

May 7, 2018

A meeting of the Galeton Area School Board was held in the Music Room of the Galeton Area School District on May 7, 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 & May:

Daisy Knapp, 7th grade student, for having a friendly, outgoing personality. She is helpful to others and an excellent art student.

Brayden Gail, 9th grade student, for being conscientious, having an up-beat attitude, and a pleasure to have in class.

Mya Schloegel, Kindergarten student, who excels in all areas and is polite.

Michael Berger, PreK student, who started later in the school year and smoothly transitioned into his new classroom. He is a great listener and always smiles.

President Stover asked for a motion to consider approval of the minutes from the April 9, 2018, Board Meeting. On motion of Mr. Bach 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 Mr. Tameris and second of Mrs. Fuller, 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. Cimino and second of Mr. Yonkin, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the bill list (EXHIBIT).

President Stover asked for a motion to consider approval of the Field Trips, as follows:

- 4/19/18: Tourist Attractions in Potter County, 11th/12th grade English Class (8 students)
- 4/19/18: Funland, Wellsville, NY, AR Trip for 3rd – 6th grades (66 students)
- 5/15/18: Annual 6th Grade Field Day w/Renovo Elementary, (25 students), Renovo, PA
- 5/16/18: Conservation Day, Millport Fairgrounds, 5th Grade (20 students)
- 5/18/18: Sports Experience Track Field Day, Carp Park, Coudersport, PA, (18 students)
- 5/23 – 5/25/18: Annual 5th & 6th Grade Trip, Washing DC/Baltimore, (40 students)

On motion of Dr. Geiter and second of Mr. Cimino, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the field trips.

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Attendance

Citizen Recognition

Students of the Month

Board Minutes

General Fund Bills List

School Lunch Fund Bill List

Field Trips Requests

Superintendent's Report: Mrs. Huck reported on the following items.

Education Law Center Report – The school funding law suit will be heard by the Commonwealth Court.

Dark Skies Committee – The committee promoting tourism in the area in relation to Cherry Springs State Park provided a flyer for school distribution.

2018 State of Education Report – PASA and PASBO prepared a formal joint report on recent changes and issues in education funding in PA. A copy was shared with the Board.

Prom – The event was a success. There were a few problems, such as the electric being out until 15 minutes before DJ arrived. Mrs. Huck reported that she was proud of everyone. All students stayed to clean-up and it was done in 10 minutes by students and chaperones. She had never seen this happen in 19 years of chaperoning proms.

Softball Game May 8th – A Think Pink event will be held during the Galeton Softball Game with various fundraising to go to cancer research.

Mock Accident – Special thank you to Galeton and Germania fire and ambulance departments for assisting Justin Jones with his senior project and providing a program to bring to light the importance of safe driving and decision making during the prom and other events.

First Citizens Donation – The bank donated \$750 toward the Mobile Ag Lab for the coming school year.

Mansfield University Dual Enrollment Agreement – Administration has been working with Mansfield to provide more dual enrollment opportunities for Galeton students. An agreement will be presented for approval this evening for on-site college classes.

Northern PA Regional College – This program continues to grow and they are working on accreditation. Professors and credits are provided through Gannon University.

Teacher Appreciation Week – Teachers, staff, bus drivers and board members are being recognized this week. Thank you for all you do.

Title Audit – The state auditor spent a day with administration and everything was found to be in compliance with Title I, Title II and Title IV federal grant funds.

Grant Received – Mrs. Huck recognized Tony Cimino for writing a grant that provided 30 gallons of paint to the District.

Principal's Report:

Math Curriculum – Go-math curriculum is being recommended at this meeting for 2018/19 for grades K – 6 and 7th-8th. The textbooks have been evaluated by teachers and administrators and were made available for review to the school board in prior months.

Other items presented: athletic report on softball, baseball and tennis, discipline report, and PreK and English classroom newsletters.

Upcoming Events: Teacher Appreciation Week, Spring Concert, ROAR Carnival, PreK Field Day, Keystone testing will begin May 15, High School Field Day, Gaines Alumni Banquet, Elementary Field Day, PBIS Conference and Recognition, Sports Banquet, 5th & 6th Grade Trip to Washington DC, Alumni Banquet, Baccalaureate, PreK Graduation, and High School Graduation.

Business Manager:

The treasure's report was presented with a current General Fund balance of 1,676,226. The Administration will present the 2018/19 Final Proposed Budget at this meeting for Board consideration.

Superintendent's
Report

Principal's Report

Business Manager's
Report

Action Items:

President Stover asked for a motion to consider the Administration’s recommendation to adopt the 2018/19 Proposed Final Budget in the amount of \$7,452,041 and requested authorization to advertise public display of the Proposed Final Budget and announcing the Board's intention of adopting the 2018/19 Final Budget at the June 11, 2018, Board Meeting. On motion of Mr. Yonkin and second of Mrs. Fuller, the Board voted 7 – 1, with Mr. Bach voting no, to approve the budget (EXHIBIT).

