

**CENTENNIAL BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS**  
**BOARD MEETING**  
November 23, 2010  
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 November 23, 2010, 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:

Michael Hartline	Mark B. Miller
Thomas Hezel	Cynthia Mueller
Betty Huf	Dr. Andrew Pollock
Jane Schrader Lynch	

Ms. Katie Driban and Mr. Thomas Reinboth were absent from this meeting.

The following Administration members were in attendance at the meeting:

Dr. Jennifer Foight-Cressman  
Dr. Thomas Turnbaugh  
Dr. Susan Klyman

Additional meeting attendees are listed on the attached sheet.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

**GOOD NEWS**

Dr. Foight-Cressman read the Good News for November 23, 2010.

**COMMUNITY COMMENTS**

Ms. Michelle Hazlet, 709 Wallace Drive, Warminster, Pennsylvania, spoke about concerns she has when her child moves to Willow Dale Elementary next year. She continued to speak highly of Dr. Dunar and thanks her for her dedicated leadership at Leary Elementary School. Ms. Hazlet also spoke about the current leadership at Leary Elementary School.

Ms. Judith Braunston, 1455 Nancy Drive, Southampton, Pennsylvania, spoke about the Interfaith Thanksgiving service held at the Old Baptist Church in Southampton. She stated the church is no longer used as a church but rented out for various occasions. The Kiwanis Club is involved in getting people to the Thanksgiving service and is in need of various ways to advertise. Ms. Braunston requested the District allow a flyer to be posted at Klinger Middle School and Stackpole Elementary School.

Mrs. Mueller stated she has attended this service in the past.

Dr. Pollock stated there has to be separation of church and state, he does understand it is interfaith but as a school district there has to be a separation.

Ms. Braunston said she understands that but still requests the Board's consideration.

Dr. Turnbaugh requested a copy of the flyer so he can look into this matter further.

## MINUTES

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

1. Work Session/Regular School Board Meeting – September 28, 2010
2. Education Committee – September 27, 2010
3. Finance Committee – September 20, 2010
4. Operations Committee – September 1, 2010, October 6, 2010

*Motion passed 7-0.*

## NEW BUSINESS

Dr. Pollock asked if anyone would like to have any items pulled from consent agenda 1 through 12.

The following were requested to be pulled: 10 and 11.

Mrs. Huf read the consent agenda:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CENTENNIAL SCHOOL BOARD:

- 1. Grants final approval for a trip by the William Tennent High School girls' basketball team to Brick and Englishtown, New Jersey, December 30-31, 2010. The cost to the District is approximately \$710 for transportation.**
- 2. Grants preliminary approval for a trip by William Tennent High School students to Quebec, February 17-21, 2011. The cost to the District is approximately \$200 for substitute teachers.**
- 3. Grants preliminary approval for a trip by World Language students to the Diamond Ridge Conference Center in Jamison, Pennsylvania, March 18-19, 2011. There is no cost to the District.**
- 4. Directs Solicitor Jeffrey Garton to commission a second appraisal of the Warminster Hospital property prior to any action by the Board to approve a recommended real estate assessment reduction on the property.**

- 5. Directs Solicitor Jeffrey Garton to file tax assessment appeals for the parcels on the attached supplement.**
- 6. Awards the Furniture and Equipment Bid No. 2011-04 to the vendors as listed on the attachments at a total cost of \$194,189.46.**
- 7. Awards the Football Equipment Reconditioning Bid No. 2011-01 to Riddell for the 2010-11, 2011-12, and 2012-13 school years at an approximate cost of \$12,000 per year**
- 8. Approves the Facility Use waiver for the United States Navy Fleet Logistic Support Squadron VR64.**
- 9. Approves Quote ML-111710-02 in the amount of \$2,925 from Master Locators per attachments.**
- 12. Approves the Dual Enrollment Proposal as attached.**

Mr. Hezel seconded.

Mr. Miller stated he does intend to support Item 12 but wanted to comment that this is something the District really needs to have, a dual enrollment. Eighty-two percent of high schools across the United States have this. Mr. Miller stated the District needs to offer more disciplines and take into consideration students that have a financial need.

Mrs. Schrader Lynch added that, last night, the teachers discussed dual enrollment. They had questions posed to them for over a half an hour; all of which were answered.

Mr. Hartline asked if the funds for Item 6 were coming out of construction. Dr. Turnbaugh confirmed that it was. Mr. Hartline then asked if there was a proposed delivery time; Dr. Turnbaugh responded we have proposed delivery dates, but there is no guarantee at this point.

*Motion passed 7-0.*

Mrs. Schrader Lynch read item 10:

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

- 10. Approves January 3 and 4, 2011, as tentative half days for students at Willow Dale Elementary School beginning at 12:30 p.m.; A.M. Kindergarten will not be held on these dates. A.M. Kindergarten make-up sessions will be held on January 28 and April 21, 2011.**

Mrs. Huf seconded.

Mrs. Schrader Lynch stated that Dr. Dunar did a wonderful job at the Education Committee meeting, giving pamphlets, and explaining how and why moving from one side of the building to the other needs to be done the way it is being done.

Mr. Miller stated that his concerns for diverting two Kindergarten sessions on consecutive days could present an imposition on the Kindergarten parents. Mr. Miller asked if it would make more sense to do P.M. on the first day and A.M. on the second day. Also, Mr. Miller asked if it was possible to hold

Kindergarten using substitute teachers in the building and not have to give up those two sessions on two mornings.

