

BETHLEHEM AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
REORGANIZATION MEETING

DECEMBER 7, 2009

A Reorganization Meeting of the Board of School Directors of the Bethlehem Area School District was held on Monday, December 7, 2009, at 6:01 p.m. in the Dining Room at the Education Center, 1516 Sycamore Street, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

REORGANIZATION
MEETING

President Leeson announced that before beginning the Reorganization Meeting the newly elected candidates will be sworn in by Judge Paula A. Roscioli from the Northampton County bench.

SWEARING IN
OF NEW BOARD
MEMBERS

Judge Roscioli swore in Eileen Follweiler, Aurea Ortiz, Michael E. Faccinetto, William J. Burkhardt, and Judith Dexter.

President Leeson congratulated and welcomed the new and returning members. She stated that they had already been working with the board and that they already had begun receiving assignments from the board. She continued to thank them for the time that they devote to the school district.

The Board Secretary called the roll:

Members present: Directors Burkhardt, Cann, Dexter, Faccinetto, Follweiler, Leeson, McKeon, and Ortiz – 8

Members absent: Directors Amato – 1

MEMBERS
PRESENT

Others present: Dr. Joseph A. Lewis, Superintendent of Schools; John Freund, Solicitor; Thomas K. Washington, Assistant Board Secretary; administrators, members of the press, and other interested citizens and staff members.

OTHERS
PRESENT

President Leeson called for nominations for Temporary President. Director McKeon nominated Director Follweiler. Director Follweiler accepted the nomination. Director Cann seconded the motion. President Leeson called for all in favor to signify by saying “aye”. Directors complied. She called for all opposed. Hearing none, the motion passed 8 to 0.

NOMINATIONS
FOR TEMPORARY
PRESIDENT

Temporary President Follweiler called for nomination for President. Director Cann nominated President Leeson. President Leeson accepted the nomination. Director Burkhardt seconded the motion. Director McKeon nominated Director Dexter for President. Director Dexter declined the nomination. Temporary President Follweiler called for all in favor to signify by saying “aye”. Directors complied. She called for all opposed. Hearing none, the motion passed 8 to 0.

NOMINATIONS
FOR PRESIDENT

President Leeson called for nominations for Vice-President. Director Dexter nominated Director Cann. Director Cann accepted the nomination. Director McKeon seconded the motion. Director Ortiz nominated Director Burkhardt for Vice-President. Director Burkhardt respectfully declined the nomination. President Leeson called for other nominations. Hearing none she called for all in favor of Director Cann as Vice-President to signify by saying “aye”. Directors complied. She called for all opposed. Hearing none, the motion passed 8 to 0.

NOMINATIONS
FOR VICE-PRESIDENT

President Leeson called for nominations to the Bethlehem Area Vocational-Technical School Board. She nominated Director Amato, Director McKeon, Director Ortiz and Director Faccinetto. Director Follweiler seconded the motion. Directors Faccinetto, McKeon and Ortiz accepted their nominations. President Leeson called for all in favor to signify by saying “aye”. Directors complied. She called for all opposed. Hearing none, the motion passed 8 to 0.

NOMINATIONS FOR
BETHLEHEM AREA
VOCATIONAL-
TECHNICAL SCHOOL
BOARD

President Leeson stated that the length of terms will be decided between the board members. She asked Director McKeon if he was willing to accept the three year term. Director McKeon agreed.

President Leeson presented the board with tentative recommendations for committee assignments. She asked the Directors to review her recommendations and if they were agreeable the assignments will be made permanent at the regular meeting on December 14, 2009. She asked the Directors to advise her of any need for discussion in the interim week.

COMMITTEE
RECOMMENDATIONS

President Leeson called for any new or miscellaneous business. Hearing none, she called for adjournment.

NEW/MISCELLANEOUS
BUSINESS

President Leeson requested a motion for adjournment. Directors Follweiler and Dexter moved to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Attest,

Thomas K. Washington
Assistant Board Secretary