

**Keystone School District
Knox, Pennsylvania
Work Session
April 16, 2007**

OPENING / ATTENDANCE

Mr. John R. Slagle, President of the Keystone School District Board of Directors, called the Work Session to order on Monday, April 16, 2007 at 7 P.M. The Meeting was held in the Keystone Elementary School Library, 451 Huston Avenue, Knox, Pennsylvania. The following Board Members were in attendance: Mr. Gregory A. Barrett, Mr. James A. Beary, Ms. Terri K. Kahle, Mr. Thomas L. McCoy, Mr. John R. Slagle, Mrs. Marilyn Stempeck and Mr. Kenneth L. Swartfager. Mr. R. Jeffrey Kline and Mr. William L. Shaner were absent. Also present were Mr. Jack Bish, Jr., Mrs. Shawn Corcetti, Dr. Jean Atkin Gool, Mr. Vernon Lauffer, Mr. Jonathan Maddy, Mr. Rodney Sherman, Mrs. Angie Snowberger and Mr. Ed Williams.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Mr. Slagle made an introduction of guests.
- Mr. Slagle stated that an Executive Session would be held tonight to discuss Personnel.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Mr. Rodney Sherman addressed the Board regarding the continuation of the School Resource Officer. He stated that as a parent and taxpayer he was in favor of the School Resource Officer, and he would like the Board to strongly consider continuing with this position.
- Mr. Jack Bish, Jr., also addressed the Board requesting the School Resource Office be continued into the next year citing examples of the benefits of this position to the School and the Community.
- Angie Snowberger reported that this would be the last year that she would be working at Keystone School District. She said she has accepted a new position, with regret. Upon closing, she invited the Board to still contact her if they have any questions.

REPORTS

- **Superintendent--Dr. Gool:**
 - Dr. Gool outlined the 2007 Summer School Program. She requested \$1,950 from the Contingency Fund to support snacks for Kindergarten students and the salaries for Teacher/Aides. *After Board discussion, Mr. Slagle stated this Item is on the Agenda for tonight's Business Meeting.*

REPORTS (Continued)

□ **Superintendent (Continued):**

- Dr. Gool requested the Board to transfer \$7,000 from Tuition to Contingency Fund due to the fact that we have incurred savings in this line due to decreased Cyber attendance. The initial \$7,000 for Keystone Cyber School was taken from the Contingency Fund. *After Board discussion, Mr. Slagle stated this Item is on the Agenda for tonight's Business Meeting.*
- In addition, Mr. Barrett stated that the infield mix approved last month was intended to be purchased from Capital Reserve and not from the Contingency Fund. *After Board discussion, Mr. Slagle stated this Item is on the Agenda for tonight's Business Meeting.*
- Dr. Gool said the Tech Expo would be held at Keystone High School on May 2. She invited the Board Members to stop by and review and participate in the Program.
- She said the Arts Grant is moving forward by partnering with a local artist.
- Dr. Gool would like to set up a Policy Committee Meeting after tonight's Meeting.

□ **Elementary--Mrs. Corcetti:**

Mrs. Corcetti addressed:

- The Fifth Grade Science Fair.
- The School Health Council Meeting and Program.

□ **High School--Mr. Maddy:**

Mr. Maddy reported on:

- The Musical--"Fiddler on the Roof".
- The Cheerleaders are back from Virginia Beach. They took 2nd Place in the Advanced Varsity bracket. They thanked the Board for the opportunity.
- The 8th Grade PA History Night was held on April 11.
- The Master Schedule has been built, and Seniors inputted.
- Mike McCoy, a motivational speaker and former Green Bay Packer, presented a program on April 10.
- Steve McCoy was the representative at the PMEA State Band Festival.
- District Attorney, Mark Aaron, presented a Drug Awareness Program to 7th and 8th Graders.
- The School Resource Officer will present a Mock Accident the week before the Prom.
- Classrooms for the Future Grant to reform teaching in Grades 9-12.
- Mr. Maddy presented a Technology Power Point.

Mr. Kline arrived at 7:15 P.M.

Mr. Shaner arrived at 7:25 P.M.

REPORTS (Continued)

□ **Buildings & Grounds--Mr. Williams:**

Mr. Williams reported:

- Thanked the Board for the new bells, clocks, truck and tractor.
- Cleaned air handlers in the Elementary.
- High School floor tiles.
- Concrete pad to Fitness Building.
- Preparing the Softball and Baseball Fields.
- Scoreboards are operating properly.
- Cleaning up yards.
- Seeding of the Football Field.
- Requested two individuals to help with Summer work as in past years.

DIALOGUE ITEMS

- Dr. Gool requested Board approval for the Revised 2007-08 School Calendar. *Mr. Slagle stated this Item is on the Agenda for tonight's Business Meeting.*
- Mr. McCoy requested the Board and Administration to consider an early dismissal on the last day of school--possibly a half-day. Dr. Gool will research and present next month.
- ***Dorothy Flick's Retirement--Mr. Slagle stated this Item is on the Agenda for tonight's Business Meeting.***
- ***Russell Lander, Custodial Substitute List--Mr. Slagle stated this Item is on the Agenda for tonight's Business Meeting.***
- *Mr. Slagle stated the following Policy 2nd Readings are on the Agenda for tonight's Business Meeting:*
 - ***Policy #208: Withdrawal from School***
 - ***Policy #209: Health Examinations***
 - ***Policy #210: Use of Medications***
 - ***Policy #216: Student Records***
 - ***Policy #217: Graduation Requirements***
- Mr. Lauffer presented information on the cost of the Natural Gas Commodity from January 8, 2007 to the present. He requested the Board to consider the purchase of the broker and basis transportation at this time. Therefore, when the decision is made to purchase the commodity, the process can happen quickly. *After Board discussion, Mr. Slagle stated this Item is on the Agenda for tonight's Business Meeting.*

DIALOGUE ITEMS (Continued)

- Mr. Barrett said that Buildings & Grounds is recommending to sell their old Case tractor, plow, bucket, mower and tire chains. *Mr. Slagle stated this Item is on the Agenda for tonight's Business Meeting.*
- Mr. Lauffer reviewed the Bids Received for the Custodial Maintenance Supplies, General & Art Supplies and the Projector. Board discussion ensued with the cost for urea--which seemed high. *Mr. Slagle stated this Item is on the Agenda for tonight's Business Meeting.*
- Mr. Lauffer updated quotes received for a spray-on bed lining for the new pick up. *Mr. Slagle stated this Item is on the Agenda for tonight's Business Meeting.*
- Mr. Lauffer reviewed the Budget Binders for 2007-08 located at the workstations.
- Mr. Lauffer reported that the process to institute Installment Real Estate Tax Payments is almost complete. The Clarion County School Districts have been working in unison with the County Assessor's Office to facilitate a smooth transition for approved Homestead/Farmstead applicants. Mr. Lauffer also stated the he and Dr. Gool will be conducting an Act 1 Referendum Question Presentation on April 26 at 7:30 P.M. at the Shipperville/Elk Fire Hall.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the Meeting was adjourned at 8:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Vernon F. Lauffer
Board Secretary