

TUSSEY MOUNTAIN SCHOOL BOARD  
SPECIAL MEETING FOR GENERAL PURPOSES  
JANUARY 3, 2018  
7:00 p.m.

The Tussey Mountain School Board of Education met in a Special Meeting for General Purposes on January 3, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Administrative Conference Room, 199 Front Street, Saxton. Members present were Roy McCabe, John Baughman, Jimmy Hodge, Suzanne Detterline, Jim Hodge, and Melanie Gresko. Administration present: Janell Henderson, Matt McCahan, Jerry Shoemake, Dr. Gary Dawson. Press present: Ron Morgan (Daily News) Public present: Richard Drenning, Vivian Foster, Alexandria Watkins, Matthew Watkins, Daniel Taylor, Travis Chamberlain, Adam Baker, Josh Wakefield, Aaron Martin, Andrea Watkins.

ROLL CALL: Brenda Folk was absent

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Roy McCabe

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

The Board conducted interviews to fill a vacant seat in Area III. Applicants interviewed were Adam Baker, Joshua Wakefield, and Travis Chamberlain.

Motion by Suzanne Detterline second by John Baughman to appoint Travis Chamberlain as Board Director for Area III for a term of two (2) years (January 2018 – January 2020).

Roll Call Vote – M.L.  
Ayes: Baughman, Detterline  
Nays: McCabe, Hodge, Hodge, Watkins, Gresko

Motion by Harry Watkins second by Roy McCabe to appoint Adam Baker as Board Director for Area III for a term of two (2) years (January 2018 – January 2020).

Roll Call Vote – M.L.  
Ayes: McCabe, Watkins, Jim Hodge, Melanie Gresko  
Nays: Baughman, Detterline, Jimmy Hodge

Motion by Melanie Gresko to appoint Travis Chamberlain as Board Director for Area III for a term of two (2) years (January 2018 – January 2020).

Roll Call Vote - M.L.  
Ayes: Baughman, Detterline  
Nays: McCabe, Watkins, Jimmy Hodge, Jim Hodge, Melanie Gresko

Motion by Melanie Gresko to appoint Adam Baker as Board Director for Area III for a term of two (2) years (January 2018 – January 2020).

Roll Call Vote - M.C.  
Ayes: McCabe, Watkins, Jimmy Hodge, Jim Hodge, Melanie Gresko  
Nays: Baughman, Detterline

Motion by Harry Watkins second by Suzanne Detterline to close nominations for Board Director for Area III.  
Motion carried with no objections.

Lisa Rankin swore in new Board Director Adam Baker.

Board President Melanie Gresko called an Executive Session for Personnel at 8:05 p.m. with the group returning to regular session at 8:44 p.m.

### **POLICY & CURRICULUM**

Motion by John Baughman second by Suzanne Detterline to approve revisions to Policy No. 006 (Meetings).

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous M.C.

Motion by John Baughman second by Roy McCabe to schedule regular monthly Board meetings for the third Monday of each month during the 2018 calendar year, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Administrative Conference Room located in the Middle/High School.

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous M.C.

In addition, Work Sessions will be held on the second Monday of each month, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Administrative Conference Room located in the Middle/High School.

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous M.C.

The Board may change the regular meeting day and time when needed and will advertise such changes. When needed, special meetings will be called and advertised.

Motion by John Baughman second by Roy McCabe to approve the minutes from the November 2017 meeting.

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous M.C.

Motion by John Baughman second by Roy McCabe to approve the minutes from the December 2017 meeting.

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous M.C.

Motion by John Baughman second by Roy McCabe to approve the list of Board Committees for 2018.  
(Note: Adam Baker to fill in open positions)

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous M.C.

