COATESVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Coatesville Area Senior High School Auditorium

JANUARY 10, 2017

(Immediately Following Committee Meetings)

OPENING ACTIVITIES

1. CALL TO ORDER AT 8:19 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, rich in diversity and committed to excellence, is to create innovative educational experiences which are funded by the taxpayers, supported by the community, delivered by dedicated teachers and administrators, to ensure all students will become responsible, contributing global citizens.

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 - absent
Ann M. Wuertz, Vice President - present
Stuart C. N. Deets - present
Brenda L. Geist - present
Bashera Grove - present
James Hills - present
Laurie C. Knecht - present

(Operations Committee)
(Finance Committee)
(Policy Committee)
(Education & Finance Committees)
(Operations Committee)

Thomas Siedenbuehl - present (Finance & Policy Committees)
Deborah L. Thompson - present (Education Committee)

Administration

Dr. Cathy Taschner, Superintendent of Schools - present

Dr. Kimberly R. Donahue, Assistant to the Superintendent of Curriculum and Learning - *present* Ronald G. Kabonick, Director of Business Administration and School Board Secretary - *present* Dr. Siobhan Leavy, Director of Pupil Services - *present*

Jason Palaia, Director of Elementary and Secondary Education - present

General Counsel

Judy Shopp, Esquire - present

6. MOMENT OF SILENCE AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG

ADDITIONS, DELETIONS OR MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA

Additions:

Student Adjudication 10001754

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approve the addition of Student Adjudication 10001754.

Motion: Laurie Knecht Second: Deborah Thompson Vote: 8-0-0

■ Request to Waive Fees – Coatesville Youth Initiative – C. A. S. H. S.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approve the addition of the Request to Waive Fees for MLK Day of Service on January 16, 2017.

Motion: Stuart Deets Second: Laurie Knecht Vote: 8-0-0

Request to Waive Fees – Art Partners – Reeceville and King's Highway Elementary Schools
 RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approve the addition of the
 Request to Waive Fees from Art Partners Studio.

Motion: James Hills Second: Stuart Deets Vote: 8-0-0

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

The Board has requested all persons making comments on <u>agenda items</u> 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.

MOTION ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

A. Financial Statements

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approve the enclosed Financial Statements and the bills payable list, as presented.

Motion: Tom Siedenbuehl Second: Laurie Knecht Vote: 8-0-0

B. <u>2007 General Obligation Bonds Refinancing</u>

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors authorize and direct the School District Administration, Legal Counsel, Bond Counsel and Bond Underwriter to take the necessary steps to refinance the 2007 General Obligation Bonds in order to realize the debt service savings.

Motion: Stuart Deets Second: Brenda Geist Vote: 8-0-0

C. Appointment of Legal Counsel

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approve Lamb McErlane, P.C. as legal counsel in the matter of the Petition for Review of Real Estate Assessment filed by Freedom Village at Brandywine v. Board of Assessment Appeals (Docket No. 2016-10507-AB in the Chester County Court of Common Pleas) subject to the Letter of Engagement and its approval by General Counsel.

Motion: Stuart Deets Second: Laurie Knecht Vote: 8-0-0

D. Appointment of Appraiser

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approve Vincent D. Quinn & Assoc., Inc. as the appraiser in the matter of the Petition for Review of Real Estate Assessment filed by Freedom Village at Brandywine v. Board of Assessment Appeals (Docket No. 2016-10507-AB in the Chester County Court of Common Pleas) subject to the Letter of Engagement and its approval by General Counsel.

Motion: Stuart Deets Second: Laurie Knecht Vote: 8-0-0

E. <u>Confidential Agreed Upon Expulsion, Waiver of School Board Hearing - Release</u> Agreement and Covenant Not to Sue – Student 70000435

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approve the confidential Release Agreement and Covenant Not to Sue for Student 70000435.

Motion: James Hills Second: Deb Thompson Vote: 1-7-0

Motion Failed

Opposed: Siedenbuehl, Hills, Knecht, Wuertz, Grove, Thompson and Geist

F. <u>Confidential Agreed Upon Expulsion, Waiver of School Board Hearing - Release</u> Agreement and Covenant Not to Sue – Student 10001205

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approve the confidential Release Agreement and Covenant Not to Sue for Student 10001205.

