

Union City Area School District
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
Elementary Large Group Instruction Room
April 11, 2019

President George Trauner called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The salute to the flag and a moment of silence were observed. He reminded those present to sign in if they have not already done so.

Roll Call by the Secretary

Blain Blakeslee, David Fox, Stephen Gilbert, Douglas Hopson, Lori Lewis, and George Trauner were present. Brian Gregor, Barbara Miller and David Robinson were absent.

Others Present

Matthew Bennett, Amy Coleman, Tara Lineman, Ann Sill, Katie Thomas, Kelly Knauff, Michelle Flaherty, Emily Eastman, Edie Leute, Melissa Tomcho, Adam Shrout, Maryann Mook, Anna Conner, Donna Watkins, Xavier Laughery, Joshua Mumau, Cathy Dobrzynski, Wendy Mangol, Matt Prinkey, Jasmine Esh, Racquel Gray, Lillian Woods, Cheryl Taylor, Teresa Pacileo and Ken Watkins were present.

Presentations

1. Mrs. Tomcho introduced Mr. Matt Prinkey, Band Instructor who then introduced **Band student Emily Eastman**. Emily, a Junior, recently competed in the PMEA All-State Festival in Pittsburgh taking 2nd place on the euphonium which she displayed. Mr. Prinkey stated that she has been working very hard for many years and has accomplished the following: Last school year - District Jazz- 1st trombone, 2nd band; District band- top half; Region Band - second chair (this achievement allowed her to automatically return to district band in 2018/19). Then in this school year -District Jazz- 3rd trombone, 1st band; District Band- Second chair; Region Band- First chair (which allowed her to advance to the state festival); and All-State Concert Band- second chair. Additionally, Emily will be sending in an audition video for All Nationals in May. Mr. Bennett asked that Miss Eastman, Mr. Prinkey and the Board members pose for a photo. Mr. Prinkey and Miss Eastman then left the meeting.
2. Mrs. Tomcho stated that the following ECTS students achieved Students of the Month for March – **Cheyenne Lombardozzi** in the Auto Body-Repair class – Be Attitude – Involved, and **Nick Kaday** in the Precision Machining class – Be-Attitude – Disciplined.
3. Mrs. Lineman gave a presentation on PSERS Projections as well as an explanation on the installment payments on real estate taxes. The Board discussed the option of changing the installment options to August 31- September 30 and October 31 or leave the rebate, face and penalty deadlines as they are. The Board agreed to leaving the deadlines as they are. [See Supplemental enclosed in the Minutes Book]

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4. Mrs. Coleman introduced the TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families) Advisors for the various after-school programs. The following gave presentations:
- Medical Club - Mrs. Mangol gave a PowerPoint presentation of several of their field trips. She was assisted in the program by Mrs. Dawson. [See Supplemental enclosed in the Minutes Book]
 - Industry Club – Mr. Mumau (assisted by Lillian Woods) also gave a Power Point presentation of their various events and field trips. [See Supplemental enclosed in the Minutes Book]
 - “Building a Robot” Computer Component – Ms. Flaherty showed a video using computer coding.
 - Rocketry – Ms. Thomas also showed a video and explained that they launched rockets, learned the anatomy of rockets and talked about careers.
 - Amusement Parks – Led by Mr. Corey Bailey and Mrs. Nancy Cole – Slides were shown of the building of a ferris wheel.
 - Lego Design and Animation – Mr. Bocianowski showed a brief video or the Lego construction of the US Capitol. They had six 2-hour sessions and wrote a story.
 - Equestrian Ag/Ed group – Led by Ms. Heather Olson which covered the history, nutrition, care and careers. A display is outside the auditorium.

Mrs. Coleman added that Mrs. Knauff was the overall supervisor and handled the paperwork for all of these clubs. Mrs. Knauff stated that 54 students participated in all programs combined, meeting 1-1/2 hours on Tuesdays and Thursdays. A representative from Career Link did a site visit and was astounded at what all was offered and would like to use our District as a sample for other schools.

Superintendent’s Report

Mr. Bennett reported the following:

1. Mrs. Abbe Biebel and Mrs. Coleman have been hard at work organizing an E-sports team. They held an in-house tournament and on May 10, will attend a tournament at Iroquois.
2. Mrs. Biebel, Pastor Rumm and Mr. Bennett did an hour segment with Joel Natalie on WCTL promoting Union City and the District yesterday. He felt it was a good representation of our community and school.
3. As noted in Mr. Thompson’s report last week, Mr. Bennett announced that there will be an auction of inventory no longer used on June 13.

