

**CENTENNIAL BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
BOARD MEETING**

May 24, 2011

7:00 P.M.

Centennial Administration Building Board Room

CALL TO ORDER/ ROLL CALL

A Work Session/Regular Meeting of the Centennial School Board was held on May 24, 2011, in the Administration Building. The meeting was called to order by Dr. Pollock at 7:00 p.m.

The following Board members were in attendance:

Katherine Driban

Michael Hartline

Thomas Hezel

Betty Huf

Jane Schrader Lynch

Mark B. Miller

Cynthia Mueller

Dr. Andrew Pollock

Thomas Reinboth

The following Administration members were in attendance at the meeting:

Dr. Jennifer Cressman

Christopher Berdnik

Polly Moore, Esq.

William Gretton

Robert Reed

Additional meeting attendees are listed on the attached sheet.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Dr. Pollock led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Dr. Pollock announced that the Board had met in executive session prior to this Board meeting to discuss personnel and legal matters.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mrs. Huf recognized Ashley Arden for bringing positive things to our District. Ashley was featured in a local newspaper.

Mr. Miller thanked everyone in the school community who supported him at the polls last week.

Mrs. Schrader Lynch announced that her family and she attended the Trenton Thunder game where Klinger Middle School sang. They were tremendous, and it was a proud moment.

PRESENTATIONS

Dr. Mumin presented Outstanding Achievement Awards. The Outstanding Achievement Awards are acknowledgements to recognize employees' performance for going above the norm. Candidates are nominated by their colleagues. Six awards were given this year.

Dr. Mumin presented awards to the following outstanding employees:

- Susan Wagner, Fourth Grade Teacher at McDonald-Davis Elementary.
- Barbara Husted, Technology Associate at William Tennent High School.
- Kelly Kohler, Student Support Teacher at Leary Elementary.
- Melissa Sichler, Instructional Aide at Longstreth Elementary School.
- Mary Godfrey, Counseling Secretary at Klinger Middle School.
- Carolyn Fisher, BCIT Teacher at William Tennent High School.

GOOD NEWS

Mr. Berdnik read the Good News for May 24, 2011.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS

Keith Froggatt, Linden Drive, Southampton, spoke on behalf of the William Tennent Football Boosters regarding supplying their own food for the snack bar to raise money.

Dr. Pollock requested the Operations Committee address this at their next meeting.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Reinboth, seconded by Mrs. Huf, to resolve that the Centennial School Board approves the minutes from the following meetings:

Education Committee – March 28, 2011

Finance Committee – April 11, 2011

Motion passed 9-0.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Miller read the following:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CENTENNIAL SCHOOL BOARD:

1. *Approves the formation of a standing committee charged with responsibility of developing and proposing sources of alternative revenue for the District.*

Seconded by Ms. Driban.

Mr. Miller read his proposal from a statement he prepared (see attached).

Mrs. Schrader Lynch asked who would approve the names for this committee; Mrs. Schrader Lynch also stated she would like a formal adoption to make sure everything is laid out; she does agree with the concept.

Ms. Driban suggested we hold off the formation until Administration has put a policy together. She suggested approval for this and then put it into Policy.

Mrs. Mueller stated she was looking for the policy regarding this. We do need to do this, but she agrees with Mrs. Schrader Lynch, it needs to be tight.

Dr. Cressman stated it was Policy 1.3, Centennial School Board Organization and Board Director Responsibilities.

Mr. Miller stated his expectation is that three Board members would be appointed and then the committee can go from there. Administration could make recommendations as to whom they would like to serve on the committee and then get Board approval. The timeliness of this issue is because the ads at the stadium are currently not subscribed to (six slots) and have a current value of \$5,000 each.

Dr. Pollock stated the resolution that was put forth is not an *ad hoc* committee but a standing committee.

Mr. Miller said we could modify the resolution.

Mrs. Huf is not ready to vote on this since it was just given to her tonight.

Mrs. Schrader Lynch asked this be put together in better packaging.

Mrs. Schrader Lynch made a motion to table.

Seconded by Mrs. Huf.

Mrs. Mueller asked the Board members not to table this, but let it move forward as an *ad hoc* committee. If it is delayed, the District is missing valuable marketing of the scoreboard.

Mr. Hezel stated that according to policy, if it is an *ad hoc* committee, it does not need Board approval.

