

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

District Office  
August 12, 2010  
7:30 p.m.

**MINUTES**

Hannah Bartges, President, called the Work Session of the Manheim Township Board of School Directors to order at 7:30 p.m. School directors present were Mark Anderson, Hannah Bartges, Barb Carr, Susan Doub, Lynn Miller, William Murry, Don Reed, and Tom Winters. Also present Gene Freeman, Superintendent; John Riegel, Assistant Superintendent; Tim Williams, Assistant to the Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction and Technology; Katherine Setlock, Director of Pupil Services; Joe Kurjiaka, Chief Operating Officer; Tom Koch, Plant Manager; and Kathleen Arnold, Board Secretary.

Absent: Tom O'Brien

Visitors present are recorded in the official school board guest book. A quorum was present, and due notice had been published.

**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 August 20, 2009. No formal action was taken at this meeting.

**Landis Run Intermediate  
School financing**

Ken Phillips, RBC Capital Markets, and Scott Shearer, PFM Group, reviewed the options they considered for the project financing. The main goal of the Parameter Resolution is to provide the district with the greatest flexibility to borrow the funds at the most advantageous rates. Their recommendation is to issue traditional fixed rate bonds in the fall to take advantage of historically low rates and bank-qualified limits. The 2011 Bonds would be issued after receipt of bids on the Landis Run Intermediate School based on the construction draw schedule. The possibility of issuing Build America Bonds will continue to be monitored, subject to the economic benefit over traditional tax-exempts. Brian Boland reviewed the Parameter Resolution for General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2010, that will provide the first funding for Landis Run Intermediate School.

- approval of a Parameter Resolution authorizing the issuance of Bond Purchase Agreement for Series 2010
- approval to submit the 2010-2011 Memorandum of Understanding regarding the School Health Services Program to the Pennsylvania Department of Education for the Department's approval.
- approval to extend the contract with Austill's Rehabilitation Services for Occupational Therapy and Physical Therapy services for one year to June 30, 2011
- exoneration of 2010/2011 School Real Estate taxes for 15 Valley Road, 49 Valley Road and 313 Valley Road
- approval to submit an Act 80 exception request for 5 days during the 2010-2011 school year to the Pennsylvania Department of Education for the Department's approval
- approval of High School Natatorium change orders totaling \$68,599.99

- Stoneridge, Inc. Change Order #1 for addition of ceramic mosaic tile on the pool deck, at an increase of \$59,908.
- Stoneridge, Inc. Change Order #2 for addition of 4 stainless steel recessed step assemblies, at an increase of \$8,691.99
- approval of Bucher Elementary Change Orders:
  - Electrical in the total amount of \$1,873.
  - Eastern Shore Inc. Change Order #5 in the amount of \$1,873.
  - Asbestos Abatement: in the total amount of \$4,650.
  - R.L. Abatement Inc. Change Order #1 in the amount of \$4,650.
  - Data Construction in the total amount of \$14,323.07
  - Morocco Electric Inc. Change Order #4 in the amount of \$10,413.52
  - Morocco Electric Inc. Change Order #5 in the amount of \$3,909.55
  - Plumbing in the total amount of \$49,070.77
  - Vision Mechanical Inc. Change Order #1 in the amount of \$14,658.78
  - Vision Mechanical Inc. Change Order #5 in the amount of \$34,411.99
  - General Construction in the total amount of \$93,541.64
  - Miller Brothers Construction Inc. Change Order #7 in the amount of \$11,144.42
  - Miller Brothers Construction Inc. Change Order #8 in the amount of a deduct of (\$4,558)
  - Miller Brothers Construction Inc. Change Order #9 in the amount of \$5,204.44
  - Miller Brothers Construction Inc. Change Order #10 in the amount of \$20,211.14
  - Miller Brothers Construction Inc. Change Order #12 in the amount of \$14,538.13
  - Miller Brothers Construction Inc. Change Order #13 in the amount of \$10,710.42
  - Miller Brothers Construction Inc. Change Order #14 in the amount of \$36,291.09
- approval of the 2010-2011 Lancaster General Health Occupational Medicine Department Random Drug Testing Pool Agreement
- approval of a Supplemental Transportation Contract for Hinkletown Mennonite school for 2010/2011, in the amount of \$1292.20.

## Discussion

- Jay Darkey reviewed options for upgrading the High School Stadium restrooms. One thing he stressed is that the district is making an effort to work with some in-kind donations of materials and time. Mr. Anderson asked if the area under the stands could be made into additional restrooms and the concession stand moved to the opposite side of the stadium. Mr. Darkey is in conversation with zoning officials to see if there could be a viable variance request. Dr. Winters asked Mr. Darkey to develop a cost to renovate both the concession stand and restrooms. The second option to cost out on Mr. Anderson's plan. Mr. Darkey said the basic renovation would be between \$250,000 to \$300,000. Mrs. Doub stated that she feels the economic climate is such that a basic renovation is all the district can afford.

## Updates/Reports

- Jay Darkey gave an update on the Bucher Elementary project construction. The project is on schedule or even a little ahead of schedule. Mr. Darkey complimented the construction crews for a phenomenal job over the summer to get the building ready for students.
- Kim Kichline announced that all the elementary schools have met their PSSA goals. A committee was organized over the summer that worked on strengthening the writing activities to more closely align with our curriculum.
- Jason Hoffman said he was pleased with the PSSA math scores, which have increased about 3% across all grade levels. The math program, which was new last year, has provided greater consistency across the district in the district year-end testing.
- Bucher project revenue/expenditures/change orders (attachment)

## Citizens' Comments

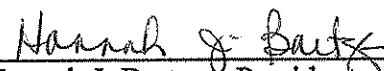
Mrs. Bartges invited Manheim Township citizens' comment on any item.


Mrs. Kaye Pulkrabek, Eshelman Road, asked if swimming is going to be returned to the 6<sup>th</sup> grade curriculum. Dr. Freeman said that would not happen this year but it would be a topic of conversation.

## Adjournment

Mr. Anderson moved and Mr. Murry seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at approximately 9:00 p.m.

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

  
Hannah J. Bartges, President

  
Kathleen E. Arnold, Secretary