



Study Session Agenda – June 12, 2017 – Verner Elementary School – 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES

In attendance: Mrs. Ashbaugh, Mr. DiClaudio, Mr. DiPietro, Mr. Hackworth, Mrs. Hurt-Robinson, Dr. Loeffler, Mr. Nehlsen, Mrs. Tompa, Dr. McClure; Dr. DiNinno, Ms. Good, Mr. Muscante, Dr. Monroe, Mr. Hewitt, Mr. English, Mr. Zolkowski, Mrs. Plance, Mr. Rizzo, Mrs. Aughenbaugh, Mr. Krajca, Ms. Granahan, and Ms. Costa

Dr. DiNinno began the meeting by congratulating the Class of 2017 and thanking everyone for their support of graduation and the First Annual IMPACT Day.

The Finance Committee provided the following budget update:

Ms. Good reviewed the budget using the PDE state budget form to assist with understanding. She also reminded the board that Federal funding may be discontinued. A discussion continued as Ms. Good answered board questions. She shared that the Basic Education subsidy was reduced by \$13,000 since last notice in February 2017. Ms. Good also updated the board on the status of the State Budget and the pending transportation subsidy discussion.

Ms. Good provided an update on the TEN Construction progress and indicated that a pay application invoice will be on the agenda for approval next week.

Committee Reports

Education Committee:

Lisa Ashbaugh shared that several teacher positions have been posted as “anticipated” in order to be prepared for the upcoming school year. A review of hiring protocol was discussed and Alex DiClaudio asked that the administration consider using board inclusion during the final stages of teacher hiring in the same manner that the district currently uses when hiring coaches.

Ms. Ashbaugh shared the recommended AP Physics book. Dr. McClure asked Mr. Hewitt to revise the current textbook recommendation form. Some discussion pertaining to the weight and potential use of electronic textbooks and resources was also held as a potential direction for the future.

Forbes and Legislation:

Dr. Loeffler updated the board on Forbes enrollment. Mr. DiPietro suggested that the board consider an analysis of other Technical schools as option for students and that more focus be given to exploring Technical education as an option for students.

Eastern Area Schools:

Ms. Tompa indicated that the last meeting was held in April and it is often difficult to have a quorum. She suggested that another board member consider assisting for future stability.

Dr. DiNinno and Ms. Good shared the following items as potential motions for consideration at the next Regular Voting Meeting:

- Adoption of 2017-2018 Final Budget
- Homestead Resolution
- Contracts: Adelphoi, Yeschicks, Family Services, FMS
- Forbes Revenue Anticipation Note
- Pay Application for Ten, The Efficiency Network
- Weiss Burkardt Kramer request to file 2016 Real Estate Tax Liens
- Approval of Board Treasurer – Linda Tamburro
- Board Policies:
 - Third and Final Reading – (209.2) Diabetes; (246) Wellness; (609) Investment of District Funds
 - A discussion was held regarding how the Wellness Policy originated, what steps were taken to get to this point and how the Policy’s implementation will be monitored.
 - Mr. DiClaudio recommended that a motion be passed requiring quarterly updates to the Student Life Committee during the first year of implementation.
 - Dr. McClure offered ideas for engaging more employees in the Policy implementation.
- AP Physics Textbook
- Establish Hourly Wages: Substitute Secretary, Custodian, Paraprofessionals
- 17-18 Evaluations and subsequent compensation: Act 93 Employees, Athletic Director, Business Manager, Central Office Staff
- 2017-18 Federal Programs Administrator – David Zolkowski
- Personnel
 - Hires: Additional Summer Custodial workers , Summer Targeted Assistance (APEX teachers and paraprofessional), Kindercamp staff
 - Approval of Van/Bus Drivers & Aides
 - Additions to substitute list – substitute secretaries
 - Supplemental Positions: 16-17 follow-up and new 2017-18; Volleyball Coach (Amanda Humes); Girls Assistant Soccer Coach (Roya Fashandi)

Student Life Committee Agenda:

- An update on the purchase of Basketball Uniforms for the girl’s team was shared; including consistency with the letter “R” and the color of Gold.
- A discussion regarding moving to a JHSH yearbook in order to assist with efficiency was held.
- The idea of Live Streaming graduation was commended and all agreed that it is time to expand the live streaming function into other areas of the district, including Athletics.
- The board was provided with an update on a concern brought to their attention at an earlier meeting regarding potential behaviors of high school students, after school hours, at the Tenth Street playground. Mr. Zolkowski shared that he had personally discussed the matter with the concerned parent and addressed it appropriately. He indicated that the high school principals had already addressed things from their end as well. While police were involved, the administrative team agreed that the issue was addressed and encouraged any parent who has a concern to reach out to them immediately when an incident occurs. Following this protocol will assist the administrative team with maintaining outreach, addressing matters immediately and taking a proactive and engaging approach to meeting student needs. It also eliminates the potential for misinformation to be shared when things go on too long.

An executive session was held following the Study Session, from approximately 9:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. to discuss personnel matters.