

**MANHEIM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS MEETING**

District Office

May 12, 2016

7:00 p.m.

M I N U T E S

William Murry, President, called the Work Session of the Manheim Township Board of School Directors to order at 7:00 p.m. School directors present were Mark Anderson, Tony DeLeo, Steve Grosh, Todd Heckman (conference called in), Mike Lynch, Lynn Miller, William Murry, and Grace Strittmatter. Also present were Tim Williams, Assistant to the Superintendent for Secondary Curriculum, Instruction and Technology; Laura Heikkinen, Director of Business Operations; Karen Nell, Director of Curriculum and Instruction; Tony Aldinger, Director of Community Outreach; Tom Koch, Plant Manager; and Jennifer Davidson, Board Secretary.

Absent: Nathan Geesey

Visitors present are recorded in the official school board guest book. A quorum was present, and due notice had been published. Mr. Heckman had conference called in to the Work Session.

Announcements

- The board held a public meeting on Wednesday, May 4. This is part of a ten-year planning process to address facility and grounds needs of the district. At the meeting, a representative from Remington, Vernich and Beach Engineers shared their findings on areas within the district that needed attention over the next ten years. The presentation is on our website. In addition, we have a dedicated email address for members of the community to provide comments and ideas related to the district facility needs. That email address can also be found on our website.
- The Board held a public meeting on Saturday, May 7, for the purpose of discussing the proposed budget for 2016-17. During the 2-hour meeting, Laura Heikkinen presented an explanation of our budget process, as well as projections for the next five years. The Board had an open discussion on the budget and budget decisions. The community also had an opportunity to comment and share their response to the presentation.
- The Board held an executive session following the budget meeting on Saturday, May 7. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss personnel compensation and legal matters.
- The Board met with representatives of the superintendent search firm on Monday, May 9. At this meeting, the Board began the candidate screening process to set up first round interviews of superintendent candidates.
- The superintendent search firm has been holding focus group meetings over the last two weeks. Information on these groups and the progress of the search firm can be found on our website, where an update is posted every other Friday.
- The public is reminded that we will hold the monthly Board-Community drop-in on Saturday, May 14 at district office from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. Any resident of Manheim Township is

Public Comment on action items
Action Items

welcome to stop in to meet the representative board members and discuss district-wide concerns.

- There was no public comment
- Ms. Laura Heikkinen, Business Manager, presented the Proposed Final 2016-17 General Fund Budget in the amount of \$90,724,461 as presented on form PDE-2028.

On motion by Mr. Anderson and seconded by Mr. Grosh, the motion failed 4-4 with Mr. DeLeo, Mr. Heckman, Mr. Murry, and Mrs. Strittmatter voting no.

Discussion items - no action taken at this meeting

The agenda, as listed below, was reviewed and discussed in preparation of a vote at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting on May 19, 2016. No formal action was taken at this meeting.

- Approve the Lancaster County Academy Proposed Budget for 2016-17
- Approve the Special Education Services Agreement with Lancaster Lebanon IU13 for the 2016-17 school year.
- Approve to amend the current Lancaster Lebanon IU13 lease at the Neff-II building (located at 25 Valley Road) by adding an additional 1,200 square feet at an annual charge of \$12,000/year
- Approve Change Order No.1 to Cheran, Inc. in the amount of \$14,760.00 for bulk rock removal encountered while boring holes for the light posts used for the Stadium Light Replacement Project
- Recommend approval of the 2016-17 Food Services Budget with the following increases of full-pay lunch prices as follows:
Breakfast Elementary: \$1.35
Breakfast MS/LRIS: \$1.35/\$2.10
Breakfast HS: \$1.35/\$2.10
Reduced Breakfast: \$0.00
Lunch Elementary: \$2.20
Lunch MS/LRIS: \$2.45
Lunch HS: \$2.50/\$3.50
Reduced Lunch: \$0.40
Milk: \$0.70 (no increase)
- Approve second reading and adoption of the following policies for final approval:
Policy 011
Policy 204
- Approve review of the following School Board Policies:
Policy 249
- Approve first reading of the following policy for final approval in June:
Policy 331
Policy 601
Policy 605
Policy 606
Policy 608
Policy 611

Citizens' Comments

Adjournment

Policy 619
Policy 620
Policy 623
Policy 626.1
Policy 827

- Approve first reading of the following policy for final approval in June:
Policy 823
- Approve first reading of the following policy for final approval in June:
Policy 915
- Adopt an activity fee for the 2016-17 school year of \$50 per activity with an individual cap of \$150 for the school year. No fee will be charged after the student's third activity. Waiver requests will be granted for students in the free/reduced lunch program and may be granted for those facing a financial hardship
- Approval of the Class of 2016 Graduates

Mr. Murry invited Manheim Township citizens' comment on any item.

- Dan Holler commented about the budget
- Joan Bowen spoke on behalf of Mr. & Mrs. Ramon Rivera regarding the band concert and curriculum.
- Joan Bowen spoke regarding activity fee; school lunch waste; date of the high school prom

Mr. Anderson moved and Mr. Grosh seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at approximately 8:27 p.m.

Voice vote with all members present voting aye. Motion carried.

William Murry, President

Jennifer Davidson, Secretary