

September 12, 2016

A meeting of the Galeton Area School Board was held in the Music Room of the Galeton Area School District on September 12, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Board President Bonita Stover at 6:30 PM.

Board Members and all others present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following School Board Members were also present, as confirmed by roll call: Charles Bach, Tony Cimino, Dr. Mary Geiter, Michael Hoza, Beth Fuller, Charles Tameris, and Rick Yonkin. Julie Lane was absent.

Others present included Superintendent Alanna Huck, Principal Clyde Pierce, Business Manager/Board Secretary Penny Crowell, and interested community members.

President Stover asked for a motion to consider approval of the minutes from the August 1, 2016, Board Meeting. On motion of Mrs. Fuller and second of Mr. Cimino, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the minutes.

President Stover asked for a motion to consider approval of the General Fund Bill List. On motion of Mr. Cimino and second of Mr. Tameris, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the bill (EXHIBIT).

President Stover asked for a motion to consider approval of the Field Trip Requests, as follows:
9/23/16: Senior Class, Penn York Camp, Ulysses, PA
9/30/16: 11th Grade, Mansfield University, Mansfield, PA
On motion of Mr. Bach and second of Mr. Yonkin, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the field trips.

President Stover introduced Mrs. Alanna R. Huck, the new Superintendent.

Superintendent Alanna Huck reported on the following:

Galeton has been very busy welcoming the new Superintendent. Mrs. Huck reported that this is day 9 since she started and she has been catching up on names, classrooms and other school functions and activities.

Mrs. Huck introduced the Students of the Month:

Harlie Schaar, PreK Student, was nominated by her teacher for being a wonderful listener, helpful to friends and teachers.

Julian Martinez, 11th Grade Student, participates in many athletic and extra-curricular activities and was nominated for always helping his teachers and fellow students, being respectful and polite, and for being a wonderful student.

Third Day Enrollment: The enrollment is 360 students PreK – 12th grades. The District has 17 students attending cyber charter schools.

PSBA Success Starts Here: This new program will start September 15th and provides an opportunity for schools to tell what good things are going on through Facebook and other media options.

Fair Funding Formula: The State is being taken to task by Districts regarding the funding concerns. A suit filed against the state by some Districts will be heard in the PA Supreme Court tomorrow.

October Board Meeting: Mrs. Huck requested to move the October board meeting to Tuesday the eleventh. The Board concurred.

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Attendance

Minutes

General Fund Bill List

Field Trip Requests

Superintendent's Report

Principal Clyde Pierce reported on the following:

Welcome Assembly: Student prepared and presented a full school welcome assembly for Mrs. Huck on the first day of school—it was an excellent job.

ROAR Program: The program will be rolled out to high school students this year. It will be a little different than the elementary program, but will be the same in setting expectations, behavior and attitudes in school. The elementary will also participate in a beginning of the year program to review all of the ROAR expectations.

CDT Testing: This will be administered to students to provide benchmarks allowing teachers to watch student growth and prepare appropriate programs for students.

Donorschoose.org: This online program is being used by our teachers to obtain funding for small equipment and supplies for their classrooms to keep instruction interesting and engaging. The teachers are thanked for doing their part to help with funding.

Athletic Report: Fall sports include junior high, JV, and varsity volleyball, girls tennis, and junior high, JV and varsity soccer. All teams are off to a good start with 82 students participating in fall sports. Fall sports schedules are on the district website and in the office.

Teacher Newsletters: The PreK and English Departments shared classroom happenings through a written newsletter to the Board.

Discipline Report: Mr. Pierce highlighted the student discipline report, indicating that the reports are running in similar numbers as the prior year.

Business Manager Penny Crowell reported on the following:

A Treasurer’s Report was reviewed, showing an ending September cash balance of \$603,042 (EXHIBIT). Mrs. Crowell also reported that the 2015/16 audit began in June with payroll and account payable testing. The main audit will continue on October 3, 2016.

Citizen Recognition: *no citizen recognition*

Action Items:

President Stover asked for a motion to approve the Administration’s recommendation for the transfer of Cassandra Emery from Cafeteria Monitor, a 3 hours/day position, to Part-Time Cook, a 5 ¼ hours/day position, effective September 13, 2016. On motion of Mrs. Fuller and second of Mr. Cimino, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the recommendation.

President Stover asked for a motion to approve the Administration’s recommendation to add the following persons to the 2016/17 Substitute Employees List:

- Christopher Brackman, Special Education Teacher
- Alishia Sullivan, Elementary Teacher

On motion of Dr. Geiter and second of Mrs. Fuller, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the substitutes.

President Stover made the following announcements:

Executive Session:

September 12, 2016, 6:00 PM, Galeton Area SD Library, RE: personnel

Next Board Work Session: *none scheduled at this time*

Next Board Meeting: October 11, 2016, 6:30 PM, Galeton Area School District Music Room

Being that there was no other business before the Board, President Stover asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. On motion of Mr. Bach and second of Mr. Tameris, the meeting was adjourned by a vote of 8 to 0.

Approved as read October 11, 2016.

Respectfully submitted by:

Penny L. Crowell, Board Secretary

Principal’s Report

Business Manager’s Report

Citizen Recognition

Part-Time Cafeteria Transfer

Substitute Employees’ List

Announcements

Adjournment