

**COLUMBIA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION CENTER
THURSDAY, MAY 12, 2016**

President Strickler called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The following board members attended: President Strickler, Miss Hohenadel, Mr. Knighton, Mr. Leader, Mrs. Mattern, Mr. Resch and Mrs. Schwert.

Members not in attendance were Mrs. Anspach and Mr. Lutz.

Others in attendance: Dr. Ken Klawitter and Amy Light.

President Strickler asked for public comment on agenda items. There was no public in attendance.

ACTION ITEMS:

Miss Hohenadel requested motions/discussions on the following finance items:

B.1 Approval of the 2016-2017 Proposed Budget in the amount of \$23,684,565. This budget will be funded by anticipated revenues of \$23,025,117 with the remainder appropriated from available fund balance (estimated to be \$ 659,448 for one-time expenditures, to cover the shortfall in revenues due to extraordinary increases in employer share of retirement, and for budget reserves, if needed.

Motion to approve the above item was made by Mr. Knighton, seconded by Mr. Resch. A roll call vote was taken – Mr. Knighton, Mr. Resch, Miss Hohenadel, Mr. Leader, Mrs. Mattern, Mrs. Schwert and Mr. Strickler voted yes.

Motion passed – 7 yes, 0 no, 2 absent.

B.2 Approval of the proposed Real Estate millage of 29.34 mills for 2016-2017, an increase of 0.58 mills (increase of \$ 0.58 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation of taxable property). This proposed increase is 2 % which is within the Columbia Borough School District approved index of 3.6 %.

Note: This budget is available for public inspection and comment. Final budget and millage rate adoption will occur at the June 16, 2016 Regular Board meeting.

Motion to approve the above item was made by Mrs. Schwert, seconded by Mr. Knighton. A roll call vote was taken – Mrs. Schwert, Mr. Knighton, Miss Hohenadel, Mr. Leader, Mr. Resch and Mr. Strickler voted yes.

Mrs. Mattern voted no.

Motion passed – 6 yes, 1 no, 2 absent.

B.3 Approval of the adoption of tax rates for the 2016-2017 school year:

Earned Income Tax ½ of 1% of earned wages
Act 511 Per Capita Tax \$10.00/resident over 18 as of 7/1
Act 679 Per Capita Tax \$ 5.00/resident over 18 as of 7/1

EMS Tax \$ 5.00/employee of employers located within the Borough (part of total \$52.00 adopted by the Borough)

Motion to approve the above item was made by Mr. Leader, seconded by Mr. Resch.

A roll call vote was taken – Mr. Leader, Mr. Resch, Miss Hohenadel, Mr. Knighton, Mrs. Mattern, Mrs. Schwert and Mr. Strickler voted yes.

Motion passed – 7 yes, 0 no, 2 absent.

B.4 Approval of the appointment of the firm Sager, Swisher and Company as the District Auditor for the performance of the audit year ending June 30, 2016 at a cost not to exceed a fee of \$29,000, with any pre-arranged additional necessary services to be billed at actual hourly rates, as necessary (\$28,200 in 2014-2015).

Motion to approve the above item was made by Mrs. Schwert, seconded by Mr. Knighton.

A roll call vote was taken – Mrs. Schwert, Mr. Knighton, Miss Hohenadel, Mr. Leader, Mrs. Mattern, Mr. Resch and Mr. Strickler voted yes.

Motion passed – 7 yes, 0 no, 2 absent

B.5 Approval of the appointment of the firm Twin Rose Primary Healthcare, a division of the Lancaster General Medical Group, to provide the sports medicine services which includes sports physicals, recertification evaluations, coverage of home football games, medical support of the school trainer; and school medicine services which includes kindergarten, 6th grade and 11th grade school physicals and medical support of the school nurses for 2016-2017 at a flat fee of \$5,900 for all services (\$5,900 since 2008-2009).

Motion to approve the above item was made by Mr. Leader, seconded by Mrs. Mattern.

A roll call vote was taken – Mr. Leader, Mrs. Mattern, Miss Hohenadel, Mr. Knighton, Mr. Resch, Mrs. Schwert and Mr. Strickler voted yes.

Motion passed – 7 yes, 0 no, 2 absent

B.6 Approval of Susquehanna Dental Arts to provide dentistry services at a rate of \$5.00 per exam for the 2016-17 school year. (There is no increase from prior year)

Motion to approve the above item was made by Mrs. Schwert, seconded by Mr. Knighton. A roll call vote was taken – Mrs. Schwert, Mr. Knighton, Miss Hohenadel, Mr. Leader, Mrs. Mattern, Mr. Resch and Mr. Strickler voted yes.