Dr. Pollock stated we have a motion to table this until June 14, 2011.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

<i>Mr. Hartline</i>	<i>No</i>
<i>Mr. Hezel</i>	<i>No</i>
<i>Mrs. Huf</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Mrs. Schrader Lynch</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Mr. Miller</i>	<i>No</i>
<i>Mrs. Mueller</i>	<i>No</i>
<i>Dr. Pollock</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Mr. Reinboth</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Ms. Driban</i>	<i>No</i>

Motion to table failed 5-4.

A vote was taken on the formation of an *ad hoc* committee.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

<i>Mr. Hezel</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Mrs. Huf</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
<i>Mrs. Schrader Lynch</i>	<i>No</i>
<i>Mr. Miller</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Mrs. Mueller</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Dr. Pollock</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Mr. Reinboth</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Ms. Driban</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Mr. Hartline</i>	<i>Yes</i>

Motion passed 7-1-1.

NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Driban moved the consent agenda:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CENTENNIAL SCHOOL BOARD:

1A. Approves the naming of the Region I School as the William W. H. Davis Elementary School.

1B. Approves the naming of the Region II School as the Dr. Everett A. McDonald Elementary School.

1C. Approves the naming of the Region III School as the Willow Dale Elementary School.

Seconded by Mrs. Huf.

Ms. Driban thanked the committee that was formed for naming purposes. Of all of the suggestions that came out of committee, there were only two that fulfilled Board policy. One of the two that came forward was the motion made tonight. The second was for the three names: Perseverance, Gemini, and York. Almost 300 names were submitted with signatures for McDonald, Davis, and Willow Dale.

Ms. Driban requested Administration give other naming opportunities, such as naming of the gymnasiums, libraries, and auditoriums in the new buildings.

Mr. Miller stated the work done by the students on this committee was extremely commendable.

Mr. Miller would like to see their work preserved and used within the schools.

Mrs. Schrader Lynch feels the only history we have in our community are the schools. She definitely wants something named after Alta S. Leary Elementary.

Motion passed 9-0.

Dr. Pollock asked if anyone would like to have any items pulled from consent agenda 2 through 26. The following items were pulled: 11 and 17.

Mr. Reinboth moved the consent agenda:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CENTENNIAL SCHOOL BOARD:

- 2. Grants preliminary approval for a trip by the William Tennent High School Girls' Basketball team to Albright College, Reading, Pennsylvania, July 15-17, 2011, for a high school team camp. There is no cost to the District.*
- 3. Approves an exception to Policy 7.18, Resident, Non-Resident, and Tuition Status, for Student 10-13 to attend Log College Middle School for the 2011-2012 school year. The parent will provide transportation.*
- 4. Approves an exception to Policy 7.18, Resident, Non-Resident, and Tuition Status, to allow Student 10-22 to attend Centennial's Life Skills Support Class at William Tennent High School on a tuition basis. The tuition rate charged will be equal to the charter school tuition rate for special education students in effect for the 2011-12 school year, payable in monthly installments on an enrollment basis. Transportation will be provided by the parents' home school district.*
- 5. Approves an exception to Policy 7.18, Resident, Non-Resident, and Tuition Status, to allow Student 4-13 to attend Centennial's Autistic Support Class at William Tennent High School on a tuition*

