

**August 27, 2018**

A meeting of the Galeton Area School Board was held in the Music Room of the Galeton Area School District on August 27, 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: Kyle Lehman, Charles Tameris, Dr. Mary Geiter, Rick Yonkin, Charles Bach, Tony Cimino, and Beth Fuller. Julie Lane was absent. Others present included Superintendent Alanna Huck, Principal Clyde Pierce, and Business Manager/Board Secretary Penny Crowell.

**Citizen Recognition:**

**Day Care Bus Stop:** The following persons addressed the board and requested that a bus stop be added at the Tiny Treasures Day Care on Main Street, Galeton—Kim Grossman, Laura Haskins, Tanesha Monroe, Kristin Baker, Glenn Sweeley. Dan Brelo and Katherine Mikulski spoke in support of the parents requests and confirmed the heavy traffic conditions. They indicated that they currently have to pay \$1.75/trip to ATA for bus services from the day care to school because they feel it is too hazardous for their young PreK and Kindergarten age children to walk. Mrs. Huck referenced speaking to Mrs. Grossman and other parents about the matter. She provided a map of the requested area to the Board and explained the details. Since the facility is within 1.5 miles of the school, under the law the board does not have to provide transportation. Board Policy also reflects that the District will provide transportation as required by law. It was discussed that the day care provided transportation last year, but they can no longer do this since they do not have the extra staff member available. It was discussed that the Administration will request a hazardous route review from PennDOT. Adding crossing guards was also brought up. Mrs. Stover stated that the Board and Administration will look into this and try to do so in a reasonable amount of time. The day care owners also spoke to some concerns that occurred regarding students safety walking after school.

President Stover asked for a motion to consider approval of the minutes from the August 13, 2018, Board Meeting. On motion of Mr. Cimino and second of Mr. Tameris, 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. Lehman, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the bill list (EXHIBIT).

**Superintendent's Report:**

Mrs. Huck reported that the school year had begun and the District's 3<sup>rd</sup> Day Enrollment of PreK – 12<sup>th</sup> grades was 357 students.

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Attendance

Citizen Recognition

Board Minutes

General Fund Bills List

Superintendent's Report

**Principal's Report:**

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**Curriculum Maps** – Mr. Pierce reported that curriculum maps for the district are complete, which will provide a framework for the curriculum. Dr. Geiter requested a copy. Mr. Pierce said it will be made available in an electronic version.

**GO Math** – The new math series has been put in place. The inservice day training wasn't as good as expected, but teachers are doing well with the new series. More training is being planned for September 12. We will continue to improve the delivery of this new program.

**Letterman Jacket Guidelines** – New guidelines have been put in place which allow students to purchase their jackets before earning the experience points, then once points are earned for participation, a part or all of the cost may be refunded. Additional options have been added as well for band, chorus, and honor roll participation.

**7<sup>th</sup> Grade Orientation** – This occurred before the start of school. Student participated in various activities to get to know their schedules and the high school building better. They also signed a graduation cap to show their commitment to graduating with this class. The cap will be placed on display in a showcase. I will be meeting with 7<sup>th</sup> graders every two weeks to discuss how things are going and help them transition to high school.

**Meet the Teacher Night**, which was held before the first day of school, was very well attended by parents and students.

**Homecoming** – October 13<sup>th</sup>

**Fall Sports** – soccer and volleyball programs include varsity, junior varsity and jr high and are underway.

**Action Items:**

President Stover asked for a motion to approve the Administration's recommendation to appoint Mr. Clyde Pierce as the school safety and security coordinator pursuant to Act 44 of 2018. On motion of Mr. Tameris and second of Mr. Bach, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the appointment.

School Safety and Security Coordinator

President Stover asked for a motion to approve the Administration's recommendation to enter into extra-curricular and athletic transportation contracts in the 2018/19 school year at a rate of \$2.50/mile:

Extra-curricular and Athletic Transportation Contracts

Pine Creek Services – soccer, boys basketball, softball, baseball

Tarabori Transportation – volleyball, jr. high basketball, girls basketball

On motion of Mr. Lehman and second of Mr. Cimino, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the contracts (EXHIBIT).

President Stover asked for a motion to approve the Administration's recommendation to enter into transportation contracts for the 2018/19 school year as follows:

Supplemental and Feeder Route Transportation Contracts

- Victor Canniere, Supplemental Van Route – Hectors Corners area (currently 75.6 miles/day) \$.98/mile - \$13,335.84
- Lisa Quinn, Supplemental Route to Pittsburgh, 382 miles/trip @ \$.54/mile (\$206.28/trip)
- Additional feeder routes as needed at the current IRS mileage rate for miles greater than 1.5 beyond the regular bus route stop.

On motion of Mrs. Fuller and second of Mr. Lehman, the Board voted 7 to 1, with Mr. Bach voting no, to approve the recommendation.

President Stover asked for a motion to approve the Administration's recommendation to continue the following pupil transportation routes and bus drivers in the 2018/19 school year:

- Gaines (driver Henner Odonnell): Route 6 East to Rexford, Watrous, & Leetonia Rd
- Germania (driver Gregory Brown): Germania Road to Rt 44 Cherrysprings Road, Gross Road, Pigeon Hill Road and 5<sup>th</sup> Street (hazardous route)
- CTC (driver Sanford Harper): Galeton school to CTC in Port Allegany, with stop at Dickinson Mental Health in Coudersport as needed
- Sunderlinville (driver David McConaghay): Phoenix Road to Hector's Corners
- West Branch (driver Darren Tarabori): West Branch Road to Notch Road, Lyman Run Road, West Street (hazardous route)
- West Pike (driver Ronald Tarabori): Route 6 West, Loucks Mills Road, West Main Street (hazardous route)

On motion of Mr. Bach and second of Dr. Geiter, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the routes.

President Stover asked for a motion to approve the Administration's recommendation to employ Kathleen Orr as part-time cafeteria employee with initial assignment as dishwasher effective August 27, 2018. Ms. Orr will be employed at \$7.50/hour as defined by the Conditions of Employment for Support Staff. On motion of Mr. Cimino and second of Mr. Lehman, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the employment.

Mr. Yonkin made a motion to table the Special Education Teacher recommendation. Dr. Geiter seconded the motion. With a Board vote of 8 to 0 the motion was tabled.

Mr. Tameris made a motion to table the Maintenance employee recommendation. Mr. Bach seconded the motion. With a Board vote of 8 to 0 the motion was tabled.

**President Stover made the following announcements:**

**Executive Session:** August 27, 2018, 6:00 PM, Galeton Area SD Library, RE: Personnel

**Next Board Meeting:** September 10, 2018, 6:30 PM, Galeton Area SD Music Room

**Board Work Session:** There are no work sessions scheduled at this time.

**Citizen Recognition:** *There was no citizen recognition at this time in the agenda.*

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

Approved as read October 15, 2018

Respectfully submitted by:

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Penny L. Crowell  
Board Secretary

Transportation Routes  
and Drivers

Cafeteria Employment

Special Education  
Teacher

Maintenance Employee

Announcements

Citizen Recognition

Adjournment