Motion passed – 7 yes, 0 no, 2 absent.

B.7 Approval of the award of the contract for Athletic and Student Accident Insurance for 2016-2017 with ACE American Insurance Company, administered by American Management Advisors, for a total cost to the district of \$ 6,974 (no increase from 2015-2016), and the Voluntary Student Accident Program: School-time coverage \$22.00/yr. or 24-hour coverage \$88.00/yr., with additional options for dental or life insurance (at no cost to the District).

Motion to approve the above item was made by Mr. Leader, seconded by Mrs. Mattern. A roll call vote was taken – Mr. Leader, Mrs. Mattern, Miss Hohenadel, Mr. Knighton, Mr. Resch, Mrs. Schwert and Mr. Strickler voted yes.

Motion passed – 7 yes, 0 no, 2 absent.

B.8 Approval of the 2016-2017 school year Special Education Contract whereby IU 13 will provide special education programs and services as listed on the attached worksheet reflecting a budget estimate total of \$2,760,708.60 (compared to 2015-2016 estimate of \$3,035,241.45).

Motion to approve the above item was made by Mr. Resch, seconded by Mr. Leader. A roll call vote was taken – Mr. Resch, Mr. Leader, Miss Hohenadel, Mr. Knighton, Mrs. Mattern, Mrs. Schwert and Mr. Strickler voted yes.

Motion passed – 7 yes, 0 no, 2 absent.

B.9 Approval of the [2016-2017 Lancaster County Academy Proposed Budget](#) in the amount of \$384,239.

Motion to approve the above item was made by Mrs. Schwert, seconded by Mr. Knighton. A roll call vote was taken – Mrs. Schwert, Mr. Knighton, Miss Hohenadel, Mr. Leader, Mrs. Mattern, Mr. Resch, and Mr. Strickler voted yes.

Motion passed – 7 yes, 0 no, 2 absent.

B.10 Approval of the continuation of the appointment of the following District Depositories for 2016-2017 with the same terms and conditions as 2015-2016, with the understanding that management changes which may improve the efficiencies of the accounts can be made throughout the 2016-2017 year:

- Union Community Bank
- Pennsylvania School District Liquid Asset Fund
- PNC Bank
- Pennsylvania Local Government Investment Trust
- M&T Bank

Motion to approve the above item was made by Mrs. Mattern, seconded by Mrs. Schwert. A roll call vote was taken – Mrs. Mattern, Mrs. Schwert, Miss Hohenadel, Mr. Knighton, Mr. Leader, Mr. Resch, and Mr. Strickler voted yes.

Motion passed – 7 yes, 0 no, 2 absent.

B.11 Approval of the Appointment of Deborah J. Weissner as Board Treasurer, a continuation of the current appointment, through 2016-2017.

Motion to approve the above item was made by Mr. Leader, seconded by Mr. Knighton. A roll call vote was taken – Mr. Leader, Mr. Knighton, Miss Hohenadel, Mrs. Mattern, Mr. Resch, Mrs. Schwert and Mr. Strickler voted yes.

Motion passed – 7 yes, 0 no, 2 absent.

12 Approval of the district membership in the Special Education Legal Consortium. The cost for 2016-17 shall be \$1,087.

Motion to approve the above item was made by Mr. Resch, seconded by Mrs. Mattern. A roll call vote was taken – Mr. Resch, Mrs. Mattern, Miss Hohenadel, Mr. Knighton, Mr. Leader, Mrs. Schwert and Mr. Strickler voted yes.

Motion passed – 7 yes, 0 no, 2 absent.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Board recognizes the value of public comment by residents of the district on educational issues. Each person wishing to address the Board will be limited to five (5) minutes to make their comments. After being recognized by the presiding officer, the speaker must preface their comments by an announcement of their name, address and group affiliation if appropriate.

All comments shall be directed to the presiding officer. The presiding officer may interrupt or terminate a participant's statement when the statement is too lengthy, personally directed, abusive, obscene or irrelevant.

CLOSING

Dr. Klawitter requested two board members to meet with ELANCO as representatives in continued discussions and negotiations regarding a shared leadership agreement with ELANCO for the 2016/2017 school year.

Vickie Anspach and Kathy Hohenadel will represent the CBSD.

President Tom Strickler recused himself from any discussions regarding ELANCO shared Leadership agreement because of his intent to apply for the Administrative position at CBSD.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Light
Board Secretary

Transcribed and prepared by Deborah Burke