

**UPPER ST. CLAIR BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**

**MONDAY, MAY 7, 2018 - 7:00 P.M.
CENTRAL OFFICE BOARD ROOM**



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Notice having been advertised and posted and members duly notified, a meeting of the Board of School Directors was held on May 7, 2018 in the Central Office Board Room.

School Board Members in attendance:

Mrs. Amy L. Billerbeck, President
Mrs. Barbara L. Bolas, Vice President
Mrs. Jennifer L. Bowen
Mr. Phillip J. Elias
Dr. Daphna Gans
Mr. Patrick A. Hewitt
Mrs. Angela B. Petersen
Mr. Dante R. Plutko, Jr.

School personnel in attendance:

Dr. Patrick O'Toole, Superintendent of Schools
Dr. John Rozzo, Assistant Superintendent
Mr. Scott P. Burchill, Director of Business & Finance
Dr. Judith Bulazo, Director of Curriculum & Professional Development
Mr. Raymond Berrott, Director of Technology
Mrs. Amy Pfender, Director of Student Support Services
Mr. Brad Wilson, Supervisor of Customized & On-Line Learning
Mrs. Mary Ann Stabile, Stenographer
Mr. Robert Prorok, Solicitor

CALL TO ORDER (Billerbeck)

Mrs. Billerbeck called the meeting to order at approximately 7:13 p.m.

RESIDENTS' COMMENTS (REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

There were no residents' comments at this time.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Billerbeck)

MOTION: By Petersen: I move that the Board approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Bolas, and carried on unanimous voice vote.

**APPROVAL OF BOND UNDERWRITER FOR 2018 SERIES GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS
(O'Toole/Burchill/Bova)**

Mr. Mike Bova of Boenning & Scattergood reviewed his recommendation and rationale for borrowing the additional funds needed for the capital projects when it would be most advantageous to do so. Ms. Lisa Chiesa of Clark Hill was also in attendance and introduced to the Board.

MOTION: By Bolas: I move that the Board ratify the appointment of Boenning & Scattergood as bond underwriter for the proposed 2018 Series General Obligation Bonds. Seconded by Petersen, and carried on unanimous roll call vote.

**APPROVAL OF BOND COUNSEL FOR 2018 SERIES GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS
(O'Toole/Burchill/Chiesa)**

MOTION: By Hewitt: I move that the Board ratify the appointment of Clark Hill PLC as bond counsel for the 2018 Series General Obligation Bonds at a fee of no more than \$20,000 plus expenses. Seconded by Elias, and carried on unanimous roll call vote.

**APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION FOR INCURRENCE OF NON-ELECTORAL INDEBTEDNESS
(O'Toole/Burchill/Bova/Chiesa)**

MOTION: By Bowen: I move that the Board approve a resolution authorizing the incurring of non-electoral debt by the issuance of General Obligation Bonds in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed twenty-one million dollars (\$21,000,000); covenanting to pay, and pledging all available taxing power for the payment of the bonds; establishing a sinking fund and appointing a sinking fund depository; fixing the form, maximum interest rates, maturity dates, redemption and other provisions for the payment thereof; covenanting to accept a proposal for the purchase of the bonds, authorizing a filing of required documents with the Department of Community and Economic Development; ratifying and directing certain actions of officers; and making certain other covenants and provisions in respect of the bonds AS ATTACHED TO THE PERMANENT RECORD OF THE MINUTES OF THIS MEETING. Seconded by Petersen, and carried on unanimous roll call vote.

**APPROVAL OF BID AWARD FOR BOYCE FLOOR SLAB REPLACEMENT
(O'Toole/Burchill/McLean)**

MOTION: By Plutko: I move that the Board award the bid for the Floor Slab Replacement at Boyce Middle School to Plavchak Construction n the amount of \$159,800. Seconded by Bolas, and carried on unanimous roll call vote.

APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL LISTINGS (O'Toole) - ATTACHED

MOTION: By Gans: I move that the Board approve the Personnel Listings, pending receipt of all paperwork and required clearances, AS ATTACHED. Seconded by Bolas, and carried on majority roll call vote of 7-1. (Mr. Plutko voted nay.)