2018/19 Proposed Final Budget

President Stover asked for a motion to consider the Administration’s recommendation to reappoint the following services and bond coverage for the 2018/19 school year:

- District Depositories:
Northwest Savings Bank, Galeton, PA
TD Wealth, TD Bank, Cherry Hill, NJ
First Citizens Community Bank, Mansfield, PA
PA Local Government Investment Trust (PLGIT)
- District Special Counsel: Sweet, Stevens, Katz and Williams
- District Auditor: Buffamante, Whipple & Buttafaro, P.C., Olean, NY
- Providing bond coverage for the Board Secretary and the Board Treasurer

Annual Appointments

On motion of Mr. Bach and second of Mr. Cimino, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the appointments.

President Stover asked for a motion to consider the Administrations recommendation to reappoint Cox, Stokes & Lantz, P.C., Wellsboro, PA, as District Solicitor for the 2018/19 school year. On motion of Mr. Lehman and second of Mrs. Fuller, the Board voted 7 to 1, with Mr. Bach voting no, to approve the recommendation.

District Solicitor

President Stover asked for a motion to approve the Administration’s recommendation to adopt the following textbooks effective with the 2018/19 school year

- Introduction to Anatomy and Physiology by Cengage Learning/Rizzo (\$4,400)
- Go Math! For grades K – 6 by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt (\$35,524)
- Go Math! For grades 7 - 8 by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt (\$10,523)

Math, Anatomy & Physiology Textbooks

On motion of Mr. Cimino and second of Mr. Yonkin, the Board voted 7 – 1, with Mr. Bach voting no, to approve the textbooks (EXHIBIT).

President Stover asked for a motion to approve the Administration’s recommendation renewing the contract with Seneca Highlands IU 9 and approving the exhibited resolution for a School Psychologist (\$18,000/year) and for emotional support student services as needed (\$25,000/student) in the 2018/19 school year. On motion of Mrs. Fuller and second of Mr. Cimino, the Board approved the resolution (EXHIBIT).

School Psychologist
Emotional Support
Tuition

President Stover asked for a motion to approve the Administration’s recommendation to adopt a resolution as follows: Be it resolved that the Board of School Directors of the Galeton Area School District approve the 2018-2019 Seneca Highlands Career and Technical Center Operating Budget which includes proposed expenditures and revenues of \$2,227,482, and be it further resolved that the Board Secretary be authorized to forward a certified copy of the Resolution and record of Directors present and voting to the Executive Director of the Intermediate Unit. The District’s share of the budget will be \$40,463. On motion of Mr. Tameris and second of Mr. Lehman, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the resolution (EXHIBIT).

CTC Budget

President Stover asked for a motion to approve the Administration's recommendation to enter into an Agreement with UPMC/Charles Cole Memorial Hospital from August 7, 2018, to June 30, 2019, for the services of an Athletic Trainer to support students and the athletic program in the areas of injury prevention and injury support as needed for up to 800 hours. The cost will be \$ 23,200. On motion of Mrs. Fuller and second of Mr. Cimino, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the trainer (EXHIBIT).

Athletic Trainer

President Stover asked for a motion to approve the Administration's recommendation to enter into a contract with Turf, Track & Court to conduct a geotechnical study of the tennis and outdoor basketball court area at a cost of \$7,500. On motion of Mr. Yonkin and second of Mr. Cimino the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the contract (EXHIBIT).

Geotechnical Study –
Tennis Court

President Stover asked for a motion to approve the Administration's recommendation to enter into an agreement with UGI Utilities allowing for the use of a Right of Way for natural gas line repair. On motion of Mr. Cimino and second of Mr. Yonkin, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the Agreement (EXHIBIT).

UGI Right of Way

President Stover asked for a motion to approve the Administration's recommendation to enter into a dual enrollment agreement with Mansfield University. On motion of Mrs. Fuller and second of Mr. Lehman, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the agreement (EXHIBIT).

Mansfield University
Dual Enrollment

President Stover asked for a motion to approve the Administration's recommendation to enter into a College Enrichment Program with Mansfield University. On motion of Dr. Geiter and second of Mr. Tameris, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the agreement (EXHIBIT).

Mansfield University
College Enrichment
Program

President Stover asked for a motion to approve the Administration's request to cancel the May Board Work Session to allow Mrs. Huck and Mr. Pierce to attend the PBIS annual conference and accept recognition of the ROAR Program's Fidelity status. On motion of Mr. Bach and second of Mr. Yonkin, the Board voted 8 to 0 to cancel the meeting.

Cancel May Work
Session

President Stover made the following announcements:

Announcements

Next Board Work Session:

June 4, 2018, 6:30 PM, Galeton Area SD Library

Next Board Meeting:

June 11, 2018, 6:30 PM, Galeton Area SD Music Room

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

Adjournment

Approved as read June 11, 2018

Respectfully submitted by:

Penny L. Crowell
Board Secretary

