

**MANHEIM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS MEETING  
Manheim Township High School Auditorium  
March 10, 2016  
6:30 p.m.**

**M I N U T E S**

William Murry, President, called the School Board Meeting 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, William Murry, and Grace Strittmatter. Also present were Tim Williams, Assistant to the Superintendent for Secondary Curriculum, Instruction and Technology; Karen Nell, Director of Curriculum and Instruction; Laura Heikkinen, Director of Business Operations; 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.

**Announcements**

- On Saturday, February 27, 2016, the entire board and Dr. Hudacs attended a workshop on team building and communication, facilitated by Geoff Davis of Conversations. The workshop ran from 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., and was held at the district office. The board unanimously agreed that the time and results were very worthwhile. There will be follow-up workshops to continue this work over the next several months. The next workshop is scheduled to occur prior to the April 14 work session.
- On March 8, we had a Community Conversation that engaged over 160 members of the community in discussing what they would like to see in the next superintendent. The program began with an overview by Dr. Hudacs on the professional requirements of a superintendent, as well as the many roles that a superintendent must fill. The presentation also included an overview of the district's financial, demographic and academic status, as well as challenges or opportunities (depending on the outlook of the next superintendent) that the district will likely face over the next five years. A summary of the meeting and the information generated by the groups is posted on our website.
- Just as a reminder, we will have a budget presentation at next week's board meeting, which will again be held here at the high school auditorium.
- On Saturday, March 19, at 9:00 a.m., we will have a board workshop on Governance. The workshop will be given by the Pennsylvania School Boards Association. The workshop will be about 90 minutes, and the community is invited to attend and observe. The workshop will be held at district office on Saturday, March 19 at 9:00 a.m.

**Discussion items – no action taken at this meeting**

- A suggestion had been brought up at a previous board meeting that board members would make themselves available on Saturday mornings at district office to meet with individuals from the community. We will work out the logistics of that plan following the March 19 Board Governance workshop, which will keep us on track with our original timeline of starting these opportunities sometime in April.

The agenda, as listed below, was reviewed and discussed in preparation of a vote at the next regularly scheduled board meeting on March 17, 2016. No formal action was taken at this meeting.

- First Reading of School Board Policies for approval in April  
Policy 000  
Policy 002  
Policy 004  
Policy 006  
Policy 222
- Approve to name the Football Field/Stadium – Kruis Field at War Memorial Stadium based on the outstanding leadership and educational contributions made to the Manheim Township Community
- Approve Resolution authorizing the Acting Superintendent to sign electronic agreements with the Pennsylvania Department of Education
- Approve the contract with OnHand Schools, Inc. for the purchase and implementation of EdInsight beginning with the 2016-17 school year
- Approve the replacement text for Environment & Ecology and its purchase for the 2016-17 school year
- Approve the replacement text for 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade Math and its purchase for the 2016-17 school year
- Approve the submission of the Act 80 Exception Request for the 2015-16 school year to the Pennsylvania Department of Education
- Award the High School Concession & Restroom Project to the General Construction, Electrical, Mechanical and Plumbing low bidders meeting specifications.
- Motion to approve an Addendum to the Separation Agreement between the School District and John Nodecker

**Presentations**

- Search Firm presentations given for the Superintendent Search which will be voted on at the March 17, 2016 School Board Meeting
  - 1) Ray & Associates
  - 2) Templeton Advantage
  - 3) Dr. Joe O'Brien
  - 4) McPherson & Jacobsen

**Manheim Township Citizens' Comments**

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

- Sally Reynolds – spoke regarding Policy 006; search firms; EdInsight
- Ramon Rivera – spoke regarding EdInsight; search firms

**Adjournment**

- Nikki Rivera – spoke regarding EdInsight; textbooks

Mr. Anderson moved and Mr. Heckman seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at approximately 9:38 p.m.

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

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William Murry, President

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Jennifer Davidson, Secretary