- basis. The tuition rate charged will be equal to the charter school tuition rate for special education students in effect for the 2011-12 school year, payable in monthly installments on an enrollment basis. Transportation will be provided by the parents.*
6. *Approves an exception to Policy 7.18, Resident, Non-Resident, and Tuition Status, to allow Students 13-9 and 10-12 to attend Centennial's Autistic Support Class at William Tennent High School on a tuition basis. The tuition rate charged will be equal to the charter school tuition rate for special education students in effect for the 2011-12 school year, payable in monthly installments on an enrollment basis. Transportation will be provided by the parents' home school district.*
 7. *Approves placement of resident Student 19-10 in the Council Rock School District Multiple Disabilities Class for the 2011-12 school year with an estimated cost to the District of \$57,000.*
 - 8A. *Approves the award of competitive bids as indicated on the schedule attached with the estimated cost so noted:*
 - *Stock Supply Bid.*
 - *Art Supply Bid.*
 - *Facilities Supplies Bid.*
 - *Athletic Equipment and Supplies/Physical Education Supplies Bid.*
 - *Student Picture Bid.*
 - *Senior and Prom/Dance Portrait Bid.*
 - *Milk and Non-Milk Dairy Bid.*
 - *Suburban School Food Services Purchasing Co-op Bread and Rolls Bid.*
 - *Science Cabinet Bid.*
 - *Furniture Bid.*
 - *A/V and Information Technology Equipment and Supplies Bid.*
 - *LED Display Bid.*
 - *Retail Cart/Kiosk Bid.*
 - *Floor Cleaning Equipment Bid.*
 - 8B. *Rejects all bids for the Wired LAN Bid, Wireless LAN BID and the VoIP Bid and authorizes administration to rebid the same.*
 9. *Adopts the 2011-12 Homestead/Farmstead exemption resolution. This year's exclusion provides a tax break of approximately \$150 for each Homestead/Farmstead.*
 10. *Approves the addition of the Pennsylvania Treasurer's INVEST program as an approved depository for the investment of District funds in accordance with the Public School Code, Board policy, and sound business practice, and further directs the Business Office to complete such forms and take such actions as are necessary to carry out the Board of School Directors' intent.*
 12. *Authorizes a contingency contract with CM Services to conduct an accounts payable audit covering an estimated 24-month period. Payment shall be at the rate of 35% of the recovery, if any.*
 13. *Directs the Business Office to order PSBA's Value Pass for School Board Director and Administrator professional development for the 2011-12 school year at a cost of \$799 and \$199, respectively.*
 14. *Ratifies the District's application to participate in the United States Department of Health and Human Services' Early Retiree Reinsurance Program.*

15. *Approves the 2011-12 employee benefits program and corresponding employee/employer cost sharing as illustrated on the attached rate charts.*
16. *Adopts the 2011-12 Capital Reserve Fund (32) budget of \$456,000.*
18. *Adopts the 2011-12 Food Service (50) budget of \$2,641,166. There is no increase to meal prices planned for 2011-12.*
19. *Approves the award of the William Tennent High School Graduation Video Production Bid to the lowest responsible bidder, Reel Productions, in the amount of \$5,250.*
20. *Approves the award of the Door Replacement Bid 2011-15 to Liberty Door Systems in the amount of \$21,100.*
21. *Approves change order 165 in the amount of \$21,417.16 for the William Tennent High School Addition/Renovation Project.*
22. *Approves change orders 190, 216, and 217 in the amount of \$37,628.96 for the William Tennent High School Addition/Renovation Project.*
23. *Approves submission of PlanCon Part F to the Pennsylvania Department of Education for the Region 2 Elementary School Project.*
24. *Approves David Blackmore and Associates as the lowest responsible bidder for the Region 1 Elementary School Testing & Inspection Services in the amount of \$106,012.*
25. *Approves the Builders Risk insurance quote from Willis of Pennsylvania, Inc., for the Region 1 Elementary School Project offered through Ohio Casualty Inland Marine for an annual cost of \$17,326 plus \$398 TRIA and a four-month renewal at \$5,787 plus \$133 TRIA.*
26. *Approves the purchase of Ipad/Ipod/Flip Technology in the amount of \$22,097.47 from District ARRA Funds as proposed by the Administration.*

Seconded by Ms. Driban.

Mr. Miller stated since we do not put the attachments out for the public, we need to tell them what we are spending.

Dr. Pollock directed Administration to make sure the amounts are put into the items on the agenda.

Motion passed 9-0.

Mr. Reinboth read the following:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CENTENNIAL SCHOOL BOARD:

11. *Approves an employee assistance program \$1.65 per employee per month with Beacon Worklife Connection from July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2014.*

Seconded by Mr. Hartline.

There was discussion between Mrs. Mueller and Mr. Berdnik regarding the term of the contract. It was decided that the term is listed in the agenda item; therefore, that is what the Board is voting on. Should the dates change, it will need to come back before the Board.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

<i>Mrs. Huf</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Mrs. Schrader Lynch</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Mr. Miller</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Mrs. Mueller</i>	<i>No</i>
<i>Dr. Pollock</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Mr. Reinboth</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Ms. Driban</i>	<i>No</i>
<i>Mr. Hartline</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Mr. Hezel</i>	<i>Yes</i>

Motion passed 7-2.

Mr. Reinboth read the following:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CENTENNIAL SCHOOL BOARD:

17. Approves the Proposed Final 2011-12 General Fund (10) budget of \$95,302,983 and directs the Business Office to comply with all dates, deadlines, forms, and other matters necessary for final adoption by the District on June 14, 2011.

Seconded by Mr. Hezel.

