

**CENTENNIAL BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
August 16, 2011  
7:00 PM  
Centennial Administration Building Board Room

**CALL TO ORDER**

A regular meeting of the Centennial School Board was held on August 16, 2011, in the Administration Building. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Reinboth at 7:50 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

The following Board members were in attendance:

Kati Driban	Mark B. Miller
Thomas Hezel	Cynthia Mueller
Betty Huf	Thomas Reinboth
Jane Schrader Lynch	

Mr. Hartline participated in the meeting by speakerphone from a remote location.

Dr. Andrew Pollock was absent from this meeting.

The following Administration members were in attendance at the meeting:

Dr. Jennifer Cressman	Mr. William Gretton
Mr. Christopher Berdnik	Mr. Robert Reed
Ms. Polly Moore	Dr. Susan Klyman

Additional meeting attendees are listed on the attached sheet.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mr. Reinboth led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Reinboth announced that the Board had met in executive session prior to this Board meeting to discuss legal matters.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None.

**GOOD NEWS**

Mr. William Gretton read the Good News! for August 16, 2011.

**COMMUNITY COMMENTS**

None.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Ms Driban read the following:

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CENTENNIAL SCHOOL BOARD:**

1. *Approves the attached Facility Use Waiver for Ambassador Program, Inc.*

Seconded by Mr. Hezel

*Motion passed 8-0-0.*

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Reinboth asked if anyone would like to have any items pulled from consent agenda 1 through 33. The following items were pulled: 10, 31, 32, and 33.

Ms. Driban read the consent agenda:

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CENTENNIAL SCHOOL BOARD:**

1. *Approves the appointment of Kati Driban, Michael Hartline, and Mark B. Miller as the Centennial School District's Voting Delegates for the PSBA Legislative Policy Council Meeting on October 20, 2011, as part of the PASA/PSBA School Leadership Conference.*
2. *Approves an exception to Policy 7.18, Resident, Non-Resident and Tuition Status, for Student 1-2 to attend Klinger Middle School for the 2011-12 school year. The family will provide transportation.*
3. *Approves an exception to Policy 7.18, Resident, Non-Resident and Tuition Status, for Student 2-3 to attend William Tennent High School on a tuition basis, for the 2011-12 school year. The family will provide transportation.*
4. *Approves an exception to Policy 7.18, Resident, Non-Resident and Tuition Status, for Student 10-13 to attend Klinger Middle School for the 2011-12 school year. The parent will provide transportation.*
5. *Approves the Release and Settlement Agreement signed by Teacher 4-3 reimbursing him for five (5) days' salary per the attached.*
6. *Approves the attached Letter of Agreement, for the term of August 31, 2011 through June 30, 2012, between the Centennial School District and the Bucks County Intermediate Unit to provide remedial reading instructional services in accordance with the Title I Reading Program at Nativity of Our Lord, Our Lady of Good Counsel, and Saint Joseph/Saint Robert Schools.*
7. *Approves Standard Contracts for Services, as attached:*
  - A. *Austill's Rehabilitation Services for therapy services for 2011-12 school year.*
  - B. *Bucks County Schools Intermediate Unit #22 Agreement and Schedule of Contracted Costs for the 2011-12 school year.*
  - C. *Bucks County Intermediate Unit #22 Alternative Education Services Agreement for the Ombudsman program for the 2011-12 school year.*
  - D. *Student Assistance Program services through the Council of Southeast Pennsylvania, Inc., and the Letter of Agreement for 2011-12.*
  - E. *Valley Forge Educational Services for student placement at the Vanguard School for the 2011-12 school year.*
  - F. *Wordsworth Academy for student placement for the 2011-12 school year.*

