

HAMBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Hamburg, Berks County, PA 19526-0401

February 26, 2024

The meeting of the Board was called to order by President, Ryan Gebely at 6:34 p.m. This meeting was held in the James A. Gilmartin Community Room of Hamburg Area high school.

A roll call of directors followed, and the following directors were present:

Curtis Adams, Thomas DeAngelo, Ryan Gebely, Steven Gilbert, Todd Hummel, Tonia Krick, Laura "Lolly" Leshler, Toni McFadden Birgit White

There were nine directors present at the meeting when roll call was taken.

OTHERS PRESENT

Michele Zimmerman, Business Manager, Teresa Freiwald, Chief Learning Officer, Shawn Gravish, Director Safety and Security; Chris Beisel, High School Principal; Tim Easter, Middle School Principal; Lacie Cucciuffo, Elementary Principal; Rob Marra, Student Services and Special Education Director; Aaron Menapace, Athletic director; than Wright, Technology Supervisor; James Mancuso, District Solicitor; Cindy Sunday, Board Secretary; Visitors – Teesa McCarthy, David Kline, Marcy Donatelli, Dave Mengle

- IV. **Approval of previous meeting minutes** – January 22 and February 12, 2024.
A motion was made by Carson Adams, seconded by Laura "Lolly" Leshler to approve the minutes as written.

A roll call voice vote on the motion was taken as follows:

Yes - Carson Adams, Thomas DeAngelo, Steven Gilbert, Todd Hummel, Tonia Krick, Laura "Lolly" Leshler, Toni McFadden, Birgit White, Ryan Gebely

No - None

Motion carried with nine directors voting yes.

V. Public Comments

Mr. Gebely asked for Public Comments, there were no comments.

VI. Board Reports

- A. Berks E.I.T. Committee – Ms. Zimmerman
- B. Joint Operating Committee – Mr. DeAngelo
- C. Committee on Legislative Action – Mrs. McFadden
- D. Intermediate Unit – Mr. Gebely
- E. Student Council – Miss Morgan Lutz or Miss Kayla Rogers
- F. President – Mr. Gebely
 - 1. Superintendent Search – Dr. Hackman
 - 2. Recommend approval of Superintendent Search Proposal with BCIU

A motion was made by Birgit White seconded by Tonia Krick to approve the Superintendent Search Proposal with BCIU. (see Exhibit XXVIId-73)

A roll call voice vote on the motion was taken as follows:

Yes - Carson Adams, Thomas DeAngelo, Steven Gilbert, Todd Hummel, Tonia Krick, Laura "Lolly" Leshner, Toni McFadden, Birgit White, Ryan Gebely

No - None

Motion carried with nine directors voting yes.

VII. **Report of the Business Manager**

A. Public School Facility Improvement Grant Program

Ms. Zimmerman explained the Public School Facility Improvement Grant. \$million competitive grant for items such as HVAC. This would not be wasted and could be used for the High School renovation project. District would be responsible for 25% of total cost. District would need to reach out to AEM Architects for assistance with preparing documents.

Mrs. Leshner suggested the district move forward with AEM Architects. The board members agreed with this.

Ms. Zimmerman will move forward with this recommendation.

VIII. **Report of the Superintendent**

Ms. Zimmerman covered this area due to Dr. Mextorf's absence.

- A. High School Advanced Placement Elective – Mrs. Freiwald and Mr. Kline
Mrs. Freiwald and Mr. Kline explained the new AP Comparative government Textbook. This is a better option from what is currently offered. (see Exhibit XXVIId-74) Board Members received a comparison of the current course and the new course. The text book will be in Mrs. Sundays for the Board to review.
- B. HASD Comprehensive Plan – Mrs. Freiwald
Mrs. Freiwald had supplied a copy and explained the Comprehensive Plan. (see Exhibit XXVIId-75) This will be on the agenda the second meeting in March for approval.
- C. Recommend approval of the General Fund Treasurer's Report (see Exhibit XXVIId-76)
- D. Recommend approval of the General Fund invoices submitted for payment (see Exhibit XXVIId-77)
- E. Recommend approval of Food Service Profit and Loss Statement and invoices submitted for payment (see Exhibit xxvid-78)

