

COATESVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Coatesville Area Senior High School Auditorium
April 20, 2017 - 5:00 pm

OPENING ACTIVITIES

1. CALL TO ORDER AT 5:05 P.M.

2. PURPOSE OF MEETING

The purpose of the meeting is to comply with section 1122-A(c) of Act 88 of 1992 which provides for publication of the findings of fact and recommendations of appointed fact-finders if one or both of the parties reject(s) the report within ten (10) days of its issuance, and to comply with Section 1122-A(d) of Act 88 of 1992 which provides that not less than five (5) days nor more than ten (10) days after the publication of the findings of fact and recommendations, the parties shall again inform the Board and each other whether they accept the findings of the fact-finder.

3. READING OF MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of the Coatesville Area School District, rich in diversity and committed to excellence, is to create innovative educational experiences which are funded by the taxpayers, supported by the community, delivered by dedicated teachers and administrators, to ensure all students will become responsible, contributing global citizens.

4. ADVISEMENT

By notice of the President, Board Members are advised that all votes shall be regarded as roll call votes. The minutes should also note that public notice was given for this meeting in accordance with Act 93 of 1998, Section 1. School Board meetings shall proceed in accordance with School Board policy.

5. ROLL CALL

Board of School Directors

Dean A. Snyder, President - <i>present</i>	(Operations Committee)
Ann M. Wuertz, Vice President - <i>present</i>	(Education & Policy Committees)
Stuart C. N. Deets - <i>present</i>	(Finance Committee)
Brenda L. Geist - <i>present</i>	(Operations Committee)
Bashera Grove – <i>arrived at 5:10</i>	(Policy Committee)
James Hills - <i>present</i>	(Education & Finance Committees)
Laurie C. Knecht - <i>present</i>	(Operations Committee)
Thomas Siedenbuehl - <i>present</i>	(Finance & Policy Committees)
Deborah L. Thompson - <i>present</i>	(Education Committee)

Administration

Dr. Cathy Taschner, Superintendent of Schools - *present*
Dr. Kimberly R. Donahue, Assistant to the Superintendent of Curriculum and Learning - *present*
Ronald G. Kabonick, Director of Business Administration and School Board Secretary - *present*
Dr. Siobhan Leavy, Director of Pupil Services - *present*
Jason Palaia, Director of Elementary and Secondary Education - *present*

General Counsel

Judy Shopp, Esquire - *absent*

6. MOMENT OF SILENCE AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG

ADDITIONS, DELETIONS OR MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

The Board has requested all persons making comments on **agenda items** to list their name, address, telephone number and motion item(s) on the sheet provided. There is a three (3) minute limit per person. The Board does not take action or discuss items not appearing on the agenda. The Board values public comments and wishes to convey that although Board members cannot discuss items that are not on the agenda, they listen carefully and appreciate and value input from the public.

MOTION ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

Committee meeting action items considered routine will be enacted under one motion unless removed for separate action upon Board request. The purpose of the consolidated motion is to expedite Governing Board action on all consent items, which are not held for discussion. Items that have been held for discussion by the Governing Board will be enacted upon at the time the item is discussed.

A. Fact Finder's Report

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of School Directors accept the fact finder's recommendations for the CATA contract negotiations, as presented.

Motion: Deborah Thompson

Second: Laurie Knecht

Vote: 8-0-0

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Board has requested that all persons making comments of public concern to list their name, address, telephone number and topic(s) on the sheet provided. There is a three (3) minute time limit per person.

1) Diane Brownfield – asked if the fact finder's report will be available for public inspection.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Mrs. Knecht and Ms. Thompson expressed their views and their outlook concerning the CATA contract negotiations.

ADJOURNMENT

This meeting was adjourned at 5:16 p.m. on a motion by Laurie Knecht and seconded by Brenda Geist.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Jackson, Recording Secretary

Ronald G. Kabonick, School Board Secretary

Anyone wishing to review the minutes verbatim should contact the School Board Secretary to request a copy of the digital/audio file or you may visit our website to view the video of this meeting.