Motion: James Hills Second: Brenda Geist Vote: 0-8-0

Motion Failed

Opposed: Geist, Grove, Thompson, Deets, Wuertz, Knecht, Siedenbuehl and Hills

G. <u>Confidential Agreed Upon Expulsion, Waiver of School Board Hearing - Release</u> Agreement and Covenant Not to Sue – Student 17000082

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approve the confidential Release Agreement and Covenant Not to Sue for Student 17000082.

Motion: James Hills Second: Laurie Knecht Vote: 0-8-0

Motion Failed

Opposed: Knecht, Grove, Wuertz, Deets, Siedenbuehl, Geist, Hills and Thompson

H. <u>Confidential Agreed Upon Expulsion, Waiver of School Board Hearing - Release</u> Agreement and Covenant Not to Sue – Student 17000064

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approve the confidential Release Agreement and Covenant Not to Sue for Student 17000064.

Motion: James Hills Second: Brenda Geist Vote: 0-8-0

Motion Failed

Opposed: Deets, Grove, Thompson, Knecht, Siedenbuehl, Geist, Hills and Wuertz

I. <u>Student Adjudication 10001754</u>

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approve Student Adjudication 10001754, as presented. (*Confidential Enclosure*)

Motion: Stuart Deets Second: Deb Thompson Vote: 8-0-0

J. Request to Waive Fees – Coatesville Youth Initiative – C. A. S. H.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approve the request to waive fees in the amount of \$1,344.00 for the MLK Day of Service on January 16, 2016, as presented.

Motion: Brenda Geist Second: Stuart Deets Vote: 8-0-0

K. Request to Waive Fees – Art Partners – Reeceville and King's Highway Elementary Schools RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approve the request to waive fees from Art Partners Studio, as presented. (Confidential Enclosure)

Motion: Laurie Knecht Second: Brenda Geist Vote: 8-0-0

L. Human Resources Report

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approve the resignations, appointments, new positions, leave of absences, transfers, changes of status and corrections, as outlined below:

1. Resignations - Regular and Extra Duty

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approve the following Resignations - Regular and Extra Duty:

a. CATA

- 1) Fraterman, Amanda, Special Education Teacher for Friendship Elementary School. Letter Dated: 12/16/2016. Reason: Personal. Effective: 2/17/2017.
- 2) Taylor, Stephanie, School Psychologist for South Brandywine Middle School. Letter Dated: 12/20/2016. Reason: Personal. Effective: 1/13/2017.
- 3) Walsh, Amy, Mathematics Teacher for Coatesville Area Senior High School. Letter Dated: 1/3/2017. Reason: Personal. Effective: 3/3/2017.

b. CATSS

- 1) Baker, Maxine, Cafeteria/Playground/Library Aide for Caln Elementary School. Reason: Retirement. Effective: 11/29/2016.
- 2) Davis, Kristin, 5.75 Cafeteria/Playground/Library Aide for Reeceville Elementary School. Reason: Personal. Effective: 1/5/2017.
- 3) Grant, Verna, 5.75 Hour Special Education One-on-One Aide for King's Highway Elementary School. Letter Dated: 12/26/2016. Reason: Personal. Effective: 1/6/2017.
- 4) Griffy, Rayonna, 5.75 Hour Special Education One-on-One Aide for East Fallowfield Elementary School. Reason: Personal. Effective: 12/26/2016.
- 5) Repko, Nancy, Attendance Secretary for Friendship Elementary School. Letter Dated: 12/22/2016. Reason: Personal. Effective: 1/13/2017.
- 6) Sheller, Gabrielle, Receptionist for Coatesville Area School District. Letter Dated: 12/22/2016. Reason: Personal. Effective: 1/6/2017.

c. FEDERATION

1) Raysor, David, B Custodian for Coatesville Area Senior High School. Letter Dated: 12/5/2016. Reason: Retirement. Effective: 1/6/2017.

d. NON-CERTIFIED

1) Walker, LaMont, Cook Manager for Caln Elementary School. Letter Dated: 12/19/2016. Reason: Personal. Effective: 1/2/2017.

e. EXTRA DUTY

- 1) Cooper, Victoria, Girls' Lacrosse Coach for North Brandywine Middle School. Letter Dated: 12/9/2016. Reason: Personal. Effective: 2016—2017 School Year.
- 2) Daniel, Darryl, Assistant Football Coach for Coatesville Area Senior High School. Letter Dated: 12/15/2016. Reason: Personal. Effective: 12/15/2016.
- 3) Ervin, Khalil, 7th Grade Boys' Basketball Coach for South Brandywine Middle School. Letter Dated: 12/6/2016. Reason: Personal. Effective: 12/6/2016.

