

**Keystone School District  
Knox, Pennsylvania  
Work Session  
March 16, 2009**

**OPENING/ATTENDANCE**

The Board of School Directors of the Keystone School District held their Work Session on Monday, March 16, 2009 at the Keystone School District Elementary School Library, 451 Huston Avenue, Knox, Pennsylvania. The Meeting was called to order at 7 P.M. by Ms. Terri Kahle, Vice President. The following Board Members were present: Mr. Gregory A. Barrett, Mr. James A. Beary, Ms. Terri K. Kahle, Mr. Thomas L McCoy, Mr. Alan F. Seigworth, Mr. William L. Shaner, and Mr. Kenneth L. Swartfager. Mr. John R. Slagle and Mrs. Marilyn L. Stempeck were absent. Also present were: Mr. Ronald Barnett, Mr. Michael Caun, Mrs. Suzanne Chomas, Mrs. Shawn Corcetti, Dr. Jean Atkin Gool, Mr. Wayne Johns, Mr. Jarrod Kapp, Mr. Vernon Lauffer, Mr. Jonathan Maddy, Mrs. Frankie Sheatz, Mr. Rodney Sherman, Mrs. Vicky Walters, Mr. Charles Weaver and Mr. Skip Young.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- ❑ Ms. Kahle made an introduction of guests.
- ❑ Ms. Kahle said an Executive Session was held on February 16, 2009 to discuss an Individual Disciplinary Item.
- ❑ Ms. Kahle said an Executive Session will be held tonight, March 16, 2009 to discuss Attorney/Client Legal Issues related to Student Discipline.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**DIALOGUE ITEMS**

- ❑ Mr. Lauffer stated that the Keystone Opportunity Zone Resolution was enclosed in the packets--including Page 2. ***Ms. Kahle said this Item is on tonight's Business Meeting Agenda.***
- ❑ Mr. Lauffer said that a printout of the current Natural Gas trading cost was placed at the stations. After Board discussion, ***Ms. Kahle said this Item is on tonight's Business Meeting Agenda.***
- ❑ Mr. Swartfager pointed out some issues to review in regards to the Hot Water Tank recommended to be bid to replace the repaired unit in the Elementary School. Mr. Barrett requested we get answers to these questions. Ms. Kahle requested that Harold Best attend the next meeting to address these concerns. ***Ms. Kahle said this Item is on tonight's Business Meeting Agenda.***

**DIALOGUE ITEMS (Continued)**

- ❑ Mr. Beary said that the Career Center Board has approved the Proposed Budget. He said that there was a \$48,832 software increase and the cost per student went from \$6,483 last year to \$7,435 for 2009-10. ***Ms. Kahle said this Item is on tonight's Business Meeting Agenda.***
- ❑ Mr. Barrett said the IU Board approved the IU Budget with minimal increase in local contribution. ***Ms. Kahle said this Item is on tonight's Business Meeting Agenda.***
- ❑ Dr. Gool reviewed the 2009-10 Keystone School District Budget. She detailed items included in the proposed version and items of significant change. The Board requested to have CD's and paper copies of the detail sheets for the April Meetings to facilitate decisions.
- ❑ Ms. Kahle stated that Lauren Tharan's request is for a Maternity Leave effective May 11, 2009, using 2 Emergency Days and 13 Sick Days. ***Ms. Kahle said this Item is on tonight's Business Meeting Agenda.***
- ❑ Ms. Kahle stated that Jennifer Johnson's request is for a Sick Day Bank effective March 1, 2009 to be used intermittently through the end of the School Year. ***Ms. Kahle said this Item is on tonight's Business Meeting Agenda.***
- ❑ Ms. Kahle stated that Retirement of Linda Lewis, Elementary Instructional Aide, effective at the end of the School Year. ***Ms. Kahle said this Item is on tonight's Business Meeting Agenda.***
- ❑ Ms. Kahle stated that Additions to the Substitute List are:
  1. Margery Quinton, Elementary, Marble
  2. Laura Byers, Elem/Early Childhood, Knox
  3. Chrissy Shirey, Elem/Early Childhood, Parker
  4. Shirl Pollock, Bus Driver, Parker
  5. David Gittler, Bus Driver, Brookville.***Ms. Kahle said this Item is on tonight's Business Meeting Agenda.***
- ❑ Dr. Gool said that she has received handbooks from PSBA and North Clarion County School District for utilization by Bus Drivers.
- ❑ Dr. Gool presented the Summer Work Schedule Adjustment for Custodians and Secretaries. She said that the District Office would still remain open Monday through Friday, while the Elementary and High School Offices would be closed on Friday. ***Ms. Kahle said this Item is on tonight's Business Meeting Agenda.***
- ❑ Mrs. Corcetti said that the current Kindergarten Age Eligibility is 5 years old by August 1. The change to make the eligibility date of September 1 would go into effect in 2010. ***Ms. Kahle said this Item is on tonight's Business Meeting Agenda.***

**An Executive Session was held from 7:25 P.M. to 7:40 P.M.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, the Meeting was adjourned at 7:49 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Vernon F. Lauffer  
Board Secretary