

**COATESVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

MARCH 10, 2015

9/10 CENTER AUDITORIUM

(Immediately Following Committee Meetings)

OPENING ACTIVITIES

1. CALL TO ORDER AT 9:48 P.M.

2. PURPOSE OF MEETING

The purpose of this meeting is to approve the bills payable, and any other matters that may come before the Board.

3. READING OF MISSION STATEMENT

THE MISSION OF THE COATESVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT, A LEARNING COMMUNITY RICH IN DIVERSITY AND COMMITTED TO EXCELLENCE, IS TO EDUCATE ALL STUDENTS BY PROVIDING RIGOROUS EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES TO BECOME RESPONSIBLE, PRODUCTIVE, LIFE-LONG LEARNERS IN A GLOBAL SOCIETY.

4. ADVISEMENT

By notice of the President, Board Members are advised that all votes shall be regarded as roll call votes. The minutes should also note that public notice was given for this meeting in accordance with Act 93 of 1998, Section 1. School Board meetings shall proceed in accordance with School Board policy.

5. ROLL CALL

Board of School Directors

Dean A. Snyder, President - present	<i>(Finance & Personnel Committee)</i>
Stuart C. N. Deets, Vice President - present	<i>(Operations and Finance & Personnel Committees)</i>
Diane M. Brownfield - present	<i>(Education Committee)</i>
James Hills - present	<i>(Education and Operations Committees)</i>
Laurie C. Knecht - present	<i>(Operations Committee)</i>
Michele S. Maffei - present	<i>(Finance & Personnel Committee)</i>
Deborah L. Thompson - present	<i>(Education and Policy Committees)</i>
Ann M. Wuertz - present	<i>(Policy Committee)</i>
Gregory D. Wynn - present	<i>(Policy Committee)</i>

Solicitor

Michael I. Levin, Esquire – not present

Administration

Dr. Cathy Taschner, Superintendent of Schools - present
Dr. Kimberly R. Donahue, Assistant to the Superintendent of Curriculum & Learning - present
Ronald G. Kabonick, Director of Business Administration & School Board Secretary - present
Erika Zeigler, Director of Human Resources - absent
John Reid, Director of Pupil Services, Data & Assessment - present
Dave Krakower, Director of High School & Curriculum Instruction – Special Education (6-12) - present
Jason Palaia, Director of Elementary Education & Special Education (K-5) - absent

6. MOMENT OF SILENCE AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG

ADDITIONS, DELETIONS OR MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA

Addition:

2. **Forensic Audit Invitation Letter**

Recommended Motion: That the Board of School Directors agree to write a letter in conjunction with the administrative team to the F.B.I., State Attorney General and the Chester County District Attorney to do a forensic audit on financial transfers, maintenance, operations, buildings and grounds, the business office and the bonds.

Motion: Deborah Thompson

Second: Stuart Deets

Vote: 9-0-0

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

The Board has requested all persons making comments on **agenda items** to list their name, address, telephone number and motion item(s) on the sheet provided. There is a three (3) minute limit per person. The Board does not take action or discuss items not appearing on the agenda. The Board values public comments and wishes to convey that although Board members cannot discuss items that are not on the agenda, they listen carefully and appreciate and value input from the public.

None

MOTION ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

1. **Bills Payable and/or Financial Statements**

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approve the bills payable and/or the financial statements, as presented.

Motion: Dean Snyder

Second: Stuart Deets

Vote: 9-0-0

2. **Forensic Audit Invitation Letter**

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors agree to write a letter in conjunction with the administrative team to the F.B.I., State Attorney General and the Chester County District Attorney to do a forensic audit on financial transfers, maintenance, operations, buildings and grounds, the business office and the bonds.

Motion: Dean Snyder

Second: Diane Brownfield

Vote: 9-0-0

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Board has requested that all persons making comments of public concern to list their name, address, telephone number and topic(s) on the sheet provided. There is a three (3) minute time limit per person.

None

ADDITIONAL BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS

INFORMATION ITEMS

- Ms. Brownfield is planning to attend the I. U. Board meeting next Wednesday.
- The Board welcomed senior Ronjae Jones and thanked him for recording this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

This meeting was adjourned at 10:01 p.m. on a motion by Stuart Deets and seconded by Diane Brownfield.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Jackson, Recording Secretary

Ronald G. Kabonick, School Board Secretary

Anyone wishing to review the minutes verbatim should contact the School Board Secretary to request a copy of the digital/audio file.