

The Board of School Directors of the Ephrata Area School District, Ephrata PA, met in Special session on Monday, August 9, 2021 at 7:00 PM in the Middle School Media Center as advertised on August 2, 2021 in *LNP*.

Board Members Present: **President** Richard Gehman, **Vice-President** Chris Weber, **Members:** Judy Beiler, Trisha Good, Glenn Martin, Tim Stauffer, Timothy W. Stayer, and David Wissler; **Superintendent (non-voting)** Dr. Brian Troop; **Treasurer (non-voting)** Kristee Reichard; and **Secretary (non-voting)** Stephanie Gingrich

Board Members Absent: Philip Eby

School District Representatives Present: Dr. Jacy Clugston Hess, Dr. Richard Hornberger, and Sarah McBee

Media Present: Sara Melissa Frost, Ephrata Review

Visitors Present: Glen Beiler, Lisa and Mark Drury, Melissa Ellis, Steve Heffner, Meg Hummel, Leann Hurst, Amanda Hyatt, Adriane and Janelle Kapp, Angie and Serge Lehman, Bebe and Mike Miller, Kory Musser, Andrew and Megan Nolt, Mike Oberholtzer, Amy Pfautz, Karen and Kevin Sweigart, Amanda Witmer, and Michael Zimmerman

CALL TO ORDER BY BOARD PRESIDENT

President Gehman called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

MOMENT OF SILENCE, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, AND MISSION STATEMENT

President Gehman asked for a moment of silent meditation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the recitation the District Mission Statement.

WELCOME AND COMMENTS/QUESTIONS FROM VISITORS

President Gehman welcomed visitors to the meeting. He opened the meeting to questions or comments from visitors for any item on the agenda except personnel items that are never discussed at public meetings.

- Mike Miller addressed the Board about the Health and Safety Plan and ESSER funds.

SUPERINTENDENT PRESENTATION

Dr. Troop provided a presentation regarding the Health and Safety Plan.

CORRECTION

President Gehman announced a correction to the draft of the June 14, 2021 School Board minutes.

SECTION 2 – GENERAL BOARD ACTION ITEMS

Motion

It was moved by Mr. Stayer, seconded by Mr. Weber, that the Ephrata Area Board of School Directors approve all of the items set forth below.

Roll call vote -- all members present voting yes. Motion approved - 8 Yes, 0 No.

I. SECRETARY REPORT – STEPHANIE A. GINGRICH

A. Meeting Minutes

Minutes from the June 14, 2021 School Board Meeting

II. PUBLIC AFFAIRS & PLANNING

A. Updated 2021-2022 Health and Safety Plan (Attachment #1)

SECTION 2 – MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS & ADJOURNMENT

I. COMMENTS/QUESTIONS FROM VISITORS

- Steve Heffner addressed the Board about considering a fair funding lawsuit resolution.
- Melissa Ellis addressed the Board about Health and Safety Plan revisions.
- Lisa Drury addressed the Board about online instruction.

II. OLD BUSINESS

- None

III. NEW BUSINESS

- None

IV. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephanie A. Gingrich, Secretary
Ephrata Area Board of School Directors