

**ALBERT GALLATIN AREA SCHOOL BOARD – REORGANIZATION MEETING
D. FERD SWANEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
DECEMBER 6, 2021 – 6:00 P.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ryan Porupski, Betty Moser, Paul Dunham, David Howard, Eric Miller, Carl Planiczka, Douglas Sholtis

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Superintendent Christopher Pegg, Solicitor Lee Price

President Porupski called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. followed by a Moment of Silent Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance after which all present responded to roll call.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Jamey Capozza of Ronco, PA expressed in interest in the vacant board seat. Phil Jones of Uniontown, PA expressed in interest in the vacant board seat.

AGENDA

A motion was made by Sholtis second by P. Dunham to adopt the agenda as presented.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

TEMPORARY CHAIRPERSON

Moser nominates Howard as Temporary Chairperson. Planiczka makes a motion to close nominations, second by Moser.
All members in favor of the motion.

All members in favor of Howard for Temporary Chairperson.

Howard now presides over meeting.

Solicitor Lee Price announced Sholtis and P. Dunham were the elected winners for both four-year and two-year terms. Both declined the two-year term and accepted the four-year term. There will be two, two-year term vacancies that will need to be filled within 30 days.

PRESENTATION OF ELECTION CERTIFICATES

Solicitor Price announced: Mr. Eric Miller, Mr. Douglas Sholtis, Mr. Paul Dunham and Mr. Ryan Porupski have been elected to the board.

SWEARING-IN OF NEWLY ELECTED MEMBERS BY TEMPORARY PRESIDENT

Temporary President administered the Oath of Office to the newly elected members.

PRESIDENT

Moser nominates Porupski.
Howard makes motion to close nominations second by P. Dunham. All in favor of motion.
All members in favor of Porupski for President.

Porupski now presides over meeting.

President Porupski presented his acceptance speech and thanked the board and public.

VICE-PRESIDENT

Moser nominates P. Dunham. Howard makes motion to close nominations second by Sholtis.
All members in favor of P. Dunham for Vice-President.

SECRETARY

No action needed for Secretary. (Moser's term expires June 30, 2023.)

TREASURER

P. Dunham nominates Miller.

P. Dunham makes motion to close nominations second by Porupski. All in favor of motion.
All members in favor of Miller for Treasurer.

MEETING SCHEDULE

A motion was made by Howard second by Planiczka to hold the meetings on the third Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m., with Work Session being held the preceding Monday at 6:00 p.m.; all meetings will be held in the D. Ferd Swaney Elementary School.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

SOLICITOR

A motion was made by Planiczka second by Sholtis to retain Andrews and Price Law Firm at \$600.00 per month retainer and \$100.00 per hour.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

FCCTI COMMITTEE

A motion was made by Howard second by Planiczka to appoint Moser to the FCCTI Joint Operating Committee for a three-year term commencing December, 2021.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by Howard to appoint Miller to the FCCTI Joint Operating Committee for a three-year term commencing December, 2021.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

FACSIMILE PLATE

A motion was made by Howard second by Moser to grant use of the current facsimile plate until the new one is received.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

UTILITIES

A motion was made by Moser second by P. Dunham to authorize payment of utility bills when due.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

PSBA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Howard nominates Sholtis

A motion was made by Howard second by Planiczka to appoint Sholtis to the PSBA Legislative Policy Council.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

SCHOOL BOARD VACANCY

A motion was made by Howard second by Planiczka fill a two year vacancy on the school board.
Howard nominates Jamey Capozza
P. Dunham nominates Mike Dunham
Roll call vote for: Jamey Capozza –Howard, Porupski, P. Dunham, Miller, Moser, Sholtis, Planiczka
Jamey Capozza accepts the position, Hersherberger (notary) issues the swearing in Oath of Office,
Capozza takes a seat at the table.

SCHOOL BOARD VACANCY

A motion was made by Moser second by Sholtis to fill a two year vacancy on the school board.
Porupski nominates Carla Franks
Planiczka nominates Jeff Myers
P. Dunham nominates Mike Dunham
Roll call vote for:
Carla Franks – Capozza, Howard, Porupski, Miller
Jeff Myers - Planiczka, Sholtis
Mike Dunham – P. Dunham, Moser
Motion Fails

SCHOOL BOARD VACANCY

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Porupski nominates Carla Franks
Planiczka nominates Jeff Myers
Moser nominates Mike Dunham
Roll call vote for:
Carla Franks – Capozza, Howard, Porupski
Jeff Myers - Planiczka, Sholtis
Mike Dunham – P. Dunham, Moser, Miller
Motion Fails

SCHOOL BOARD VACANCY

A motion was made by P. Dunham second by Moser a fill a two year vacancy on the school board.
Howard nominates Carla Franks
Planiczka nominates Jeff Myers
P. Dunham nominates Mike Dunham – respectfully declines
Roll call vote for: Carla Franks –Capozza, Howard, Porupski, P. Dunham, Miller, Moser, Sholtis
Roll call vote for: Jeff Myers – Planiczka, Sholtis
Carla Franks accepts the position, Hersherberger (notary) issues the swearing in Oath of Office, Franks
takes a seat at the table.

VOTING PROCEDURE

A motion was made by Howard second by Franks to present voting order for roll call votes is that after
motion is made the others will be called in random order except the President, who is called last. The
President will serve from December 7, 2020 to the first week in December 2021.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Moser second by Sholtis to adjourn the meeting at 6:26 p.m.
All members present voting in favor of the motion.