

**CENTENNIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Warminster, Pennsylvania**

**MINUTES OF WORK SESSION/REGULAR MEETING  
HELD MARCH 24, 2009**

**CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

A Work Session/Regular meeting of the Centennial School Board was held on March 24, 2009, in the Administration Building. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Reinboth at 7:06 p.m. The following people registered their attendance:

Board Members:

Thomas Hezel  
Betty Huf  
Mark B. Miller  
Michael Monaghan  
Cynthia Mueller  
Dr. Andrew Pollock  
Thomas Reinboth  
Joseph Simpson

Administration:

Dr. Jennifer Foight-Cressman  
Sandy Home1  
Victor Lasher  
Timothy Vail

[Mrs. Lynch was absent from the meeting.]

CEA/Teachers:

Public:

See attached listing.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

Mrs. Mueller made the following statement, which is set forth verbatim below:

“Based on the volume of e-mails we’ve received right up to the meeting, I have no doubt we will set a record viewing audience for this evening. Mrs. Lynch, this is thanks to you and I hope you are watching on the Internet or cable this evening.

“For this process to work, we need community involvement. Your participation and open dialogue with the Board has been valuable in shaping the information I plan on sharing with you this evening.

“I am sorry that it takes something of this magnitude to kill the apathy that we have seen over other issues. And now that we have your attention I would like to provide you with what you’re asking to see. As was stated on March 18, 2009 at our Operations Committee meeting, nothing is a done deal until it is approved by the Board of School Directors, PDE and survives a public Act 34 hearing. In fact, I expect the outcome of tonight’s meeting will be to have the Operations Committee go back to the drawing board and bring back a few more options to consider.

Option 7 is clearly too unpopular with some of our elementary parents and Option 10 is equally impractical for our taxpayers on a fixed income. It is evident that we must continue to move forward and examine additional options to avoid a referendum or slashing the very programs that make our schools so attractive. We only need to look at neighboring districts like Neshaminy and Pennsbury to see how this is happening now. They failed to act five years ago after performing the same studies as commissioned by Centennial School District at that time.

Neshaminy went out to referendum for their entire program and it did not pass by an overwhelming margin. They have 78% of their households having no children in their public schools compared to our district which has 82% of our households having no children in our schools. If we choose to do nothing now with our 40 to 50 year old elementary schools, we may not get the chance to be making choices in the future.

Folks, please do not confuse maintenance with renovations of our buildings. Mr. Lasher and his department have done a magnificent job of maintaining our facilities. Unfortunately, heating, ventilation, lack of air conditioning are minor problems compared to roofs and deteriorating systems and plumbing. For example, Leary Elementary School has a weekly scheduled visit by our in-house Roto Rooter team.

I truly appreciated all the communications and candid dialogue through your attendance at meetings, e-mails and phone calls. I specifically requested as Chair of the Operations Committee, to revisit some of the information that was demanded at the last Wednesday evening Operations Committee meeting. I have asked Administration to review a 2008-2009 District goal which was to develop a long-range financial plan. We are now at the end of March and, fortunately, this plan was in draft form when I requested it. Therefore, I must remind you when looking at the numbers this evening, it is a draft which will be studied at the Finance Meeting on April 20<sup>th</sup>. These projections are very conservative, not final and subject to revision. This is a very emotional issue but we must approach it with the best interests of our District’s future – our children.”

Mrs. Huf read a statement from Mrs. Lynch, who was not in attendance at the meeting. The contents of the statement are set forth verbatim as follows:

“Since I am unable to attend this very important meeting I am submitting my statement on Option 7, closing elementary schools and building a mega school on federal land at Shenandoah Woods.

“It has been stated this Federal Land can be used for a school and the application for usage must be completed by July 15, 2009 in order to qualify for this so called ‘free land.’

