

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

**District Office
November 16, 2017
7:00 p.m.**

MINUTES

Mark Anderson, President, called the 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, Bill Murry, Nikki Rivera, Jon Sensenig and Grace Strittmatter. Also present were Dr. Robin Felty, Superintendent; Dr. Dale Reimann, Assistant Superintendent; Donna Robbins, Chief Operating Officer; Katherine Heintzleman, Director of Human Resources; Tony Aldinger, Director of Instructional Technology; Tom Koch, Plant Manager; and Jennifer Davidson, Board Secretary.

Absent: Mike Lynch, School Director

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. Anderson led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Announcements

- This meeting is being audio recorded solely for the purpose of transcribing meeting minutes.
- Board Reorganization meeting will be held on Monday, December 4th at Schaeffer Elementary (875 Pleasure Rd) at 7:00 PM. Immediately following the Reorganization meeting will be the Work Session.
- Middle School construction page has been updated to include the additional Q&A
- Artwork in the Board Room is from the 1st grade students
- Beginning tomorrow morning, the Extraordinary Give Fundraiser will be taking place. Manheim Township Education Foundation is an organization that you can donate towards. Please consider supporting MTEF through the Extraordinary Give.

Presentations:

- Fall Sports Wrap-Up was presented by Mr. Roger Czerwinski, Athletic Director
- Spring Keystone Testing 2018 was presented by Mr. David Rilatt, High School Principal. A delay schedule was presented.
- Ms. Donna Robbins, Chief Operating Officer, presented the General Fund Balance Designations 06/30/2017
- Mr. Tony Aldinger, Director of Instructional Technology, presented the Technology Integration Update

Roll Call Vote

Mr. Anderson announced that unless otherwise stated, each vote taken at this meeting will be considered a roll call vote and the secretary will record any negative votes or abstentions.

Approval/Modification of Agenda

Mr. Anderson asked if there were any agenda items that should be removed from the consent portion of the agenda.

Mrs. Rivera would like to Pull Item C
Mr. Anderson would like to Pull Item B

On motion by Mr. Geesey and seconded by Mr. Murry the agenda is approved 8-0.

**Manheim Township
Citizens' Comments**

Mr. Anderson invited citizens in the audience to comment on any item on the agenda.

There were no comments.

Consent Agenda

Mr. Anderson moved for the approval of the following consent agenda items on motion by Mr. Geesey and seconded by Mr. Grosh the board approved 8-0:

- A. Treasurer's Report
- B. Personnel Report (ITEM PULLED)
- C. Recommend a firm(s) to provide legal services to the District (ITEM PULLED)
- D. Approval of lease with Apple Financial Services for the purchase of iPads for grade K, 1, 2, 4, 6, and 8 to complete the 1:1 distribution of student iPads for the Mobile Learning Initiative
- E. Approve the second reading and adoption of School Board Policy 610 (Purchases Subject to Bid/Quotation).

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

**Item Pulled for
Consideration**

- Mr. Geesey moved and Mr. Grosh seconded to discuss Item C. Ms. Rivera asked for greater clarification but also thanked the district for putting together the information. It was clarified that there was no retainer for any of the firms, and we are not increasing legal expenses but have more options for the needs. The approval is for only one firm, the remaining two firms already have agreements. Motioned approved 8-0.
- Mr. Anderson moved and Mr. Geesey seconded to discuss Item B. Mr. Anderson asked what the difference is between a mentor and a buddy, and to clarify the pay differential. Dr. Nell explained that a mentor is a veteran teacher that is assigned to a new teacher (new to teaching and new to district). Their responsibilities include before the start of school classroom set up, mentoring, observations. A buddy is a teacher that assigned to a new teacher (new to the district however not a new teacher). The difference in pay is due to the time invested in each role.
Motion approved 8-0.

**Superintendent's
Report**

- Dr. Felty expressed the gratitude to the outgoing school board members and looking forward to welcoming new members on to the school board on December 4th.
- Dr. Felty shared some highlights of her school building visits.
- Acknowledged ten National Merit Scholars from Manheim Township High School who were recognized at a reception last week.

**Other Recommended
Actions**

- Mr. Murry moved and Mr. Sensenig seconded approval of the Secretary's minutes of the October 12, 2017 Board Work Session and the regular meeting of the Board of School Directors on October 19, 2017. Motion passes 8-0.

New Business

No new business

Board Member Reports

- Student Representatives – MTPA has been working hard on their play, 12 Angry Jurors. You can still get tickets for the Saturday performances at 2:00 PM and 7:30 PM.
- IU13 – A presentation on Headstart and Pre-K Counts was given. There are 88 slots for the 5-year program. There is currently a waiting list. Extraordinary Give is tomorrow. New School Board Member Orientation on January 31st.
- Manheim Township Commissioners – Board of Commissioners received bids for Reidenbaugh crosswalk sign. School District and Commissioners are splitting the cost.
- Lancaster County Academy – discussed the budget. Date was set for the December meeting which will be at Conestoga Valley High School.
- LCCTC – refinancing bond services were discussed; TESLA trucks were introduced.
- Envisions – there are 2 openings for staff in January.
- PSBA – no report
- Manheim Township Education Foundation – Extraordinary Give is tomorrow
- Manheim Township Parks & Recreation – Sunday December 3rd from 1-4PM is the Holiday Open House; Christmas Light Show begins November 21st at Stauffer Park; By-Laws change to move meetings to 5:30 PM on 1st Tuesday; approval for Story Walk at Manheim Township Library

- Mrs. Rivera reported that the Zombie Run was a success, turkey baskets (since 1992) donated close to 100 baskets; today is report card distribution day; tomorrow is Mini-Thon “Put Cancer to Bed” day.
- Mrs. Strittmatter attended a Schaeffer Elementary PTO meeting; thanked the board and community for the opportunity to serve.
- Mr. Sensenig thanked the board and the community for the opportunity to serve.
- Mr. Banzhof thanked the outgoing board members for their service.
- Mr. DeLeo thanked the board and community for the opportunity to serve
- Mr. Murry spoke regarding the Rotarian Student of the Month; and the Manheim Township Library; thanked the outgoing board members for their service.
- Mr. Geesey thanked the board, residents, and his family.
- Mr. Grosh thanked the outgoing board members; and read the Brecht Bobcat Newsletter
- Mr. Anderson thanked the outgoing board members
- Mr. Lynch (as read by Dr. Felty) thanked the board and community

- No public comments

Citizens’ Comments

Adjournment

Mr. Anderson thanked the board, community, and staff for the opportunity to serve as Board President.

Mr. Grosh moved and Mr. Geesey seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at approximately 8:58pm.

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

Mark Anderson, President

Jennifer R. Davidson, Secretary