

April 9, 2018

A meeting of the Galeton Area School Board was held in the Music Room of the Galeton Area School District on April 9, 2018.

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, Beth Fuller, Kyle Lehman, Charles Tameris, Dr. Mary Geiter, 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.

Citizen Recognition: No citizens commented.

Students of the Month:

April students will be recognized along with the May students.

Board Education:

Mrs. Huck explained the agenda format change, which brings meetings more in line with Roberts Rules of Order. There are now two opportunities for citizens to comment. One at the beginning of the agenda regarding agenda items and one at the end of the agenda for other topics.

Federal Audits: As reported by Mrs. Huck, the District received its second in a row federal grant audit. This year the focus was on financial items and conflict of interest areas. The Conflict of Interest policy was reviewed and approved in May 2017; however, the requirement also includes a signed Conflict of Interest statement by Board Members. Members signed the statement provided by Mrs. Huck.

An FBI clearances audit by PA State Police officials is scheduled for next week and the administration has prepared for this.

President Stover asked for a motion to consider approval of the minutes from the March 12, 2018, Board Meeting. On motion of Mr. Cimino and second of Mr. Yonkin, 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 Mrs. Fuller and second of Mr. Bach, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the bill list (EXHIBIT).

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

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Attendance

Citizen Recognition

Students of the Month

Board Education –
Federal Audits

Board Minutes

General Fund Bills List

School Lunch Fund Bill
List

<p>President Stover asked for a motion to consider approval of the Field Trips, as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4/25/18 (4/26 rain date): Primary Tigers Reading Club, PreK, 1st, 2nd grade students, Bucktail Campground, Mansfield, PA (100 students, busses, paid by fundraising) • 4/26/18: Envirothon Study Day, Envirothon students, Saulter’s Preserve, Coudersport, PA (5 students, van, district funded) • 5/3/18: Envirothon Competition, Envirothon students, Lumberman’s Museum, Galeton, PA (15 students, bus, district funded) • 5/14/18: Farm Days 1866, 4th Grade students, Alparon Park, Troy, PA (20 students, bus, district funded) • 5/24/18 (5/29 rain date): Primary Tigers Reading Club, PreK, 1st, 2nd grade students, Lyman Run State Park, Galeton, PA (100 students, bus, paid by fundraising) 	Field Trip Requests
<p>On motion of Mr. Bach and second of Mr. Yonkin, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the field trips.</p>	
<p>Superintendent’s Report: Mrs. Huck reported on the following items.</p>	Superintendent’s Report
<p>Safety Equipment – The State is considering several options for updating safety laws for schools. The Principal and Superintendent are working on a list of district safety equipment updates to recommend to the board.</p>	Safety Equipment
<p>Legislation – HB1527 would amend the child protective services law to require reporting of suspected child abuse outside of the district as well. HB564 would require a Civics test for graduation. Other law topics being considered: sunscreen application with parent permission, other graduation requirements—good ones. Title II funding was saved for another year; however, it was cut back in 2018.</p>	Legislative Update
<p>ROAR – Mrs. Huck congratulated Mr. Pierce, the ROAR staff team and the school on being approved for fidelity with the ROAR program.</p>	ROAR
<p>Levee Update –FEMA has confirmed that once the map is in place the district will have one year to make changes to meet the new requirements.</p>	Levee Update
<p>Softball Field – The water has not been turned on yet since we have had temperatures down to 19 degrees in the evening. Next week is targeted for turning on the water.</p>	Softball Field Water
<p>Carrie Heath, Candidate for 68th District PA House of Representatives – Mrs. Heath introduced herself and discussed her concerns and interests in education if elected.</p>	PA House of Representatives Candidate
<p>Principal’s Report:</p>	
<p>ROAR/SWPBS – After three years of preparations and implementation, the District has been selected for fidelity recognition and will be presented with recognition and a banner at the annual state conference. This is the first of three tiers.</p>	Principal’s Report
<p>Athletics Update – Baseball is 0-1, softball is 1-0, and tennis is 0-3.</p>	
<p>Mr. Pierce also reported on student discipline, classroom activities newsletter— Kindergarten and Art this month, and upcoming activities.</p>	
<p>April 11 - Spaghetti dinner at school – benefits ROAR program</p>	
<p>April 26 – Envirothon Study Day</p>	
<p>May 4 - Mock accident</p>	
<p>May 5 - High school prom</p>	
<p>Business Manager:</p>	
<p>There is no treasurer’s report this month since the meeting is early. The Administration will present a 2018/19 preliminary budget at the April 23 board work session.</p>	Business Manager’s Report

Action Items:

President Stover asked for a motion to consider the Administration’s recommendation of the following Board Policy actions:

- Second reading of new Board Policy #150 Title I Comparability of Services
 - Second reading of revisions to Board Policy #103 Nondiscrimination in School and Classroom Practices
 - Second Reading of revisions to Board Policy #103.1 Nondiscrimination – Qualified Students with Disabilities
 - Second Reading of revisions to Board Policy #104 Nondiscrimination in Employment Practices
 - Rescind and retire policies 248, 348, 448, 548, former Unlawful Harassment policies
- On motion of Mr. Bach and second of Mr. Tameris, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the resolution (EXHIBIT).

President Stover asked for a motion to consider the Administration’s recommendation to enter into a two year contract with Seneca Highlands IU 9 for the SHWAN (wide area network), technology services and technical staff in support of Galeton Area School District technology at a cost of \$20,083 annually. On motion of Mr. Tameris and second of Mr. Cimino, the Board voted 7 to 1, with Mr. Bach voting no, to approve the contract (EXHIBIT).

Citizen Recognition:

Mr. Tameris commented on the Breast Cancer Awareness fundraiser that the District hosted. He thanked the District for helping to raise \$5,000 for the program. He is also organizing a similar fundraiser with Mansfield and Troy and another one in Galeton with softball.

President Stover made the following announcements:

Next Board Work Session:

April 23, 2018, 6:30 PM, Galeton Area SD Library

Next Board Meeting:

May 7, 2018, 6:30 PM, Galeton Area SD Music Room

On motion of Mr. Bach and second of Mrs. Fuller, the Board voted 8 to 0 to adjourn the meeting.

Approved as read May 7, 2018

Respectfully submitted by:

Penny L. Crowell
Board Secretary

Board Policy:

150, 103, 103.1, 104

248, 348, 448, 548

SHWAN Technology Agreement

Citizen Recognition

Announcements

Adjournment