“This so called ‘free land’ could very well be a toxic site or could have surface soil contaminants under the land, these factors and other factors such storm water issues are very dangerous and not at all safe for our children. A proposed 91 million dollar ‘Mega School’ is not in the best interest of Centennial Schools.

“It has been stated we could sell the land that our current schools are located on and receive monies toward this ‘Mega School,’ one must just remember another grand idea of selling the DRIVERS ED lot. This land was never sold and was taken off the market due to no interest or any qualified buyers.

“I strongly oppose Option #7 and feel strongly that closing our Neighbor Community Schools is a sad recommendation for our community, our children and the parents.

“It has stated our District will need monies for our expenses, this I truly agree so let us begin with selling the former Johnsville School now our Administration building. This building will be losing the small amount of students the IU was paying rent for and all that will be left is offices and Board room with smaller conference rooms.

“We have many elementary schools with room to place these offices and board rooms. We do not need to have a separate building for a few offices; this is a pure waste of taxpayers' money. Let us begin with selling this building and save money on maintenance, heat, electric and many other issues that are with this building.

“To the many people who emailed me and other Board Members with your concerns for defeating Option 7, I thank you for taking your time to let this Board know your feelings and your concerns.”

Mrs. Huf then made a statement, which is recounted verbatim as follows:

“Good evening, everyone, thank you for coming, for your e-mails, your calls and cards. Back surgery – it’s nice to be back.

“Members of this Board have to come together tonight and stop this “runaway train.” I use this term because members of this Board are intent on spending and raising taxes. The only way we can stop it is to say “NO”. Enough is enough. Stop and think!! I don’t think some members realize we were elected to represent this community and our students. Is anyone listening? The opposition to Option 7 is huge and is community-wide.

“I have no intention of moving my elementary students to an area on the base which could be toxic grounds. The projected costs are out of sight. Do we need to look at our declining elementary enrollment – absolutely, but not at the costs of closing all our elementary schools.

“I would ask my colleagues tonight to stop this unreasonable spending plan – to move forward with the new high school and to delay any decision on the elementary schools for at least two years until we are financially able to look at other options. I encourage everyone to defeat and remove Option 7 from the table.”

## **PRESENTATIONS**

### The Music Man

The students from Klinger Middle School presented a scene from *The Music Man*, which had been presented at the school.

## **GOOD NEWS**

Mrs. Homel presented the Good News Report (see attached.)

## **PRESENTATION**

Mrs. Homel stated that one of the goals was to develop a five-year financial plan.

Mr. Vail began a presentation on financial planning, including revenue and expenditure assumptions and budget projections. However, after discussion about whether or not the figures should be shown to the public at this time or discussed by the Board first, the presentation was aborted.

## **COMMUNITY COMMENTS**

Larry McKeogh of 159 Villa Drive, Warminster, stated that many people were losing their jobs, 401K's, and their savings were shrinking. He indicated that members of the public had appeared before the Board previously and they were ignored. Now they were back. He stated that his complaint was that with the current state of affairs, it is immoral to put the burden of another \$91 million on the taxpayers.

Joel Mickelberg of 113 Villa Drive, Warminster, felt that there were three additional thoughts for budget planning, as follows: First, he felt that soon the state Supreme Court would force Bucks County to do a county-wide reassessment, which had not been done since 1972. He felt there would be massive tax increases and many people would be forced out. Second, at some point the baby boomer generation would rise up and force the state legislators to fund public schools with something other than real estate taxes, such as a sales tax increase or state income tax increase. Third, there are some senior communities in the District. These are cash cows with no students, only taxes. However, there are some senior communities that send no money due to their present tax laws and their status. It is possible that some of the other communities could have their status changed, which could affect the taxes we receive in the future. He felt that should be considered.

## **COMMITTEE MINUTES**

*A motion was made by Mrs. Mueller and seconded by Mr. Monaghan to resolve that the Centennial School Board accepts the Minutes of the*

*Finance Committee – February 17, 2009*

*Operations Committee – February 3, 2009; March 3, 2009*

*The motion passed 8-0.*

## **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Mrs. Huf requested that Item #11 be moved up. There was consensus of the Board to do so.