*G. Youth Services Agency for student placement for 2011-12 school year.*

8. *Approves the funding of \$53.00 for clearances for up to 21 employees of Associated Production Services, Inc., (APS) in Ivyland.*
9. *Approves the renewal of Study Island for District schools from January 1, 2012 through June 30, 2012, at a cost to the District of \$18,859.16, per the attached.*
11. *Approves change order 261 in the amount of \$56,964.59 for the William Tennent High School Addition/Renovation Project per the attached.*
12. *Approves change orders 263 and 266 in the amount of \$64,137.84 for the William Tennent High School Addition/Renovation Project per the attached.*
13. *Approves change orders 050, 086, 098, and 101 in the amount of \$109,825.46 for the Region 3 Elementary School Addition/Renovation Project per the attached.*
14. *Approves submission of PlanCon Part H to the Pennsylvania Department of Education for the Region 3 Elementary School Addition/Renovation Project as attached.*
15. *Approves David Blackmore and Associates, Inc., as the lowest responsible bidder for the Region 2 Elementary School Project Geotechnical Quality Control Services in the amount of \$116,780.00, per the attached.*
16. *Approves the attached agreement with Middle Bucks Institute of Technology (MBIT) to provide broadcasting services of Board meetings at cost to the District of \$6,750.00.*
17. *Approves the attached Contract to Sell or Purchase Meals between Schools and/or Child Care Institutions (PDE-3086) between Bucks County Head Start, Inc., of Levittown, Pennsylvania, and Centennial School District for the 2011-12 school year.*
18. *Adopts the calendar, as attached, for the formulation and adoption of the fiscal year 2012-13 Budget.*
19. *Authorizes MassMutual Financial Group, per the attached instruction, (the District's official 403(b) Plan record-keeper), to modify the current plan to delete American Funds Balanced Fund and replace with Manning & Napier Pro-Blend Extend Term effective July 1, 2011. To add Alger Capital Appreciation, Manning & Napier World Opportunities, Oppenheimer International Bond, Manning & Napier Pro-Blend Cnsrv Term, Manning & Napier Pro-Blend Extend Term S, Manning & Napier Pro-Blend Mod Term, and Manning & Napier Pro-Blend Max Term effective July 1, 2011.*

*These changes are made per the recommendation of the District's 403(b) Plan Consultant, Henderson Brothers, and in accordance with the Centennial School District investment policy statement. These changes are recommended based on the poor performance of the American Funds Balanced Fund over the past year and in keeping with District efforts to provide the best available investment options to employees within allowable IRS 403(b) regulations.*
20. *Approves the Video Over IP Bid No. 2011-50 and awards same to Inventive Technology (Media Cast) at the low bid price of \$174,382.00 per the attached.*
21. *Authorizes renewing the order with Warminster Volunteer Ambulance Corps for services during the 2011-12 school year at an estimated annual cost to the District of \$2,800.00.*

22. *Authorizes participation in and accepts the awards of BuyBoard Cooperative Purchasing Group for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, per the attached.*
23. *Rejects the Fleet Repair Parts and Accessories Discount Bid No. 2012-02 for the 2011-12, 2012-13, and 2013-14 school years per the attached recommendation.*
24. *Approves entering into a non-exclusive licensing agreement with Pel Industries, Inc., at a base royalty rate equal to 10% of the wholesale selling price, subject to solicitor review of the Agreement.*
25. *Approves the Tailgate/Grand Opening Event on Friday, September 16, 2011, at the William Tennent High School complex. Pursuant to Board Policy 3.1, Drug/Alcohol, alcohol or alcoholic beverages are prohibited on school property.*
26. *Grants William Tennent High School booster groups the right to buy concession goods for the games and to run the concessions during the fall 2011 season. By way of temporary exception to Board Policy 6.8, Concessions, the District shall retain all revenue from beverage sales; and the booster group shall retain 100% of food sales profit (revenue minus costs). All other requirements of the Policy shall remain in effect.*
27. *Approves the award of the purchase of non-exclusive pizza and related goods for the 2011-12 school year to the providers as indicated on the attached schedule.*
28. *Approves the proposal by Entertainment Books, Inc., to increase income by \$1.25 on all books sold in Centennial School District.*
29. *Authorizes Administration to negotiate contracts with Ann’s Choice, Buxmont–CSF, Lifeworks, PTS, Therapy Source, and Bancroft (Residential Services and New Jersey State Department of Education Tuition for Student 10-23) for the delivery of services during the 2011-12 school year. It is understood that placements may be made by the Office of Student Services in August and September, prior to ratification of the final agreements in September by the Board. Payments may be made for services actually rendered in the interim.*
30. *Approves the Warminster Township Improvement Agreement McDonald Elementary School between the Township of Warminster and Centennial School District, as attached.*

Seconded by Mr. Miller.

Mr. Reinboth requested the word “Tennent” be accurately spelled throughout the document in Item 24.

Mr. Miller stated Item 24 should read wholesale, not retail.

*Motion passed 8-0-0.*

Mrs. Huf read the following:

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CENTENNIAL SCHOOL BOARD:**

10. *Approves the assignment of the attached contracts: (A) “Agreement for Three Elementary School Projects dated 6/30/09” and (B) the “Agreement for the William Tennent High School Project dated 10/23/07” currently in the name of Burt, Hill, Inc., to Stantec Architecture and Engineering, LLC.*

Seconded by Ms. Driban.

