



# Peters Township School District

**MINUTES  
 PETERS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS  
 SPECIAL MEETING  
 MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2017 AT 6:30 P.M.  
 DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION OFFICES**

CALL TO ORDER: Mr. McMurray, President, called the special meeting of the Peters Township Board of School Directors to order at 6:30 p.m.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Allison, Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Bowman, Mr. Briegel, Mr. Dunleavy, Dr. Hardy, Mr. McMurray and Mr. Merrell were present.

Also present were: Dr. Jeannine French - Superintendent, Dr. Jennifer Murphy - Assistant Superintendent, Mr. Michael Fisher - Assistant to the Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment, Mrs. Patricia Kelly - Director of Pupil Services, Mr. Vincent M. Belczyk - Business Manager, Mrs. Shelly Belcher - Communications Coordinator, Mr. Brandon Womer - Director of Buildings and Grounds, and Ms. Jocelyn Kramer - Solicitor.

### SUPERINTENDENT’S COMMENTS

Part of our communication effort involves taping and sharing videos of our Board meetings to help our community stay informed on matters before the Board. Any guest speakers or members of the public who are taking part in the meetings are reminded to come to the podium and use the microphone when making comments so that they may be heard by those of us in the room and those watching online.

### QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR: None

(Peters Township School District Policy 903)

Peters Township School District values parent and community engagement. Speakers listed on the agenda will be allotted a maximum of five (5) minutes for public comment. Speakers not listed on this agenda will be allotted a maximum of two (2) minutes for public comment.

### PRESIDENT’S COMMENTS

An Executive Session was held on Monday, February 6, 2017 to discuss personnel and other items.

Board Candidate Interviews: The five candidates returning for the second round interviews are: Mrs. Angela Winslow, Mr. Daniel Taylor, Mrs. Sandra Gregg, Mr. Aaron Grau, and Mr. Ron Giulianelli.

Mr. McMurray turned the meeting over to Ms. Jocelyn Kramer, the Solicitor, who asked a series of questions for a response from each of the candidates on the following:

1. Are you planning to run for a School Board seat in the primary and do you feel you will have any areas where a conflict of interest could exist?
2. This Board meets on average three Mondays of each month and has executive sessions lasting approximately one hour before or after each meeting. Do you feel you there will be a scheduling conflict with these duties?
3. What do you see the as the role of a Board Member? How would you deal with a motion that passes by a majority of the Board that you may feel was not in the best interest of the district?
4. How do you see yourself communicating with other Board Members, the Superintendent, Administrative Staff, and other district staff members?
5. Which Committee do you see yourself being most involved with or dedicated to and why?

OLD BUSINESS: Mrs. Anderson said that voting for only one candidate this evening this would be a very difficult decision.

NEW BUSINESS: None

I. BUSINESS OFFICE

**NO ACTION ITEMS AT THIS TIME**

II. BOARD COMMITTEES

**Personnel**

Ron Dunleavy

1. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to approve a 6-day suspension without pay for employee #03-16-17.

**MOTION:**

Mr. Dunleavy moved for approval of recommendation 1, seconded by Mrs. Bowman.

Public Comment: None

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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2. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to open the floor for nominations to fill the Board vacancy.

**MOTION:**

Dr. Hardy moved for approval of recommendation 2, seconded by Mr. Merrell.

Public Comment: None

**MOTION:**

Mr. Merrell moved to nominate Sandra Gregg to fill the vacancy, seconded by Dr. Hardy.  
Mrs. Bowman moved to nominate Daniel Taylor to fill the vacancy, seconded by Mr. Briegel.  
Public Comment: None

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**  
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3. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to close the nominations.

**MOTION:**

Mrs. Allison moved for approval of recommendation 3, seconded by Mr. Merrell.  
Public Comment: None

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**  
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4. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to appoint one of the nominated candidates to fill the vacancy by a roll call vote by name.