11. Approval of Option 7 from the Elementary Feasibility Study

*A motion was made by Mrs. Mueller and seconded by Mr. Miller to resolve that the Centennial School Board approves the implementation of Option 7 from the Elementary Feasibility Study on the Shenandoah Woods site. Option 7 consists of a new Elementary Center to be built in two phases: Phase 1 – Grades 2 to 5; Phase 2 – Grades K to 1.*

Mr. Hezel thanked everyone for their input. He explained that this idea was received as part of 13 options three weeks prior to the meeting. He felt that the Board had spent more time deciding whether to televise Board meetings than on this. He indicated that he would not be voting for this option. He knew that something needed to be done but he did not feel that this was it.

Dr. Pollock stated that he was not overly opposed to this option but he would not support it at this time. The way the building is constructed, there would be 27 students per class in Grades 2 through 5. He felt that was too many. In Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> grade, there would be 25 students per class. He felt that was also too many. Also, this would be going on the Shenandoah Woods Property. If we don't get that property, there is no backup plan. He could not vote for something with no backup plan.

*A motion was made by Dr. Pollock to table this motion and move it back to the Operations Committee. (There was no second to the motion.)*

Mr. Miller stated that there were 13 options at the first Operations meeting. This was narrowed down to four. Option 10 was not among them although it seemed to have some favor in the community. Option 7 seemed to gather steam. He explained that if this would pass here, it had to pass through PDE and other hurdles. He stated that that we would like to show you why Option 10 would not work either. Our revenue is not keeping pace with our expenses. We would like full-day Kindergarten but we cannot provide it now.

Mrs. Huf stated that she wanted this removed now and in the future. She did not ever want to see an elementary campus on the Johnsville base. Tabling it and bringing it back was not an option to her.

Mrs. Mueller stated that until the State of Pennsylvania changes the way public education is funded, it is on our backs. We have 64 classrooms that are not needed or are not being used for their intended purposes. She did not see how we could keep our fiduciary responsibility to the community and keep doing the status quo. Not one of us would want to put our children in harm's way where there is toxicity. Administration asked us because there was the potential of 51 acres. She would not want Administration to spend any more time that does not have the approval of at least five members of the Board. She was supporting going forward with Option #7 with full knowledge that it is going down.

*Mrs. Huf called the question; seconded by Mrs. Mueller.*

*A roll call vote was taken as follows:*

<i>Dr. Pollock</i>	<i>No</i>
<i>Mr. Miller</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Mr. Monaghan</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Mrs. Huf</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Mrs. Mueller</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Mr. Hezel</i>	<i>No</i>
<i>Mr. Simpson</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Mr. Reinboth</i>	<i>No</i>

*The motion failed 5-3. (A 2/3 vote is required for passage of this motion.)*

Mr. Reinboth asked the Board to waive the 30-minute restriction so that everyone would get a chance to speak. There was a consensus to allow everyone to speak.

Janet Richard of 266 Hickory Road, Warminster, stated that the community and parents were not apathetic. This is a major issue and they were present. She was hopeful that Option 7 would be voted down since it was not a good fit for our District. Finances and balancing the budget are necessary but another option is needed. Fundamental differences exist concerning our values. Centennial School District will fail unless it truly opens a dialogue with the community about what it is willing and not willing to pay for.

Jack Diamond of 299 Kent Road, Warminster, stated that he felt there should be a referendum on any serious spending. If the Board wanted to consolidate, that has nothing to do with building or renovating. You don't have to spend anything.