Mrs. Mueller stated that Administration is trying to give parents as much notice as possible as to what is happening so arrangements can be made as far as child care for those days. Mrs. Mueller stated that Administration is trying to do this with the least amount of disruption.

Mr. Hartline requested these dates be put on the website immediately so parents will have the information.

*Motion passed 7-0.*

Mrs. Schrader Lynch read item 11:

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

**11. Approves the following courses to be added to the William Tennent High School 2011-12 Program of Studies:**

<b>COURSE</b>	<b>GRADE LEVEL(S)</b>	<b>CREDITS</b>	<b>FISCAL NOTE</b>
The Accounting Pilot and Bridge Project	10-12	1.0	No additional funding
AP Computer Science – A	10-12	1.0	Classroom set of textbooks at an approximate cost of \$4,847.50
AP Microeconomics	10-12	1.0	Classroom set of books and study guide at an approximate cost of \$5,766.25
Basic Robotic Engineering	9-12	0.5	Classroom set of materials at an approximate cost of \$3,308.99
Advanced Robotics	10-12	0.5	Approximate cost \$6,500.00 for team participation in robotics competition
Entrepreneurship & Commerce Center Course	10-12	1.0	Classroom set of textbooks at an approximate cost of \$3,425.00
Fashion, Hospitality & Tourism	10-12	0.5	Classroom set of textbooks and other supporting material at an approximate cost of \$2,721.36

Mrs. Huf seconded.

Mrs. Mueller stated she asked this to be pulled for discussion. The last several years Accounting was not a college-level course. Carolyn Fisher did a great job getting grants and another corporation to pay for the course and calculators. This is a college-level course that will be rigorous and move at a good pace. This is a wonderful thing, and she supports the other courses as well.

Mr. Miller stated we are getting college credit for this because it is our faculty teaching it, not the college.

Mrs. Schrader Lynch stated it has taken over three years to get this program into effect. The teachers that were present last night did an excellent job answering questions.

*Motion passed 7-0.*

## **PERSONNEL**

*A motion was made by Mrs. Huf, seconded by Mr. Miller, to resolve that the Centennial School Board approves all personnel Resignations, Retirements, Leaves of Absence; Authorization to Employ; Change of Status; Substitute Support Staff; Mentors; Student Workers; and Co-Curricular. Mrs. Huf stated that under Authorization to Employ she would like to add William R Gretton, III, as Interim Business Administrator at \$475.00 per day.*

*Motion passed 7-0.*

## **POLICIES**

Initial Distribution:

Policy 6.8, Concessions

Mr. Hezel asked the Board to please take the time and look this over carefully; there have been many changes.

## **BOARD DISCUSSION AND COMMENT**

### **OTHER DISCUSSION ITEMS**

Dr. Pollock announced Board representation on Elementary School Naming Committee and asked Dr. Turnbaugh to address this.

Dr. Turnbaugh stated he had forwarded an e-mail to the Board of Education indicating that his preference was that no School Board member should be on the team making recommendations for the naming of the elementary schools. At one time, administration had talked about having one Board member on the naming committee; he finally made an administrative decision that the Board of Education make the final decision, because he feels it would be unfair for a Board member to be on the committee.

Mrs. Huf stated she feels the naming of the schools is very important, and she wants to stay involved to keep the history of the community. She would like to see a Board representative on that committee.

Mr. Miller stated he agrees with Mrs. Huf and suggested Mrs. Huf be on that committee. Mr. Miller stated that as an example all committees in the district have a Board member sit on the committee. He feels that a Board member needs to be involved in this committee.

Mrs. Mueller stated that we do have a naming policy. She feels it is important to let everyone know that even though there is a committee, it is up to the Board of Directors. There may be a name that comes from a Board member, and if the majority rules, it could be decided to use that name. Mrs. Mueller agrees that a Board member should be involved throughout this process. Mrs. Mueller also recommends Mrs. Huf be on that committee. Mrs. Mueller stated she could not disagree more with not having a Board member be a part of this process.

Dr. Pollock stated that he agrees with the three Board members on this and would like to see we appoint one Board member from each region to the committee.

Dr. Pollock stated there will be one committee with a Board member from each region on the committee.

**REPORTS:**

Mr. Miller reported back from American Education Week; he visited a couple of schools and as always, the faculty is doing a great job. It was a wonderful week.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

Mr. Hartline stated he took a ride past Willow Dale during dismissal and arrival; he would like to take another look at the traffic patterns and see if something can be done to relieve congestion. With parent pickup, buses, and construction, it is very congested.

Mrs. Schrader Lynch spoke about Mr. Vail, stating she has never met a more honest person and he will be missed by her tremendously. Mrs. Schrader Lynch wished Mr. Vail well in his new endeavor.

Mr. Miller stated since we are a paperless district, he requests he receive communications by e-mail from the District in a timely manner. Mr. Miller also stated he would also like our e-alert communications to be more communicative. He suggested instead of website page notification update process, the district do what Dr. Dunar has already done, put the actual message in the e-alert.

*A motion to adjourn was made by Dr. Pollock, seconded by Mrs. Schrader Lynch. The motion passed 7-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.*

Respectfully submitted,

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Kathleen L. Miller  
Board Secretary