Motion by John Baughman second by Roy McCabe to approve the following field trip request(s), conditioned on availability of substitutes (if applicable), as recommended by the Administration:

<b>GROUP</b>	<b>SUPERVISOR</b>	<b>DESTINATION</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>PURPOSE</b>	<b>COST</b>
Junior High Scholastic Quiz Team	Chris Carrier	IU 8, Altoona	Jan 23, Feb 5, 12, 14, 26, 28, March 5	Competition	\$150 for team registration; sub

District Band (8 students)	Adam Runk	NBC School	January 10-12	District Band	\$65/student registration; transportation; mileage; sub
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Roll Call Vote – Unanimous M.C.

Motion by John Baughman second by Roy McCabe to approve the following conference request(s), conditioned on availability of substitutes:

<b>STAFF MEMBER</b>	<b>WORKSHOP/CONFERENCE</b>	<b>PLACE</b>	<b>DATE(S)</b>	<b>COST</b>
Carrie Kichman Sue Curfman Crystal Mohlman	Autism Consortium: Hidden Curriculum	IU8 Duncansville	1/11/18	Carrie: Mlg Sue: Mlg/sub Crystal: Mlg/sub
Kim Rodgers	Transition Network Meeting	Johnstown	1/9/18	Mlg.

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous M.C.

### **BUDGET**

Motion by John Baughman second by Roy McCabe to approve the following purchase order (s) for the 2017-2018 school year as recommended by the Administration:

PO #	Vendor	Item Description	Amount	Paid By
89	Teacher Synergy, LLC	STEM Classroom Supplies	\$205.99	General Fund

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous M.C.

Motion by John Baughman second by Harry Watkins to accept the October 2017 Activity Fund Report, which reflects a cumulative balance of \$89,834.27.

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous M.C.

**INFORMATION:** A copy of the 2016 Keystone Collections audit prepared by Boyer & Ritter of Camp Hill PA is being provided. The report states Keystone Collections Group (Wage Tax Collection) is in compliance with Act 32.

Motion by John Baughman second by Roy McCabe to authorize the Administration to advertise the sale of the 2000 GMC K2500 maintenance truck. The advertisement will request bids for the purchase of the vehicle and will be sold “as is”.

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous M.C.

### **BUILDING & GROUNDS**

Motion by Harry Watkins second by Roy McCabe to approve the following building use requests, conditioned on compliance with the district’s Use of Facilities Policy No. 707. Building use is being recommended with the understanding that school district events take precedence over outside organization usage:

**HIGH SCHOOL:**

- Elementary Girls Basketball to use both gymnasiums, scoreboard equipment, access to first aid and the trainer room for the 2017-18 SHL Elementary Girls League Tournament on February 10 (8:00 am – 4:00 pm) with Jason Weaver as supervisor.

- Softball team to use the new gymnasium for open gym beginning Jan. 4 through the end of Feb. 2018 (6:00 – 7:30 p.m.), with Sandy Kay Rickabaugh as supervisor with the understanding that the schedule is contingent of availability and shall be coordinated with the Athletic Director.

**ELEMENTARY:**

- The Incredible Years to use a classroom, the Library, and/or the Art Room for activities every Wednesday evening (5:30 – 7:30 p.m.) beginning 12/13/17 through mid-February 2018, with Jamie Villa and Christina Watkins as supervisors.

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous M.C.

DISCUSSION: The district received a proposal from Turf, Track & Court, LLC Athletic Facility Consultants to oversee the track resurfacing project. A copy of the proposal is attached for you to review to act on at a later date.

**PERSONNEL**

Motion by Suzanne Detterline second by Harry Watkins to accept, with regret, a resignation letter from Nathan Thompson, HS English/Journalism Instructor, effective as soon as feasible.

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous M.C.

Motion by Suzanne Detterline second by Roy McCabe to add the following person(s) to the list of substitute support staff for 2017-18, conditioned on submission and approval of required documentation (if applicable):  
Natasha Zdrosky

Roll Call Vote – Unanimous M.C.

With no further business to discuss, Melanie Gresko made a motion to adjourn at 9:43 p.m. seconded by Harry Watkins with no objections.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa M. Rankin  
Secretary