# HOPEWELL AREA SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR WORK MEETING APRIL 9, 2013

The Board of Directors of the Hopewell Area School District met in regular session on Tuesday, April 9, 2013, in the Board Room, Administration Building, 2354 Brodhead Road, Hopewell Township.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by David Bufalini, Board President.

Prayer and flag salute was led by Mrs. Dobo. Roll call by the secretary followed. Those Directors in attendance were:

David Bufalini
John Bowden
Lesia Dobo
Rob Harmotto
Michael Johnston
Lori McKittrick
Jeffrey Winkle

Members absent: David Ciccone Daniel Santia

Also in attendance were: Dr. Charles M. Reina, Superintendent; Johannah Robb, Business Administrator; John Salopek, Solicitor; Nancy Barber, Secretary; Edward Katkich and Patricia Simmons, Principals; Venanzio Pelino, Director of Buildings and Grounds; Joanne Futato, Director of Food Services; and citizens.

Mr. Bufalini welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked the visitors for their attendance. At this time, Mr. Bufalini asked that Dr. Reina present the list of items for discussion and recommendation that would be voted on at the April 23, 2013 Business Meeting.

# **Education/Curriculum/Instruction**

- 1. Resolution authorizing Dr. Charles M. Reina to sign any and all contracts, agreements, grants and/or licenses with the Pennsylvania Department of Education. Further, said consent by Dr. Reina shall be given via electronic signature.
- 2. IDEA Project Cooperative Agreement Renewal for 2013-2014 with the Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit.
- 3. Student early dismissal (one-half day) on Friday, June 7, 2013.

4. Awarding 203 high school diplomas to Hopewell High School Senior Class of 2013. Further, awarding of said diplomas is contingent upon student completion of all graduation requirements. (Copy in Superintendent's Office).

## **Buildings and Grounds**

- 1. Request from Terry Borkovic to use Gym A at Hopewell Jr. High for a girls volleyball camp from June 10 through June 14, 2013.
- 2. Professional Services Agreement with Foreman Architects and Engineers for design and management services for District capital projects.
- 3. A resolution authorizing the filing of the required municipal statements of revival with the Pennsylvania Secretary of the Commonwealth for the issuance of a certificate of revival for the Southcentral Beaver County School Authority to become a retroactively revived municipal authority for an additional term of fifty (50) years.

Mrs. Robb talked briefly about the Professional Services Agreement with Foreman Architects and Engineers. She said that the scope of the agreement would cover the High School Cafeteria/Court area, repairing the tennis courts and a more secure entrance at the Junior High School.

#### **Finance and Budget**

- 1. 2013-2014 Beaver County Career & Technology Center Operating Budget in the amount of \$4,133,131.14, a 2.7% increase from last year.
- 2. Resolution approving and adopting an Amendment to the Articles of Agreement governing the Beaver County School Health Care Insurance Consortium.
- 3. Exoneration of the following property tax collectors from uncollected 2012 taxes: Mary Ellen Oros, Independence Township; Diane Palsa, Hopewell Township; and Pam Petrella, Raccoon Township.

Mrs. Robb explained that the proposed amendments to the Articles of Agreement of the Beaver County School Health Care Insurance Consortium pertained to the date a District may withdraw from the consortium and the amount the District will receive of their remaining fund balance.

#### **Nutrition & Food Services**

1. Contract with Aramark Educational Services for renewal year No. 4 for Food Service Management Services effective the 2013-2014 school year.

## **Personnel**

- 1. Director of Transportation job description.
- 2. Employment of Mark Chasey as the Director of Transportation, effective June 10, 2013 at a salary of \$53,000.
- 3. Employment of Daniel Hardy, Jr. as a bus driver, effective immediately. Mr. Hardy will fill a temporary vacancy for the reminder of the 2012-2013 school year.

### **Visitors**

Melissa Mitchell from Raccoon Township, on behalf of several parents, spoke of their concern regarding class size at Independence Elementary School for the 2013-2014 school year. Jody Showrank was complimentary of Independence School and its staff.

## **Executive Session**

At this point in the meeting, Mr. Bufalini announced that an Executive Session would be held following the meeting to discuss personnel matters. This announcement is being made to be in compliance with Act 84 of 1986, Pennsylvania's Sunshine Law, as amended.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further discussion or recommendations to come before the Board of Directors, Mr. Bufalini asked for a motion for adjournment.

MOTION by John Bowden, seconded by Rob Harmotto, that the meeting be adjourned. MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Bufalini adjourned the meeting at 7:44 p.m.

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David Bufalini, President

Nancy Barber, Secretary