

Hanover Public School District
School Board Meeting
Administration Building - 403 Moul Avenue, Hanover, PA

April 8, 2024
6:00 P.M.

MINUTES

I. Opening Business

A. Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Roll Call

Board Members Present: Mr. Frederick, Mr. Huston, Mrs. Keeney, Mr. Lippy,
Mrs. Shea, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Walter

Board Members Absent: Mrs. Gulden, Mrs. Kacar

Also Present: Dr. Scola, Dr. Seiple, Troy Wentz, Tim Kress, Kathy Forbes,
Heather Wagaman, Dr. Hilyard, Matthew Martino, Andrew Walker, Jody
Kessinger, Dr. Abels, Mark Hershner, Lisa Jackson

II. Recognition of Visitors - None

Public Comments: None

III. Superintendent's Report - Dr. John Scola

- Solar Eclipse - Glad stayed in the full day. According to Principals day went well. Not exactly what expected, however, glad stayed in school.
- AI PD Progression - Professional development with administration was held along with the Educational Program Committee presentation and met with team leaders of the teaching staff for discussion. Voluntary professional development will be scheduled for after the school year with teachers as part of the yearly technology program. Mandatory training will occur during the second day of the new school year in August with David Fry. David is working in Firefly and incorporating it into Blend for fantastic lessons that are proper and systematic.
- YCAL - Five board members attended a dinner where Mrs. Keeney was recognized for five years of service and Mr. Frederick for fifteen years of service.

IV. Assistant to Superintendent's Report - Dr. Susan Seiple

- April 2nd PD - During the scheduled two-hour delay assessment plans and math were topics. A needs assessment will be conducted with the teachers for future professional development.
- Summer Programs - High School will have credit recovery, Elementary STEM for grades 3-5, extended school year for autistic students, and Elementary in July Summer School Program supervised by Elementary Principals. Anyone interested in having a student participate should contact the building principal.

Dr. Scola reported on a visit to Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh. Met with Intelligent men and women of the engineering community. A panel of six students were asked questions, all with outstanding capabilities and bright, hard-working, gifted Students. One student indicated he studies six hours a day beyond the class work. Provided insight into our District programs and on the right track to help students succeed.

V. Matters for Which Board Action is Required

A. Personnel

- 1) Resignation - The Board was requested to approve the following resignations:

Professional Employee:

Rescind offer to Mark McKenzie, Chemistry Teacher at the High School, effective immediately.

Classified Employee:

Ann Speicher, Cafeteria Worker at the High School, effective March 22, 2024.

LaTonya Porter, Teaching Assistant at Washington Elementary, effective May 2, 2024.

BOARD ACTION:

Mrs. Shea made a motion to approve the resignations as presented. Second by Mr. Lippy and approved on a roll call vote of 7-0.

- 2) Employment - The Board was requested to approve the following employment:

Professional Employees:

Lindsay Straley, Emotional Support Teacher at the High School, effective at the start of the 2024-2025 school year pending successful completion of all required employment paperwork. Rate of compensation will be \$74,943. ([enclosure](#))

Madeline Hammond, Chemistry Teacher at the High School, effective at the start of the 2024-2025 school year, pending successful completion of all required employment paperwork. Rate of compensation will be \$54,246. ([enclosure](#))

BOARD ACTION:

Mrs. Shea made a motion to approve the employment items as presented. Second by Mr. Huston and approved on a roll call vote of 7-0.

- 3) **Elementary STEAM Camp** (grades 3-5), Hanover High School
June 10-13 (Monday through Thursday)

Teacher Pay: \$33/Hour

Teacher Hours: 12:00-4:15 PM

- Becky Smith
- Stacey Wuchenich

Extended School Year (Autistic Support Classrooms)

July 8-11, July 15-18, July 22-25 and July 29-Aug.1 (Monday through Thursday)

Teacher Hours: 8:00 AM- 2:30 PM (1/2 hour unpaid duty-free lunch)

Teacher Pay: \$34/Hour (Paid for out of Special Education)

- Emily Becker
- Beth Felix
- Rachel Glatfelter
- Deb Wildasin (July 22-25 and July 29-Aug.1)

Summer School Teaching Assistants

Paid normal hourly rate (Paid for out of Special Education)

- Miranda Arndt
- Linda Mitchell
- Tate Jackson
- Lori Ruhlman

Behavioral Support

Paid normal hourly rate (Paid for out of Special Education)

- Kelly Abell

BOARD ACTION:

Mrs. Keeney made a motion to approve the employment items as presented. Second by Mrs. Shea and approved on a roll call vote of 7-0.

- 4) Drivers - The Board was requested to approve the following drivers:

Lincoln:

Amie Roth

BOARD ACTION:

Mrs. Shea made a motion to approve the drivers as presented. Second by Mr. Lippy and approved on a roll call vote of 7-0.

B. Budget and Finance

- 1) 2024-2025 General Fund Preliminary Budget Approval - The Board was requested to approve a preliminary tax millage for the 2024-2025 General Fund Preliminary Budget, with no change of 0.00 mills (0.00%) (Act 1 maximum 7.3%), remaining at 23.06 mills and an expenditure level totaling \$40,454,465, and with additional to-be-determined assignments or transfers, at an estimated \$3,130,000. This preliminary budget reflects no use of fund balance. This budget continues to include .03 mills or (.13%) for the estimated \$29,167 stormwater fee assessed by the Borough of Hanover. In addition, the Board is requested to approve a preliminary per capita tax (Act 679) of \$0.00 (prior \$0.00), and per capita tax (Act 511) of \$0.00 (prior \$0.00), and occupational tax of \$0.00 (prior \$0.00). The Board is requested to approve a preliminary earned income tax at 0.5% and real estate transfer tax at 0.5%. The budget will be on public display for the next thirty days with final adoption of the 2024-2025 General Fund Budget scheduled for on or after May 13, 2024.

BOARD ACTION:

Mr. Huston made a motion to approve the general fund preliminary budget as presented. Second by Mr. Lippy and approved on a roll call vote of 7-0.

- 2) Check Registers - The Board was requested to approve the following check registers from the General Fund including athletic, middle school, and high school activity accounts totaling \$470,449.38, Cafeteria totaling \$35,429.17, and Capital Reserve totaling \$35,280.40, Grand total \$541,158.95. ([General Fund](#)) ([Cafeteria](#)) ([Capital Reserve](#))

BOARD ACTION:

Mrs. Shea made a motion to approve the check registers as presented. Second by Mrs. Keeney and approved on a roll call vote of 7-0.

VI. Public Comment: None

Mr. Frederick announced that an Executive Session would be held following the meeting to discuss personnel.

VII. Adjournment - Mr. Frederick adjourned the meeting at 6:11 PM.

Next Board Meeting - Monday, April 22, 2024, at 6:00 PM.

