POTTSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 17, 2010

The Regular Meeting of the Board of School Directors of the Pottstown School District was held on Thursday, June 17, 2010 at 7:30 PM in the second floor LGI room of the Pottstown Middle School with President Richard C. Huss presiding. Upon roll call, the following members were present: Mr. Robert H. Hartman, Jr., Mr. Thomas J. Hylton, Mrs. Michele Pargeon, Mr. Dennis Wausnock, Mrs. Polly M. Weand, Mr. Nat White and Mrs. Julia Wilson. Absent was Ms. Valerie Harris. Also present were Superintendent, Mr. David Krem; Assistant Superintendent, Dr. Reed Lindley; Director of Education and Human Resources, Dr. Jeffrey Sparagana; Board Secretary, Mrs. Linda Adams; Solicitor, Mr. Stephen Kalis, Ms. Pamela Bateson, Mrs. Lisa Snyder, Ms. Terri Lampe, Mr. John Armato, a member of the press, and interested citizens.

AWARDS

Dr. Lindley presented the 2009-2010 Air Force JROTC Outstanding Organization Award to the high school JROTC unit. This is the 10th year the high school unit has been the recipient of this award. M/Sgt. Donald MacNeil accepted the award on behalf the unit.

Dr. Lindley presented the Pottstown Outstanding Service Award to M/Sgt. Donald MacNeil. Dr. Lindley expressed the school district's appreciation for M/Sgt. Donald MacNeil's stability, his attention to detail and his continued service to the Pottstown students. He also thanked him for his 50 years of service to our country.

M/Sgt. MacNeil thanked Dr. Lindley and the school board for taking the chance on implementing the JROTC program 15 years ago. He thanked the cadets who are the reason the program is a success. M/Sgt. MacNeil introduced Cadet Morgan DeArmin and recognized his service and the example he portrays.

Ms. Terri Lampe presented a Letter of Recognition from the Foundation For Pottstown Education to Mr. David Krem. Ms. Lampe read the Letter of Recognition thanking Mr. Krem for" his determination to bring the Foundation to life". She stated the many successes of the Foundation and their ability to serve The Pottstown School District and the community.

REPORTS

Mr. Connors presented a video compiled by High School students for Principal, Stephen Rodriguez.

MINUTES

It was moved by Mrs. Pargeon and seconded by Mr. Hartman that the minutes of the Regular meeting held on May 20, 2010, be approved as presented.

Upon roll call, all members present voted aye. Ayes: eight. Nays: none. Absent: one. Motion carried.

It was moved by Mr. Wausnock and seconded by Mr. Hartman that the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held on June 3, 2010, be approved as presented.

Upon roll call, all members present voted aye. Ayes: eight. Nays: none. Absent: one. Motion carried.

LIST OF BILLS

It was moved by Mrs. Pargeon and seconded by Mrs. Wilson that the list of bills for the period of May 13, 2010 to June 9, 2010 from the Athletic Fund totaling $46,684.50; the Cafeteria Fund totaling $211,324.48; the Elementary Activity Fund totaling $1,233.09 and the General Fund totaling $349,069.86 be approved and a copy be filed in the Secretary's office as addendum #2009-2010-088.

Upon roll call, all members present voted aye. Ayes: eight. Nays: none. Absent: one. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

It was moved by Mrs. Pargeon and seconded by Mrs. Weand that the Treasurer's Report for May 2010 be approved and a copy be filed in the Secretary's office as addendum #2009-2010-089.

Upon roll call, all members present voted aye. Ayes: eight. Nays: none. Absent: one. Motion carried.

HEARINGS FROM THE PATRONS OF THE SCHOOLS

Mrs. Zahora questioned why there was no hoop-la for Bud Heller.

