

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

District Office

April 14, 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, Nathan Geesey, Steve Grosh, Todd Heckman, Mike Lynch, Lynn Miller, William Murry, and Grace Strittmatter. Also present were 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: Tim Williams, Assistant to the Superintendent for Secondary Curriculum, Instruction and Technology

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

Presentations

- Reidenbaugh Elementary Students
- Reidenbaugh Employee of the Month – Kelly Palmquist, Multiple Disabilities Support Teacher
- New MTEF Director – Jenny Germann

Announcements

- Prior to today's meeting, the school board had another in its ongoing workshops for team building and communications. The sessions began with a half-day workshop on Saturday, February 27, and will continue with additional workshops scheduled prior to upcoming board meetings.
- On Thursday, April 7, the board met with representatives from the IU24 superintendent search team. The purpose of the meeting was to review key logistics for the group to conduct its search. The information from this meeting will be instrumental in helping IU24 develop materials for the search process. The search team will soon be setting up focus groups for community stakeholders. More information on this will be coming as soon as we have it.
- This Saturday we will begin board-community drop-in sessions. The sessions will run from 8:30 – 10:30 a.m. in this Board Room. Residents of Manheim Township are encouraged to talk to board members about
 - board decisions
 - upcoming agenda items
 - district-wide issues or concerns

We plan to hold these sessions on the Saturdays between the work session and the action sessions in April, May and June. Topics

Public Comment on action items

Action Items

Discussion items - no action taken at this meeting

brought up for discussion will be shared with all members of the board prior to the next board meeting. This is another effort we are making to engage the community and create open lines of communication on board decisions and district-wide concerns.

- If you have not read it yet, we do encourage you to read the posting on the district website titled “Information on the MTSD Budget 2016-17”. It is a very readable document. It explains the 2016-17 budget which will be up for preliminary approval next month. It also explains the budget process, trends related to revenues and expenditures, and the fund balances of the district.
- On Thursday, April 14, 2016, the Board of School Directors met in executive session:
 - (a) To consult with its attorneys regarding information or strategy in connection with potential litigation; and
 - (b) To review and discuss agency business which, if conducted in public would violate a lawful privilege or lead to the disclosure of information or confidentiality protected by law, including matters related to the initiation and conduct of investigations of possible or certain violations of law.

- Shelby Witmer spoke on the Personnel Report
- Ramon Rivera spoke on EdInsight

On motion by Mr. Anderson and seconded by Mr. Geesey the board approved 9-0 the purchase of a Ford Transit T150 cargo van from Hondru Ford of Manheim, PA through COSTARS.

On motion by Mr. DeLeo and seconded by Mr. Heckman, the board approved 9-0 the personnel report.

On motion by Mr. Anderson and seconded by Mrs. Miller the board did not approve the contract with OnHand Schools, Inc. for the purchase and implementation of EdInsight beginning with the 2016-17 school year. The vote was 5 no, 4 yes.

The agenda, as listed below, was reviewed and discussed in preparation of a vote at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting on February 21, 2016. No formal action was taken at this meeting.

- Approve the second reading and adoption of School Board Policies for
 - Policy 000
 - Policy 002
 - Policy 004
 - Policy 006
 - Policy 222
- Accept review of the following School Board Policies
 - Policy 001
 - Policy 003

Citizens' Comments

Policy 004.1
Policy 005
Policy 006.1
Policy 007

- Approve first reading of the following policies for final approval in May
Policy 011
Policy 204
- Approve the 2016-17 Lancaster Lebanon IU13 General Operating Budget
- Accept the proposal from JPD Architects at a cost of \$100.00/hour not to exceed a total cost \$9,500.00 for Architectural Administrative Services associated with the Stadium Restroom & Concession Stand Project

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

- Carey Kimberly spoke on the School Board response and the PSSA/Keystone facts of the district
- Andrea Esposito spoke on the surplus
- Betsy Robinson spoke on the board being representatives of the community
- Shelby Witmer spoke on the School Board response
- Renee Heller spoke on the School Board response
- Nikki Rivera spoke on the EdInsight vote and specialized positions that were approved
- Joan Bowen spoke on the EdInsight vote and prom date
- Mike Logan spoke on the surplus
- Steve Cashdollar spoke on the surplus
- Kelly Greiner spoke on the EdInsight vote
- Jenny Sassaman spoke on the School Board response and EdInsight vote
- Elizabeth Mancini spoke on the School Board response

Adjournment

Mr. Anderson moved and Mrs. Miller seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at approximately 8:48 p.m.

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

William Murry, President

Jennifer Davidson, Secretary