

## ORDER OF BUSINESS

### 1. Call to Order; Pledge of Allegiance

President Francee Fuller called the first regular meeting of the East Penn Board of School Directors to order at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room located at 800 Pine Street, Emmaus, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Members Present: C. H. Ballard, A. Earnshaw, F. Fuller, E. Gannon, C. Jones, S. Kowalchuk, M. Prinzing, T. Richwine, J. Stolz

Solicitor: Marc S. Fisher, Esq., Worth Magee & Fisher

Treasurer: Gary Reigal

Board Secretary: Cecilia R. Birdsell

Superintendent of Schools: Dr. Thomas L. Seidenberger

Press Present: Kevin Ameran, Morning Call Reporter  
Loretta Fenstermacher, East Penn Press Reporter

### 2. Target Presentation:

Ms. Gaby Vargas, Executive of Guest Experience, Target, and Mr. Nate Hunsicker, Team Leader of Guest Experience, Target presented a \$380.00 check to Board President Francee Fuller and Superintendent Dr. Thomas L. Seidenberger. The funds came from a promotion where new credit card recipients were asked if they wished to donate 1% of their sales to a school of their choice. Since 1997, Target has given away 237 million dollars for various foundations and funds. The audience gave them a round of applause.

Motion by Ballard, Seconded by Stolz

RESOLVED, That the East Penn Board of School Directors accept the \$380.00 from Target.

This resolution was duly adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye: Ballard, Earnshaw, Fuller, Gannon, Jones, Kowalchuk, Prinzing, Richwine, Stolz---9

### 3. Requests to Address the Board

Ms. Fuller asked that the people who requested to speak hold their comments to three minutes, adding it is not interactive or a question and answer session. She emphasized that the board members listen to what is said and when necessary, the follow up is conducted by the administration and they in turn will report back to the Board.

Mr. Andy Scott, 4390 Lexington Circle, Emmaus and President of the Emmaus Lacrosse Club, spoke about the popularity of the sport and provided the historical background of the Club. He was there in support of the PIAA sanctioning of the sport. He pointed out that since its inception in 1998, the Emmaus Club has been totally self-funded. They will donate all of their equipment to minimize the initial cost to the district. Since PIAA has sanctioned lacrosse, the Emmaus team must go varsity or forfeit playing any local team. Every other Lehigh Valley school district has approved lacrosse and Emmaus is the only school that has not. If not approved, then the team would have to travel to the Philadelphia area to play games. Mr. Scott noted that not only is lacrosse a game but there are also life skills and life lessons taught. There are hundreds of students who have benefited from the sport, adding it is co-curricular not just extra-curricular. He said all of the legwork is in place for the program. He concluded his statement by requesting the Board to sanction lacrosse as a varsity sport.

Mr. Daniel Perovich, 4481 Linda Lane, Emmaus spoke as a student in support of lacrosse. He has been a member of the team for nine years and had a petition with signatures of parents and students supporting lacrosse in East Penn. He spoke of his love and adoration for the sport, as well as the development of teamwork and dedication. He said it was important that the sport move ahead and not become a nostalgic memory. He requested that the Board sanction lacrosse as a varsity sport.

Dr. Michael Schwartz, 2475 River Rock Drive, Macungie spoke about his involvement with lacrosse and his coaching experience. He commented on the skills that he learned in playing lacrosse carried over to his position as a pediatrician. He, too, requested that the Board consider the request to make lacrosse a varsity sport so the program can continue.

Mrs. Allison Moxey, 4766 Canterbury Drive, Emmaus commented on her personal experience with collegiate lacrosse. She felt the opportunities offered her for acceptance into college were a result of her

experience with girls soccer as well. She discovered lacrosse in her junior year at college. She felt playing a varsity sport made a difference in her life and that it was important to offer opportunities for more students. She requested that the Board consider the request to make lacrosse a varsity sport.

Mrs. Theresa Bahnick, 4810 Canterbury Drive, Emmaus and active in the Lacrosse Club spoke as a parent volunteer. She relayed her personal experience with her daughters playing lacrosse and the interaction among the team members. She requested that the Board consider the request to make lacrosse a varsity sport.