Maria Anderson of 122 Newtown Road, Warminster, stated that Option 7 was unacceptable due to the overwhelming size of the school, the loss of neighborhood elementary schools, the uncertainty of the acquisition of any or all of the 50 acres of land, the cost to build and the lack of cash to finish the project. She felt that placing over 3,000 students at one site was devoid of common sense. She spoke about the benefit of smaller, neighborhood schools. She felt that although this piece of ground was "free land," it came with many expensive strings. Phase One alone was as expensive as any other option

Judy Foulke of 130 East Bristol Road, Warminster, stated that she taught at a high school for at-risk teenagers. The common denominator for people for get in trouble was that their connection to the community had been broken. Our children learn that at their local elementary school. Her concern was that our children would not get that at a mega-school.

Steve Adams of 789 Bethany Circle, Warminster, stated that the Board was talking about the future, what they need to do and what their options are. To deny this as quickly as it

was denied without knowing the facts is very frustrating. He stated that there were many people that supported the Board doing something.

Robert Luciani of 750 Wallace Drive, Warminster, asked if it was correct that if this went through it would be under referendum.

Mr. Reinboth replied that it would not since the first phase would be below a referendum amount. The remainder would be paid for by the sale of the other schools.

Dr. Pollock stated that because of what we have done, we are able to use part of the \$110 million to fund the high school. That gives us \$65 million to fund the elementary schools.

Mr. Luciani felt that this additional tax was going to put a great burden on families whose household budgets were already under great strain.

Victoria Francis of 1232 Hilltop Road, Southampton, stated that nobody was opposed to changes. They know things need to be done in the schools. She was happy that most of the Board did not want Option 7. Out students signed a no bullying policy. She felt that Mrs. Mueller had bullied people in the audience at previous meetings and that it was sad that we could not communicate. She stated that people were furious at the way they were treated.

Mrs. Mueller explained that there were index cards for people to write their questions. Some people were upset that their questions were not specifically answered word for word, although they were answered previously. She felt that it was unfortunate if they felt they were bullied. There was profane language and gestures and there were children in the audience. She explained that when a meeting is being run, they try to run it efficiently.

Lynne Lucot of 1387 Rosebud Road, Southampton, felt that a big school like this was not the way to go. Also, the traffic would be horrible. She also felt it would be difficult to have the HSA on a grade level, as was indicated, particularly if a parent has several children in several different grades.

Robert Grover of 92 Stahl Road, Southampton, stated that he appreciated what the Board did. However, he stated that he felt one of the female Board members was arrogant, ignorant, sarcastic and power hungry. He felt that some of the men on the Board needed to get a backbone and stand up.

Renee Frugoli of 1371 Hi-View Drive, Southampton, stated that she had heard that this ground was contaminated. She stated that she had a 4-year old child who was a cancer survivor. This child has a higher chance of problems than others if this property is contaminated. She wondered if testing of the property had been considered. She felt that this property was a bad choice.

Mr. Lasher explained that there was a report that this has been tested extensively and there is no threat to human health on the property.

Jeff Wiley of 137 Miller Drive, Southampton, stated that spending \$91 million on something that “no one clearly wants but you is ridiculous.” He asked if renovation had been looked into. He wondered how many tax dollars were being wasted.

Mrs. Mueller stated that it was at least 2.5 million per year.

Mr. Wiley pointed out that the big universities don’t build new, they renovate because it is cheaper.

Kate Hendrickson of 331 Hogeland Road, Southampton, stated that she had witnessed the meeting the previous week. She felt that they were limited to 11 options. There were some things that were left out. They felt that last week it had already been decided. She would like to see a lot of things being talked about. She also felt that the middle school was a mess and that would have to be discussed.

Walt Cammarata of 91 Buchanan Way stated that although it had been said that the Board had to answer to all the taxpayers, he felt they had to answer to all the children first. Putting them all in one building was educationally unsound. He asked if the public would get to hear the other options if the Board voted this option down. He did not want to see things cut because of finances. He would rather see things consolidated. He asked that the public be informed so that they could come to the meetings. He felt that everything should be studied and the people should be talked to in order to find out what they wanted.

