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# MINUTES OF ORGANIZATIONAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

PORTER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL CORPORATION

\*\*The following is a partial transcript of the meeting. A recording of the actual meeting is available at the Administration Office and is kept on file for approximately 5 months after the date of the meeting. Approval of this transcript as official minutes will be at the next regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees.

#### 1. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u> – Mr. John Spangenberg, President – 6:00 p.m.

A. Pledge of Allegiance

B. Welcome Visitors

Board members present: Mr. John Spangenberg, Mr. Tom Keevin, Ms. Johanna Williams, Mrs. Nichole Kovacik and Mrs. Lilann Sgouros. Also present were: Superintendent, Dr. Stacey Schmidt and Business Manager, Aline Busse. There was I person present in the audience.

## 2. AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS - None

#### 3. ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

### A. Swearing in of Members - None

## B. Election of Officers

Mr. Spangenberg announced that he will be asking for nominations for officers.

## 1. President

Mr. Spangenberg asked for nominations for the President. Ms. Williams nominated John Spangenberg as President; seconded by Mr. Keevin. Motion carried 5-0.

#### 2. Vice-President

Mr. Spangenberg asked for nominations for the Vice-President. Mr. Keevin nominated Johanna Williams as Vice-President; seconded by Mrs. Sgouros. Motion carried 5-0.

#### 3. Secretary

Mr. Spangenberg asked for nominations for the Secretary. Mrs. Kovacik nominated Tom Keevin as Secretary; seconded by Ms. Williams. Motion carried 5-0.

#### C. Determination of Member Compensation

Dr. Schmidt reviewed that before 2010 board members received an annual stipend and per diem for regular and special board meetings. As a cost cutting measure in February of 2010, the board reduced their compensation by waiving the per diem for regular and special school board meetings and accepted the annual stipend of \$2,000. Dr. Schmidt recommended that board compensation remain the same with the compensation of the annual stipend of \$2,000. Ms. Williams made a motion for member compensation to remain the same with compensation of the annual stipend of \$2,000 with no additional compensation; seconded by Mrs. Sgouros. Motion carried 5-0.

#### D. Determination of Meeting Dates and Times

Dr. Schmidt recommended that the regular school board meetings be held on the third Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. and if needed, Executive Sessions will be scheduled and advertised. Mrs. Sgouros made a motion to hold the regular school board meetings on the third Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. and to schedule and advertise executive sessions if needed; seconded by Ms. Williams. Motion carried 5-0.

## E. Appointment of Corporation Treasurer

Dr. Schmidt recommended the appointment of Aline Busse as Corporation Treasurer. Mr. Keevin made a motion to appoint Aline Busse as Corporation Treasurer; seconded by Mrs. Kovacik. Motion carried 5-0.

# F. Appointment of Corporation Deputy Treasurer

Dr. Schmidt recommended the appointment of Linda Bult as Corporation Deputy Treasurer. Ms. Williams made a motion to appoint Linda Bult as Corporation Deputy Treasurer; seconded by Mrs. Kovacik. Motion carried 5-0.

#### G. Appointment of Board Attorney

Dr. Schmidt recommended the appointment of Attorney Cheryl Zic of Crist, Sears and Zic, LLP as Board Attorney noting that Attorney Zic has continued to do an outstanding job once again this year. Mrs. Kovacik made a motion to appoint Attorney Cheryl Zic of Crist, Sears and Zic, LLP as Board Attorney; seconded by Mr. Keevin. Motion carried 5-0.

## H. Disclosure Statement

Dr. Schmidt asked for acceptance of a Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement as presented. Mrs. Sgouros made a motion to accept the Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement as presented; seconded by Ms. Williams. Motion carried 5-0.

#### 4. **BOARD COMMUNICATIONS - None**

## 5. <u>SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS</u> - None

#### 6. ADJOURNMENT - 6:11 p.m.

Mrs. Kovacik made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Mr. Keevin. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

This meeting is a meeting of the School Board for the purpose of conducting the School Corporation's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There will be a time for public participation, as indicated by the agenda. The meeting site is fully accessible. Any person requiring further accommodation should contact the superintendent.