Mrs. Leilani Sauders, 4939 Wild Cherry Lane, Macungie said lacrosse will offer students another sport to select. She talked about the dedication of the students to lacrosse and how the coaches have paralleled the requirements stipulated for other varsity sports. Mrs. Sauders outlined the community service events that have been sponsored by students and the positive aspects of working as a team. She requested that the Board consider the request to make lacrosse a varsity sport.

Ms. Fuller noted that a wide majority of the audience was there in support of lacrosse.

Ms. Colleen Schenkenberger, 9376 Trexler Road, Breinigsville commented on her work with autistic children and said that the East Penn School District does provide a wonderful program for students. Her concern was the transfer of students from Wescosville to Eyer MS instead of to Lower Macungie MS. She talked about the buddy system that exists at Wescosville School and the difficulty students would have if they do not have interaction with their close friends.

Mrs. Melody Arndt, 164 Roberts Street, Alburtis who is also a teacher aide at Wescosville School spoke about the friendships that exist between the autistic class and the regular education students. She, too, talked about the buddy/friend system that exists between the students. She requested that the students be transferred to Lower Macungie MS so they could stay with their peers.

Mrs. Jessica Malewicz, 219 North Fifth Street, Emmaus expressed concern about the possibility of moving the autistic class to Eyer MS, rather than to the Lower Macungie MS. She talked about the socialization and community that takes place at Wescosville.

Ms. Susan Dieser, 2121 Main Street, Bethlehem a teacher at Wescosville spoke about socialization of the students. She spoke about the IEP driven education and the complications involved. She mentioned all the positive things that have happened at Wescosville with the students. She asked that the class not be transferred to Eyer MS but remain with their peers who will be attending Lower Macungie MS.

Mr. Christopher Allen, 4922 Hemlock Court, Wescosville spoke as a parent of an autistic child. He said the program is one of the reasons they chose to live in East Penn. He spoke about his daughter's positive personal experience at Wescosville and asked that the class not be transferred to Eyer MS.

Mr. Richard Jones, 6702 Kings Highway, Zionsville claimed students are not learning the U. S. Constitution. He felt the Patriot's Act denied the rights that are contained in various sections of the Constitution. He felt students should be taught the Constitution from Grades 8-12. He called for more stringent standards. He asked for a show of hands from the audience who shared his concern.

Mr. Spencer Davis, 2767 Mill Race Road, Emmaus and a student at Bucknell University questioned the Citizen Input Request Form and Board Policy 903, Public Participation in Board Meetings. He said that, even though he attended Emmaus HS, he did not know the building existed, questioned why he heard the announcement for the meeting on the radio, and complained about the lack of chairs and a pencil to complete the Citizen Input Request Form. He also criticized the amount of paper used for a complete agenda.

4. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Ballard Seconded by Prinzing

RESOLVED, That the East Penn Board of School Directors approve the minutes for the April 28, 2008 meeting.

This resolution was unanimously adopted by voice vote.

5. Tentative Adoption of the 2008-09 East Penn SD Budget/Senior Citizens Real Estate Tax Rebate Program

Motion by Earnshaw, Seconded by Kowalchuk  
RESOLVED, That the East Penn Board of School Directors adopt the tentative 2008/09 budget in the amount of \$111,406,352 with the following tax levies:

42.27 mills on the assessed valuation of real estate

be it further

RESOLVED, That the purchase of the second bond for Willow Lane Elementary will be postponed; and,

be it further

RESOLVED, That the East Penn Board of School Directors continue the Senior Citizens Real Estate Tax Rebate Program for the 2008-09 year with the income eligibility guidelines to be established a final budget adoption.

Mr. Michael Mohn, Director of Information Technology, talked about an Educational Training Center for Eyer MS where there could be a staff development program and an expanded program for parents and the community. Dr. Seidenberger said they are also looking at balancing the equipment in the district and creating equality throughout the elementary schools. Dr. Seidenberger reported that the district is moving forward with the Destiny library program for an expenditure of \$90,000. There are also 17 mounted intelligent classrooms at Lower Macungie MS and three extra carts. They will also be looking at infrastructure upgrades and file server consolidation as well as looking at short-term and long-term wireless solutions. A Classroom for the Future Grant has been completed and it would provide 26 wireless carts. This grant is only for high schools. Mr. Mohn was very optimistic about East Penn receiving the grant. Dr. Seidenberger also mentioned a refresh cycle that is being established. Mr. Mohn talked about the district-wide inventory and a Tier 1 and Tier 2 cycle.