Mr. Reinboth stated that the agendas of all meetings were put on the website at least three days ahead of time. The Board’s phone numbers and e-mail addresses were on the website so that questions could be forwarded to them and they could provide feedback.

Dr. Pollock stated that there was one school in the District that had over 600 students and another that had under 300 students. They both had one principal, one guidance counselor, one librarian, and one nurse. That was not equitable treatment. If he was a parent of a child in the school of over 600, he would complain; that is not fair. Everyone says something should be done -- keep my school open, but close the other one. We can’t afford to keep all six open.

*A motion was made by Mrs. Huf and seconded by Mr. Miller to call the question.*

*The motion passed 8-0.*

There was discussion regarding whether this precluded only Option 7 or also Shenandoah Woods.

Mr. Lasher indicated that the motion as stated did not preclude us from applying but we would need to show how we are going to use the property.

Mrs. Huf stated that she wanted the motion to show that we are precluded from using Shenandoah Woods. There was discussion on whether or not to amend the motion. It was decided that an additional motion would be made after this one was voted on.

*A roll call vote was taken as follows:*

<i>Dr. Pollock</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Mr. Miller</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Mr. Monaghan</i>	<i>No</i>
<i>Mrs. Huf</i>	<i>No</i>
<i>Mrs. Mueller</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Mr. Hezel</i>	<i>No</i>
<i>Mr. Simpson</i>	<i>No</i>
<i>Mr. Reinboth</i>	<i>No</i>

*The motion failed 3-5.*

12. Future Consideration of Shenandoah Woods Site

*A motion was made by Mr. Miller and seconded by Mrs. Huf to resolve that the Centennial School Board withdraw any future consideration of the Shenandoah Woods site.*

*A roll call vote was taken as follows:*

<i>Mr. Simpson</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Mr. Hezel</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Mrs. Mueller</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Mrs. Huf</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Mr. Monaghan</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Mr. Miller</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Dr. Pollock</i>	<i>No</i>
<i>Mr. Reinboth</i>	<i>No</i>

*The motion passed 6-2.*

Mr. Reinboth called a recess to the meeting at 9:02 p.m.

The meeting resumed at 9:15 p.m.

1. Permission to Apply for Mini-Grant 2008-2009

*A motion was made by Dr. Pollock and seconded by Mrs. Mueller to resolve that the Centennial School Board approves permission to apply for a state competitive grant, HIV/STD Prevention Education Mini-Grant for the 2008-2009 school year in the amount of \$5,000.00*

*The motion passed 8-0.*

2. Permission to Apply for Mini-Grants 2009-20103. Door Replacement and Chiller and Cooling Tower Bid4. Floor Tile Installation Bid5. Approval of 2009-2010 Program & Services and Instructional Materials and Research6. Elementary Science Kit Service Contract8. Transportation Services and Use of Facilities Approvals – Warminster Parks and Recreation Summer Program9. Appoint Board Secretary10. Advertise Board Treasurer Position

*A motion was made by Mrs. Mueller and seconded by Mrs. Huf to resolve that the Centennial School Board:*

- (2) *Approves permission to apply for the following grants for the 2009-2010 school year:*

*Bucks County Career Education Partnership Mini-Grant in the amount of \$5,000.00*

*Motorola – Innovation Generation Grant in the amount of \$36,002.00*

*Dual Enrollment Grant Program in the amount of \$11,470.00*

*Reading Recovery Initiative in the amount of \$241,472.00*

- (3) *Approves the following bids to the lowest responsible bidder to be funded as a 2009-2010 capital reserve expenditure as follows:*

*Door Replacement Bid No. 2009-21 for the Administration Building, Willow Dale Elementary School, Klinger Middle School and Log College Middle School, be awarded to Edgmont Window and Door in the amount of \$66,890.00.*