2. New Appointments - Regular and Extra Duty

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approve the following New Appointments - Regular and Extra Duty:

a. CATA

 Sciandra, Jamielynn, 7th Grade English/Language Arts Teacher for North Brandywine Middle School. Posted: 10/17/2016. Salary: \$44, 933 (prorated). Step: 2. Level: B. Temporary Professional Contract. Degree: BA—Creative Writing, Susquehanna University. Certification: English 7-12. SP4: Approved. Pending 168 Forms.

- 2) Stevenson, Jill, Special Education Teacher for South Brandywine Middle School. Posted: 11/7/2016. Salary: \$66,833 (prorated). Step: 11. Level: M+30. Professional Contract. Degree: MS—Education, Neumann University. MS—Educational Administration, Gwynedd-Mercy College. BS—Education, Temple University. Certification: Special Education PK-12, Earth and Space Science 7-12, Mid-Level Mathematics 6-9. Effective: 2/14/17. SP4: Approved. Pending 168 Forms.
- 3) Viscuso, Ashley, Long Term Substitute Special Education Teacher (certification letter) for South Brandywine Middle School. Posted: 10/6/2016. Salary: \$44, 933 (prorated). Step: 1. Level: B. Temporary Substitute Employee Contract. Degree: BS—Early Childhood Education/Special Education, West Chester University. Certifications Pending: Grades PK-4, Special Education PK-8. SP4: Approved. Pending 168 Forms.

b. CATSS

- 1) Brubach, Michelle, 5.75 Hour Special Education One-on-One Aide for Friendship Elementary School. Posted: 11/17/2015. Salary: \$12.50/hour. Effective: 1/3/2017. SP4: Approved. Pending 168 Forms.
- 2) Cotto, Ruth, 5.75 Hour Special Education One-on-One Aide for King's Highway Elementary School. Posted: 11/17/2015. Salary: \$12.50/hour. Effective: 1/3/2017. SP4: Approved. Pending 168 Forms.
- 3) Davis, Kristin, 5.75 Hour Cafeteria/Playground/Library Aide for Reeceville Elementary School. Posted: 11/17/2015. Salary: \$9.50/hour. Effective: 1/3/2017. SP4: Approved. Pending 168 Forms.
- 4) Hernandez, Raul, 5.75 Hour Cafeteria/Playground/Library Aide for Rainbow Elementary School. Posted: 11/17/2015. Salary: \$9.50/hour. Effective: 12/5/2016. SP4: Approved. Pending 168 Forms.
- 5) Marlow, Lakeesha, 4.5 Hour Cafeteria/Playground/Library Aide for Caln Elementary School. Posted: 11/17/2015. Salary: \$9.50/hour. Effective: 1/3/2017. SP4: Approved. Pending 168 Forms.
- 6) Norris, Demetrius, 5.75 Hour Special Education One-on-One Aide for Scott Middle School. Posted: 11/17/2015. Salary: \$12.50/hour. Effective: 12/21/2016. SP4: Approved. Pending 168 Forms.
- 7) Schmidt, Jenny, 250 Day Secretary for the Coatesville Area School District. Posted: 6/28/2017. Salary: \$15/hour. Effective: 1/17/2017. SP4: Approved. Pending 168 Forms.

c. FEDERATION

1) Griffith, Karen, 3.75 Hour General Utility Worker for Coatesville Area Intermediate High School. Posted: 5/31/2016. Salary: \$13.66 per hour (\$14.66 after 520 hour probation period). Effective: 1/3/2017. SP4: Approved. Pending 168 Forms.

2) Scullin, Regina, 3 Hour General Utility Worker for King's Highway Elementary School. Posted: 5/31/2016. Salary: \$13.66 per hour (\$14.66 after 520 hour probation period). Effective: 1/3/2017. SP4: Approved. Pending 168 Forms.

