

MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 6, 2018 SPECIAL/REORGANIZATION MEETING

The December special/reorganization meeting of the Pennsbury Board of School Directors was held in the Fallsington School Multi-Purpose Room on Thursday, December 6, 2018. Mrs. Redner called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. The first order of business was the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Members Present: Mr. Kannan, Mrs. Lawson, Mr. Palmer, Mr. Sanderson, Mr. Schwartz, Mrs. Toy-Dragoni, Mrs. Wachspress, Mr. Waldorf and Mrs. Redner.

Administrators Present: Dr. Gretzula, Mr. Bader, Mr. Dorsey, Mr. Dumin, Mrs. Godzieba, Mrs. Langtry, Mrs. Rarrick, Mrs. Ricci and Mrs. Spack.

Administrators Absent: Ms. Aldridge and Mrs. Morett.

Others Present: Mr. Cooper and Mr. Turner, Student Representatives and Mr. Clarke, Solicitor.

Mrs. Redner requested that everyone remain standing for a moment of silence for our former President, George Bush.

Mrs. Redner informed the public that the Board met in Executive Session to discuss legal and personnel matters.

A. ELECTION OF TEMPORARY PRESIDENT

A nomination was made by Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Sanderson and unanimously approved with no abstentions that Mr. Kannan be elected temporary president of the Pennsbury Board of School Directors to preside for the nomination and election of a new president.

B. BOARD MEMBERSHIP LIST

Mr. Kannan announced the Pennsbury Board of School Directors membership list for the coming year and invited members to offer necessary corrections. There were no corrections to the list. The members are: T.R.Kannan; Nancy Lawson; John Palmer; Jacqueline Redner; Gary Sanderson; Christian Schwartz; Christine Toy-Dragoni; Debra Wachspress and Joshua Waldorf.

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PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Kannan opened the floor to public comment at 7:39 p.m. The following people came forward and public comment was closed at 7:59 p.m.

Jeff Smith, Lower Makefield Township	Board and Superintendent
Frank Carr, Falls Township	Staffing and Healthcare
Mark Santella, Lower Makefield Township	Superintendent Contract Status
Jeff Benedetto, Lower Makefield Township	Board and Superintendent
Traci Curtis, Lower Makefield Township	Leadership, Support Superintendent

C. ELECTION OF PRESIDENT

A nomination was made by Mrs. Wachspress, seconded by Mr. Sanderson that Mr. Waldorf be elected President of the Pennsbury Board of School Directors for a term of office to expire at the reorganization meeting to be held in December 2019.

A nomination was made by Mr. Schwartz, seconded by Mr. Palmer that Mr. Kannan be elected President of the Pennsbury Board of School Directors for a term of office to expire at the reorganization meeting to be held in December 2019.

A motion was made by Mrs. Wachspress, seconded by Mrs. Redner to close nominations.

Vote polled on the nominations:

Mr. Kannan	- Mr. Kannan	Mr. Schwartz	- Mr. Kannan
Mrs. Lawson	- Mr. Kannan	Mrs. Toy-Dragoni	- Mr. Waldorf
Mr. Palmer	- Mr. Kannan	Mrs. Wachspress	- Mr. Waldorf
Mr. Sanderson	- Mr. Waldorf	Mr. Waldorf	- Mr. Waldorf
		Mrs. Redner	- Mr. Kannan

The nomination of Mr. Kannan was approved 5 – 4 – 0.

D. ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT

A nomination was made by Mr. Palmer seconded by Mrs. Lawson that Mr. Schwartz be elected Vice President of the Pennsbury Board of School Directors for a term of office to expire at the reorganization meeting to be held in December 2019.

A nomination was made by Mr. Waldorf seconded by Mrs. Wachspress that Mrs. Toy-Dragoni be elected Vice President of the Pennsbury Board of School Directors for a term of office to expire at the reorganization meeting to be held in December 2019.

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D. ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT (continued)

A motion was made by Mr. Schwartz to close nominations and unanimously approved by the Board.

Vote polled on the nomination:

Mr. Kannan	- Mr. Schwartz	Mr. Schwartz	- Mr. Schwartz
Mrs. Lawson	- Mr. Schwartz	Mrs. Toy-Dragoni	- Mrs. Toy-Dragoni
Mr. Palmer	- Mr. Schwartz	Mrs. Wachspress	- Mrs. Toy-Dragoni
Mr. Sanderson	- Mrs. Toy-Dragoni	Mr. Waldorf	- Mrs. Toy-Dragoni
		Mrs. Redner	- Mr. Schwartz

The nomination of Mr. Schwartz was approved 5 – 4 – 0.

E. ELECTION OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY

A nomination was made by Mr. Schwartz, seconded by Mrs. Redner that Mr. Sanderson be elected Assistant Secretary of the Pennsbury Board of School Directors for a term of office to expire at the reorganization meeting to be held in December 2019.

A motion was made by Mr. Schwartz, seconded by Mrs. Redner to close nominations.

Vote polled on the nomination:

Mr. Kannan	- Aye	Mr. Schwartz	- Aye
Mrs. Lawson	- Aye	Mrs. Toy-Dragoni	- Aye
Mr. Palmer	- Aye	Mrs. Wachspress	- Aye
Mr. Sanderson	- Aye	Mr. Waldorf	- Aye
		Mrs. Redner	- Aye

The nomination of Mr. Sanderson was approved 9 – 0 – 0.

F. COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Mr. Kannan announced that Board Committee appointments will be delayed to another meeting.

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BOARD DISCUSSION AND COMMENT

Mrs. Redner congratulated the newly appointed Board Members. Mrs. Wachspres congratulated Mr. Kannan and stated her very strong support for Dr. Gretzula. Mr. Waldorf thanked the public for attending meetings and voiced his support for Dr. Gretzula.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mrs. Kannan opened the floor to second public comment at 8:17 p.m. The following person came forward to speak and public comment was closed at 8:21 p.m.

Robert Abrams, Lower Makefield Township Change

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mrs. Redner, seconded by Mr. Schwartz and unanimously approved with no abstentions to adjourn the meeting at 8:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary S. Sanderson
Assistant Board Secretary