- F. Recommend approval of the Capital Reserve Treasurer's Report (see Exhibit XXVIId-79)
- G. Recommend approval of the Debt Service Treasurer's Report (see Exhibit XXVIId-80)
- H. Recommend approval of the High School and Middle School Activity Funds Treasurer's Reports and invoices submitted for payment (see Exhibit XXVIId-81)

A motion was made by Toni McFadden seconded by Lolly Leshner to approve the General Fund Treasurers Report and invoices submitted in the amount of \$1,396,012.58 (check nos. 0000081231 – 0000081308 and D001003422 – D001003489) and Arbiter Pay in the amount of \$\$5,413.50; Food Service Profit and Loss Statement and invoices in the amount of \$93,930.64 (check nos. 0000008596 – 0000008601 and D00000658 – D00000670); Capital Reserve treasurer Report; Debt service Treasurer Report; High School Activity Fund Reports and invoices in the amount of \$25,269.09 (check nos. 0000013598 – 0000013611); Middle School Treasurer reports and invoices in the amount of \$18.21 (checks nos. 0000004113 – 0000004114)

A roll call voice vote on the motion was taken as follows:

Yes - Carson Adams, Thomas DeAngelo, Steven Gilbert, Todd Hummel, Tonia Krick, Laura "Lolly" Leshner, Toni McFadden, Birgit White, Ryan Gebely

No - None

Motion carried with nine directors voting yes.

- I. Acknowledgement of the following separations:
 - 1. Cindy Sunday – Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent of Schools
 - Resignation submitted for the purpose of retirement
 - Last workday: 06/18/2024
 - Official retirement date: 08/02/2024
 - 2. Cindy Sunday – School Board Secretary
 - Effective 06/30/2024
 - 3. Matthew Bertschy – Stage Manager
 - Effective 06/30/2024
- J. Acknowledgement of a salary correction for the following Professional employee:
 - 4. Amy Krick-Hartz – Speech and Language Specialist
 - Effective date: 02/06/2024
 - Correction in annual compensation from \$91,637 for Master's/Top Level (per 12/27/2023 Board meeting agenda) to \$90,637 (correct annual compensation for Master's/Top level).

K. Recommend approval of the following District Volunteers:

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| 1. Barrall, Laura | 7. Miller, Ashley |
| 2. Chimics, Stephanie | 8. Miller, Jodi |
| 3. Fetkin, Gloria | 9. Ouellette, Shana |
| 4. Garland, Connie | 10. Peter, LaKisha |
| 5. LaVentura, Lorelee | 11. Reed, Kailyn |
| 6. Martin, Lori | 12. Seidel, Danette |

A motion was made by Tonia Krick, seconded by Thomas DeAngelo to approve the district volunteers presented.

A roll call voice vote on the motion was taken as follows:

Yes - Carson Adams, Thomas DeAngelo, Steven Gilbert, Todd Hummel, Tonia Krick, Laura "Lolly" Leshner, Toni McFadden, Birgit White, Ryan Gebely

No - None

Motion carried with nine directors voting yes.

IX. Information Items

- A. February Enrollment
- B. January Budget Summary
- C. Berks Earned Income Tax Bureau 2024 Newsletter

X. Dates to Remember

Month	Day	Event	Time
March	7	Elementary Parent Conferences	
	11	School Board Meeting	6:30 p.m.
	25	School Board Meeting	6:30 p.m.
	26	Early Dismissal PM Adult Learning	
	27-29	Spring Holiday Recess – No School	
April	1	Spring Holiday Recess – No School	

XI. New Business

No new business was discussed.

XII. Adjournment

A motion was made by Lolly Leshner, seconded by Toni McFadden to adjourn the meeting at 7:12 p.m. Motion carried.

**MINUTES APPROVED ON
March 25, 2024**

RECORDED BY

Ryan J. Gebely

Cynthia A. Sunday