1.0 CALLED TO ORDER
The regular business meeting of the Dallastown Area School Board convened in the High School Theater Room on Thursday, February 9, 2017. Ronald J. Blevins, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m. He announced the prior Executive Session to discuss personnel matters and litigation related to tax assessments appeals.

2.0 ATTENDEES
Board Members: Steven C. Bentzel, Ronald J. Blevins, John E. Hartman, Sue A. Heistand, William A. Lytle, Dr. Thomas J. Nicholson, Michael D. Noll, Jr. and Hilary S. Trout
Absent Board Member: Kenneth (“Butch”) A. Potter, Jr.
Solicitor: Attorney Jeff Rehmeyer
Student Representative: Maggie Lytle
Administrators: Dr. Greg Anderson, Marcus Bouchillon, Dr. Susan Brousseau, Jim Dierolf, Dr. Joshua Doll, Keith Downs, Dr. Kevin Duckworth, Dr. Ronald Dyer, Dr. Stephanie Ferree, Troy Fisher, Zach Fletcher, Dr. Erin Heffler, Amy Kostoff, Chris Martin, Chip Patterson, Dr. Wayne Senft and Tom Stauffer.
Other Dallastown Area School District Staff/Citizens/Guests/Presenters: Attendance sheet attached/filed. (Click Here)
News Media: York Daily Record – Emmalyne Rosser York Dispatch – N/A

3.0 APPROVAL OF BOARD AGENDA (copy filed)
Mrs. Heistand moved and Mr. Bentzel seconded approval of the Agenda as is.

By voice vote…
Ayes: Steven C. Bentzel, Ronald J. Blevins, John E. Hartman, Sue A. Heistand, William A. Lytle, Dr. Thomas J. Nicholson, Michael D. Noll, Jr. and Hilary S. Trout

4.0 SPECIAL PRESENTATION(S): There were none.

5.0 COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC – There were none.

6.0 SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT – Dr. Dyer acknowledged the scout in attendance by sharing the history of public education and introducing those at the front tables. He then highlighted these district happenings:

6.1 Annual Report (copy filed) (Click Here) – This contains facts and figures for 2016.
6.2 Enrollment Update – There’s been a slight increase from 6,247 to 6,255 students.
6.3 February 9th Meeting with Senator Scott Wagner and Representative Kristin Phillips-Hill
6.4 Upcoming School Events: (District Calendar)
   6.4.1 February 9th-11th – Middle School Musical
   6.4.2 February 14th – High School Dinner Theater, 6:00 p.m. in the Cafeteria
6.5 District Schedule: (Calendar-at-a-Glance)
   6.5.1 Thursday, February 16th - No School / Full Day In-Service (possible make-up day)
   6.5.2 Friday, February 17th – Holiday / Schools are Closed (possible in-service make-up day)
   6.5.3 Monday, February 20th – Holiday / School are Closed

7.0 CONSENT ITEM(S): (copies filed)
7.1 Approval of January 12 and 19, 2016 Board Minutes (01-12-17) (01-19-17)
7.2 Treasurer’s Report 1-31-17 (Click Here)
   7.2.1 Expenditures Report 1-31-17 (Click Here)
   7.2.2 Revenue Report 1-31-17 (Click Here)
7.3 Final AP Check Register: December/January (List of Bills) (Details)
   7.3.1 General Fund – Ck. 68760 to Ck. 68997 $ 1,622,272.54
   7.3.2 Cafeteria – Ck. 3109 to Ck. 3156 $ 262,838.79
   7.3.3 Payroll – $ 1,308,373.10
7.4 Personnel Report (FINAL)
7.5 Rental Requests (Click Here)
7.6 Student Activity Accounts 12-31-16: (High School) and (Middle School)
7.7 Administration’s recommendation for the expulsion of one student
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Mr. Fisher shared the additions to the Personnel Report since Friday’s distribution: one new hire, two FMLA requests, five substitutes and five volunteers.

