

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

The December 19, 2006 meeting of the Alexandria Township Board of Education was called to order by President Susan F. Luthringer at 7:32 PM.

II. NOTIFICATION OF MEETING

This meeting was properly advertised according to the Open Public Meeting Act (P.L. 1975:31) in the Delaware Valley News on May 4, 2006, to begin at 7:30 PM.

III. ROLL CALL

Kathleen Finnegan - A(7:35PM)
Francis L. Guenther - P
Beth Harding - P
Bernice M. Keizer - P
Diane Y. Kelly - A

Douglas E. Linden, Jr. - P
Susan F. Luthringer - P
Patrick D. McGuinness - P
Susan E. Metz - P

IV. BOARD STATEMENT

The Alexandria Township Board of Education is committed to provide an educational climate where all children can and do learn.

V. FLAG SALUTE

VI. CORRESPONDENCE

VII. BOARD PRESIDENT

Presentation of plaque to Richard D. Smith, Jr., as recipient of the Educational Support Person of the Year for the State of New Jersey.

VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Sandra Kacedon gave an update on the Lester D. Wilson School's activities. David Pawlowski gave an update on the Alexandria Middle School's activities.

IX. SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/BD SECRETARY'S REPORT

Ms. Barbara E. Prowker, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, reported the following:

1. 2007-08 Budget preparation underway

2. Informational: 2004-05 Per Pupil Costs-Tuition

Preschool/K	\$ 7,110
Grades 1-5	9,364
Grades 6-8	8,695
Multiple Disability	14,798

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Beth Harding - Food
Patrick McGuinness - Buildings and Grounds
Patrick McGuinness - Technology

XI. PUBLIC INPUT

XII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Honoring Arthur Pfefferle

Suggestions for consideration:

- a. renaming the Alexandria Middle School
- b. naming the Alexandria Middle School new gym
- c. naming the Alexandria Middle School athletic fields
- d. etc.

The Board will continue discussion on the appropriate manner to honor and recognize Arthur Pfefferle's contributions for the students of Alexandria Township over his 27 years as a Board Member.

XIII. NEW BUSINESS

XIV. MOTIONS

Personnel

1. Motion made by Mrs. Harding, seconded by Mr. Linden, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Board accept, with best wishes, the letter of retirement submitted by Frank L. Shoudt, effective June 30, 2007.

Roll Call Vote: YES: All Present

Workshops

2. Motion made by Mr. McGuinness, seconded by Mrs. Harding, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the following workshops:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Workshop</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Carney Deary	Kids Financial Sense	1/16/07	\$ 25 Each
Kenny	Guided Writing, Interactive Writing and Independent Writing	1/17/07	185
Fichner	LoTi Mentor Certification	5/21- 5/23/07	650

Roll Call Vote: YES: All Present

Trips

3. Motion made by Mrs. Metz, seconded by Mr. McGuinness, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the following trips:

<u>Grade Band</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Destination</u>
Band	3/29/07	Delaware Valley Regional High School
7	5/02/07	New York City Theatre District
Band & Chorus	6/01/07	Kutztown University; Fleetwood High School; Dorney Park
6	6//08/07	University of Pennsylvania Museum

Roll Call Vote: YES: All Present

Approval of Minutes

4. Motion made by Mrs. Finnegan, seconded by Mr. McGuinness, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the Minutes of the November 28, 2006 meeting as submitted.

Roll Call Vote: YES: All Present

Finance

5. Motion made by Mrs. Finnegan, seconded by Mr. McGuinness, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the transfers for the month ending November 30, 2006, as submitted by the Superintendent, as authorized by N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8.1.

Roll Call Vote: YES: All Present

6. Motion made by Mrs. Finnegan, seconded by Mr. McGuinness, to accept the Alexandria Township Board of Education's certification that the Superintendent, Dr. Wendy L. Schadt, recommends that the Board of Education accept the monthly financial reports of the Board Secretary and the Treasurer of School Moneys for the month ending November 30, 2006, and she further recommends in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13(3) that the Board of Education certify that no major account or fund has been overexpended and that as of this report sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Roll Call Vote: YES: All Present

7. Motion made by Mrs. Finnegan, seconded by Mr. McGuinness, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Board accept the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary's Barbara E. Prowker, certification as required by N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13(d), that no line item account has been overexpended as of November 30, 2006, and that as of this date sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Roll Call Vote: YES: All Present

Bill List

8. Motion made by Mrs. Finnegan, seconded by Mr. McGuinness, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the Bill List dated November 17 - December 12, 2006, in the amount of \$712,709.88, check numbers 3686-3759.

Roll Call Vote: YES: All Present

Transportation

9. Motion made by Mrs. Keizer, seconded by Mrs. Harding, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve a Joint Transportation Agreement with the Delaware Valley Regional High School Board of Education to provide transportation for special education students for extended school year for the 2006-07 school year as follows:

Route #S-4A	Lebanon School	8 Students	\$4,853.40
Route #S-4B	Lebanon School	4 Students	7,050.00
Route #S-5	Lester D. Wilson	7 Students	5,412.00
Route #S-6	Newgrange School	1 Student	6,025.00

Roll Call Vote: YES: All Present
Finnegan, Guenther, Harding, Keizer,
Linden, Jr., Luthringer, McGuinness,
Metz

Education Foundation Grants

10. Motion made by Mr. Linden, seconded by Mrs. Harding, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Board approve the acceptance of monies from the Alexandria Township Education Association for the following grants:

<u>Applicant Names</u>	<u>Project Name</u>	<u>Cost</u>
DeWire, Fallon, McCluskey, Martin	Earth Adventure	2,000.00
Travis, Glick	Music In the Parks	2,000.00
Winchatz, Stoskus	Alexandria Middle School Student Art Gallery	800.00
Accumanno, Kacedon	Legacy Project - Tile Mosaic	1,000.00
DeWire, Fallon, Martin, McCluskey	Adventures With Technology Smart Boards	16,982.00
Beck	Teacher Coffee Cart	490.00
Kacedon	LDW Broadcasting Station	1,985.00
Bierly, Barry	Water Studies Project	2,000.00
DeWire, Fallon McCluskey, Martin	Let's Get Creative With Writing	1,234.71
Bender, Bidwell Colontrelle, Dale, Mitchell	The Use of Language Arts and Technology In The Process of Making Memory Books	737.26
D. Pawlowski	Connective Learning	5,000.00

Roll Call Vote: YES: All Present

XV. BOARD GOALS

- A. Develop creative and innovate ways to improve communications about strengths and challenges facing the District with the community, and with parents, and teachers/staff.

- B. Increase meeting productivity by:
1. Contacting administration prior to the meeting to discuss new items for the Agenda; and
 2. Direct new business to the appropriate committee or administrator and to place that item under "Unfinished Business" for the next meeting; and
 3. Limiting discussion to Agenda items.

XVI. EXECUTIVE SESSION: 8:55 PM

Motion made by Mrs. Finnegan, seconded by Mr. McGuinness, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Board go into Executive Session to discuss a disciplinary action taken with a student, and personnel matters.

Roll Call Vote: YES: All Present

XVII. OPEN SESSON AND ADJOURNMENT: 9:25 PM

Motion made by Mrs. Harding, seconded by Mr. Linden, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Board return to Public Session. There being no further business to conduct at this time, the Board adjourned the meeting.

Roll Call Vote: YES: All Present

Respectfully Submitted By,

Barbara E. Prowker
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary