

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS OF THE
WALLINGFORD-SWARTHMORE SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Monday, April 8, 2019
Strath Haven Middle School Library**

The Board of School Directors of the Wallingford-Swarthmore School District met in the library of the Strath Haven Middle School on the 8th day of April 2019, in accordance with public notice. The following Directors and Officers were present:

President	Dr. Marylin Huff
Vice President	Dr. Robert Reiger
Treasurer	Dr. David Grande
Assistant Secretary	Ms. Wendy Voet
	Ms. Chapin Cimino
	Dr. Michele Downie
	Mr. Damon Orsetti
	Dr. Richard Sonntag – <i>via phone</i>
	Mrs. Kelly Wachtman
Superintendent	Dr. Lisa A. Palmer
Secretary	Mrs. Darlene Klingerman
Solicitor	Mr. Kyle Berman

Dr. Huff called the Regular Business Meeting of the Wallingford-Swarthmore School Directors to order at 7:07 p.m. followed by the salute to the flag.

BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no Board Announcements.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Palmer reported to the Board of School Directors that she attended the PDE Data Summit with Derrick Clements, our Educational Data Systems Manager. The Summit was entitled "Color Your World with Quality Data," and the theme this year was STEM Education. Dr. Palmer commented that it was an outstanding conference and was one of the best she attended in years.

FOCUS TOPIC

- **Presentation: Safe2Say Something Update**

Dr. Lisa Palmer, Superintendent

AUDIENCE RECOGNITION: RESPONSE TO ITEMS FOR ACTION ON THE AGENDA

There were no comments from the audience.

MINUTES

Dr. Huff moved, seconded by Ms. Voet, that the Board of School Directors approve the minutes of the March 25, 2019 Regular Meeting of the Board of School Directors.

The motion carried with the vote of Ms. Cimino, aye; Dr. Downie, aye; Dr. Grande, aye; Dr. Huff, aye; Mr. Orsetti, aye; Dr. Reiger, aye; Dr. Sonntag, aye; Ms. Voet, aye; Mrs. Wachtman, aye.

PERSONNEL

Ms. Cimino moved, seconded by Dr. Reiger, that the Board of School Directors approve the following Personnel items:

The Board of School Directors approved the addition to the 2018-2019 conferences, as stipulated. (copy to be inserted into official minutes)

The Board of School Directors approved the addition to the 2018-2019 Spring Athletic Supplemental appointment list, as stipulated. (copy to be inserted into official minutes)

The Board of School Directors approved the additional hours for the STEM Advisory Council members for the 2018-2019 school year, as stipulated. (copy to be inserted into official minutes)

The motion carried with the vote of Ms. Cimino, aye; Dr. Downie, aye; Dr. Grande, aye; Dr. Huff, aye; Mr. Orsetti, aye; Dr. Reiger, aye; Dr. Sonntag, aye; Ms. Voet, aye; Mrs. Wachtman, aye.

CURRICULUM

Dr. Reiger moved, seconded by Ms. Wachtman, that the Board of School Directors approve the following Curriculum items:

The Board of School Directors approved a professional services agreement with Effective School Solutions to provide specialized clinical/therapeutic services for the period July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, at a total amount not to exceed \$239,700.00. (copy to be inserted into official minutes)

The Board of School Directors approved the additional Category 1A Overnight field trip as stipulated. (copy to be inserted into official minutes)

The motion carried with the vote of Ms. Cimino, aye; Dr. Downie, aye; Dr. Grande, aye; Dr. Huff, aye; Mr. Orsetti, aye; Dr. Reiger, aye; Dr. Sonntag, aye; Ms. Voet, aye; Mrs. Wachtman, aye.

FINANCE

Dr. Downie moved, seconded by Dr. Reiger, that the Board of School Directors approve the following, as stipulated:

The Board of School Directors approved the Delaware County Intermediate Unit Special Education Funding and Service Agreement, for the 2019-2020 school year, as stipulated. (copy to be inserted into official minutes)

The Board of School Directors approved the 5-Year Microsoft EES Agreement with Microsoft and the Lancaster Lebanon Intermediate Unit. (copy to be inserted into official minutes)

The Board of School Directors approved the 3-year Broadview Networks phone service agreement. (copy to be inserted into official minutes)

The Board of School Directors approved the Emerald Data Solutions, Inc. agreement for the web-based service known as BoardDocs. (copy to be inserted into official minutes)

The motion carried with the vote of Ms. Cimino, aye; Dr. Downie, aye; Dr. Grande, aye; Dr. Huff, aye; Mr. Orsetti, aye; Dr. Reiger, aye; Dr. Sonntag, aye; Ms. Voet, aye; Mrs. Wachtman, aye.

AUDIENCE RECOGNITION: RESPONSE TO ANY OTHER TOPICS – None

Alex Melly of 10 Dogwood Lane, Swarthmore addressed the Board of School Directors regarding the level of diversity training in K-12 school curriculum.

OLD BUSINESS

Dr. Huff stated that the Board of School Directors periodically receives e-mails from community members. Some of the topics that were recently raised were:

- 1) School Calendar – Dr. Huff reported that the District made changes based on community comment and Dr. Palmer explained the reasoning behind the half day and whole day in-service days at the March 11, 2019 School Board meeting. Once the community was informed of the reasoning behind the calendar, they were more supportive of the amended calendar.

- 2) Food Service at the Elementary Schools – Ms. Kew commented that snacks offered in the schools do meet the smart snack compliance requirements. Further, the snacks also meet the District’s nutritional requirements that are outlined in the agreement with The Nutrition Group including items like no artificial coloring or flavoring. Ms. Kew reminded the community that parents could put notes on their students’ accounts in the point of sale system by contacting the Food Service Company to help limit the student’s access to the snacks and/or how often they are permitted to purchase snacks.
- 3) Class Sizes – Dr. Palmer reported that she is presently looking at the elementary class sizes along with class sizes at the Middle and High School.

Dr. Reiger raised the issue of an athletic trainer at the Middle School. Ms. Kew responded that she and Coach Clancy met and discussed the various specifications needed for the Middle School and High School. Coach Clancy has reached out to get proposals from sources. They also reached out to Rothman and received proposals and expect a proposal from Crozier. It is anticipated that the District will have an athletic trainer by the fall.

Dr. Reiger inquired about the signs located along Providence Road at the Middle School and High School and wanting to replace them with digital signs. Dr. Palmer said that she plans to work on researching the signage during the summer.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Orsetti shouted out kudos to the Middle School Librarian, Ms. Kahn, and to the four Reading Olympic Teams. They have worked very hard and received outstanding recognition and we are all very proud!

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene Klingerman
Board Secretary