

Big Spring School District Newville, Pennsylvania Board Meeting Minutes February 7, 2022

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1. Opening Meeting

Call to Order (President Swanson)

The Board of School Directors for the Big Spring School District met in the Big Spring Middle School Auditorium at 8:00 pm with eight (8) Board of School Directors present: William Swanson, President; Todd Deihl, Vice President; William Piper, Secretary; Alexis Hurley, Treasurer; Kenneth Fisher, Frank Myers, Richard Roush, and John Wardle.

Absent: Robert Over (Mr. Piper participated virtually)

Others in attendance: Kevin C. Roberts, Jr., Superintendent; Bill August, Assistant Superintendent; Nicole Donato, Director of Curriculum & Instruction; Donna Minnich, Board Minutes; Rob Krepps, Director of Technology; and Darrin Baughman, Technology Support.

2. Pledge to the Flag

President Swanson led all individuals present in the Pledge to the Flag.

3. Approval of Minutes

Approval of the January 10, 2022 Regular Board Meeting Minutes, the January 10, 2022 Building and Property Committee Meeting Minutes, and the January 10, 2022 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes.

Motion by Mr. Deihl was seconded by Mr. Wardle Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Swanson, Deihl, Piper, Hurley, Fisher, Myers, Wardle, and Roush Motion Carried unanimously. 8-0

4. Student/Staff Recognition and Board Reports – No report

5. Financial Reports

5.a. Payments of Bills

General Fund	
Procurement Card	\$ 17,430.32
Checks/ACH/Wires	\$ 3,567,680.03
Capital Projects Reserve Fund	\$ 24,560.72
Cafeteria Fund	\$ 110,867.32
Student Activities	\$ 27,489.30
Total	\$ 3,748,027.69

Motion to approve the Payments of Bills as presented by Mrs. Hurley was seconded by Mr. Deihl. Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Swanson, Deihl, Piper, Hurley, Fisher, Myers, Wardle, and Roush Motion Carried unanimously. 8-0

- 6. Reading of Correspondence Nothing Offered
- 7. Recognition of Visitors 16 visitors were in attendance.

8. Public Comment Period

Mr. Swanson reviewed the Public Comment Policy and polled the Board to verify support of the Public Participation in Board Meetings Policy previously adopted by the Board on April 22, 2013.

Mr. Wardle – Yes

Mr. Fisher – No, stated an objection to the no placards or banners permitted within the meeting room. Mr. Fisher made a motion to change that section of the policy which failed for a lack of a second.

Mr. Deihl – Yes

Mr. Roush – Yes

Mr. Myers – Yes

Mrs. Hurley – Yes

Mr. Piper – Yes

Public Comment Period (continued)

Tony Wiser – Offered comments regarding the 2.5% threshold of the masking policy of the Health and Safety Plan.

Kathy Livengood – Offered comments regarding the masking policy of the Health and Safety Plan.

Jessica Kreiger – Offered comments regarding the history of public schools and the Health and Safety Plan, read scripture, and offered a prayer.

Chuch Burns – Offered comments regarding the masking policy of the Health and Safety Plan and the cost to children.

Laura Mackey – Offered comments regarding School Board Policy and the masking policy of the Health and Safety Plan.

Charlotte McDonald – Offered comments regarding the masking policy of the Health and Safety Plan.

Lawrence Flynn – Offered comments regarding freedoms and the masking policy of the Health and Safety Plan.

Mr. Swanson declared the Meeting in Recess for 15 minutes at 8:36 pm

Mr. Swanson called the Meeting back to Order at 8:50 pm

Arlene Reinford – Offered comments regarding the constitution and protecting rights.

Mr. Swanson stated the Board met in Executive Session prior to the Board Meeting for the purpose of discussing legal matters.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Mr. Deihl was seconded by Mr. Roush and a roll call vote demonstrated all were in favor of adjourning the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:52 pm, Monday, February 7, 2022.

Next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, February 22, 2022.

William L. Piper