, Esquire – *not present*

**Administration**

Dr. Cathy Taschner, Superintendent of Schools - *present*  
Dr. Kimberly R. Donahue, Assistant to the Superintendent of Curriculum & Learning - *present*  
Ronald G. Kabonick, Director of Business Administration & School Board Secretary - *present*  
John Reid, Director of Pupil Services, Data & Assessment - *present*  
Jason Palaia, Director of Elementary Education & Special Education (K-5) - *present*

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

## **ADDITIONS, DELETIONS OR MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA**

### *Additions:*

- Adjudications for Students with ID Numbers 10002045 and 90003462  
Recommended Motion: That the Board of School Directors approve the addition of two student adjudications (ID #s 10002045 and 90003462).

Motion: Stuart Deets

Second: Michele Maffei

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.

## **MOTION ITEMS FOR APPROVAL**

### **1. Financial Statements**

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of School Directors approve the Financial Statements (Treasurer's Report, Bills Payable and Investment Report) for the period October 21, 2015 to November 3, 2015, as presented.

Motion: Laurie Knecht

Second: Diane Brownfield

Vote: 8-0-0

### **2. eRate Service Agreement with Van Strien Consulting, LLC**

**RECOMMEND MOTION:** That the Board of School Directors approve the agreement with Van Strien Consulting, LLC to complete the eRate service applications for an amount of \$7,000 for Category-1 services plus a 2% commission not to exceed \$15,000 for Category-2 services for the 2016-2017 funding years.

Motion: Deborah Thompson

Second: Michele Maffei

Vote: 8-0-0

### **3. Human Resources Report**

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of School Directors approve the resignations, appointments, new positions, leave of absences, transfers, changes of status and corrections, as presented.

Motion: Ann Wuertz

Second: Deborah Thompson

Vote: 8-0-0

### **4. The Franklin Institute Traveling Science Show at Scott Middle School**

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of School Directors approve the performance contract with the Franklin Institute to present a Traveling Science Show at Scott Middle School.

Motion: Diane Brownfield

Second: Deborah Thompson

Vote: 8-0-0



**ADDITIONAL BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS**

Several Board Members expressed their farewell to their out-going peers, with an emphasis on Diane Brownfield's 16-year term.

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

This meeting was adjourned at 9:07 p.m. on a motion by Stuart Deets and seconded by Diane Brownfield.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Karen Jackson, Recording Secretary*

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Ronald G. Kabonick, School Board Secretary

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