

MANHEIM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

School Board of Directors

Work Session

November 12, 2020

7:00 p.m.

VIA ZOOM

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 via ZOOM were Janet Carroll, Sara Grosh, Stephen Grosh, JoAnn Hentz, Curtis Holgate, Nikki Rivera, John Smith, Joyce Stephen and April Weaver. Superintendent, Dr. Robin Felty and School Board Secretary, Jennifer Davidson were present via ZOOM.

Absences:

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

- Mrs. Rivera shared a tribute to Alexandra Chitwood, Guidance Counselor
- Dr. Felty shared tributes from parents and community members of Alexandra Chitwood
- During the announcements at the November 12, 2020 Board Work Session, Mrs. Rivera shared the following statement relating to the revised motion by Mrs. JoAnn Hentz of the Personnel report during the October 15, 2020 Board Meeting: "I would like to announce publicly that we have a correction to make regarding an action item at our October 15 school board meeting. It was brought to the school district's attention on October 16 and then to my attention that, what I announced as a unanimous vote for the Personnel Report, was actually an 8-1 vote. It appears that I missed one hand raised as a "no" vote for the Personnel Report. We confirmed with the board member that this was her intention, therefore, the error will be noted in the minutes that will be on next week's agenda for approval.
- Mrs. Rivera shared the artwork that is being displayed in the District Office
- Saturday Community Conversations will be this weekend from 10AM-12PM

Information Only

- Mr. Gillis gave the November Bus/Van Driver Update
- Dr. Felty and Mr. Jordan Steffy presented information for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Planning
- Dr. Reimann and the curriculum team gave an update on educational programming

Citizens' Comments on Action Items

- No comments

Action Items

On motion by Mrs. Stephens and seconded by Mrs. Weaver to approve the Proposed Plan for the Winter Athletic Season. Motion passes 7-2 with Mrs. Hentz and Mrs. Carrol voting no.

**Discussion Items
– no action
taken at this
meeting**

- Attollo Agreement
- Resolution for an Equitable and Inclusive School Environment by the Board of School Directors of the Manheim Township School District
- Approve the attached contract with the Hempfield School District for a shared position of Diving Coach
- Recommend approval of the contracts as listed
- Second reading and final approval of the following policies:
Policy 332 – Working Periods
Policy 803 – School Calendar
Policy 907 – School Visitors
- First reading of the following policies with final reading in December:
Policy 113.1 – Discipline of Students With Disabilities
Policy 113.2 – Behavior Support
Policy 113.4 – Confidentiality of Special Education Student Information (NEW)
Policy 123 – Interscholastic Athletics
Policy 123.2 – Sudden Cardiac Arrest
Policy 309.1 – Telework (NEW)

**Citizens’
Comments**

- Alexis Faro gave a tribute to Mrs. Chitwood and about the reopening plan concerns
- Walter Goedkoop spoke about concerns for continuing in-person
- Brayden Schwartz spoke about the disappointment of the boys soccer game being canceled
- Joshua Beers spoke about the disappointment of the boys soccer game being canceled
- Samantha McNally spoke about the concerns for continuing in-person and about moving to remote.
- Brady Yohe spoke about the disappointment of the boys soccer game being canceled
- Charlene Campbell spoke about the concerns for continuing in-person
- Beth Lester gave a tribute to Mrs. Chitwood from her colleagues
- Olivia Good spoke about the concerns for continuing in-person
- Megan Whitney spoke about the concerns for continuing in-person
- Courtney Morton spoke about the concerns of poor choices being made by students
- Jennifer Bates spoke about the concerns for continuing in-person
- Megan Quirk spoke about the concerns for continuing in-person
- Mark Oles gave a tribute to Mrs. Chitwood, concerns about the health and safety plan
- Donald Himelright spoke regarding the concerns for continuing in-person
- Shayna Umble spoke regarding the concerns for continuing in-person

Adjournment

Ms. Grosh moved and seconded by Mrs. Stephens motion to adjourn the meeting at approximately 11:34pm. Motion passes 9-0.

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

Nikki Rivera, President

Jennifer R. Davidson, Secretary