Mrs. Heistand moved and Mr. Hartman seconded approval of Item 7.0, the Consent Items.

By roll call vote…
Ayes: Steven C. Bentzel, Ronald J. Blevins, John E. Hartman, Sue A. Heistand, William A. Lytle, Dr. Thomas J. Nicholson, Michael D. Noll, Jr. and Hilary S. Trout

8.0 ACTION ITEM(S):

8.1 As presented January 19, 2017, Approval of the 2017-18 New Course Proposal for the High School: YCAL Pre-Apprenticeship Program (copy filed) (PowerPoint) (Form)

There were no questions for Dr. Ferree.

Mrs. Trout moved and Mrs. Heistand seconded approval of Action Item 8.1, the YCAL Pre-apprenticeship Program.

By roll call vote…
Ayes: Steven C. Bentzel, Ronald J. Blevins, John E. Hartman, Sue A. Heistand, William A. Lytle, Dr. Thomas J. Nicholson, Michael D. Noll, Jr. and Hilary S. Trout

9.0 INFORMATION ITEMS:

9.1 Report from Student Representative – Miss Lytle recapped the successful Snowcoming Dance with the student DJ and baked goods made by the students. Mr. DHS will be held on February 24th. This week, students received their scheduling papers and are being offered AP informational sessions and updates on new courses. For the March 3rd mini-THON, they’ve raised $13,879 of their $60,000 goal and have 197 participants to date. She wished success for the Competitive Cheerleading and JROTC competitions this week.

9.2 Proposed 2017-18 Board of Education Meeting Dates (Click Here) – Dr. Dyer noted the sensitivity to holidays, considering Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur in the month of September. Mr. Noll suggested meetings on alternating weeks. Mr. Blevins also suggested a discussion on the meeting structure. Mr. Lytle asked the board members to avoid the YCST Joint Operating Committee meeting dates (usually the last Thursday of each month). The decision was made to discuss this topic at the February 27th Team of 10 Retreat/Workshop.
(This will be moved to an Action Item on 3/9.)

9.3 Capital Improvements Committee Recommendation through the Finance Committee to approve the replacement of elementary and intermediate school Network Switches at an estimated net cost of $208,100.30, which is $383,100.30 initial cost less anticipated reimbursement of eRate funds of $175,000.00. The vendor awarded the bid for the Network Switching equipment is Comm Solutions Company (copy filed) (Click Here) – Mr. Noll noted the importance of maintaining an infrastructure for the 1:1 Initiative which would include the switches that are coming to the end of their life. The availability of the e-Rate reimbursements will help us offset costs over time. Mr. Blevins pointed out that Ms. Devlin is also looking into using the district’s Line of Credit for this purchase. (This will be an Action Item on 2/16.)

9.4 Team of 10 Workshop held January 30th – Mr. Blevins reported that the session was devoted to strategies for the potential financing of the Loganville-Springfield E.S. expenditures and other capital projects. They made good progress so that Mr. Noll and Mr. Lytle can move forward with the committee work on those initiatives.

9.5 Dallastown Area Educational Foundation Report: 2/8 Meeting (Click Here) – Mr. Hartman highlighted the Sweetheart Dance which had over 1,200 attendees. He also praised Chartwells on behalf of the Foundation and noted that four young ladies shared their experiences. As for the DFSC scholarship program, there were 123 student applicants who met the recent deadline. The alumni database has also been a topic of discussion. Their next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 8th at 7:00 a.m.

9.6 Finance Committee Report: 1/23 and 2/6 Meetings (copy filed) (Click Here) – Mr. Hartman highlighted the budget discussion in January which was specific to projected needs for staffing, capital projects, and the HVAC system on the secondary campus; the latter will be deferred to the Capital Improvements Committee. Recently they discussed the mid-year update on health care costs and more about staffing. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 20th, at 6:00 p.m.
9.7 Community Outreach Committee Report: 2/6 Meeting (copy filed) ([Click Here]) – Mrs. Trout noted discussion of these talking points for the meeting with Senator Wagner and Representative Phillips-Hill: mandated costs and restrictions impacting the district. The only other committee topic was the selection of the Honorary Diploma Recipient, for which there is no obvious candidate.

