



*Study Session / Education Committee Update
August 11, 2014 – 7:00 p.m. – Central Office Conference Room*

Mr. Hackworth called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

VISITORS PRESENT

Mr. Jason Shoaf, Dr. Ashley Coudriet-Smail, Ms. Tiffany Nix, Mr. Eric Hewitt, Mr. Bob Dunkle, Mr. David Zolkowski,

Education Committee Update

Dr. Coudriet provided a status on the Strategic Plan indicating that a formal state draft will be shared in September.

The Board reviewed the Social Studies Department's AP History Textbook recommendation.

A discussion regarding SBAR was held and questions were answered.

Administrators shared preliminary analysis of Keystone and PSSA scores along with plans for addressing student needs for the upcoming school year.

Elementary principals a variety of orientation activities that will be provided to Kindergarten students and parents at the beginning of the year.

Ms. Nix shared a review of the District's plan to implement a new Junior High concept at the Jr High/Sr High.

Review of Motions Being Recommended for Approval at Regular Voting Meeting:

Dr. DiNinno reviewed motions being considered for approval during the Regular Voting Meeting

Motions being considered include:

- Family Services Contract(s) – one for High School/one for Elementary
- Children's Institute
- Physical Therapy Contract
- American Staffing Contract
- Watson Institute
- Herff Jones Yearbook Agreements

- Bus Drivers 2014 – 2015 Approval
- Refuse Service Agreement
- Recognition of Booster Group
- 2014 – 2015 Employee Manual
- Athletic Manual

Personnel Motions being considered include:

- Social Studies Teacher
- Several Long-term substitute Teachers
- 2014-2015 Substitute List
- Supplemental Positions
- Auditorium Manager

ROLL CALL

Present: Mrs. Ashbaugh, Mr. DiPietro, Mrs. Dolan, Mr. Hackworth, Dr. Loeffler, Dr. McClure, Mr. Tillman, Mrs. Tompa

Absent: Ms. Vitti

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - MOTIONS FOR APPROVAL

Recommendations:

Personnel – Long Term Substitutes

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, Mrs. Ashbaugh moved that that Board approve the following long-term substitute teachers pending all clearance and health requirements with compensation subject to Board approved substitute teacher rates:

Melissa McQuade to replace Linda Rosenstock from 8/21/14 through 6/12/15

Mallory Hoyle to replace Lori Brickner from 8/21/14 through approximately 1/16/15

Daniel Zerick to replace Ashlee Cosentino from 8/21/14 through approximately 1/22/15

Dr. Loeffler seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Social Studies Teacher

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, Mrs. Dolan moved that the Board approve Daniel Murphy, Pittsburgh, PA, as a Temporary Professional Employee (Secondary) at Step 18 (formerly Step 1), Masters according to the RSD-REA Collective Bargaining Agreement replacing Eric Hewitt (new Assistant Principal), pending current clearances and health requirements, effective 8-21-14. Dr. Loeffler seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Dr. DiNinno provided the Board with updates on the following:

- Beginning of the school year announcements – Dr. DiNinno shared details regarding first Professional Development Days and first days of school. She also shared that the Board would be able to tour a new school bus and the new Junior High School Wing during next week's Board meeting.
- Elementary Teacher/Class Size and Student Support – Discussion occurred regarding a decrease of approximately 30 students at the Elementary level compared to last year.

Principals indicated that this year's current class sizes were similar to the class sizes of last year. It was agreed that all student needs would be monitored at every grade level and support would be provided if necessary where needed.

- Mr. Dunkle and Ms. Nix shared details pertaining to a meeting they had with Penn Dot indicating that all parties are working collaboratively to provide a secure and safe learning environment during the Hulton Bridge Project. Mr. Dunkle indicated a written summary will be provided to the Board as well.

Finance – Ms. Tammy Good shared the following with the Board:

- Motions for approval – Various contracts

Meeting adjourned at 9:12 pm.

Executive Session:

- An executive session was held until approximately 9:20 pm to discuss personnel matters.

Upcoming Meetings:

- August 18, 2014 – Regular Voting Meeting – JHSH Library
- August 21, 2014 – First Professional Development Day for Staff
- August 26, 2014 – First Day of School For Students
- September 8, 2014 – Study Session / Student Life Committee
- September 15, 2014 – Regular Voting Meeting
- September 22, 2014 – Education Committee Meeting