Board Meeting of the Palmyra Area School District
Palmyra Area School District Office Boardroom
1125 Park Drive, Palmyra, PA 17078
(Meeting held virtually via Zoom)
October 22, 2020
Minutes For: Regular School Board Meeting

Roll Call

Board Members Present: Christopher Connell, Christine Fisher, Suzan Gilligan, James Kreiser, Karen Ludwig, Michael Ludwig, Jeffrey Putt

Absent: Barley, Geib

Administrators Present: Bernie Kepler, Annette Spagnolo, Darcy Brenner-Smith, Noelle Brossman, John Brougher, Abbie Mahaffey, Carolyn Richards, Scott Richardson, Kathy Setlock, Tawnjah White

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1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Minutes

Christopher Connell called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

Barley
Connell
Fisher
Geib
Gilligan
Kreiser
Ludwig, K.
Ludwig, M.
Putt

Minutes: 7 present, 2 absent (Barley, Geib)

4. BOARD MINUTES

Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of October 8, 2020.

Minutes

Following a motion by Jeffrey Putt and a second by James Kreiser, the Board unanimously approved the minutes from the October 8, 2020 Board meeting.

5. PALMYRA PRIDE

Recognition of the following:

- School district nurses (Katryna Griffin, Amanda Stroup, Courtney Fackler, Judith Robinson, AmyLea Yingst, Lisa Allwein, and district substitute nurses) for being on the frontline of care during the pandemic, the frequent & ongoing communication with families and administration, and for their overall commitment to the health and safety of the staff and students of the district.

- Walmart for their generous donation of $10,000 to the Cougar Foundation to help offset costs associated with the Palmyra Area Middle School Outdoor Education Program.

Minutes
The Board and Administration recognized school district nurses and Walmart as listed above.

6. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The Board met on October 14, 2020 to discuss legal matters.

Minutes
Christopher Connell announced that the Board met in closed session on October 14, 2020 to discuss legal matters.

7. VISITOR COMMENTS

Minutes
No visitor comments.

8. BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

a. Minutes - Buildings & Grounds Committee

Buildings & Grounds Committee Minutes from October 8, 2020.

Minutes
The Board reviewed the minutes from the October 8, 2020 Buildings and Grounds Committee meeting.

b. Proposed GESA Amendment

Motion to approve proposed GESA Amendment #8 with Reynolds Energy Services, Inc./SiteLogiq for Phase II of Northside Renovations in the amount of $30,750.

Minutes
Following a motion by James Kreiser and a second by Jeffrey Putt, the Board unanimously approved the proposed GESA Amendment #8 with Reynolds Energy Services, Inc./SiteLogiq for Phase II of Northside Renovations in the amount of $30,750.

9. FINANCE

a. Minutes - Finance Committee

Finance Committee Minutes from October 8, 2020.

Minutes
The Board reviewed the minutes from the October 8, 2020 Finance Committee meeting.

b. Budgetary Transfers

Motion to approve the final budgetary transfers for 2019-20.

Minutes

Following a motion by Jeffrey Putt and a second by James Kreiser, the Board unanimously approved the final budgetary transfers for 2019-2020.

10. STAFFING & ADMINISTRATION

a. Minutes - Staffing & Administration Committee

Staffing & Administration Committee Minutes from October 8, 2020.

Minutes

The Board reviewed the minutes from the October 8, 2020 Staffing and Administration Committee meeting.

b. Board Policies - Second Reading

Motion to approve the second reading of the following board policies:
- Policy 904 - Public Attendance at School Events
- Policy 907 - School Visitors

Minutes

Following a motion by Jeffrey Putt and a second by Suzan Gilligan, the Board unanimously approved the second reading of the listed Board policies.

c. Board Policies - First Reading

Motion to approve the first reading of the following Board policies:
- Policy 113.1 - Discipline of Students with Disabilities
- Policy 113.2 - Behavior Support
- Policy 113.4 - Confidentiality of Special Education Student Information
- Policy 122 - Extracurricular Activities
- Policy 123 - Interscholastic Activities
- Policy 123.2 - Sudden Cardiac Arrest

Minutes

Following a motion by Jeffrey Putt and a second by Suzan Gilligan, the Board unanimously approved the first reading of the listed Board policies.

d. 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 Jeffrey Putt and a second by Christine Fisher, the Board unanimously approved the Staffing and Administration Consent Agenda items as listed.

11. REPORTS

a. Superintendent's Report

Minutes

Dr. Kepler provided the Board with the October 2020 Superintendent's Report.

b. Student Representative's Report

Minutes
No report.

c. Lebanon County Career & Technology Center Report

Minutes
Jeffrey Putt reported on behalf of the Lebanon County Career & Technology Center.

d. Palmyra Area Recreation & Parks Commission Report

Minutes
James Kreiser reported on behalf of the Palmyra Area Recreation & Parks Commission.

e. Lancaster-Lebanon Intermediate Unit 13 Report

Minutes
Christine Fisher reported on behalf of the Lancaster-Lebanon Intermediate Unit 13.

f. Cougar Foundation Report

Minutes
James Kreiser reported on behalf of the Cougar Foundation.

g. Palmyra Public Library Report

Minutes
No report.

h. Lebanon County Tax Collection Committee Report

Minutes
No report.

i. Lebanon County Legislative Region Report

Minutes
No report.

j. Harrisburg Area Community College Lebanon Campus Advisory Committee Report

Minutes
No report.

k. Other Reports

Minutes
No other reports.

12. COMMUNICATIONS

Minutes
The Board received correspondence from Lisa Brown thanking them for their diligence with the completion of the turf athletic complex and support of public education.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Minutes

Following a motion by Jeffrey Putt and a second by Michael Ludwig, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 6:28 p.m.

Darcy Brenner-Smith, Board Secretary