9.8 PSBA Liaison Report ([2/3 Legislative Report] [2/7 Special Report]) – Mr. Bentzel commented on the Governor’s recent budget proposal for education funding and called attention to this legislation passed by the Senate: SB227 changes deadlines for the renewal of superintendent and assistant superintendent contracts; SB229 removes provisions for mandated sick and bereavement leave benefits, alternate payment plans and sabbatical leave making them subject to collective bargaining negotiations; SB166 deals with the collection of union dues and paycheck redemption; and, SB167 is a constitutional amendment to align with SB166. The House Education Committee has referred HB73 to the House Tourism and Recreational Development Committee; the legislation is proposed each year to require schools to open after Labor Day. Mr. Blevins commented on the district’s budget approach to assume level state funding regardless of the Governor’s initial proposal.

9.9 York Adams Tax Bureau Report: 1/30 Meeting ([Click Here] [York Co TCC Minutes]) – Mr. Bentzel’s wife attended in his absence. He highlighted the following from the Tax Collection Committee meeting: the Bylaws amendment to reduce membership numbers for a quorum; the 2% Collection Fee for 2018; and, the Articles of Agreement update. He also noted his service on the Management Committee. For the Bureau report, he announced his appointment to the Nominating Committee. The Bureau also passed a resolution on the destruction of records.

9.10 York Adams Academy Report: 1/24 Graduation & 1/31 Meeting ([Click Here]) – Mrs. Heistand and Dr. Dyer attended the graduation of 74 YAA students with the highest attendance of school district administrators. Of the four graduates from Dallastown, one was a student speaker. Mrs. Heistand also provided an update on the homeless student, the student of the month, enrollment, and the 2015-16 Audit, and clarified that districts cannot trade seats.

9.10.1 York Adams Academy 2017-18 General Operating Budget ([Click Here]) and Maintaining Full-time Membership, 12 seats at $4,100/seat (same as last year) – Mrs. Heistand noted there is no increase in the per-seat cost because of a retirement not being replaced and one district purchasing three more seats. *(This will be an Action Item on 2/16.)*

9.11 York/LIU Joint Authority Report: 1/25 Meeting ([Click Here]) – Mrs. Heistand called attention to the clean audit; the reduction in fund balance due to the lighting project; the transfer from the operation account to the capital account; the building report; and the director’s report on the student craft fair, the new weekly newsletter developed to highlight staff and students, and keynote speakers at superintendents’ meetings.

9.12 York County School of Technology JOC Report: 1/26 Meeting ([Click Here]) – Mr. Lytle noted the Reorganization Meeting was preceded by the traditional student dinner. Of 14 districts, only one representative is changing and 11 have passed the YCST 2017-18 budget to date. He’ll be chairman another year and they’ll hold four workshops on transportation, marketing, programs, and the role of extra-curricular activities.

10.0 CALENDAR OF BOARD EVENTS: *(They are open to the public and located at 700 New School Lane, Dallastown, PA 17313, unless noted otherwise.)*

10.1 Board Meeting – Thursday, February 16, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. in the High School Theater Room

10.2 Board Workshop: Team of 10 Retreat - Monday, February 27, 2017, 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Administration Building

11.0 CONFERENCE REQUESTS (copy filed) ([Click Here])

12.0 BOARD COMMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE – Mr. Lytle witnessed the liveliness of the students in Mama’s Pizza prior to the father-daughter dance. Mr. Hartman thanked the full board for input into today’s successful meeting with legislators.

13.0 COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC – There were none.

14.0 ADJOURNMENT - The meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa M. Kirby,
Dallastown Area School Board Secretary