

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

**May 6, 2024**

The meeting of the Board was called to order by President, Ryan Gebely at 6:31 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:

Carson Adams, Thomas DeAngelo, Steven Gilbert, Tonia Krick, Laura “Lolly” Leshner, Toni McFadden, Daniel Sarna, Birgit White, Ryan Gebely

There were nine members present when roll call was taken.

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Richard Mextorf, Superintendent Zimmerman, Business Manager, Shawn Gravish, Director Safety and Security; Chris Beisel, High School Principal; Alyssa Fink, High School Assistant Principal; Tim Easter, Middle School Principal; Ryan McGinley, Middle School Assistant Principal, Andrea Berger, Elementary Principal; Lacie Cucciuffo, Elementary Principal; Rob Marra, Student Services and Special Education Director; Elaine Ruppert, Facilities Director; Aaron Menapace, Athletic director; Than Wright, Technology Supervisor; David Shefter, Food Service Director; Cindy Sunday, Board Secretary; Visitors – Terri McCarthy, Nicolette Hoover, David Kline, Megan Kline, Samantha Gruber, Tiffany Gruber, Kallie Ruhf, Lauren Marra, Carey Freeman, Macy Donatelli

**Pledge to the Flag**

**IV. Public Comments**

Mr. Gebely asked for public comments. There were no public comments.

**V. Hamburg Area Education Foundation (HAEF) Awards**

Dr. Gravish and Terri McCarthy presented the education Foundation Grants. (see Exhibit XXVIId-)

**VI. Report of the Board President**

A. Recommend approval of the Contract for Employment of District Superintendent for Dr. Christopher Beissel for the time period 7/1/2024 – 6/30/2027 \*

A motion was made by Laura “Lolly” Leshner, seconded by Toni McFadden to approve Christopher Beissel as Superintendent effective for the time period of July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2027.

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

Yes - Carson Adams, Thomas DeAngelo, Steven Gilbert, Tonia Krick, Laura “Lolly” Leshner, Toni McFadden, Daniel Sarna, Birgit White, Ryan Gebely

No - None

Motion carried with nine directors voting yes.

**VII. Report of the Business Manager**

- A. Recommend approval of the 2024-2025 General Fund Proposed Final Budget in the amount of \$56,753,860. (see Exhibit XXVIId-)

A motion was made by Birgit White, seconded by Laura “Lolly” Leshner to approve the 2024-2025 General Fund Proposed Budget in the amount of \$56,753,860.

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

Yes - Carson Adams, Thomas DeAngelo, Steven Gilbert, Tonia Krick, Laura “Lolly” Leshner, Toni McFadden, Daniel Sarna, Birgit White, Ryan Gebely

No - None

Motion carried with nine directors voting yes.

- B. Capital Reserve Fund project list

Ms. Zimmerman reviewed the Capital Reserve Fund project list.

- C. Delta Dental contract renewal at single coverage rate of \$26.77 per covered employee per month.

- D. First reading of following Board policy:

1. 913 – Nonschool Organizations/Groups/Individuals

**VIII. Report of the Superintendent**

- A. Acknowledgement of the following separations:

1. Cena Lindenmuth, Color Guard
  - Effective 06/30/2024

- B. Recommend approval of the following Administrative Staff: \*

1. Ryan McGinley – High School Principal

- Replacing Dr. Christopher Beissel
- Effective 07/01/2024
- Annual Salary: \$107,500

A motion was made by Birgit White, seconded by Tona Krick to approve Ryan McGinley as high school principal effective July 1, 2024 at an annual salary of \$107,500.

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

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

No - None

Motion carried with nine directors voting yes.

C. Recommend approval of the following Professional staff: \*

1. Stephanie Kershner – English as a Second Language (ESL) Summer Program Teacher
  - Effective 07/01/2024 – 07/31/2024
  - \$25.00 per hour/as needed
2. Joan Honicker – English as a Second Language (ESL) Summer Program Teacher
  - Effective 07/01/2024 – 07/31/2024
  - \$25.00 per hour/as needed

A motion was made by Birgit White, seconded by Daniel Sarna to approve the professional staff presented.

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

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

No - None

Motion carried with nine directors voting yes.

- D. Recommend approval of the following Confidential staff: \*
1. Nicolette Hoover – Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent
    - Replacing Cindy Sunday
    - Effective 07/01/2024
    - Hourly rate: \$28.37
    - Qualification: Bachelor of Science, Business Management
- E. Recommend approval of the following Stipend assignments: \*
1. Nicolette Hoover – School Board Secretary
    - Replacing Cindy Sunday
    - Effective 07/01/2024
    - Stipend: \$75.00 per event
  2. Stephen Haegele – Class Advisor, Sophomore
    - Replacing Turie Reppert
    - Effective 07/01/2024
    - Stipend: \$500.00

A motion was made by Tonia Krick, seconded by Toni McFadden to approve Nicolette Hoover as Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent at an hourly rate of 28.37 and as School Board Secretary with a stipend of \$75 per event. Both positions are effective July 1, 2024.

And to approve Stephen Haegele as sophomore class advisor, stipend \$5000. Effective July 1, 2024.

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

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

No - None

Motion carried with nine directors voting yes.

- F. Recommend approval of the following Support staff: \*
1. Lisa Eisenhower - Food Service Support, Extended School Year (ESY)
    - Effective 07/08/2024 – 07/26/2024
    - Stipend: \$1000
  2. Robin Epting - Food Service Support, Extended School Year (ESY)

- Effective 07/08/2024 – 07/26/2024
- Stipend: \$1000

G. Recommend approval of the following Extra-curricular staff: \*

1. Bryan Reinsel – Assistant Coach, High School Golf
  - Effective upon receipt of all required employment documents
  - Stipend: \$1125.00 / Step 3

H. Recommend approval of the following District Volunteers: \*

1. Amanda Brown
2. Carolina Flores-Crespo
3. Beth Hoster
4. Rebekkah Kojku
5. Alecia Koller
6. Robert Newpher
7. Leann Wheeland

A motion was made by Carson Adams, seconded by Tonia Krick to approve the Support Staff, Extra-curricular Staff and District volunteers presented.

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

Yes - Carson Adams, Thomas DeAngelo, Steven Gilbert, Tonia Krick, Laura “Lolly” Leshner, Toni McFadden, Daniel Sarna, Birgit White, Ryan Gebely

No - None

Motion carried with nine directors voting yes.

- I. 2024-2025 Dual Enrollment Agreement with Reading Area Community College (will be on May 20 agenda for approval)

**IX. Information Items**

There were no information items.

**X. Dates to Remember**

Month	Day	Event	Time
May	20	Board Meeting	6:30 p.m.
	23	Early Dismissal – PM Adult Learning	
	24	School Closed	
	27	Memorial Day – No School	
	31	Last Day – Early Dismissal	
	31	Commencement	6:00 p.m.

June	3	Board Meeting	6:30 p.m.
	17	Board Meeting	6:30 p.m.

**XI. New Business**

No new business was discussed.

**XII. Adjournment**

A motion was made by Toni McFadden, seconded by Birgit White to adjourn the meeting at 6:54 p.m. Motion carried.

**MINUTES APPROVED ON  
May 20, 2024**

**RECORDED BY**

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**Ryan J. Gebely**

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**Cynthia A. Sunday**