Mr. Miller made a motion to table Item 10.

Seconded by Mrs. Mueller.

*Motion to table passed 8-0-0.*

Ms. Driban read the following:

31. *WHEREAS, the School District is a defendant in litigation initiated against it by Mrs. Sandy Homel; and*

*WHEREAS, the School District's attorney, Mr. Benjamin Pratt, has information relevant to the case that is not subject to disclosure due to the attorney-client privilege; and*

*WHEREAS, the Board of School Directors knows that the communications between Mr. Pratt and the School District is part of the proof that no unlawful or wrongful actions occurred;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved, that the attorney-client privilege with regard to communications between the School District and Mr. Pratt as may be relevant to Mrs. Homel and/or the claims by Mrs. Homel, is hereby waived.*

Seconded by Mr. Miller.

*Motion passed 8-0-0.*

Ms. Driban read the following:

32. *WHEREAS, a contract was purportedly entered into between the school district and Unique Educational Experience, Inc., doing business as DVHS or DVHS-Bucks (hereinafter referred to "DVHS"); and*

*WHEREAS, the contract was purportedly amended in 2008 for DVHS to provide certain educational services; and*

*WHEREAS, the purported amendment was for a five-year term; and*

*WHEREAS, the contract was not complete and did not contain all required terms as it never contained a referenced Exhibit "D" that was supposed to have been included, but was not; and*

*WHEREAS, the alleged lack of Exhibit "D" in the contract was made known to Mr. David Shulick, who is believed to be the President of and counsel for DVHS; and*

*WHEREAS, Mr. Shulick has failed or refused to confirm or deny the lack of Exhibit "D" despite being asked for a copy; and*

*WHEREAS, the contract term purported to bind the school board beyond the term of the Board that entered into the contract; and*

*WHEREAS, a dispute has arisen between the school district and DVHS as to the meaning and validity of said contract; and*

*WHEREAS, the Superintendent sent notice of termination of the contract to DVHS on Friday, July 29,*

*2011, a copy of which is attached to this resolution and incorporated herein by this reference as if fully set forth herein;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved, that:*

*(1) the action of the Superintendent terminating the contract is hereby ratified;*

*(2) counsel for the school district is hereby authorized to take all action to vigorously defend and pursue the school district's interests with regard to the dispute with DVHS.*

Seconded by Mr. Miller.

*Motion passed 8-0-0.*

Mr. Miller read the following:

*33. WHEREAS, on July 21, 2011, a joint meeting was held between Centennial School District Board of School Directors and Warminster Township Board of Supervisors; and*

*WHEREAS, the two Boards came to a series of understandings regarding the temporary use and occupancy of Leary Elementary School; and*

*WHEREAS, a draft Agreement intended for review by Centennial School District Board of School Directors was signed and delivered to Warminster Township Board of Supervisors in error; and*

*WHEREAS, Centennial School District Board of School Directors is desirous of fulfilling the intent of the joint Resolution made July 21, 2011;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved, the Agreement signed August 2, 2011, and distributed in error, be withdrawn in favor of providing a corrected Agreement reflecting the accurate understandings, and with deliberate speed.*

Seconded by Mrs. Huf.

*Motion passed 8-0-0.*

## **PERSONNEL**

A motion was made by Mrs. Huf and seconded by Ms. Driban to resolve that the Centennial School Board approves the following Personnel items: Resignations, Retirements, Leaves of Absence, Authorization to Employ, Change of Status, Per Diem Substitute Professional Staff, Substitute Support Staff, Substitute Bus Drivers/Trainees, Tutors, Student/Summer employees and Co-Curricular. Awards of Tenure per the attached list.

Ms. Driban requested Item 2 and Item 5 be removed under Authorization to Employ.

Mr. Miller suggested if any candidates for employment are present, we vote on them separately.

Mr. Reinboth pulled Item 4, Joyce Mundy under Authorization to Employ.

Mr. Reinboth called the vote to the list as amended.

Mr. Miller seconded.

*Motion passed 8-0-0.*

Mrs. Huf read the following:

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CENTENNIAL SCHOOL BOARD:**

*Approves the employment of Joyce Mundy as Assistant Superintendant of Education K-12.*

Seconded by Mr. Miller.

