



Board Meeting of the Palmyra Area School District May 9, 2019

Minutes For: Regular School Board Meeting

Roll Call

Board Members Present: Mr. Connell, Mr. Downey, Ms. Fisher, Mr. Geib, Mrs. Hudson, Mr. Kreiser, Mr. Krikorian

Absent: Mr. Ludwig, Mr. Putt

Administrators Present: Lisa Brown, Bernie Kepler, Darcy Brenner-Smith, Kathy Setlock, Noelle Brossman, James Hale, Heath Dresch, Kim Nixon

Attendance Updates:

- Mr. Putt arrived at 6:15 PM.
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1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

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Mr. Connell called the meeting to order at 6:11 PM.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

Mr. Connell
Mr. Downey
Ms. Fisher
Mr. Geib
Mrs. Hudson
Mr. Kreiser
Mr. Krikorian
Mr. Ludwig
Mr. Putt

Minutes: 7 present, 2 absent - Ludwig, Putt (*arrived 6:15*)

4. BOARD MINUTES

Motion to approve the minutes of the Board meeting of April 25, 2019.

Minutes

Following a motion by Mr. Downey and a second by Mr. Hudson, the Board unanimously approved the minutes from the April 25, 2019 Board meeting.

5. APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion to approve the Treasurer's report for May 2019.

Treasurer's Report

- Transactions Report
- Cafeteria Report
- General Fund Check Register
- Revenue Report
- Expenditure Report
- Capital Projects Check Register
- Capital Projects Fund Report
- Hybrid Check Register
- Hybrid Construction Fund Report
- Available Construction Funds Report
- Change Order Report
- Change Order Issues Log (no log for May)
- Buildings & Grounds Supervisor Report
- Workplace Safety Report
- Budgetary Transfers (quarterly)
- Club Report (quarterly)

Minutes

Following a motion by Mr. Downey and a second by Mrs. Hudson, the Board unanimously approved the Treasurer's Report for May 2019.

6. PALMYRA PRIDE

Recognition of Forge Road Elementary staff as noted in the minutes.

Minutes

The Board recognized the following Forge Road Elementary School staff:

- Megan Ressler for displaying leadership in teaching *Close Reading* ideas, during professional development sessions, to elementary staff.
- Lauren McGrady and Warren Miller for starting a Leadership Club at Forge Road Elementary, donating their time to bring creative and fun activities to students.

7. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Minutes

No report.

8. VISITOR COMMENTS

- Christie McKelvie, 921 E. Oak Street, Palmyra, PA 17078; 717-269-4230
Topic: Forge Road Elementary Access Road
- Nate McKelvie, 921 E. Oak Street, Palmyra, PA 17078; 717-982-0537
Topic: Forge Road Elementary Access Road

- Jose Torres, 923 E. Oak Street, Palmyra, PA 17078; 717-954-7528
Topic: Forge Road Elementary Access Road

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Mr. and Mrs. McKelvie, 921 E. Oak Street, Palmyra, PA 17078 addressed the Board regarding the proposed access road at Forge Road Elementary School.

Mr. Jose Torres, 923 E. Oak Street, Palmyra, PA 17078 addressed the Board regarding the proposed access road at Forge Road Elementary School.

9. CURRICULUM

a. Minutes - Curriculum Committee

Curriculum Committee Minutes from April 25, 2019.

Minutes

The Board reviewed the minutes from the April 25, 2019 Curriculum Committee meeting.

b. Field Trip

*Motion to approve field trip for 5 High School Envirothon Club students to the University of Pittsburgh in Johnstown, PA on May 21-22, 2019 for the Environmental State Competition at no cost to the district.

*Curriculum item added after the April 25, 2019 Curriculum Committee meeting.

Minutes

Following a motion by Ms. Fisher and a second by Mr. Kreiser, the Board unanimously approved the field trip as listed.

10. BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

a. Forge Road Elementary Access Road Contract

Motion to award the contract for Forge Road Elementary School Access Drive and Site Modifications to Ebersole Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$562,000 for the base bid plus alternates 1, 3, 4 and 5 for a total of \$670,200.

Minutes

Following a motion by Mr. Downey and a second by Mr. Putt, the Board approved the motion to award the contract for Forge Road Elementary School Access Drive and Site Modifications to Ebersole Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$562,000 for the base bid plus alternates 1, 3, 4 and 5 for a total of \$670,200 by a vote of 7-1 with Mr. Connell casting the lone nay vote.

11. FINANCE

a. 2019-20 Proposed General Fund Budget

Motion to approve the 2019-20 Proposed General Fund Budget in the amount of \$54,512,409 with real estate mills of 15.4. (Roll Call Vote)

Minutes

Following a motion by Mr. Putt and a second by Mr. Krikorian, the Board approved the Proposed 2019-20 General Fund Budget in the amount of \$54,512,409 with real estate mills of 15.4 by a vote of 6-2 with Mr. Connell and Mr. Downey casting the "nay" votes.

Vote Results

Yea: 6 Ms. Fisher, Mr. Geib, Mrs. Hudson, Mr. Kreiser, Mr. Krikorian, Mr. Putt
Nay: 2 Mr. Connell, Mr. Downey
Abstain: 0
Not Cast: 1 Mr. Ludwig

12. STAFFING & ADMINISTRATION

a. Minutes - Staffing & Administration Committee

Staffing & Administration Committee Minutes from April 25, 2019.

Minutes

The Board reviewed the minutes from the April 25, 2019 Staffing and Administration Committee meeting.

b. Board Policies - Second Reading

Motion to approve the second reading of the following board policies:

- a. Policy No. 200-Enrollment of Students (replaces district's Policy No. 205-Enrollment)
- b. Policy No. 251-Homeless Students (new from PSBA)
- c. Policy No. 255-Educational Stability for Children in Foster Care (new from PSBA)

Minutes

Following a motion by Mr. Downey and a second by Mr. Kreiser, the Board unanimously approved the second reading of the following board policies:

- a. Policy No. 200-Enrollment of Students (replaces district's Policy No. 205-Enrollment)
- b. Policy No. 251-Homeless Students (new from PSBA)
- c. Policy No. 255-Educational Stability for Children in Foster Care (new from PSBA)

c. Approval of Consent Agenda - Staffing & Administration Committee Action Items

Motion to approve Staffing & Administration Committee items as noted on the Staffing & Administration Consent Agenda.

Minutes

Following a motion by Mr. Downey and a second by Mr. Putt, the Board unanimously approved the Staffing and Administration Consent agenda items as listed.

13. ADJOURNMENT

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Following a motion by Mr. Downey and a second by Mr. Kreiser, the Board unanimously adjourned the meeting at 7:30 PM.


Darcy Brenner-Smith, Board Secretary