

On December 4, 2017 the Reorganization Meeting of the Board of School Directors of the Spring-Ford Area School District was called to order at 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria of the Spring-Ford High School with the following in attendance:

Region I: Dr. Edward T. Dressler and Bernard F. Pettit
Region II: Dawn R. Heine and Colleen Zasowski
Region III: Mark P. Dehnert and Thomas J. DiBello
Presiding Officer: Diane M. Fern, Board Secretary
Superintendent: Dr. David R. Goodin
Chief Financial Officer: James D. Fink
Solicitor: Mark Fitzgerald, Esq.
Student Reps.:

The following Student Representatives were absent: **Taylor Stevens and Nandini M. Patel**

- I. **CALL TO ORDER AND ATTENDANCE** (By Diane Fern, Board Secretary)
Board Secretary, Mrs. Fern, opened the meeting with the call to order and the recording of the attendance.
- II. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- III. **PURPOSE OF THE MEETING** (By Mark Fitzgerald, Solicitor)
Mr. Fitzgerald explained that the Pennsylvania School Code requires that annually during the first week of December the Members of the School Board meet and reorganize. He added that unlike last year when there were 9 holdover Board Members this year we will have new Board Members. The holdover Board Members will begin the legislative term by identifying a Temporary Board President.
- IV. **PUBLIC TO BE HEARD ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**
There were no comments from the public.
- V. **NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF TEMPORARY BOARD PRESIDENT**
Mrs. Fern opened the floor for nominations of a Temporary Board President. Mr. DiBello nominated Mr. Pettit. There were no other nominations. Mrs. Heine made a motion to close the nominations and Mr. Dehnert seconded it. The motion passed 6-0 to close the nominations. The Board elected Mr. Pettit as the Temporary Board President by a vote of 6-0.

Mr. Pettit introduced the Honorable Judge Maurice Saylor who will conduct the swearing in of the new and recently re-elected School Board Members.

Judge Saylor extended the apologies of Judge Gadzicki who was not able to be at the meeting due to a prior commitment tonight. Judge Saylor informed everyone that he is a judge serving in the Gilbertsville area.

VI. SWEARING IN OF THE NEWLY ELECTED BOARD MEMBERS ADMINISTERED BY THE HONORABLE JUDGE MAURICE SAYLOR

Judge Saylor invited Linda C. Fazzini to come forward along with anyone she had accompanying her from her family. Judge Saylor administered the oath of office.

Region I: Linda C. Fazzini

Judge Saylor invited Clinton L. Jackson to come forward along with anyone he had accompanying him from his family. Judge Saylor administered the oath of office.

Region II: Clinton L. Jackson

Judge Saylor invited Christina F. Melton to come forward along with anyone she had accompanying her from her family. Judge Saylor administered the oath of office.

Region III: Christina F. Melton

VII. SWEARING IN OF REELECTED BOARD MEMBER ADMINISTERED BY THE HONORABLE JUDGE WALTER GADZICKI

Judge Saylor invited Thomas J. DiBello to come forward along with anyone he had accompanying him from his family. Judge Saylor administered the oath of office.

Region III: Thomas J. DiBello

VIII. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION FOR THE OFFICE OF BOARD PRESIDENT

Mr. Pettit opened the floor for nominations of a Board President. Mr. Dehnert nominated Tom DiBello. Mrs. Heine made a motion to close the nominations and Mrs. Zasowski seconded it. The motion passed 9-0. The Board elected Mr. DiBello as the Board President by a vote of 9-0.

Mr. DiBello thanked his fellow Board Members for their support in electing him Board President. He stated that he knows they are looking forward to a really successful school year in 2018. Mr. DiBello welcomed the new Board Members and advised them to get ready with the fire hoses as it will be a lot of fun over the next couple of weeks getting up to speed with everything that is going on in the district.

IX. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION FOR THE OFFICE OF BOARD VICE PRESIDENT

Mr. DiBello opened the floor for nominations of a Board Vice President. Mr. Jackson nominated Dawn Heine. Mrs. Zasowski made a motion to close the nominations and Mr. Dehnert seconded it. The motion passed 9-0. Mr. DiBello declared Mrs. Heine as the Board Vice President. Mr. DiBello realized that they had not officially voted for Mrs. Heine to be the Board Vice President and questioned Mr. Fitzgerald saying that there had been no other nominations and there was a vote of 9-0 to close the nominations, did they still need to verbally vote on the nomination. Mr. Fitzgerald replied that he took the close the nomination

vote to be two-fold and a unanimous vote in favor of Mrs. Heine. Mrs. Heine was elected as the Board Vice President by a vote of 9-0.

