

MANHEIM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
School Board of Directors
Work Session
September 10, 2020
7:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Nikki Rivera, President, called the Board Meeting of the Manheim Township Board of School Directors to order at 7:00 p.m. School directors present were Janet Carroll (Via ZOOM), Sara Grosh, Stephen Grosh, JoAnn Hentz, Curtis Holgate (Via ZOOM), Nikki Rivera, John Smith, and Joyce Stephen. Superintendent, Dr. Robin Felty and School Board Secretary, Jennifer Davidson were present via ZOOM.

Absences: April Weaver, Board Member

As noted in the announcements listed below, visitors are participating via livestream. At this time, the district does not have visitors logged into the official school board guestbook, however, participants are noted in the public comment section of the minutes. A quorum was present via livestream, and due notice had been published.

Announcements

- The School Board will resume Saturday Community Conversations in September. They will be held in the District Office Lobby or outside weather permitting. Masks will be required.
- Mrs. Rivera clarified parliamentary procedures from the August Board Meeting and how to add action items to the Board Agenda.

Information Only

- Mr. Gillis provided the September Bus/Van Driver Updates
- Mrs. Robbins provided a Budget Update
- Dr. Reimann provided an update on Progress of the Pennsylvania Department of Education Health & Safety Plan within the Schools

Discussion Items – no action taken at this meeting

- Update to PDE Health and Safety Plan: Governor’s Updated Order for Face Coverings in Schools & Update on Tools Utilized to Disinfect
- Approval of the COVID-19 Pandemic Resolution of the Manheim Township School District Board of Directors
- Approval of the PDE Emergency Instructional Time: PA School Code Section 520.1 form
- Grant approval to acknowledge PlanCon Part K approval letter and appended materials so that they are entered into the School Board meeting minutes, as required by the PA Department of Education (PDE)
- Approve contract #C2011160 between the Lancaster-Lebanon Intermediate Unit 13 (IU13) and Manheim Township School District for meal services for IU13 sites listed in contract
- Discussion regarding Slate of Officers for PSBA nominations
- Second reading and final approval of the following policies:
Policy 146.1 – Trauma-Informed Approach (NEW)
Policy 218 – Student Discipline
Policy 218.2 Terroristic Threats
Policy 249 – Bullying/Cyberbullying
Policy 831 – Livestream Video

**Citizens’
Comments**

- First reading of the following policies with final approval in October:
Policy 111 – Lesson Plans
Policy 203 – Immunizations and Communicable Diseases
Policy 209 – Health Examinations/Screenings
Policy 314 – Physical Examination
Policy 318 – Attendance and Tardiness
Policy 331 – Job Related Expenses
Policy 334 – Sick Leave
Policy 340 – Responsibility for Student Welfare
Policy 705 – Facilities and Workplace Safety
Policy 904 – Public Attendance at School Events
- Dan Reynolds spoke regarding the adjustments to teaching this year.
- Mark Oles spoke regarding concerns with moving Middle School and High School to green. He would like to see the Middle School and High School continue in yellow (hybrid).
- Noe Juarez gave recommendations to keep the Middle School and High School in yellow (hybrid) phase.
- Chris Moritzen thanked the administration and teachers for all their hard work. He also spoke regarding the survey results and encouraged the board to move to green.
- Suzanne Jones thanked the Administrators and the School Board for doing all the research and being thoughtful. She encourages the Board to move to green.
- Samantha McNally, teacher, encouraged the Board to continue in the yellow phase.
- Jennifer Bates teacher at MTHS, encouraged the Board to continue in yellow phase.
- Cristi Means teacher at Bucher Elementary thanked the School Board and District Office staff for their hard work.
- Claudette Tarrant thanked the School Board, Administrators, teachers, custodians, etc. and asked how many cases the district has and discussed the ventilation in the buildings. She also recommended options for mental health activities during the school day.
- Dr. Christine Jurasinski-Sanchez encourages the board to follow the data and the research due to the increases in cases around the county.
- Nick Keener, student at MTHS, asked the board to continue in the yellow phase.
- Pritesh Tanna, student at MTHS, asked the board to continue in to continue in the yellow phase.

Adjournment

Dr. Smith moved and seconded by Mrs. Stephens a motion to adjourn the meeting at approximately 10:15pm. Motion passes 8-0.

Voice vote with all members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Nikki Rivera, President

Jennifer R. Davidson, Secretary