Mr. Reigal said the tentative budget presented would restore the budgetary reserve to 5% in accordance with Board Policy. Mr. Earnshaw thanked the administration for coming up with creative ways to lower the budget. He noted that the district has a ten-year history of under spending budget allotments and there were higher revenues than projected. Mr. Earnshaw noted that \$300,000 was being moved from the IT budget to the capital reserve account. Mr. Reigal said they were using the funds from the refinancing of the bonds to fund the Eyer technology. Mr. Earnshaw commented on the adjustments made to the revenue, adding there appeared to be work progressing on the Lowe's building that will provide relief in the future.

Mr. Jones asked if the lacrosse program was in the budget. He was told that it was included in the budget. Mr. Ballard asked Solicitor Fisher if a formal resolution was needed to make lacrosse a varsity sport. Mr. Fisher concurred that statement was correct. Mr. Ballard said the reason for this discussion was because this is the first time that East Penn is experiencing a financial problem. He talked about the ever increasing revenue from real estate that would offset the expenditures and now the district has been impacted by the economic slow down. Mr. Ballard talked about the fund balance, the restraints of Act 1 the SAWW index (4.4%), and the role of administration in prioritizing cuts, citing the role of board members as one of policy makers. He insisted that the budget must balance the revenue and expenditure expectation. In response to Mr. Ballard's questions, Mr. Reigal indicated that the budget was short \$386,708. Ms. Gannon called for a point of order to clarify the amount. Mr. Reigal said that after the adjustments were made the figure was \$386,000. Mr. Reigal said the adoption should include the direction that the purchase of another bond for Willow Lane Elementary School be postponed for a year. If nothing else happens between now and final adoption, the debt service would be incurred later in the year. Ms. Kowalchuk asked when the bond would be purchased. Mr. Reigal said that in order to not pay for a second bond issue and have debt service, the bond would be purchased after January next year. The debt payment would be for the next year. Ms. Kowalchuk asked for the dollar figure for technology. Mr. Mohn said Destiny, the infrastructure in the high school, Educational Training Center, and the equity at the elementary level was in the budget for 2008-09. Dr. Seidenberger said what was evident from the staff survey were the technology needs. Mr. Stolz talked about the \$200,000 extra if the bond was postponed and suggested that it be given to the taxpayers to lower taxes. He said the community cares about the education and programs for their children and would support a referendum. He would have no qualms about putting a budget out for referenda. Ms. Fuller pointed out that this motion also contains the continuation of the Senior Citizens Real Estate Tax Rebate Program for next year.

Mr. Richwine said if the tentative budget is adopted as it reads it is with the understanding that the final budget will balance the revenue and expenditures with a budgetary reserve. Mr. Richwine said he would support that motion. Ms. Gannon clarified that built into the budget is a growth rate of 2.9%. She asked if there was any recent information on the growth rate. Mr. Reigal responded that the revenue

has held pretty well and is slightly higher which means the decline is not increasing. Ms. Gannon asked if postponing the bond for the Willow Lane project will delay the project. Mr. Reigal explained that one bond for ten million dollars has been purchased and will take the project into the next calendar year and it will not affect the district rating. Ms. Gannon pointed out that this is the first time in ten years that there will be a balanced budget and she felt it was worth noting given the current economic climate. Mr. Jones asked why we would have purchased the bond sooner. Mr. Reigal said the normal process is to open the bids then borrow the money. The last refinancing range was in the 4% range and it is invested with negative arbitrage. Mr. Richwine asked about the bond issue with wraparound financing and he asked if PFM could come up with any creative structuring of a bond. Mr. Reigal said he would suggest it to them as they are looking at the bonds.