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Approval of Agenda

Mr. Blakeslee moved, Mr. Hopson seconded to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Blain Blakeslee, David Fox, Stephen Gilbert, Douglas Hopson, Lori Lewis, and George Trauner voted yes. Brian Gregor, Barbara Miller and David Robinson were absent. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Hopson moved, Mr. Gilbert seconded to approve the minutes of the March 7, 2019 Committee of the Whole meeting, and the March 14, 2019 Regular Board meeting.

Roll Call Vote: Blain Blakeslee, David Fox, Stephen Gilbert, Douglas Hopson, Lori Lewis, and George Trauner voted yes. Brian Gregor, Barbara Miller and David Robinson were absent. Motion carried.

Approval of Treasurer's Report

Mrs. Lewis moved, Mr. Hopson seconded to approve the Treasurer's Report for March 2019. [See Supplemental enclosed in the Minutes Book]

Roll Call Vote: Blain Blakeslee, David Fox, Stephen Gilbert, Douglas Hopson, Lori Lewis, and George Trauner voted yes. Brian Gregor, Barbara Miller and David Robinson were absent. Motion carried.

Approval of Check List

Mr. Blakeslee moved, Mr. Gilbert seconded to approve the Checks for Board Approval– April 11, 2019, Checks Between Board Meetings– March 2019, Athletic Checks– March 2019 and Procurement Card Listing – March 2019. [See Supplementals enclosed in the Minutes Book]

It was asked if the Athletic Checks listing was short because it is between seasons. Mr. Bennett will check.

Roll Call Vote: Blain Blakeslee, David Fox, Stephen Gilbert, Douglas Hopson, and Lori Lewis voted yes. George Trauner abstained from check #0004053. Brian Gregor, Barbara Miller and David Robinson were absent. Motion carried.

Executive Session

At 6:49 p.m. Mr. Trauner announced that the Board would recess into Executive Session for Legal Discussion. The Board meeting reconvened at 7:23 p.m.

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ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

Academics

Post School Board meeting agendas on website (NO MOTION WAS MADE)

Mr. Trauner asked for a motion to approve posting the School Board meeting draft agendas on the District website prior to each meeting as discussed at the April 4 Committee of the Whole meeting. Item dropped for lack of a motion.

Co-Curricular

Resignation – Keefer as Athletic Director

Mr. Hopson moved, Mr. Blakeslee seconded to accept the resignation of Daniel N. Keefer as Athletic Director, Effective June 30, 2019.

Roll Call Vote: Blain Blakeslee, David Fox, Stephen Gilbert, Douglas Hopson, Lori Lewis, and George Trauner voted yes. Brian Gregor, Barbara Miller and David Robinson were absent. Motion carried.

Finance

Mr. Fox moved, Mrs. Lewis seconded to approve the following finance motions:

\ 2019-2020 ECTS Budget

1. The 2019-2020 General Fund Budget for the Erie County Technical School, including Secondary Programs and Regional Career and Technical Center Adult Programs. [See Supplemental enclosed in the Minutes Book]

UCASD 2019-2020 Preliminary Budget

2. To accept the Union City Area School District 2019-2020 Preliminary General Fund Budget in the amount of \$19,237,654 and as partial support, re-enact the ACT 511 Earned Income, Realty Transfer and Per Capita Taxes (\$5), Section 679 tax on person (\$5), and also as partial support, enact Real Estate Tax millage rates as listed, and further, that notice of this resolution be properly advertised: Union City Borough and Union Township: 11.25 mills and Bloomfield Township 44.40 mills. Further, the Board of Directors directs its Business Manager to make the School District's 2019-2020 Preliminary General Fund Budget available to the public at least thirty (30) days prior to its adoption by the Board. [See Supplemental enclosed in the Minutes Book]

Single Audit Report for year ending 6/30/18

3. To accept the Monahan & Monahan, CPA, Single Audit Report on financial statements of the Union City Area School District for year ending June 30, 2018. [See Supplemental enclosed in the Minutes Book]

AFR for fiscal year ending 6/30/18

4. To accept the Annual Financial Report (AFR) submitted by the District to the Pennsylvania Department of Education for fiscal year ending June 30, 2018. [See Supplemental enclosed in the Minutes Book]

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Dishwasher purchase

5. The purchase of a dishwasher from Curran Taylor, Inc. in the amount of \$20,859.00 out of Fund 51.

Timber Sale – Firth Maple Products

6. To accept the bid of the timber sale with Firth Maple Products in the amount of \$19,000.

It was asked if the preliminary budget was without a tax increase to which Mr. Bennett replied there is no tax increase.