Dr. O'Toole introduced Mr. Sean Bryson, who was approved as the Temporary Assistant School District Chief of Police from May 29, 2018 through June 14, 2018 and as the School District Chief of Police effective June 15, 2018, following the retirement of Chief Joe Conners. Mr. Bryson thanked the Board for his appointment. He commended the school district for its forward thinking with respect to safety and security and stated that he looked forward to beginning his position with the school district.

APPROVAL OF LEASE FOR TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT (Berrott/Burchill)

MOTION: By Elias: I move that the Board authorize the acquisition of technology equipment purchases (2018-2019 Technology Lease -Schedule #2) from CDW, as per the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania’s Costars Contract, for a purchase price not to exceed \$611,000 through a lease arrangement with Laurel Capital Corporation with an effective interest rate of 2.95% for a 3-year period at an annual payment not to exceed \$210,000 per year; and,

I move that the Board authorize the acquisition of technology equipment purchases from CDW, Apple, and ePlus (2018-2019 Technology Lease – Schedule #3) as per the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania’s Costars Contract and PEPPM contract, for a purchase price not to exceed \$602,000 through a lease arrangement with Laurel Capital Corporation with an effective rate of 3.15% for a 5-years period at an annual payment not to exceed \$128,000 per year, subject to final approval by the Superintendent and Solicitor, AS ATTACHED TO THE PERMANENT RECORD OF THE MINUTES OF THIS MEETING. Seconded by Gans, and carried on unanimous roll call vote.

Mr. Berrott thanked Mr. Wilson and Dr. Bulazo for their assistance with the the study involving the high school staff and students regarding the iPads and Chromebooks. Dr. Bulazo commended Mr. Berrott and Mr. Wilson on their presentation to the teaching staff and for taking the initiative to involve the students and teachers in the study.

Mrs. Billerbeck commended and thanked everyone involved in the process of the study.

APPROVAL OF LEASE FOR SCHOOL BUSES (Burchill)

MOTION: By Petersen: I move that the Board approve a seven-year lease for the financing of seven (7) replacement school buses with Laurel Capital Corporation (Schedule #4) at a rate of no more than 3.45%, contingent upon final approval by the Superintendent and Solicitor, AS ATTACHED TO THE PERMANENT RECORD OF THE MINUTES OF THIS MEETING. Seconded by Bolas, and carried on unanimous roll call vote.

APPROVAL OF ONE-YEAR EXTENSION WITH ARAMARK FOR FOOD SERVICES (Burchill)

MOTION: By Bolas: I move that the Board authorize the school district to renew the Food Service Contract with Aramark for the 2018-19 school year AS ATTACHED TO THE PERMANENT RECORD OF THE MINUTES OF THIS MEETING. Seconded by Petersen, and carried on majority roll call vote of 7-1. (Mr. Plutko voted nay.)

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved, seconded, and carried on unanimous voice vote that the meeting adjourn at approximately 7:39 p.m.

Amy L. Billerbeck, President
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Scott P. Burchill, Secretary
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Submitted by: Mary Ann L. Stabile
School Board Stenographer

PERSONNEL LISTINGS**DATE: May 7, 2017****Board Meeting****Administrative Staff – Elections**

Name	Location	Assignment	Effective	Salary
Bryson, Sean	High School	Temporary Assistant School District Chief of Police	5-29-18 through 6-14-18	\$59,000 Pro-rated
Bryson, Sean	High School	School District Chief of Police	6-15-18	\$59,000 Pro-rated

Professional Staff – Elections

Name	Location	Assignment	Effective	Salary
Lang, Richard	Boyce	Music Teacher (Long-term Substitute for J. Schetley) retroactively from 1-11-18 through last day of teacher responsibility for the 2017-18 school year	1-11-18	\$49,970 (pro-rated)

Professional Staff – Leave of Absence

Name	Location	Assignment	Type of Leave	Leave Dates
Schetley, Jennifer	Boyce	Music Teacher	Personal Leave	Return to work 8-21-18

Professional Staff – Change of Status (Hire Date)

Name	Location	Assignment	Original Hire Date	Revised Hire Date
Marchionna, Maria	Ft. Couch	1.0 Spanish Teacher (Professional Employee)	To be determined	5-11-18

Professional Staff – Change of Status (Building)

Name	From	To	Effective
Mellinger, Matt	1.0 Phys Ed Teacher Ft. Couch	1.0 Phys Ed Teacher Streams	8-21-18