

**COLONIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
PLYMOUTH MEETING, PA 19462  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES, DECEMBER 1, 2014**

President Moore convened the special meeting of the Colonial Board of School Directors at 7:11 p.m. in the District Office General Meeting Room on December 1, 2014.

**Board Members Present:** Bernie Brady, Mel Brodsky, Leslie Finegold, Christina Frangiosa, Susan Moore, Kathleen Oxberry, Heather Palmer, Beth Suchsland and Alan Tabachnick.

**Board Members Absent:** None.

**Also Attending:** Dr. MaryEllen Gorodetzer, Superintendent; Wendy Rothstein, Solicitor; Karen Berk, Director of Pupil Services and Special Education; Andrew Boegly, Director of Technology; Trevor Jackson, Business Administrator; Dr. Elizabeth McKeaney, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment; Dr. Leticia Rodríguez, Director of Human Resources; Terry Yemm, Director of Operations; John Quinn, Director of CITV; David M. Sherman, Community Relations Coordinator/Board Secretary; Mike Morse; Jonathan Dinkins; Jebb Chagan and Robert Slagle.

Mrs. Moore noted that the Pledge of Allegiance was recited moments earlier. She announced that the Board had met in executive session to discuss legal and personnel issues before the Reorganization Meeting that was just completed.

**Approval of Minutes:** Mrs. Moore sought Board action on the minutes of the general session of November 20 and the Facilities Management and Transportation Committee meeting of November 13. See enclosures #1 and #2.

Mrs. Finegold moved and Mr. Brady seconded a motion to approve the minutes as presented. On a roll call vote, all voted in favor. The motion was carried, 9-0.

**Financial Reports:** Mrs. Moore noted that the financial reports and the treasurer's report had been previously approved through October 31. She sought Board action on a request from the administration to authorize the payment of November bills during December. She stated that the November financial reports will be provided for formal Board action in January.

Mrs. Moore moved and Mrs. Frangiosa seconded a motion to authorize the payment of the November bills during December. On a roll call vote, all voted in favor. The motion was carried, 9-0.

**Public Comments on the Agenda:** None.

**Superintendent's Report:** Dr. Gorodetzer summarized her report that included the Personnel Report and Substitute List and the list of Adult Evening School instructors for winter and spring classes. See enclosures #3 and #4. She stated that the Personnel Report and Substitute List includes one resignation, two retirements; one leave of absence, one appointment and one addition to the substitute custodian list.

Mrs. Suchsland moved and Mrs. Palmer seconded a motion to approve the Superintendent's Report. On a roll call vote, all voted in favor. The motion was carried, 9-0.

**New Business:** Mrs. Suchsland asked Board members to consider the following actions regarding the Colonial School District Superintendent.

1. The Board hereby establishes Dr. MaryEllen Gorodetzer's salary for services from December 1, 2014, until June 30, 2015, shall be based upon a prorated annual salary of TWO HUNDRED SEVEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED FIFTY-SEVEN DOLLARS

AND EIGHTY CENTS (\$207,557.80), less necessary withholdings and deductions required by law. Effective July 1, 2015, Dr. Gorodetzer's salary shall be adjusted in accordance with the terms and conditions of employment set forth in the New Agreement referenced in Paragraph 5 therein.

2. Effective December 1, 2014, Dr. Gorodetzer's Original Agreement and Amendment No. 1 shall be terminated.

3. The Board hereby accepts the resignation submitted by Dr. Gorodetzer effective as of this meeting dated December 1, 2014.

4. The Board hereby reelects Dr. Gorodetzer to serve in the capacity of District Superintendent effective immediately upon acceptance of Dr. Gorodetzer's resignation, and Dr. Gorodetzer is to serve in the capacity as District Superintendent from December 1, 2014, for a term that concludes on November 30, 2019.

5. During the term of Dr. Gorodetzer's new Superintendency and commission (December 1, 2014, through November 30, 2019), Dr. Gorodetzer shall be subject to the terms and conditions of employment set forth in the New Agreement.

6. It is the intention of this Resolution that the New Agreement is to replace all terms and provisions of the Original Agreement and Amendment No. 1.

7. Dr. Gorodetzer's election as District Superintendent is subject to the provisions of the Public School Code of 1949 and its amendments thereto.

8. Dr. Gorodetzer shall have a seat on the Board of School Directors and shall have the right to speak on all matters before the Board, but not to vote.

9. The officers of the Board and the District Solicitor are hereby empowered to take any and all necessary actions in order to effectuate the intent of this action.

Mrs. Suchsland moved and Mr. Brodsky seconded a motion to approve the actions as stated. On a roll call vote, all voted in favor. The motion was carried, 9-0.

Mrs. Moore noted that the Board needed to fill a vacant seat on the Central Montco Technical High School Joint Operating Committee (JOC). She noted that the term was for three years.

Mrs. Moore moved and Mr. Brady seconded a motion to appoint Mr. Brodsky to a three-year term noting that he served as President of the JOC for the past year. On a roll call vote, all voted in favor. The motion was carried, 9-0.

Mrs. Moore noted that action on the June 30, 2014 Local Audit Report noted in the agenda would be tabled until a later date.

**Questions/ Comments From The Floor:** None.

There being no further business before the Board, Mrs. Moore adjourned the meeting at 7:16 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



David M. Sherman  
Board Secretary