Mrs. Adams explained that Mr. Heller was asked to participate in a retirement recognition but was not receptive to being the center of attention. A joint luncheon is planned to honor Mrs. Grim, Mr. Heller and Mr. Krem.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS

It was moved by Mr. Hartman and seconded by Mrs. Wilson that the following consent items be approved, in accordance with Policy 1120, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools:

Personnel

Resignations/Terminations

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following resignations/terminations:

Professional

Karen Fricke, Teacher, Pottstown Middle School, resignation effective June 16, 2010, employed since September 10, 2007.

Change in Position and/or Salary

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following changes in position and/or salary:

Professional

Anne Marie Gruenling from part-time School Nurse, Rupert Elementary School, to full-time School Nurse, Pottstown Middle School, effective August 24, 2010, Bach, step A, $43,335/year, replaces Marguerite Grim as Middle School Nurse.

Exempt

Thomas Leinhauser from Long-term Substitute, Pottstown High School, to Virtual Academy Facilitator, Pottstown Middle School, $51,500/year, 210 day position, effective August 10, 2010.

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Anne Frederick from School Nurse, Franklin Elementary School, to District Head Nurse/Franklin School Nurse, Franklin Elementary School, $63,672/year, 225 day position, effective August 9, 2010, replaces Marguerite Grim.

Elections

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following elections:

Substitute Teachers

Troy Lambert, Special Substitute Teacher, $100/day, effective June 1, 2010. He will also assume the role of Substitute Classroom Assistant, $13.65/hr, effective June 1, 2010.

Exempt

LaTanya White, Virtual Academy Facilitator, Pottstown Middle School, $55,000/year, 210 day position, effective August 10, 2010.

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Kim Holsonback, Director of Food Services, Pottstown School District, $63,672/year, 225 day position, effective August 9, 2010.

Augustus Heller, Food Service Training, at a rate of $48 per hour for up to 1,500 hours along with agreed upon benefits in the 2010-2011 school year.

Classified

Karen Kozak, Food Service Secretary Training, at a rate of $25 per hour for up to 200 hours along with agreed upon benefits in the 2010-2011 school year.

Middle School Summer Tutoring paid through 21st Century Grant Funds. Program runs June 21, 2010 through July 30, 2010 (math, reading and vocational).

Name	Position	Rate
Robert Stevens	Coordinator	$29/hr
Kevin Downes	Assistant to the Coordinator	$29/hr
Perry Augustine	Sub Assistant to the Coordinator	$29/hr
Ellen Clark	Office Assistant	$13.65/hr
Kelly Ortlip	Office Assistant	$13.65/hr
Diane Martz	Substitute Office Assistant	$13.65/hr
Karen Dilliplane	Nurse	$29/hr
John Orr	Security	$15/hr
Stephanie White	Security	$15/hr
Shirley Shaffer	Security	$15/hr
Diane Martz	Substitute Security	$15/hr
Amy Nagle	Classroom Assistant	$13.65/hr
Connie March	Classroom Assistant	$13.65/hr
Karen Swanson	Classroom Assistant	$13.65/hr
Liz Collings	Classroom Assistant	$13.65/hr
Lois O'Dell	Classroom Assistant	$13.65/hr
Katrina Keene	Classroom Assistant	$13.65/hr
Ryan Ferrell	Classroom Assistant	$13.65/hr
Sara Wells	Classroom Assistant	$13.65/hr
Tracy Oister	Classroom Assistant	$13.65/hr
Vicki Baldwin	Classroom Assistant	$13.65/hr
Matthew Reid	Classroom Assistant	$13.65/hr
Ian Lawrence	Classroom Assistant	$13.65/hr
Fran Mulvihill	Classroom Assistant	$13.65/hr
Pauline Herrett	Life Skills 1:1 Assistant	$13.65/hr
Matthew Reid	Substitute Classroom Assist	$13.65/hr
Teresa Truman	Substitute Classroom Assist	$13.65/hr
Katrina Keene	Substitute Classroom Assist	$13.65/hr
Abbey Yeager	Substitute Classroom Assist	$13.65/hr
Sara Wells	Substitute Classroom Assist	$13.65/hr
David Kemper	Teacher	$29/hr
David Roberts	Teacher	$29/hr
Layla Miller	Teacher	$29/hr
Kristen Beaver	Teacher	$29/hr
John Martin	Teacher	$29/hr
Matt Boyer	Teacher	$29/hr
Regina Collins	Teacher	$29/hr
Elizabeth Rega	Teacher	$29/hr
Ryan Oxenford	Teacher	$29/hr
Stan Walerski	Teacher	$29/hr
Cynthia Hussman	Teacher	$29/hr
Jared Leimeister	Teacher	$29/hr
Elizabeth Rega	Substitute Teacher	$29/hr
William Gumby	Substitute Teacher	$29/hr
Sara Detar	Substitute Teacher	$29/hr
Jennifer Dixon	Substitute Teacher	$29/hr
Katrina Keene	Substitute Teacher	$29/hr
Karen Kemmerer	Substitute Teacher	$29/hr
Justin Walsh	Substitute Teacher	$29/hr

