



*Study Session / Student Life Committee - Minutes
June 15, 2015 – 7:00 p.m. – Central Office Conference Room*

An executive session was held from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. to discuss various personnel matters.

In attendance:

J. Hackworth, L. Ashbaugh, E. Tillman, M. McClure, L. Vitti, A. Loeffler, D. Tompa, D. DiPietro, M. DiNinno, T. Good, T. Nix, M. Plance, D. Zolkowski, P. Clair, R. Oskin, E. Hewitt, several parents and community members were also in attendance.

Not attending:

H. Dolan

The meeting was moved to the Tenth Street School Auditorium in order to accommodate parents and residents in attendance.

Mr. Hackworth indicated that the 2015-2016 budget will be approved during next week's meeting and indicated that discussions regarding the budget development have been ongoing throughout the year during board meetings. He indicated that final decisions need to be made with regard to one teacher position and the acceptance or rejection of a Metz interest free loan to address food service equipment needs. He asked those in attendance to pose any comments or questions to the board.

Those in attendance presented comments and questions to the board on the following topics:

- Replacing or using attrition as a result of an opening created by an Art teacher retirement.
- Riverview's commitment to small class sizes
- The need for a long-range facilities maintenance plan and short term support
- Mr. Stolish asked the board to dismiss any debts his wife owed for health care costs and indicated that he was made aware that this topic was being examined by the board. Mr. Clair indicated that this topic needed to be discussed in a different forum.

A discussion was held and several board members and the superintendent, provided answers to questions, clarification, and education on the topics included in the above list. Mr. Hackworth and Mr. Tillman provided details pertaining to budget creation, the status of tax revenues, state funding, the need to address several facilities needs and the importance of protecting the tax payers' investment in school district facilities. Mr. Tillman and Mr. Hackworth explained the importance of financial forecasting and examining all potential decisions with regard to staffing and maintenance. Each explained how the decisions being made by the board today, will ultimately have an impact on the District's future financial status and program opportunities. Mr. Hackworth reviewed the bond items and construction needs of the District with the group. Ms. Vitti thanked everyone for their input and reminded everyone that the topics discussed this evening, as well as others, have been discussed during public board meetings throughout the year. She again thanked everyone for their input and encouraged those in attendance to attend board meetings on a regular basis.

It was also noted that due to the construction project, the Regular Voting meeting originally scheduled for June 22, 2015 would need to be relocated and the District would place information pertaining to the new location on the District's web page and it would also post the information in each school building.

Dick Jaynes, District Architect, provided that board with an update on the construction project and indicated that he would be asking the board to approve change orders. He reviewed several change orders with the board.

Student Life Committee:

Mrs. Ashbaugh and Ms. Nix provided updates on and reviewed the following topics:

- Final Athletic and Student Clubs Report
- Supplemental list for 2015-2016
- Booster Group/Student Activity information sessions were held for coaches and provided by Mrs. Good
- Construction schedule and flexibility with facility usage over the summer
- Musical timeline being followed as per handbook; group is ahead of schedule and a musical will be announced once selected.
- Band numbers for next year are currently at 106
- Homecoming night games will be on 9/24, 9/25 and the dance on 9/26 this year
- Changes in JHSH guidance and social studies assignments
- Mrs. Plance provided details on the carnival, Awards Ceremony and Bump Up day at Verner
- Dr. DiNinno congratulated Verner for receiving the Penn Can award – an award that acknowledges schools for closing the achievement gap – Verner was the only public school to earn the award. 6 schools earned the award in Allegheny County. The award was based on the school's last 2 years of PSSA scores.
- Mr. Zolkowski provided details on Tenth Street's Talent Show, end of year activities, and the SWPBIS award.

Dr. DiNinno then reviewed the following motions with the board indicating that board approval would be sought on the following items at next Monday's Regular Voting meeting:

- Act 93
- 2015-2016 Athletic Handbook
- Policies:
 - Policies: (Reading 3) – 105, 119, 124, 203.1, 210, 235, 235.1, 306, 307, 317.1, 609, 804, 806, 818, 913, 916
 - Policy (Reading 2) - Suicide Awareness Prevention and Response - 819
 - Policy 707 (Reading 1) Use of School Facilities
- Motion to approve review of Bullying/Cyberbullying Policy #249 – as required by Office of Safe Schools
- AIU Educational Services agreement (special education resources/service needs)
- SAP (Student Assistance Program) Family Services of Western PA High School - Contract
- AOT (Associated Occupational Therapy) - Contract
- U.S. Open Agreement - Parking at JHSH
- Metz Investment Loan approval
- 2015-2016 Forbes Road Revenue Anticipation Note
- Final Budget 2015-2016
- Homestead Farmstead Exclusion Resolution
- Approve budgetary transfers
- Permission to proceed with any year-end budgetary transfers as necessary
- District Wide Renovation Project
 - Architect Invoice (2)
 - Construction invoices
 - Change Orders

- Potential motion for Parks and Recreation collaborative grant participation
- Agreements (4)

Personnel motions for approval-

- Act 93 Evaluations 15-16 Salaries
- 15-16 Salary – CO Staff, Tech Assistants
- Athletic Director Contract
- Employment:
 - LTS teacher 15-16
 - Continue Ashley Duncan for Heidi Telin
 - Kindergarten Summer Success Camp
 - 2 Teachers, 1 Paraprofessional
 - Summer Targeted Assistance - JHSH
 - Custodian
 - To fill existing vacancy
 - Summer Custodial Workers
 - 2 students
 - Supplemental Approvals and Resignations
 - Event Workers
- Resignations:
 - Bob Dunkle – Director of Technology/School Safety
 - Teresa Fogle – Paraprofessional

An executive session was held following the meeting until approximately 10:50 to discuss personnel matters.

Upcoming Meetings:

- June 22, 2015 – Regular Voting Meeting, Final Budget Approval
- July 27 2015 – Combined Meeting