Mrs. Mueller asked for clarification that this was the preliminary budget and next will come the final budget.

Mr. Berdnik responded by saying approval means we can make available, for inspection by the public, the current budget in working form, which is \$95,302,983, and that we intend to bring it back in 20 days, as required by law, which is June 14, 2011.

Mrs. Mueller asked if the House Bill passes and eliminates all the exceptions, can we go higher than this number.

Mr. Berdnik responded no. This budget incorporates both the index and the grandfather which may not be available, and we may have to revisit the budget.

Mrs. Mueller stated it does not look like the votes will be there to stop the elimination of the exceptions. If we do this number, we will have to do program cuts because we cannot go any higher.

Mr. Berdnik responded yes, we will have to take action if the House Bill passes.

Mr. Miller stated the bill is House Bill 1326. Mr. Miller and Mrs. Mueller urged the community to contact Representative Watson since she is a sponsor of this bill.

Motion passed 8-0-1.

PERSONNEL

A motion was made by Mr. Reinboth, seconded by Mrs. Huf, to resolve that the Centennial School Board approves the following Personnel items: Resignations, Retirements, Leaves of Absence; Per Diem Substitute Professional Staff; Substitute Bus Drivers/Trainees; Student/Summer Employees; Extended

School Year Teachers/Nurses; Extended School Year Aides/Health Room Assistant and Instructor-in-the-Home.

Motion passed 9-0.

FINANCIAL

Mr. Reinboth thanked Mr. Berdnik for the financial report he does on a monthly basis. It can be viewed in detail on the District website. Mr. Berdnik has composed a letter explaining the results through April; the 12-month change in fund balances \$6.1 million, which includes year-to-date budget variance of \$4.2 million. Revenues are down \$2.3 million, less than budgeted, but offset by a projected decrease in expenses. Mr. Berdnik has a one-minute view of the financial indicators on the District website.

BOARD DISCUSSION AND COMMENT

Ms. Driban stated each elementary school has their own PTO/Home School Association and operate under their own set of by-laws and financial by-laws. She would like to enable them to go to utilize the services of Administration and District solicitors to help combine and re-write some of the by-laws so they do not incur those fees.

Mr. Miller suggested that they also utilize a Home School Association to see if they have master by-laws they could look at.

Dr. Pollock directed Administration to make sure this happens.

Dr. Cressman suggested we could utilize Ms. Moore's services as well.

Mr. Miller asked that the Board formally review the policy on class size.

Dr. Pollock stated this should go to the Education Committee.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Cressman stated that as we moved to electronic format, there has been discussion during committee meetings about making attachments live for the viewing public to see. Dr. Cressman would like to take the opportunity to have a discussion regarding this and direction from the Board. Any issues that are confidential or legal related would not be available to the public.

Dr. Pollock and Ms. Driban support this.

Ms. Driban asked if five or six paper copies of the agenda, with attachments, could be available at committee meetings.

Dr. Cressman reminded the Board we did move to a paperless environment.

Dr. Pollock suggested people could print it themselves or go to the library and have them print it.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Miller and, seconded by Mrs. Huf. The motion passed 9-0. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen L. Miller
Board Secretary

Alternative Funding Committee Rationale:

After limited but successful experimentation in alternative funding by Centennial School District, the momentum was halted by Board action to disband the "Stadium Fund Raising Committee" in October 2009. The expectation at that time was for The Office of Grant Writing and/or District Administration to seek out future opportunities. To date, neither option has produced any new sources of revenue nor furthered existing sources.

During this span, the opportunity to sell an inventory of \$54,000 of Stadium Scoreboard Advertising (\$24,000 in 2009-10 plus \$30,000 in 2010-11) produced no result, and funding opportunities for \$15,000 for our music program, \$500,000 for our Planetarium and \$1,200,000 for our Auditorium were all rejected.

The recent combination of funding cutbacks and a new labor contract make it essential that our District immediately seek new sources of revenue without looking to the pick the pocket of our community members. Many of our residents do not have students in our District and live on fixed incomes. Unemployment remains high. Tax increases are not a viable option in the current economy. Tax increases in the future may not be possible without referendum which is rarely successful.

Revenue from alternative funding sources are a way of life in the broader world of education. Colleges and Universities rely on such funds. Pennsbury School District has been going to the well for years. Even Pennsylvania School Boards Association, who had no alternative funding three years ago now derives 5% of its annual budget from alternate funding opportunities. This new source of revenue has allowed PSBA to balance its budget each of the last three years without cuts to service or any increase in dues.

