

MINUTES
TURKEYFOOT VALLEY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
CONFLUENCE, PA 15424
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2015

The Turkeyfoot Valley School Board of Directors met in regular session on Monday, September 21, 2015 at the school building in Harnedsville. President Mike Diehl called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

ITEM #1. ROLL CALL

A roll call vote was held with the following members present: Frank Ryan, Terry Bender, Terry Grove, Mike Diehl, Patricia May, Julie Koval and Cathy Hinzy

Others present: Acting Superintendent Jeff Malaspino, Principal Richard Berkley and Business Office Administrator Amanda Younkin

Absent: Mellissa Klink and Dawn Gales

Also in attendance: Patsy Younkin and Matthew Toth from the Daily American

ITEM #2. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

All present gave salute to the flag.

ITEM #3. ADDITIONS OR REARRANGEMENTS TO THE AGENDA

Patricia May moved and Cathy Hinzy seconded a motion to approve the agenda as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous voiced vote.*

ITEM #4. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

ITEM #5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A. Approval of the minutes of the Board of Directors Regular Meeting of Monday, August 17, 2015

Cathy Hinzy moved and Patricia May seconded a motion to approve the Minutes of the Board of Directors Regular Meeting of Monday, August 17, 2015 as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

ITEM #6. APPROVAL OF THE BOARD BILLS

Terry Grove moved and Cathy Hinzy seconded a motion to approve the Board Bills for the month of August 2015 as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

ITEM #7. APPROVAL OF THE TREASURER'S REPORT

Terry Bender moved and Patricia May seconded a motion to approve the Treasurer's report for the month of

August 2015 as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

ITEM #8. APPROVAL OF THE BUDGETARY TRANSFERS

There are no budgetary transfers at this time.

ITEM #9. TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Terry Grove moved and Patricia May seconded a motion to approve the transfer of funds from the General Fund to the Payroll Account for the dates of September 23, 2015 and October 12, 2015 not to exceed \$120,000 at each transfer. *Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

ITEM #10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Athletic Committee

1. Approval of Junior High changes to Handbook

Frank Ryan moved and Patricia May seconded a motion to approve the changes to Junior High Cheerleading and to be updated in the Athletic Handbook for the 2015-2016 school year as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

2. Committee Meeting Date

No meeting needed at this time.

B. Building & Grounds Committee

1. Approval of Request for Use of the School Gymnasium

Terry Grove moved and Julie Koval seconded a motion to approve the Request for use and waive the fee of the TVASD Gymnasium on Wednesday, September 30, 2015 from 5:30-6:30 p.m. and Thursday, October 1, 2015 from 3:30-9:00 p.m. for the Pumpkinfest Pageant as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

2. Approval of Request for Use of School Stage Area

Terry Grove moved and Julie Koval seconded a motion to approve the Request for use and waive the fee of the TVASD Stage Area September 18 & 19, 2015 from 7:00-9:00 p.m. for the Seldom Scene Players Annual Fall Play as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

3. Approval of Request for Use of School Gym & Kitchen

Terry Grove moved and Julie Koval seconded a motion to approve the Request for use and waive the fee of the TVASD Gym & Kitchen November 13, 2015 at 3:00 p.m. and November 14, 2015 9:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m. for the PTSO to hold their Annual Calendar Party as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

4. Approval of Request for Use of the School Gym & Equipment

Terry Grove moved and Julie Koval seconded a motion to approve the Request for use and waive the fee of the TVASD Gym & equipment the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month for Girl Scout Troop #42142 to hold meetings as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

5. Approval to purchase LED Clock for the Gym

Frank Ryan moved and Cathy Hinzy approved the purchase of an LED Clock for the gym at the cost of \$189.95 as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

6. Committee Meeting Date

No meeting needed at this time.

C. Cafeteria Committee

1. Committee Meeting Date

No meeting needed at this time.

D. Curriculum Committee

1. Approval of book donation

Patricia May moved and Julie Koval seconded a motion to approve the book donation to the TVASD Library, with a letter of thanks to be sent, as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

2. Curriculum Committee Meeting Date

No meeting needed at this time.

E. Finance & Purchasing Committee

1. Finance & Purchasing Committee Meeting Date

Terry Grove moved and Patricia May seconded a motion to approve November 2, November 9 and November 23, 2015 as the date at 7:00 p.m. for the Finance and Purchasing Committee Meeting with permission to advertise. *Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

F. Policy Review & Development Committee

1. Approval of Policies

Terry Bender moved and Cathy Hinzy seconded a motion to approve the second reading of Policies #127AR, 236.1, 236AR, 442.2 as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

2. Policy Review and Development Committee Meeting Date

No meeting needed at this time.

G. Transportation Committee

1. Approval of Updated Bus/Van Driver List

Terry Grove moved and Cathy Hinzy seconded a motion to approve the Updated Bus/Van Driver List for the 2015-2016 school year as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

2. Approval of Revised Summary Sheet

Patricia May moved and Terry Grove seconded a motion to approve the revised summary sheet for the 2015-2016 school year as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

3. Transportation Committee Meeting Date

No meeting needed at this time.

