EAST PENN SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

MINUTES

December 5, 2016
Reorganization Meeting

Board Room
800 Pine Street
Emmaus, PA 18049

Vision Statement: The East Penn School District will empower students to maximize their individual potential and become lifelong learners and contributors to a global society.

Mission Statement: The East Penn School District will provide a learning environment in which students become effective problem solvers, collaborators, critical thinkers, and communicators.
MINUTES OF THE
DECEMBER 5, 2016 REORGANIZATION MEETING


Others Present: Marc S. Fisher, Esq., Worth, Magee & Fisher, Solicitor
Robert Saul, Treasurer
Janine Allen, Board Secretary
Dr. Michael Schilder, Superintendent of Schools

1. CALL TO ORDER; PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

➤ Board Secretary, Janine Allen, called the Reorganization Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD - None

3. ELECTION OF PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

➤ Mrs. Allen entertained nominations for President Pro Tempore.

Motion by Vinovskis, Seconded by Munson
RESOLVED, That Charles Ballard be nominated for President Pro Tempore.

Hearing no further nominations, nominations were declared closed.

This resolution to appoint Charles Ballard as President Pro Tempore was unanimously adopted by voice vote.

4. ELECTION OF BOARD PRESIDENT

➤ Mr. Ballard called for nominations for Board President.

Motion by Bacher, Seconded by Champagne
RESOLVED, That Alan Earnshaw be nominated for President.

Hearing no further nominations, nominations were declared closed.

This resolution to appoint Alan Earnshaw as President was duly adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye: Allen, Bacher, Ballard, Champagne, Donatelli, Earnshaw, Heid, Munson, Vinovskis - 9
5. ELECTION OF BOARD VICE PRESIDENT

- President Earnshaw called for nominations for Vice President.

**Motion** by Champagne, Seconded by Munson
RESOLVED, That Ken Bacher be nominated for Vice President.

Hearing no further nominations, nominations were declared closed.

This resolution to appoint Ken Bacher as Vice President was duly adopted by the following roll call vote:

Aye: Allen, Bacher, Ballard, Champagne, Donatelli, Earnshaw, Heid, Munson, Vinovskis – 9

6. BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2017 MEETING SCHEDULE

**Motion** by Ballard, Seconded by Bacher
RESOLVED, That the East Penn Board of School Directors shall meet in regular session in the Board Room located at 800 Pine Street, Emmaus, PA at 7:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Monday of each month in 2017, unless advertised otherwise:

- January 9 & 23
- February 13 & 27
- March 13 & 27
- April 10 & 24
- May 8 & 22
- June 12 & 26
- July 10
- August 14 & 28
- September 11 & 25
- October 9 & 23
- November 13
- December 4 (Organization) & 11

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

Aye: Allen, Bacher, Ballard, Champagne, Donatelli, Earnshaw, Heid, Munson, Vinovskis – 9

7. DESIGNATION OF NEWSPAPERS OF GENERAL CIRCULATION FOR ADVERTISING PURPOSES

**Motion** by Ballard, Seconded by Munson
RESOLVED, That the East Penn Board of School Directors designate the following newspapers for advertising purposes during the 2017 calendar year:

- Morning Call
- Express Times
- East Penn Press

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

Aye: Allen, Bacher, Ballard, Champagne, Donatelli, Earnshaw, Heid, Munson, Vinovskis – 9
8. PRESENTATIONS

➤ District Dashboard

• Dr. Denise Torma, Assistant Superintendent, presented the District Dashboard which is currently live on the district website. During the presentation, she provided a tutorial on how to access the dashboard and navigate through the site. She explained the Dashboard is part of a tool used to fulfill some of the responsibilities stated in our Comprehensive Plan whereby data is being used in decision making as well as providing data transparency to members of the community. She highlighted some of the features available under the Student Achievement, Budget & Finance, At a Glance and Personnel sections. She noted that the Budget & Finance section is currently under construction and data should be available by January 2017.

9. OTHER ITEMS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD

➤ Mr. Ballard requested to have an item on the December 12th Board agenda to discuss a new PSBA liaison for the district. He has been asked to attend the upcoming NSBA Advocacy Institute conference in late January being held in Washington, DC. Mr. Ballard has been the PSBA liaison for approximately 20 years and a member of the FRN (Federal Relations Network), now referred to as the Advocacy Institute, for approximately 8 years. He stated he would welcome the opportunity to work with another Board member who is interested in being the district’s education advocate in Washington. Mr. Ballard would accompany the new PSBA liaison to their first Advocacy Institute conference.

➤ President Earnshaw asked that his fellow Board members look at their commitments and calendars and also asked Mr. Ballard to circulate the dates of this conference in order for the Board members to consider his request.

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS

➤ Next Board Meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 12, 2016 at 7:30 p.m.

11. ADJOURN

➤ There being no further business to come before the Board, Motion to adjourn was made by Ballard, Seconded by Bacher at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janine L. Allen
Board Secretary
East Penn School District