It is time for this Board of School Directors to put aside whatever imaginary objections it may hold to the concept of advertising, sponsorship, community partnership and business affiliation in order to retain as much of our existing program of education possible under the increased costs and reduced funding we must encounter in the coming years.

The Committee I am proposing would include many stakeholders to avoid any interference with ongoing programs already in place throughout the District, while exploring the "best practices" in other school districts as reported through PSBA and PASBO resources. Our realistic goal would be to raise \$2,500,000 to the end of 2013-14 fiscal year. This amount would allow our General Fund to remain above "zero" to the end of the current CFA Agreement under the projection provided by our Business Office.

Proposed Committee Members

Chair (Board Member)

Two Board Members (Preferably one from each Region should be represented.)

Administrative Liaison (Appointed by Superintendent)

Building Principal or Assistant Principal

Food Services Representative

Athletic Director

Band/Music Booster

Men's Athletic Booster Representative

Women's Athletic Booster Representative

One PTO Representative

Two SGA/FBLA Representatives (Students)

Two Community Members

Superintendent and Board President are Ex-Officio Members

Operating Protocol:

Meetings would be called as Agenda requires and with notice via District Website. A quorum would be any seven members provided at least two of three Board Members are present. Committee would be bound by all existing Policies of Centennial School District and may not commit to any project without approval (in advance) from the Board of School Directors. The Committee will not, knowingly, interfere with any existing or regular fund raising programs traditionally in place by stakeholder groups within District.

The scope of Committee may include programs that generate direct funds or any goods and/or services required by the District as "in kind" donations. Projects of the Committee may be self-initiated, referred by Administration, or requested by any stakeholder group.

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Name	Address	Organization
Conor Lepre	MBIT	MMT
Alyssa Seker	MBIT	MMT
Chris Campbell	" "	" "
Joel Zornitz	MBIT	MMT
SERGE Kolosnikovich	MBIT	MACT
Pat Duggan	MBIT	MMT
Amanda Peterson	MBIT	MMT
Andy Mahony		McDonald-Davis
DAVE LAINO		McDonald-Davis
Jenna Beistline		McDonald-Davis
Sue Wagner		"
Jeanne Pagar		"
Lori Starr		"
Liz Stanfield		Leary
Beverly Beata	CEP	CEP
Tami Rubin-Tiger	Leary	→
Jennifer Davis	Leary	→
Michael Bresco	TSS	
Pat Cooney	McDonald-Davis	
Lisa Connor	McDonald-Davis	
Al Calton	WTFB	CEA
Eileen Micklos	McDonald-Davis	
Deb Dougherty	Keagy	Keagy
Heather Powell		McDonald-Davis

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Name	Address	Organization
Tracy Rehn		
Laurie Schenfelt		
Michelle Maloney		
Keith Froggatt	790 LINDA DRIVE SOUTHAMPTON RI 02886	WILLIAM FRANCO FOOTBALL BUSIONS
Nancy Ring	McDonald-Davis	CSD
Debbie White		
Nicole Onfrillo	McDonald-Davis	
Monica Fournier	Leary	
Mary Kay Walsh	WT	CEF
Eli Rhye	McDonald-Davis	
Kelley O'Leary	Stackpole	CSD
Chris Rogers	McD-D	
Susan Bode	Former Davis Teacher	Community
Maria Anselmi	McDonald-Davis	
Mary Beale	WTHS	Custodian
Hedy Haham	LOES	CSD
FRAN TURLEY		RFS
Mary Purdy	Leary	
Dorine Walker	Leary	
CAROLYN FISHER	WTHS	
JoAnn Londregan	Warminster	
Catherine Pat-Kashets	McDonald/Davis	
Alice Spencer	WTHS	
Kathy McClaffrey	McDonald/Davis	CEF

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Name	Address	Organization
Koreen Kraessman	McDonald/Dans	Teacher
Neck Williams	Willow Dale	Parent
Susan Dilts	Willow Dale	TECH ASSOC.
Michelle McAllister	Willow Dale	Parent
Sharon Christian	Rehoy	
Robert Montgomery	Southampton	
Lynn Dunn	Exton	
Cheryl Reese	McDonald/Dans	
Cherie Kleinschady	1170 Woods Lane	Community
Lyn Rhodes	817 Cyberway South	