

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

May 10, 2021

The Committee-of-the Whole meeting of the Board of Directors of the Hamburg Area School District was called to order by Vice-President, Andrew C. Raugh at 6:31 p.m. This meeting was held in the library of Hamburg Area high school.

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

Leon J. Grim, Todd D. Hummel, Laura “Lolly” Leshner, Andrew C. Raugh, Brian N. Riegel, Maggie L. Rhoades

Absent – Brad R. Faust, Brian R.. Specht

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

OTHERS PRESENT

Richard Mextorf, Superintendent; Michele Zimmerman, Business Manager; Teresa Freiwald, Chief Learning Officer; Christopher Spohn, Director of Operations and Project Development; Christopher Beissel, High School Principal; Damian Buggy, High School Dean of Students; Timothy Easter, Middle School Principal; Ryan McGinley, Middle School Dean of Students; Andrea Berger, Elementary Principal; Lacie Cucciuffo, Elementary Principal; Matt Ammons, Special Education Director; Kim Byassee, Transportation and Child Accounting Director; Carlie Cole, Human Resource Coordinator Aaron Menapace, Athletic Director; David Shefter, Food Service Director; Russell Farbiarz, School District Solicitor (via Zoom); Cindy Sunday, Board Secretary; Visitors: John R.H. Ide, Dave Mengle, Steve Gilbert, Melissa Dunn, Andrew Hoffman, Thao Adams, Andrea Heckman

Mr. Raugh opened the meeting with the pledge to the flag.

Mr. Raugh stated the board met in Executive Session prior to this meeting to discuss Real Estate and personnel.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Raugh asked for public comments.

There were no public comments.

V. Report of the Business Manager

- A. Recommend approval of the 2021-2022 Proposed Final General Fund Budget in the amount of \$47,185,712. *

A motion was made by Todd D. Hummel, seconded by Laura “Lolly” Leshner to approve the Proposed Final General Fund Budget in the amount of \$47,185.12

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

“Yes” Leon J. Grim, Todd D. Hummel, Cory N. Johnson, Laura “Lolly” Leshner, Andrew C. Raugh, Brian N. Riegel, Maggie L. Rhoades

“No” None

Motion carried with seven directors voting yes.

- B. Recommend approval of a 2021-2022 technology lease with Vantage Financial at an annual cost of \$51,993 (interest rate of - 2.19%) for four years with the equipment return at Vantage’s cost and no damage penalty for grade A, B, and C damages. *

A motion was made by Brian N. Riegel, seconded by Todd D. Hummel to approve the 2021-2022 technology lease with Vantage Financial at an annual cost of \$51,993 (interest rate of - 2.9%) for four years with the equipment return at Vantage’s cost and no damage penalty for grade A, B and C damages

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

“Yes” Leon J. Grim, Todd D. Hummel, Cory N. Johnson, Laura “Lolly” Leshner, Andrew C. Raugh, Brian N. Riegel, Maggie L. Rhoades

“No” None

Motion carried with seven directors voting yes.

C. Results of MS bond financing

Ms. Zimmerman stated the district made out very well with the bonds/financing for the Middle School Renovation Project.

D. First reading of Board policies:

1. 340 – Responsibility for Student Welfare

II. Report of the Superintendent

A. Acknowledgement of the following separations from employment:

1. Stephen Haegele, Assistant Coach, Middle School Football (50%)
 - Effective 04/23/2021
2. June Weiskircher, Paraprofessional
 - Resignation submitted for the purpose of retirement
 - Effective 06/04/2021

B. Recommend approval of the following Professional Staff: *

1. Melissa Dunn, Certified School Nurse
 - Replacing Karen Kuhns
 - Effective May 11, 2021
 - \$45,963.00 / Bachelor's Step 19 (2020-2021 Schedule)
 - Professional Certifications: 1890, Specialist – School Nurse PK-12
 - New Ringgold
2. Sara Linderman, Registered Nurse
 - Replacing Roberta Conrad
 - Effective 07/01/2021
 - Hourly rate: \$20.00
 - Hamburg

A motion was made by Laura “Lolly” Leshner, seconded by Todd D. Hummel to approve the Professional Staff presented.

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

“Yes” Leon J. Grim, Todd D. Hummel, Cory N. Johnson, Laura “Lolly” Leshner, Andrew C. Raugh, Brian N. Riegel, Maggie L. Rhoades

“No” None

Motion carried with seven directors voting yes.

C. Recommend approval of the following Support Staff: *

1. Jennifer Neuin, Head Custodian, Tilden

- Replacing Lloyd Heckman
- Effective 05/04/2021
- Stipend: \$1,900.00 (prorated)

A motion was made by Todd D. Hummel, seconded by Maggie L. Rhoades to approve the Support Staff presented.

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

“Yes” Leon J. Grim, Todd D. Hummel, Cory N. Johnson, Laura “Lolly” Leshner, Andrew C. Raugh, Brian N. Riegel, Maggie L. Rhoades

“No” None

Motion carried with seven directors voting yes.

Dr. Mextorf stated items D, E, and F will be on the May 24 agenda for approval.

D. Appoint Cynthia Sunday as School Board Secretary for a four-year term July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2025 (will be on May 24 agenda for approval)

- E. Appoint Michele Zimmerman as District Treasurer for 2021-2022
(will be on May 24 agenda for approval)
- F. World Culture Geography Curriculum (will be on May 24 agenda
for approval)

III. Information Items

- A. May Enrollment

IV. Dates to Remember

May	24	Board Meeting	6:30 p.m.
June	3	Graduation	
	4	Last Day of School	
June	4/5	Graduation Rain Dates	
	6	Prom	
	7/8	Prom Rain Dates	

IX. Adjournment

A motion was made by Maggie Rhoades seconded by Laura “Lolly”
Leshner to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 p.m. Motion carried.

MINUTES APPROVED ON
May 24, 2021

RECORDED BY

Cynthia A. Sunday

Brian R. Specht, President