*Motion passed 8-0-0.*

**FINANCIAL**

A motion was made by Mr. Miller and seconded by Ms. Driban to resolve that Centennial School Board accept the following:

Schedule of Bills, Investments, Fund Profiles/Treasurer's Report – June 2011 and July 2011

Budget Transfers – June, 2011

Student Activity/Clearing Funds – April 1, 2011 through June 30, 2011

*Motion passed 8-0-0.*

**MINUTES**

A motion was made by Mrs. Huf and seconded by Mrs. Schrader Lynch to resolve that the Centennial School Board approves the following:

Work Session/Regular School Board Meeting – June 28, 2011

*Motion passed 8-0-0.*

**BOARD DISCUSSION AND COMMENT**

Mrs. Schrader Lynch stated that if someone on the Board did not have the idea of announcing the William Tennent walk through on Facebook it might never have happened. She thanked Mr. Reinboth and stated he has taught her the power of the social media; she is now a member of Facebook.

Mrs. Schrader Lynch also spoke about the Tailgate Party stating they will have all sorts of items in the school, even face painting for the younger ones. It's the administrators, the teachers, the committee, the thought process is phenomenal.

Mr. Huf stated she hoped that everyone that attended the walk through will now become members of the William Tennent Alumni Association.

Mr. Reinboth stated they had approximately 575 database sheets completed by alumni who attended, and this will greatly expand the database.

**REPORTS**

**ALTERNATIVE REVENUE AD HOC COMMITTEE**

Mr. Miller spoke about the Tailgate Party; this will dwarf everything else they are working on. It is a collaborative effort of more than a dozen people who have each taken ownership or a portion of the event.

The event will begin at 3:00 p.m. on September 16 and continue to 9:30 p.m., when there will be our own chapter of *Friday Night Lights*. There will be something for everyone in the community.

### **EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

Mrs. Schrader Lynch reported their next meeting will be September 26, 2011, at 7:00 p.m.

### **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Mr. Reinboth reported items discussed that were on tonight's agenda were 7, 18, 19, 21, 22, 23 and 26.

Their next meeting will be September 19, 2011, at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Miller commended the business office for their excellent work in requests for proposals; the District did not buy off of the state contract and saved serious money.

### **OPERATIONS COMMITTEE**

Ms. Driban reported almost everything from their last meeting was on tonight's agenda.

Ms. Driban also reported Mr. Miller and administration are working on an indoor air quality team. Administration is working hard to put that into place as soon as possible.

### **MIDDLE BUCKS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY**

No report.

### **INTERMEDIATE UNIT**

Mr. Hartline reported the following: The Intermediate Unit was approved as the Fiscal Agent for the Bucks County Limited Healthcare Consortium; also approved was the launching of Stage 2 of the Pilot Survey for Transportation. \$45,000 was placed to proceed with that contract.

Mr. Hartline welcomed Diane Paul as the Director of Special Education.

### **PSBA LIAISON**

No report.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

Mrs. Schrader Lynch requested Mr. Gretton or Dr. Cressman say a little bit about Willow Dale to the parents who are driving down Norristown Road and wondering if the building will be finished in time for the start of school.

Dr. Cressman responded by saying appearances can be deceiving; the most visible part of the building that is being completed at this time is the offices at the front of the building. It will be safe for occupancy by students, faculty, and the community by the time school opens.

Mrs. Schrader Lynch stated letters went out to some of the parents of the McDonald-Davis School informing them their child will be riding a bus. The letters simply stated, "You'll be riding a bus," and parents are asking what bus and what time. Mrs. Schrader Lynch asked administration to respond to this.



Mr. Gretton responded by saying the letters went out to give families notice that transportation will be available. They will receive transportation cards, which are expected to be mailed out early next week. Schedules will also be posted on the District website.

Mrs. Schrader Lynch also asked Administration to comment on when construction will begin at McDonald-Davis.

Mr. Gretton reported that one of the actions the Board took this evening was to approve the land development plan which will allow for construction of a parking lot on the Street Road side of the school. The rear parking lot can then be closed and a construction fence put up. Progress should be seen soon.

Mr. Miller reported that progress is being made on the Region 1 School; cement is being poured, footings are being completed and block is going up. It was reported there was a delay; however, the work schedule has been modified to eliminate that problem. Things are back on track; the objective is to have the entire building under roof before winter to ensure opening as planned in September, 2012.

#### **ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY COMMENTS**

None.

#### **SCHEDULE OF BOARD MEETINGS/CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Mrs. Mueller read the upcoming meetings and calendar of events.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

*A motion was made by Ms. Driban and seconded by Mrs. Mueller to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed 8-0. The meeting was adjourned at 8:34 p.m.*

Respectfully submitted,

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Kathleen L. Miller  
Board Secretary