d. EXTRA DUTY

- Batten, Megan, Homebound Instructor Tutor for the Coatesville Area School District. Posted: 11/28/2016. Salary: \$33/hour as need arises. Effective: 2016—2017 School Year. SP4: Staff.
- 2) Brownback, Matthew, Assistant Wrestling Coach for South Brandywine Middle School. Posted: 10/10/2016. Salary: \$1,660.25 (prorated). Effective: 2016—2017 School Year. SP4: Approved. Pending 168 Forms.
- 3) Byerly, Stephanie, Club 24 Co-Advisor for Caln Elementary School. Posted: 12/5/2016. Salary: \$265.79 (prorated). Effective: TBD.
- Crouse, Cynthia, Homebound Instructor Tutor for Coatesville Area School District. Posted: 11/28/2016. Salary: \$33/hour as need arises. Effective: 2016—2017 School Year. SP4: Staff.
- 5) Eaton, Jennifer, Mentor for Robert Muehlbach. Subject: Math. Building: Coatesville Area Senior High School. Posted: 6/1/2016. Salary: \$1,000 (prorated) per mentee. Effective: 2016—2017 School Year. SP4: Staff.
- 6) Ervin, Khalil, 8th Grade Boys' Basketball Coach for South Brandywine Middle School. Posted: 11/19/2016. Salary: \$3,394.75 (prorated). Effective: 2016—2017 School Year. SP4: Staff.
- 7) Guy, Donna, Pilot Program for STEM Club for Reeceville Elementary School. Posted: 12/13/2016. Salary: \$615.00 (Prorated). Effective: 2016—2017 School Year. SP4: Staff.
- 8) Henan, Madline, Food Service Substitute for the Coatesville Area School District. Posted: 5/31/2016. Salary: \$9/hour. Effective: 1/3/2017. SP4: Approved. Pending 168 Forms.
- 9) Hughes, Gabriel, Mentor for Austin Gross. Subject: Instrumental Music. Building: Coatesville Area Senior High School. Posted: 6/1/2016. Salary: \$1,000 (prorated) per mentee. Effective: 2016—2017 School Year. SP4: Staff.
- 10) Schreiber, Stephen, 7th Grade Boys' Basketball Coach for North Brandywine Middle School. Posted: 11/30/2016. Salary: \$2,422.20 (prorated). Effective: 2016—2017 School Year. SP4: Staff.
- 11) Sheehan, Patrick, After School Tutor for Coatesville Area Senior High School. Posted: 11/8/2016. Salary: \$33/hour per CATA contract. Effective: 2016—2017 School Year. SP4: Staff.

- 12) Zwick, Jody, Girls' Lacrosse Coach for North Brandywine Middle School. Posted: 12/12/2016. Salary: \$2,518.94 (prorated). Effective: 2016—2017 School Year. SP4: Staff. Pending 168 Forms.
- 13) After School Tutors for Scott Middle School. Posted: 10/7/2016. Salary: \$33/hour per CATA contract. Effective: 2016—2017 School Year. SP4: Staff.

Angela Garthwaite Margaret Gunlefinger
Emma Kate Knightly Melissa McIlhenny
Patricia Miller Audrey Monte

Brian Riker

14) Club 24 Co-Advisors for Caln Elementary School. Posted: 12/5/2016. Salary: \$265.79 (prorated). Effective: TBD. SP4: Staff.

Jonathan Maxwell

Jennifer Pfeiffer

3. Involuntary Transfers:

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approve the Involuntary Transfer of:

- a. CATSS
 - 1) Sheckells, Joanne, move from 5.75 Hour Special Education One-on-One Aide for Rainbow Elementary School to East Fallowfield Elementary School. Effective: 12/12/2016.

4. Change of Status

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approve the Change of Status as indicated:

- a. FEDERATION
 - 1) Vasko, Kristen, move from 3 Hour General Utility Worker for Rainbow Elementary School to 4.5 Hour General Utility Worker for Scott Middle School. Effective: 11/20/2015.

5. Tenure

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approve tenure for the following temporary professionals who have been certified by the District Superintendent as being eligible for the professional status. Each person shall be provided with a Professional Employee Contract per Section 1108 of the School Code.

Kyle Walker 8/26/2016

6. Corrections

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors approve the Corrections as indicated:

a. CATA

- 1) Gross, Austin, Music Teacher for the Coatesville Area Intermediate High School did not transfer to Coatesville Area Senior High School. Effective: 8/29/2016.
- 2) Tingle Lewis, Rita, Music Teacher for the Coatesville Area Senior High School did not transfer to Coatesville Area Intermediate High School. Effective: 8/29/2016.

Motion: James Hills Second: Stuart Deets Vote: 8-0-0

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.

ADDITIONAL BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS

Mrs. Geist will meet with the CCIU Board this Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. at the Boot Road location. All Board members are welcome to attend.

INFORMATION ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

This meeting was adjourned at 8:36 p.m. on a motion by Laurie Knecht and seconded by Deborah Thompson.

Respectfully submitted, Karen Jackson, Recording Secretary

Ronald G. Kabonick, School Board Secretary

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