Mr. Prinzing asked about putting the \$200,000 toward lowering the tax increase and selling the \$600,000 in delinquent taxes to reduce the tax burden. Mr. Reigal said the worth of a mill is currently about 1.6 million dollars so it would represent a half-mill from the 1.78 mill increase. Mr. Prinzing said he appreciated the information from the administration. He added that if the Board worked together in trying to look at some of the categories it would be beneficial to the community. Mr. Earnshaw pointed out that selling the delinquent tax accounts would be a one-time fee and then next year \$600,000 would need to be raised to stay even. Mr. Jones commented on the impact of moving these amounts around. In response to a question raised by Mr. Prinzing, Mr. Reigal explained that Lehigh County has several properties in various stages of collection. A company would come in and buy those accounts and pay the district the amounts owed. Once that is done, then the taxes are on a regular cycle, adding it is a one time revenue source. Mr. Ballard commented that there had been bad experiences with the delinquent tax collection in the Lehigh Valley and one of the firms is under investigation by the Attorney General. He explained some of the complications with the process. Mr. Ballard asked Mr. Reigal if he felt that he had received direction to direct the final revenue number as a balanced budget. Mr. Reigal indicated that he did and then Mr. Ballard indicated his support for the budget. Mr. Jones further pointed out that the administration had not supported a budget that included 1.8 million dollars in personnel, adding he felt the district was keeping the budget very tight. He did not feel the rather large audience was there because of taxes but more because they want to fund additional programs (lacrosse) for their children who they value. He supported a balanced budget, not to keep down taxes, but to keep a great school district. Mr. Prinzing challenged the 4.4% tax increase is not the minimum but the maximum allowed by law. He did not feel that this was the kind of burden to put on taxpayers who have different economic issues. Mr. Jones said with his background there is one basic fact of life and that is inflation and there is nothing anyone can do about it but try to plan. Ms. Fuller called the question and asked if there was any objection to ending debate. There appeared to be consensus among the board members to end the debate.

Ms. Fuller reread the motion:

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Nay: Prinzing, Stolz-----2

Ms. Fuller said that increasing the taxes is not something that the Board does to everyone else, adding that board members will pay these taxes as well. She pointed out that they have also received the benefits of the education in East Penn, noting that some of the board members have children in school or children who have graduated and are doing well. It is a beneficial institution that they are pleased to support.

Approval to Establish Lacrosse as a Varsity Sport

Motion by Richwine, Seconded by Stolz

RESOLVED, That the East Penn Board of School Directors establish Boys and Girls Lacrosse as a Varsity Sport.

Mr. Richwine commended the people who have been involved and spent many hours in coaching, organizing, and scheduling. He further commended Mr. Ed Egan and Mrs. Toni Torpey for their help in the program and work that was done. Mr. Ballard asked that the audience members involved with the team to keep up their excellent fundraising activities.

This resolution was duly adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye: Ballard, Earnshaw, Fuller, Gannon, Jones, Kowalchuk, Prinzing, Richwine, Stolz-----9

6. Report of the Superintendent of Schools – Mr. Thomas Seidenberger

1. Personnel

Motion by Ballard, Seconded by Earnshaw

RESOLVED, That the East Penn Board of School Directors approve the following personnel items:

Retirement/Resignations

-David Bowers, Social Studies Teacher at EHS, effective June 16, 2008  
(Exhibit 1)

-John Hnatow, Chemistry Teacher at EHS, effective June 16, 2008 (Exhibit 2)

-Thomas Husser, Social Studies Teacher at EHS, effective June 16, 2008  
(Exhibit 3)

-Eugene Legath, Health/Phys. Ed. Teacher at EHS, effective June 16, 2008  
(Exhibit 4)

-Michael Matelan, English Teacher at Eyer, effective June 16, 2008  
(Exhibit 5)

-Richard Ruben, Technology Education at EHS, effective June 16, 2008  
(Exhibit 6)

-Marlene Wolf, Special Education Teacher at Eyer MS, effective June 16, 2008  
(Exhibit 7)

-Christina Finney, Grade 1 Teacher at Wescosville School, effective  
June 16, 2008 (Exhibit 8)

-Clare Sebastian, Grade 1 Teacher at Wescosville School, effective June 16, 2008  
(Exhibit 9)

-Janet Toy, Teacher Aide at Macungie School, effective May 9, 2008  
(Exhibit 10)

Mr. Earnshaw commended the teachers for their outstanding service. Ms. Gannon thanked Mr. Hnatow for his many years of service stating he was the most influential teacher in the career paths for her children. She spoke about the Chemistry Olympiad at Muhlenberg, adding that Emmaus High School students and Mr. Hnatow's students in particular always excel above the other districts. Mr. Ballard recognized Mr. Hnatow for his outstanding service and his years of exemplary service.