*Replace Chiller and Replace Cooling Tower Bid No. 2009-18: Chiller replacement for Klinger Middle School be awarded to Allstates Mechanical in the amount of \$162,420.00 base bid. Cooling Tower replacement for Log College Middle school be awarded to Allstates Mechanical in the amount of \$59,420.00.*

- (4) *Rejects the bid proposals for Floor Tile Installation Bid No. 2009-22 for Leary Elementary School, Willow Dale Elementary School, Klinger Middle School, and Log College Middle School.*

- (5) *Approves the 2009-2010 Programs & Services and Instructional Materials & Research Services Budget for the Bucks County Intermediate Unit #22 in the amount of \$1,932,000. Centennial School District’s share to be \$71,581 per the attached supplement.*
- (6) *Approves entering into an agreement with ECS Educational Services of Walled Lake, Michigan, to provide elementary science kit management and refurbishment for the 2009-2010 school year at a cost of \$52,773.80 per the terms and conditions of the attached supplement. Funds to be appropriated from the 2009-2010 General Fund Budget.*
- (8) *Approves the use of District vehicles and transportation personnel by Warminster Township for the purposes of conducting their 2009 Summer Recreation Program from June 29 through August 14, 2009. All personnel and fuel costs will be paid directly by the Township per the terms and conditions of the attached correspondence. It is expressly understood that all use of District facilities requested by the Township for use to conduct this program are approved per the terms and conditions of CSD Policy 6.2 and that all insurance requirements and appropriate fees will be secured.*
- (9) *Reappoints Vickie A. Detwiler as Secretary to the Board of School Directors for 2009-10, 2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13 per the following compensation schedule:*

2009-2010	\$5,802	3.5%
2010-2011	\$6,005	3.5%
2011-2012	\$6,215	3.5%
2012-2013	\$6,433	3.5%

*Be it further resolved that duties and responsibilities for the position of Board Secretary are as per the attached position description.*
- (10) *Authorizes Administration to advertise for the position of Board Treasurer for the upcoming 2009-2010 fiscal year per the terms and conditions of Section 404 of the School Code as attached hereto*

Mr. Reinboth asked if the Board was voting to reject Item #4. Mr. Lasher responded that he felt at this time, given the uncertainty of the future of these buildings, we could do without the tiles at this time.

*A roll call vote was taken as follows:*

<i>Dr. Pollock</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Mr. Miller</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Mr. Monaghan</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Mrs. Huf</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Mrs. Mueller</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Mr. Hezel</i>	<i>Yes</i>

*Mr. Simpson*            *Yes*  
*Mr. Reinboth*        *Yes*

*The motion passed 8-0.*

7. Purchase Real Estate Tax Collection Software System

*A motion was made by Dr. Pollock and seconded by Mr. Monaghan to resolve that the Centennial School Board approves the purchase of the upgraded Windows version of the District's current Real Estate Tax Collection software module from ProSoft Technologies of Pittsburgh, PA at a cost not to exceed \$7,995. Funds to be appropriated from the Technology Reserve Fund.*

Mrs. Huf asked why this was being done.

Mr. Vail explained that the existing module was being replaced with an updated version. The older version would no longer be supported.

Mrs. Huf asked what this would do to the system Mrs. Loftus had. Mr. Vail replied that it would have no effect.

Mr. Miller asked if this upgrade would affect any of our tax collectors. Mr. Vail explained that it would not; it is an in-house version.

Mrs. Loftus stated that she was quite surprised when she saw this on the agenda. She asked for confirmation that this was just for the District. Mr. Vail replied that it was but that it could be used by the tax collectors if they wished. There could be some data conversion costs for file history.

*The motion passed 8-0.*

**PERSONNEL**

*A motion was made by Mrs. Mueller and seconded by Mrs. Huf to resolve that the Centennial School Board approves all personnel recommendations, including: Resignations/Retirements/Leaves of Absence; Authorization to Employ; Per Diem Substitute Teachers/Nurses; Substitute Support Staff; and Co-Curricular.*

*The motion passed 8-0.*

**POLICIES**

Initial Distribution:

Mrs. Mueller noted the following policy under initial distribution:

## 5.5 – Materials Selection.

### Discussion:

#### Policy 4.7 – Payroll

Mrs. Homel stated that this was a cleanup of the policy.