- X. The Board President shall designate a **Member** and an **Alternate** to serve on the **Montgomery County School Directors Legislative Committee**. This committee is sponsored by the Montgomery County Intermediate Unit Board of Directors to provide a forum in which local directors can learn about legislative issues, which can affect education in Montgomery County. **Joseph P. Ciresi** presently serves in this capacity and **Mr. DiBello** serves as the alternate.

Mr. DiBello designated Christina Melton as the representative from Spring-Ford to serve on the Montgomery County School Directors Legislative Committee. He added that if the Board is fine with it he would like to continue serving as the alternate. There were no objections raised so Mrs. Melton will serve as the Member and Mr. DiBello will serve as the alternate.

- XI. The Board shall appoint a **PSBA Liaison** to represent the Spring-Ford Area School District. **Dr. Edward T. Dressler** presently serves as the representative.

Mr. DiBello made a motion to appoint Dr. Edward Dressler as the representative from Spring-Ford to serve as the PSBA Liaison and Mr. Dehnert seconded it. Dr. Dressler was elected as the PSBA Liaison by a vote of 9-0.

- XII. The Board shall appoint a **Representative** to the **Spring City American Legion**. **Mr. DiBello** presently serves as the representative.

Mr. Pettit made a motion to appoint Mr. DiBello as the Spring-Ford representative to the Spring City American Legion and Mrs. Heine seconded it. Mr. DiBello was elected as the Spring-Ford representative to the Spring City American Legion by a vote of 9-0.

XIII. VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL SCHOOL JOINT OPERATING COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Members of the Joint Operating Committee for the Area Vocational-Technical School serve three year terms. One term expires each year to assure continuity in the operation of the joint program. The most recent representatives and the date of expiration for their terms are as follows:

Dawn R. Heine	2017 (three-year term)
Joseph P. Ciresi	2018 (one-year term)
Dr. Edward T. Dressler	2019

Mr. Pettit made a motion to elect Mrs. Heine for the Vocational-Technical School Operating Committee Member to fill the vacancy in the **three-year term** which occurs this year and Mrs. Zasowski seconded it. The motion passed 9-0. Mrs. Heine was elected to the Area Vocational-Technical School to serve the three-year term.

Mr. Pettit made a motion to elect Mrs. Zasowski for the Vocational-Technical School Operating Committee Member to fill the vacancy in the **one-year term** left on Mr. Ciresi's seat. Mr. Jackson nominated Mr. Dehnert and Mrs. Melton nominated Mrs. Zasowski. There was a roll call vote with Mr. Dehnert and Mr. Jackson voting for Mr. Dehnert. Dr. Dressler, Mrs. Zasowski, Mr. Pettit, Mrs. Heine, Mr. DiBello, Mrs. Fazzini and Mrs. Melton

voted for Mrs. Zasowski. Mrs. Zasowski was elected to the Vocational-Technical School Operating Committee to serve the remaining one-year term.

XIV. The Board approved the attached Listing of Work Session/Board Meeting Dates for 2018. **(ATTACHMENT A1)**

XV. The Board authorized the signature of Thomas J. DiBello as the Board President so that he can sign all documentation on behalf of the Board.

XVI. PUBLIC TO BE HEARD

There were no questions or comments from the public.

XVII. BOARD COMMENT

Dr. Goodin welcomed the new Board Members and stated that he and his Administrative Team look forward to working with them. He added that they look forward to getting to know each of them.

XVIII. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Pettit made a motion to adjourn and Mrs. Heine seconded it. The motion passed 9-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane M. Fern
School Board Secretary

2018 SCHEDULE OF MEETING DATES

SPRING-FORD AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

**ALL WORK SESSIONS AND BOARD MEETINGS WILL BE HELD
IN THE SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA ON THE THIRD AND FOURTH
MONDAY OF THE MONTH AT 7:30 P.M.
UNLESS DESIGNATED OTHERWISE.**

	<u>WORK SESSION</u>	<u>BOARD MEETING</u>
JANUARY	16 (*Tues)	22
FEBRUARY	20 (*Tues)	26
MARCH	19	26
APRIL	16	23
MAY	21	29 (*Tues)
JUNE	18	25
JULY	Emergency Only as Called by the Board President Or Superintendent of Schools	
AUGUST	20	27
SEPTEMBER	17	24
OCTOBER	15	22
NOVEMBER	19	26
DECEMBER	3 (Organizational meeting and board meeting)	10 (Optional)

* TUESDAY SESSION DUE TO MONDAY BEING A SCHEDULED
HOLIDAY OFF FROM SCHOOL