Appointment of Temporary Professional Employee

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| Name/Address:         | Stephen Toth<br>3822 McIntosh Drive, Orefield 18069 |
| Education Level:      | B. S. Degree (2007)                                 |
| Undergraduate School: | Millersville University                             |
| Certification:        | Instructional I, Technology Education               |
| Effective:            | 8/26/08   |

Assignment: Technology Education, Eyer MS  
 Vacancy created by K. Kackenmeister retirement  
 Experience: None  
 Salary: \$42,600 (Step A, Year 1, Col. B)

Full-Time Substitute Teacher Appointment

Name/Address: Heather Gray  
 1222 N. 29 Street, Allentown 18104  
 Education Level: B. S. Degree (2004)  
 M. Ed. Degree (2006)  
 Undergraduate School: Penn State University  
 Graduate School: Cedar Crest College  
 Certification: Instructional I, Elementary  
 Effective: May 19-June 16, 2008  
 Assignment: Grade 5, Shoemaker School  
 Opening created C. Gogel leave  
 Experience: 9/07-Present: East Penn SD  
 Salary: \$41,432, prorated for 20 days  
 (Step A, Year 1, Col. B)

Leave as Per Collective Bargaining Agreement

Employee: Regan Palazzo  
 Special Education, EHS  
 Effective: May 29, 2008

Teacher Aide Appointments

| Name/Address                                      | Assignment   | Salary                   |
|---|--|--------------------------|
| Maria Matsuba<br>4678 Berwyn Lane, Macungie       | Emmaus HS<br>Special Education<br>(L. Matika transfer) | \$11.55/hr., 16 hrs./wk. |
| Lisa Talarico<br>348 W. Second Street<br>Alburtis | Emmaus HS<br>(M. Stevenson resignation)                | \$11.55/hr., 23 hrs./wk. |

Part-Time Food Service Assistant

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|---|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Noreen Super<br>312 Ridgeview Drive<br>Alburtis | Eyer MS<br>(M. Potter transfer) | \$11.01/hr., 15 hrs./wk. |
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Change in Employment Status-Teacher Aides

| Employee        | From  | To                                    |
|-----------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| Arlete Pugliese | 12.5 hrs./wk.<br>Shoemaker<br>K. Fowler resignation | 31.5 hrs./wk.<br>Shoemaker, Spec. Ed. |
| Linda Conrad    | 30 hrs./wk.<br>LMMS/Spec. Ed.<br>(K. Cole transfer) | 32.5 hrs./wk.<br>LMMS/Spec. Ed.       |

Co-Curricular Appointments

| Name            | Activity                           | Salary           |
|-----------------|------------------------------------|------------------|
| Gwen Whildin    | Assist. Boys & Girls<br>Swim Coach | *\$3247.00       |
| Stephen Raysely | Baseball Coach                     | Volunteer        |
| Karyn Parsons   | Boys Volleyball Coach              | Volunteer        |
| Heidi Rauch     | Science Club                       | *\$30.11/session |

Joe DiRado Science Club 4 sessions  
\*\$30.11/session  
4 Sessions

\*Salaries are from Schedule B of the 2007-09 Collective Bargaining Agreement with the East Penn Education Association.

Additions to the 2008-09 List of Per Diem Substitutes

Chandra Gossai, Teacher Aide  
Jacqueline LaPierre, Food Services  
Jayme Baker, Mathematics  
Alisha Salter, Mathematics  
Lauren Perkin, Health/PE  
Deann Kahler, Elementary/Early Childhood

Summer Maintenance Program – Exhibit 11

Educational Conferences

That the East Penn Board of School Directors approve the expenses for the educational conferences listed on Exhibit 12.

