

Riverview School District

Study Session Notes - August 13, 2012

Central Office Conference Room 7:00 p.m.

Items for Discussion – August 20th Agenda:

Motions for Potential Approval Next Week:

Personnel:

- Hiring of Para Professional for JHSH special needs student (Class 3) (.43%) with extended hours).
- Maternity Leave – Kate Davidson (Approximately November 5, 2012 – February 19, 2013)
- Request for 3 days without pay – Marlene Schirra (PARA) to attend daughter's wedding.
- Computer lab aide (Class 3) (.43%) with extended hours) for 10th Street Elementary. This position was posted. 2 internal candidates bid. A skills test is being administered to each candidate. Results of the assessment will determine next steps.
- Request to attend conference: Ken Kubistek – John Hopkins Model United Nations.

Agreements:

- American Staffing Services Contract
- Watson Institute Agreement (training and consultation)
- UPMC contract – Adolescent Partial Hospitalization
- Independent Educational Evaluation parent request for Psychological testing services from a psychologist not on approved district list.
 - Certification provided along with Total Learning Center invoice which includes proposal for independent evaluation (copy provided to board in packet)

Other:

- To declare technology equipment obsolete and grant permission for Director of Technology to dispose of the obsolete equipment (Bob Dunkle)
- To declare JSH lockers as surplus, declare doors from elementary renovations as surplus, and to advertise and sell all items. (Frank Thompson)

Discussion Items: Frank Thompson:

- Coca Cola Contract discussion.
- Update on Real Estate Taxes, Delinquent and Current Year discussion.
- Construction Invoices Update
- Tax appeals
- Transportation Update – start of 2012 school year

Pupil Services:

- Follow-up discussion –pertaining to a June 2012 Parent Request for student (Verner resident) to attend 10th Street; it was deemed that students needs could be met at resident school and a transition plan would be created to assist with this process.
- Band Booster Association By-laws (review and discussion) – need to include policy 915

Academic / Curricular Updates (Discussion):

Lynn Black

- 2012 Preliminary PSSA DATA – Status
 - District Made AYP. Tenth Street Elementary hit all benchmarks. JSHS is on warning list for reading subgroup. Verner Elementary did not make AYP due to economically disadvantaged reading subgroup and is on warning. Teachers will be analyzing the data during the first in-service day. Plans are in place to address needs. More information to come.

Peggy DiNinno

- District Needs and RSD Goal Considerations - 2012-2013 School Year
- In-Service Agenda (aligned with needs of students)
 - New Teacher Induction – August 17th
 - In-Service Days for Teachers – August 20 – 22
 - Focus on Data Analysis
 - Customization to meet student needs
 - Building Level Plans to meet differentiated needs of students
 - Meaningful Teacher & Staff Professional Development

General and Community News/Updates:

Peggy DiNinno

- Riverview Reporter in homes soon. (at printer)
 - This issue comes out in mid-August and contains important details regarding the school year. Goal is to get them out this week.
- First Week of School 2012-2013 School Year
 - Teacher Induction (mentioned above) – August 17th
 - Opening Day and In-Service – August 20th
 - First Student Day – August 23rd
- Enrollment of Students from Low Achieving School List / Scholarship Recipients (discussion)
 - **Letter** received from Penn Hills School District – according to this letter, no response to letter by August 24th is presumed as not being willing to participate.
 - **Proper planning to meet the needs of students attending Riverview would have to occur in order to develop a successful plan. Discussion evolved around monitoring the situation and considering plans for potentially enrolling students in the future. However, the timeline does not allow the district to plan for successful implementation for the 2012-2013 school year.**

Bob Dunkle

- Official Launching of RSD Website