Mr. Miller stated that obviously there was a problem with level payroll earlier in the year with the support staff. He wondered if there was something that could be done to accommodate the ten-month staff. Mrs. Homel indicated that she would look into that.

With regard to Section III. A., Dr. Pollock asked if this had to be done every year under the new insurance regulations. He felt that it seemed like a lot of paperwork.

Mr. Reinboth clarified that that was if they were looking to make a change. Dr. Pollock pointed out that that was not what was stated.

Mrs. Homel indicated that it was her understanding that that is what is required.

Mr. Miller suggested that there might need to be some additional language.

Mr. Reinboth indicated that this would be looked into.

Mrs. Homel stated that there would be a response in the Friday update.

#### Policy 4.1 – Grants

Mrs. Homel noted that this was an update/cleanup of the policy. Mrs. Mueller stated that since there was no discussion, this policy would be moved to the next meeting for final approval.

### Final Approval:

#### Policy 3.20 – William Tennent High School Driving and Parking

Mrs. Mueller stated that this policy was not reviewed by the solicitor.

Mrs. Homel indicated that when it was before the Board at the previous meeting there was a request under Section III that our policy reflect language that is found in the high school handbook. She indicated that that had been done.

Dr. Pollock felt that if a student got suspended for some other reason, maybe we should have the right to suspend their driving privileges; maybe this power should be given to the high school principals.

Mr. Reinboth pointed out that this did give the ability to school administration for cause.

Dr. Pollock felt that this should state that Administration would revoke driving privileges for repeated misconduct at school.

*A motion was made by Mrs. Mueller and seconded by Mrs. Huf to resolve that the Centennial School Board grants final approval to the revisions to Policy 3.20, William Tennent High School Driving and Parking.*

*The motion passed 7-1. (Dr. Pollock opposed.)*

#### Policy 3.12 – Student Accidents

*A motion was made by Mrs. Mueller and seconded by Mrs. Huf to resolve that the Centennial School Board grants final approval to the revisions to Policy 3.12, Student Accidents.*

Mr. Miller stated that he would like to change the policy to show that we are not in favor of student accidents, such as by changing the title to “Reporting and Responding to Student Accidents.” This change was agreed to.

*The motion passed 8-0.*

#### **OTHER DISCUSSION ITEMS**

Mrs. Mueller stated that there was a survey that went out to the freshman class, who would be the first class to graduate from the newly-renovated high school, regarding changing the name of the high school, possibly to Centennial High School, or some other agreed-upon name. She indicated that the Board had not made any decisions about this. It was merely a survey. This would need to involve the alumni. The e-mails would be forwarded to Mrs. Huf.

Mrs. Huf stated that she would not be in support of this change.

Mr. Monaghan thanked the residents for their heartfelt comments. He asked if the Board could further examine Mrs. Richard’s recommendation to form a committee of citizens, Board members, and District employees for discussion on the options for the elementary school that is separate from the Operations Committee. They could attend the Operations Committee meetings.

Mrs. Homel suggested that this be formed from the HSA’s; however, Mr. Monaghan felt that this might eliminate the people who were not a member of those groups. The people that were here from Five Ponds, etc., were not very well informed about this. They should be involved in this group also. He suggested involving the community to see what we could come up with together.

Mr. Reinboth thanked all of the community members for their input. He apologized that all of their e-mails were not responded to but the volume was staggering.

Mrs. Huf thanked the students for filming the meeting.

**REPORTS**

None.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

*A motion was made by Dr. Pollock and seconded by Mrs. Huf to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed 8-0. The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 p.m.*

Respectfully submitted,

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Vickie A. Detwiler  
Board Secretary