Resignation

-Karl Ruch, Special Education Teacher at LMMS, effective June 16, 2008  
(Exhibit 10A)

Appointment of Hall Monitor

Name/Address: Bryan Althouse  
369 Adams Hotel Road, Shoemakersville 19555  
Effective: May 13, 2008  
Assignment: Hall Monitor  
Salary: Vacancy created by B. Phillips resignation  
\$11.55/hr., 30 hrs./wk.

Additions to the 2008-09 List of Per Diem Substitutes

Ann Marie Merritt, Teacher Aide

2008 Graduates – Exhibit 13

RESOLVED, That the East Penn Board of School Directors approve the list of students in the Class of 2008 for graduation.

These resolutions were duly adopted by the following roll call vote:  
Aye: Ballard, Earnshaw, Fuller, Gannon, Jones, Kowalchuk, Prinzing, Richwine, Stolz--9

2. Elwyn Agreement – Exhibit 14

Motion by Ballard, Seconded by Gannon  
RESOLVED, That the East Penn Board of School Directors approve the Agreement with Elwyn at a cost not to exceed \$1000 as described in Exhibit 14.

Note: This Agreement has been reviewed by Solicitor Marc Fisher and Director of Pupil Personnel Services Dr. Michael Murphy.

This resolution was duly adopted by the following roll call vote:  
Aye: Ballard, Earnshaw, Fuller, Gannon, Jones, Kowalchuk, Prinzing, Richwine, Stolz-9

7. Other Educational Entities

-Carbon Lehigh Intermediate Unit T. Richwine

Mr. Richwine reported that there was a presentation from representatives of the CLIU Special Needs Foundation. The presenter was Jamie Galgossey who is profoundly deaf. She presented the Kids

Korrall program that is creating a miniature golf course that is boundary free. Children with all kinds of physical handicaps are able to play miniature golf. They are also developing a nature walk and tree house that will be boundary free. There is a private donor for this facility. This facility is no cost to the districts.

-Lehigh Career & Technical Institute

A. Earnshaw  
F. Fuller  
S. Kowalchuk  
T. Richwine

Mr. Earnshaw was unable to attend the meeting because he attended the Eyer Spring Concert. Ms. Fuller reported that the student-built house will be sold this year. Mr. Richwine noted the recognition of Co-Op students and employers. The Emmaus HS student (Jacalyn Doyle) worked for an insurance firm and will be attending college in the fall.

8. Legislative

C. Ballard

Mr. Ballard read the statement that will be included everyone's property tax bill regarding the tax relief that is being granted because of the gambling revenue collected. East Penn residents will see a \$118 as a result of the exemptions. He reported on the status of SB 1063 (County-wide consolidation of earned income tax collections); SB 731 (permitting students to self-administer epi pens); and SB 1312 (Increasing state health services reimbursement from \$7.00 to \$12.00 per student). Mr. Ballard talked about HB 2084 with a guaranteed COLA for members of the state and school employee retirement system. PSBA is opposing this legislation.

9. Business Operations

1. Approval of Bill List

Motion by Ballard, Seconded by Gannon

RESOLVED, That the East Penn Board of School Directors approve the attached bill list, including the addenda, and that the Treasurer be authorized to issue checks and vouchers in the amounts indicated.

Appointment of Auditor

RESOLVED, That the East Board of School Directors appoint the Audit firm of Gorman & Associates, P.C. to audit the records of the East Penn School District for the year ending June 30, 2008 at a fee of \$32,400 and a single audit fee of \$3,000 per letter of engagement dated March 7, 2008.

Appointment of Treasurer

RESOLVED, That the East Penn Board of School Directors appoint Gary E. Reigal as Treasurer for a term effective July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009; and that he be directed to perform such duties as are appropriate for the position in accordance with the Public School Code of 1949, as amended, Section 436-443; that he shall implement federal, state and local policies and regulations at the direction of the Board of School Directors and the Superintendent of Schools; and, that the Treasurer's bond be set at \$500,000 to be paid by the East Penn School District.

Mr. Ballard and Mr. Earnshaw thanked Mr. Reigal for his services.

