**Union Area School District**

New Castle, Pennsylvania

Public Board Meeting Re-Organization Minutes

Union Area Board of School Directors

The Union Area Board of School Directors met in public session on April 20, 2022 in the Middle/High School Library for a Regular Meeting. The following persons were in attendance:

**Board Members: Administrators:**

Dr. Michael Hink Dr. Michael Ross, Superintendent

Mr. John Pacella Dr. Scott, O’Donnell, Curriculum Director

Ms. Debra Allebach Mr. Rob Nogay, MS/HS Principal

Mr. John Bertolino Ms. Linda O’Neill, Elementary Principal

Ms. Elizabeth A. Sylvester Ms. Samantha Laverty, Business Mgr. /Board Sec

Ms. Roxanne Exposito

Ms. Valerie Pavelko

Mr. Arin Biondi

Mr. Robert Mrozek **Media:** N/A

**Solicitor**: Gary Jones, Esq.

**Board Not Present:** 0 **Public:** Stacy Robinson

**Call to Order**

Hink called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Hink requested those in attendance to join in the salute to the flag at 7:00 P.M.

**Executive Session Announcement**

Hink announced that the Union Area School Board met in executive session at 6:30 PM to contract language, personnel for the purpose of hiring and resignations.

**Public Comment on Agenda Items (7:00 PM)**

Hink called for public comment. There was none.

**Pride & Promise Award (7:01 PM)**

Dr. Ross presented the pride and promise award to Mr. Stacy Robinson for his dedication, success, and loyalty to the Union Area School District as Head Varsity Football Coach and Athletic Director.

**Informational Items (7:06 PM)**

1. School District Building Improvement Update– Dr. Ross explained the parking lots and paving project and some possibilities. He further discussed upcoming summer projects and timelines.

**Operations 7:25 PM**

Allebach moved to approve the following consent operational agenda items as listed:

* 1. Approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on March 22, 2022 as presented.
  2. Approve the March 2022 Financial & Treasurer’s Report as presented.
  3. Approve the Purchase Order List from March 19, 2022 through April 14, 2022 in the amount of $27,876.68.
  4. Approve the checklist from March 23, 2022 through April 20, 2022 in the amount of $287,452.18.
  5. Approve the March 31, 2022 High School Financials Reports for the Athletic Fund, Letterman’s Fund, and Student Activities as presented.
  6. Approve the Cafeteria Invoice dated April 12, 2022 in the amount of $40,638.45.

Exposito seconded (9 yes). The motion carried.

Sylvester moved to adopt the McGraw Hill-World History and Geography textbooks as presented. Exposito seconded (9 yes). The motion carried.

Pacella moved to approve the public display of Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Math for 6th through 8th grade (Copyright 2020). Exposito seconded (9 yes). The motion carried.

Exposito moved to approve Taylor Engineering at a cost not to exceed $24,000 to prepare and manage the District Paving Project, effective April 20, 2022. Biondi seconded (9 yes). The motion carried.

**Personnel 7:29 PM**

Exposito moved to approve the time off without pay request made by Ms. Andrea Pagley, starting April 26, 2022 through May 2, 2022 as presented. Pacella seconded (9 yes). The motion carried.

Sylvester moved to accept the resignation of Mrs. Laurie McCullough from Paraprofessional effective June 2, 2022. Pacella seconded (9 yes). The motion carried.

Sylvester moved to accept the resignation of Ms. Shawna Casiato from Paraprofessional, effective April 8, 2022. Mrozek seconded (9 yes). The motion carried.

Exposito moved to accept the resignation of Ms. Nancy Forletta from Paraprofessional, effective June 3, 2022. Sylvester seconded (9 yes). The motion carried.

Exposito moved to place Ms. Lynn Glidden on the substitute custodian list for the 2021-22 school year, pending receipt of all proper paperwork. Sylvester seconded (9 yes). The motion carried.

Pacella moved to place Mr. Timothy Mulik on the 2021-22 substitute bus driver list, effective April 20, 2022, pending receipt of all proper paperwork. Sylvester seconded (9 yes). The motion carried.

Exposito moved to approve the Separation Agreement for the Buildings and Grounds Supervisor as presented. Sylvester seconded (8 yes, 1 No- Bertolino). The motion carried.

Pacella moved to table agenda item# 8 Hire Biology Teacher. Exposito seconded (9 yes). The motion carried.

Biondi moved to hire Mr. Kim Niedbala as Head Varsity Football Coach at a stipend of $7,915, effective July 1, 2022, pending receipt of all proper paperwork. Exposito seconded (8 yes, 1 No- Bertolino due to the process of interviews).

Exposito moved to hire Mr. Kim Niedbala as Athletic Director at a salary of $25,576, effective July 1, 2022, pending receipt of all proper paperwork. Biondi seconded (8 yes, 1 No – Bertolino due to the process of interviews).

**New Business (7:32 PM)**

There was no new business brought before the Board.

**Adjourn**

Exposito moved to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Union Area School Board at 7:32 PM. Sylvester seconded (9 yes). The motion carried.

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Samantha Laverty, Board Secretary