H. Technology Committee

1. Technology Committee Meeting Date

Terry Grove and Patricia May seconded a motion to approve October 12, 2015 as the date at 7:00 p.m. for the Technology Committee meeting with permission to advertise. *Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

ITEM #11. NEW BUSINESS

A. Approval to endorse a candidate for the PSBA President Position

Patricia May moved and Julie Koval seconded a motion to approve Mary Birks as the candidate for the PSBA President position as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

B. Approval to endorse a candidate for the PSBA Vice President Position

Patricia May moved and Cathy Hinzy seconded a motion to approve Robert Schwartz as the candidate for the PSBA Vice President position as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

ITEM #12. OTHER BUSINESS

ITEM #13. REPORTS

- A. **Guidance Office Report**-Teresa Cook-informational
- B. **Nurse's Report**-Rebekah Marietta-no report at this time
- C. **Maintenance/Custodial Report**-Doug Rugg-informational
- D. **Athletic Director Report**-Gerald Conn-informational
- E. **Special Education Report**-no report at this time
- F. **Somerset Technology**-Mike Diehl-verbal
- G. **Principal's Report**-Richard Berkley

1. Approval of donation

Frank Ryan moved and Cathy Hinzy seconded a motion to approve the donation of \$250.00 from John Tressler to the SWPBS Program, with a letter of thanks to be sent, as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous roll call*

vote.

2. Approval of donation

Terry Grove moved and Frank Ryan seconded a motion to approve the donation of \$500.00 from John Tressler to the Special Education Field Trip account, with a letter of thanks to be sent, as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

3. Approval of donation

Terry Grove moved and Frank Ryan seconded a motion to approve the donation of 50 tons of chips from R W Frazee for the playground, with a letter of thanks to be sent, as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

H. Acting Superintendent's Report-Jeffrey Malaspino

1. Approval of PSBA Student Delegate Program/Conference

Terry Grove moved and Frank Ryan seconded a motion to approve the PSBA Student Delegate Program/Conference October 14-16, 2015 at the cost of \$1,405.00 plus substitute cost and travel reimbursement for Joanna Nieves and two district students (Megan Hoover and Haylee Wilson) as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

2. Approval to waive tuition

Frank Ryan moved and Julie Koval seconded a motion to approve to waive tuition for an out of district foreign exchange student as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

3. Approval of Agency Open Records Officer

Terry Grove moved and Cathy Hinzy seconded a motion to appoint Patricia Younkin as the Agency Open Records Officer for the Turkeyfoot Valley Area School District as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

4. Approval of Speech Pathologist Supervisory Agreement

Terry Grove moved and Cathy Hinzy seconded a motion to approve the Speech Pathologist Supervisory Agreement for the 2015-2016 school year through the Learning Lamp at a cost of \$3,502.62 as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

5. Proposed Motion in Connection with Absentee Board Member

Terry Gove moved and Cathy Hinzy seconded a motion to approve resolved that Dawn Gales, having failed to attend two successive regular meetings of the Board, having received notice by certified mail of such non-attendance and containing a request for satisfactory explanation, and no satisfactory explanation meeting the standards of Section 3-319 of the School Code, 24 P.S. § 3-319, having been provided to the Board President and Secretary within the time period set forth in said certified letter, the Board does hereby declare as vacant Dawn Gales' office as School Director with said vacancy to be filled in the manner provided by law as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

ITEM #14. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

A. Executive Session

Terry Grove moved and Terry Bender seconded a motion to approve the Board go into Executive Session for Personnel matters at 8:12 p.m. *Motion carried by unanimous voiced vote.*

The Board of Directors resumed their regular meeting at 9:27 p.m.

1. Acceptance of Resignation

Terry Grove moved and Cathy Hinzy seconded a motion to approve to acknowledge the receipt of resignation of Roni Langley as the Dean of Students in charge of Special Education effective the first duty day of the 2015-2016 school year as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

2. Approval to hire Brandy Griffith

Cathy Hinzy moved and Terry Bender seconded a motion to approve the hiring of Brandy Griffith as the Dean of Students in charge of Special Education at a salary of \$10,000.00 for additional duties to be prorated and to approve the MOU with the TVEA on this matter as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

3. Approval to hire Lauren Hartman

Patricia May moved and Terry Bender seconded a motion to approve the hiring of Lauren Hartman as a Long-term Secondary Special Education Teacher at the daily rate of \$119.57, including benefits for the 2015-2016 school year, pending all necessary clearances as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

4. Approval to hire cafeteria cashier

Patricia May moved and Terry Bender seconded a motion to approve the hiring of Brandi Klink as the cafeteria cashier at her current hourly rate of \$8.00 for the 2015-2016 school year as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

5. Approval of volunteer

Terry Bender moved and Frank Ryan seconded a motion to approve Jaclyn Winters as a volunteer cross country coach for the 2015-2016 school year as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

6. Acceptance of Resignation

Terry Grove moved and Cathy Hinzy seconded a motion to acknowledge the receipt of resignation of Mellissa Klink as a School Director for Region No. 3, effective immediately, as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

7. Approval to waive tuition for out of district students

Patricia May moved and Frank Ryan seconded a motion to approve to waive the tuition for a district teacher's children for the 2015-2016 school year as presented. *Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.*

ITEM #15. NEGOTIATIONS AND GRIEVANCES COMMITTEE

ITEM #16. VISITOR COMMENTS

ITEM #17. ADJOURNMENT

Terry Grove moved and Patricia May seconded a motion to adjourn at 9:32 p.m. *Motion carried by unanimous voiced vote.*

Respectfully submitted,

Rhonda Hoover, TVASD Board Secretary