Roll Call Vote: Blain Blakeslee, David Fox, Stephen Gilbert, Douglas Hopson, Lori Lewis, and George Trauner voted yes. Brian Gregor, Barbara Miller and David Robinson were absent. Motion carried.

Personnel Substitute List Additions

Mrs. Lewis moved, Mr. Hopson seconded to approve the following additions to the District Substitute list for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year as per assignment: Tina Blakeslee and Samantha Wojtecki.

Roll Call Vote: David Fox, Stephen Gilbert, Douglas Hopson, Lori Lewis, and George Trauner voted yes. Blain Blakeslee abstained. Brian Gregor, Barbara Miller and David Robinson were absent. Motion carried.

Mrs. Lewis moved, Mr. Gilbert seconded to approve the following personnel motions:

Volunteers

1. To approve the following District Volunteers for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year: Keith Knauff, Denise Kochanczyk, and Denice Tippen.

IU Emergency Substitute Teacher Consortium

2. To approve Erin Tate and Heather Olson to the IU Emergency Substitute Teacher Consortium list for the remainder of the current school year.

Various Retirements

3. To accept the resignation for the purpose of retirement from the following professional staff who qualify and have accepted the retirement incentive offered by the School Board, effective June 30, 2019 as per the incentive: Lisa S. Frisina, Stephen E. Frisina, Sherri Lee Porter, Madalyn E. Still, Blaine R. Walp, Steven G. Yovich and Michael A Zarger.

Lyon – Aide remainder of 2019-2020

4. To approve Malea Lyon as temporary Special Education Aide for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year, 7 hours per day; at an hourly rate of \$9.00.

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| Lineman, salary adjustment | 5. To adjust the salary of Tara L. Lineman, District Business Manager, for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year to \$95,000, effective April 12, 2019, per the addendum, as presented. [See Supplemental enclosed in the Minutes Book] |
| States transfer | 6. To approve the transfer of Stephanie States from Middle School/ High School Special Education Teacher to the new Secondary Emotional Support Teaching position which opens with the 2019-2020 school year. |
| Leute transfer | 7. To approve the transfer of Edith M. Leute from Elementary Special Education Teacher to 2nd Grade Teacher, effective with the 2019-2020 school year. |
| Bem transfer | 8. Motion to approve the transfer of Rhonda L. Bem from Kindergarten Teacher to 2nd Grade Teacher, effective with the 2019-2020 school year. |
| George transfer | 9. Motion to approve the transfer of Sandi L. George from 4th Grade Teacher to 3rd Grade Teacher, effective with the 2019-2020 school year. |
| Jenkins hired | 10. Motion to approve Erin D. Jenkins as Secondary Art Teacher, effective with the 2019-2020 school year, Step 1 Bachelor’s Degree, \$44,106.00, pending receipt of her PA Teaching Certification and remaining employment documents. |
| Watkins to Certified School Nurse | 11. Motion to approve Donna L. Watkins, RN, as Certified School Nurse, effective with the 2019-2020 school year, Step 1 Bachelor’s Degree, \$44,106.00. |
| Flaherty transfer | 12. Motion to approve the transfer of Michelle E. Flaherty from 2nd Grade to the new Elementary STEM position, effective with the 2019-2020 school year. |
| Kriebel hired | 13. Motion to approve Tegan J. Kriebel as Secondary Family Consumer Science Teacher, effective with the 2019-2020 school year, Step 1 Bachelor’s Degree, \$44,106.00, pending receipt of her PA Teaching Certification and remaining employment documents. |

Mt. Bennett asked those in the audience who are being approved to stand and congratulated them on their new positions.

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Roll Call Vote: Blain Blakeslee, David Fox, Stephen Gilbert, Douglas Hopson, Lori Lewis, and George Trauner voted yes. Brian Gregor, Barbara Miller and David Robinson were absent. Motion carried.

Financial Reports

The financial reports were presented. Mr. Trauner informed to Board to contact Mrs. Lineman if they had any questions. [See Supplementals enclosed in the Minutes Book]

Other Business

Special meeting next
Thursday

Mr. Bennett announced that there will be a Special Board Meeting next Thursday (April 18) at 6:00 p.m. in this room (Elementary Large Group Instruction Room) for personnel and contract approval.

Adjournment

Mr. Hopson moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Blakeslee. The motion to adjourn was unanimously approved.

Mr. Trauner adjourned the meeting at 7:27 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ann Sill
School Board Secretary