

**MANHEIM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL BOARD WORK SESSION**

**Neff 6 Building
February 11, 2016
7:00 p.m.**

MINUTES

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, Nathan Geesey, Steve Grosh, Todd Heckman, Mike Lynch, Lynn Miller, Bill Murry and Grace Strittmatter.. Also present were Dr. Tim Williams, Assistant to the Superintendent for Secondary Curriculum Instruction and Technology; Dr. Karen Nell, Director of Curriculum and Instruction; Kate Heintzleman, Director of Human Resources; Laura Heikkinen, Business Manager; Tony Aldinger, Director of Community Outreach; Tom Koch, Plant Manager; and Jennifer Davidson, Board Secretary.

Absent:

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Murry led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Announcement

- On January 21, 2016, the Board of School Directors of the Manheim Township School District met in executive session to review information about the process to interview search firms, and to review information about those firms. The Board did not engage in deliberations and took no action.
- On January 28, 2016, the Board of School Directors of the Manheim Township School District met in executive session to interview search firms to receive information and answers to questions about each firm's proposal. The board did not engage in any deliberations and took no action. Additionally, the Board of School Directors discussed personnel issues with the respect to the identification of potential candidates for service and for appointment to the position of Acting Superintendent.
- On February 4, 2016, the Board of School Directors of the Manheim Township School District met in executive session to discuss the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of performance, promotion or disciplining of specific prospective public officers or employees or current public officers or employees employed or appointed by the School District, or former public officers or employers. The board interviewed and discussed candidates for the Acting Superintendent position.

Student Presentation

Brecht Elementary Students and Mr. Steven Courtney

Presentation Update

Mrs. Mitchell gave a presentation on the Office of College & Career Workforce

**Manheim Township
Citizens' Comments**

Mr. Murry invited citizens in the audience to comment on any item on the agenda. There were four citizens that commented.

Action Items

Mr. Geesey moved to remove the motion from the January 21, 2016 School Board meeting to appoint Dr. Tim Williams as the Acting Superintendent. Mr. DeLeo seconded that motion.

The School Board discussed the Acting Superintendent options of Dr. Tim Williams and Dr. Martin Hudacs

On voice vote to approve Dr. Tim Williams as the Acting Superintendent until July 1, 2016 or until a Superintendent is appointed, the motion does not carry, 4-5.

On motion by Mr. Anderson, and seconded by Mr. Geesey to appoint Dr. Martin Hudacs Acting Superintendent until July 1, 2016 or until a Superintendent is appointed. The motion carries 8-1.

The School Board Members discussed the action item to Accept the Resolution to specifically authorize the Board President to sign the certification of the Referendum Exceptions to be sent to PDE. The deadline for submittal to PDE is February 11, 2016 at 11:59 PM.

- On motion by Mr. Grosh and seconded by Mr. Anderson to approve the Resolution to specifically authorize the Board President to sign the certification of the Referendum Exceptions to be sent to PDE. Voice Vote was requested. The motion carries 6-3.

**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 February 18, 2016. No formal action was taken at this meeting.

- Second Reading and approval of School Board Policy 309 Assignment and Transfer

New Business

Mr. Heckman moved and Mr. Geesey seconded to discuss the selection of a search firm. Mr. Heckman asked Kate Heintzelman, Human Resources Director, what the process would be if the search would happen "in-house".

Mr. Geesey moved and Mr. Heckman seconded to have Manheim Township Human Resources Director post the Superintendent position internally. Motion carried 8-1.

Mr. Geesey moved and Mr. Lynch seconded to start the request for proposals to seek new solicitor representation.

Mr. Murry moved and Mr. Grosh seconded to table the motion to start the request for proposals to seek new solicitor representation. The motion carried 8-1.

Mr. Grosh moved and Mr. Geesey seconded to open the District Office once a month for the purpose to have a board member present to meet with community members to listen to concerns. The motion carried 9-0.

The School Board recessed for 5 minutes.

Citizens' Comments

Mr. Murry invited Manheim Township citizens' comment on any subject. There were 46 community members that commented.

Adjournment

Mr. DeLeo moved and Mr. Anderson seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at approximately 10:14 PM.

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



Mr. Murry, President

Jennifer R. Davidson, Secretary