Designation of 2008-09 Depositories

RESOLVED, That, in accordance with Section 621, PA Public School Code of 1949, the East Penn Board of School Directors designate the following depositories for the funds of the East Penn School District for the 2008-2009 fiscal year; and that said depositories furnish a bond in an amount equal to 120% of the highest balance or comply with Act 72 of 1971 of the Pennsylvania Legislature, such bond amounts to include the amount provided by federal insurance:

M & T Bank  
Lafayette/Ambassador Bank (Fulton Financial)

PA Treasury/Invest Trust  
PA Local Government Investment Trust  
East Penn Bank Division of Harleysville Bank  
Wachovia Bank  
First Star Savings Bank  
Citizens Bank  
Sovereign Bank  
US Bank Corporate Trust Services

Earned Income Tax Commission

RESOLVED, That the East Penn Board of School Directors set the following commission to paid to the appointed Municipal Earned Income Tax Officers for the collection of the District's earned income taxes during the period July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009:

|                         |   |
|-------------------------|---|
| Borough of Alburtis     | 5%, plus _ of printing & postage costs                                  |
| Borough of Emmaus       | 2.5%  |
| Borough of Macungie     | 5%, plus _ of printing & postage costs                                  |
| Lower Macungie Township | _ of cost of salaries, benefits, and office Expenses of the EIT office. |
| Upper Milford Township  | 5%, plus _ of printing & postage costs                                  |

These resolutions were duly adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye: Ballard, Earnshaw, Fuller, Gannon, Jones, Kowalchuk, Prinzing, Richwine, Stolz-9

2. Earned Income Tax Bonds

Motion by Ballard, Seconded by Earnshaw

RESOLVED, That the East Penn School Board of Directors direct the East Penn School District Municipal Earned Income Tax Officers to provide fidelity bonds to the School District in the following sums:

Borough of Alburtis  
Kerstin Paey, or Successor  
Bond required: \$50,000

Borough of Emmaus  
Berkheimer Associates  
Bond required: In accordance with contract

Borough of Macungie  
Rose Nonnemacher, or Successor  
Bond required: \$120,000

Township of Lower Macungie  
Cathleen O'Brien, or Successor  
Bond required: \$1,000,000

Township of Upper Milford  
William Weber, or Successor  
Bond required: \$250,000

Special Funding Disbursements – Exhibit 15 & 15A

RESOLVED, That the East Penn Board of School Directors authorize that funds be paid from the Capital Reserve Fund, 2004 A GOB Issue, and 2007 EGA Bond Issue as described on Exhibit 15; and,

be it further,

RESOLVED, That the East Penn Board of School Directors authorize that funds be paid from the 2004A GOB issue and the 2007 EGA GOB issue as described in Exhibit 15A.

Contract Awards – Exhibit 16

RESOLVED, That the East Penn Board of School Directors award contracts for floor tile, metal cast stone coping covering, and the installation of rubber treads to the successful bidders listed on Exhibit 16.

Budget Transfers – Exhibit 17

RESOLVED, That the East Penn Board of School Directors authorize the budget transfers described on Exhibit 17.

These resolutions were duly adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye: Ballard, Earnshaw, Fuller, Gannon, Jones, Kowalchuk, Prinzing, Richwine, Stolz-9

10. Announcements

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| -Monday, May 12    | 7:00 p.m.-CLEAR Session (Confidentiality, Litigation, Personnel, Real Estate, Negotiations)<br>7:30 p.m.-Board Meeting |
| -Wednesday, May 14 | 7:00 p.m.-Wescosville Spring Concert at LMMS<br>7:00 p.m.-Lincoln Macungie Schools Open House                          |
| -Thursday, May 15  | 7:30 p.m.-EHS Spring Choral Concert<br>7:00 p.m.-Shoemaker School Open House<br>7:00 p.m.-Alburtis Spring Concert      |
| -Friday, May 16    | 11:00 a.m.-Early Dismissal, EHS  |
| -Tuesday, May 20   | 7:30 p.m.-LMMS Spring Band Concert   |
| -Friday, May 23    | 9:00 a.m.-Volunteer Brunch, LMMS Cafeteria   |

11. Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned, upon motion, at 9:40 p.m.

Cecilia R. Birdsell, Board Secretary