Mr. McMurray called for a roll call vote by stating the last name of your selected candidate:

Mr. Dunleavy	Mr. Taylor
Dr. Hardy	Mrs. Gregg
Mr. Merrell	Mrs. Gregg
Mrs. Allison	Mr. Taylor
Mrs. Anderson	Mr. Taylor
Mrs. Bowman	Mr. Taylor
Mr. Briegel	Mr. Taylor
Mr. McMurray	Mr. Taylor

With the roll call vote of six in favor of Mr. Taylor and two for Mrs. Gregg, Mr. Taylor is declared the winning candidate to fill the vacant seat for the term expiring in December 2017.  
Public Comment: None

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**  
(8-0)

**Buildings and Grounds**  
William Merrell

Buildings and Grounds Committee Meetings have been scheduled for Monday, February 27, 2017 and Monday, March 27, 2017.

5. **RECOMMENDATION:** Move to renew the annual service agreement with Bob's Landscaping for grass cutting services in the amount of \$42,500.00.

**MOTION:**

Mr. Merrell moved for approval of recommendation 5, seconded by Mr. Dunleavy.  
Public Comment: None

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**  
(8-0)

**SUPERINTENDENT'S AGENDA**

III. CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

**RECOMMENDATION:** Consider a motion to approve Certificated Personnel recommendations subject to all required pre-employment history reviews and clearance requirements as follows:

1. Approve the following as **day-to-day substitute certificated personnel** for the **2016-17** school year:

Mazgaj, Joseph – Social Studies 7-12

**MOTION:**

Mr. Dunleavy moved for approval of Certificated Personnel recommendation item 1, seconded by Mr. Briegel.  
Public Comment: None

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**  
(8-0)

IV. NON-CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

**RECOMMENDATION:** Consider a motion to approve Non-Certificated Personnel recommendations subject to all required pre-employment history reviews and clearance requirements as follows:

1. Approve the following **new hire:**

Name:	Lucy Robert
Position:	Paraprofessional
Assignment:	Bower Hill Elementary

Salary: \$16.23/hr.  
Effective: February 16, 2017  
Replaces: Newly Created Position

2. Approve the following **day-to-day non-teaching substitute** for the **2016-17** school year:

Krempasky, Sharon – Driver, Bus Aide and Cafeteria/Playground Monitor

**MOTION:**

Mr. Dunleavy moved for approval of Non-Certificated Personnel recommendation items 1 and 2, seconded by Mr. Merrell.

Public Comment: None

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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V. EXTRA-DUTY PERSONNEL/PROGRAMS

**NO ACTION ITEMS AT THIS TIME**

VI. PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES, TRAININGS AND TRIPS

**NO ACTION ITEMS AT THIS TIME**

VII. EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND STUDENT ACTIVITIES

**NO ACTION ITEMS AT THIS TIME**

VIII. OTHER

**RECOMMENDATION:** Consider a motion to approve other recommendations as follows:

1. Approve the 2017-18 School Calendar. We are requesting ACT 80 approval for August 23, 2017 and November 22, 2017. (attachment)

**MOTION:**

Mr. Briegel moved for approval of Other recommendation item 1, seconded by Mr. Dunleavy.

Public Comment: None

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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**BOARD INFORMATION:** Mrs. Anderson updated the Board on the Property Tax Shift Legislation stating that it is no longer in a rush to get the new legislation passed at either the House or Senate.

Dr. French informed the Board that Superintendent Michael Daniels from Canon-McMillan School District will host a town hall meeting with our state Representatives at the Canon-McMillan High School on Monday February 27, 2017 beginning at 7:00 p.m.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT: None

Mr. McMurray, a Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Notary Public Official conducted the swearing in of Mr. Daniel J. Taylor to the Peters Township Board of School Directors’ vacant position.

QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD ON AGENDA ITEMS: None

CORRESPONDENCE: None

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

February Board Meetings:

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|-----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Tuesday, February 21, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. | Regular Board Meeting                 |
| Monday, February 27, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.  | Buildings & Grounds Committee Meeting |

March Board Meetings:

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| Monday, March 13, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.   | Education Committee Meeting  |
| Monday, March 20, 2017 at 7:30 p.m.   | Regular Board Meeting        |
| Saturday, March 25, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. | Buildings & Grounds Workshop |

Mr. Merrell said the Rowdy Rhythm singers performed with the Washington County Symphony on Sunday and represented Peters Township very well in their performance.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Mr. Briegel moved for adjournment at 7:24 p.m., seconded by Mr. Merrell.

**MOTION CARRIED**

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Board Secretary

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Board President