Ryan Regensberg	Vocational Teacher	$29/hr
Matthew Blute	Vocational Teacher	$29/hr
Michael Spishock	Vocational Teacher	$29/hr
Rebecca Daniels	Vocational Teacher	$29/hr
Mary Palladino	Vocational Teacher	$29/hr
Julie Shea	Vocational Teacher	$29/hr
Sgt. Donald MacNeil	Vocational Teacher	$29/hr
Gwyneth Thomas	Vocational Teacher	$29/hr

High School Summer Tutoring paid through 21st Century Grant Funds. Program runs June 28, 2010 through July 29, 2010.

Name	Position	Rate
Cal Benfield	English Teacher	$29/hr
Elizabeth Bernhard	Secretarial Duties	$13.65/hr
Laura Christie	Science Teacher	$29/hr
Teresa Dundon	Substitute Teacher	$29/hr
Teresa Dundon	Classroom Assistant	$13.65/hr
Daniel Edleman	Math Teacher	$29/hr
Sarah Pennypacker	Achievers Program	$29/hr
Alex Samsel	Classroom Assistant	$13.65/hr

Summer Food Service Program, effective June 17, 2010

Name	Position	Rate
Linda Chubb	Summer Food Service Substitute	$11.46/hr
Cristina Kane	Summer Food Service Substitute	$11.46/hr
Janet Bentz	Summer Food Service Substitute	$11.46/hr
Mary Ann Lightcap	Summer Food Service Manager	$14.80/hr
Stacey Rodden	Summer Food Service Manager	$14.80/hr

Summer Maintenance Program, effective June 17, 2010

First Name	Last Name	Rate	Position
Beth	Bean	$10.79	Summer Cleaning
Caren	Bean	$11.12	Summer Cleaning
Jake	Bean	$11.12	Maintenance Crew
Janice	Bobst	$10.79	Summer Cleaning
Ryan	Edleman	$10.79	Paint Crew
Cindy	Edmunds	$10.79	Summer Cleaning
Nichole	Ettore	$11.12	Summer Cleaning
Sarah	Fehr	$10.79	Summer Cleaning
Christine	Fiorillo	$11.12	Summer Cleaning
Brittany	Fiorillo	$10.79	Summer Cleaning
Jill	Fox	$10.79	Summer Cleaning
Mike	Frank	$10.79	Summer Cleaning
John	Frank	$10.79	Summer Cleaning
Ray	Golden III	$10.79	Summer Cleaning

Mike	Gordon	$10.79	Summer Cleaning
Sylvia	Harvey	$10.79	Summer Cleaning
Raphael	Hueber	$10.79	Summer Cleaning
Cory	Hueber	$10.79	Summer Cleaning
Tom	Keen	$10.79	Summer Cleaning
Willamena	Kelly	$11.12	Summer Cleaning
Ruth	Kraft	$11.12	Summer Cleaning
William	Lacey	$10.79	Maintenance Crew
Kierstin	Levan	$10.79	Summer Cleaning
Ashley	Lightcap	$10.79	Summer Cleaning
Cheryl	Oxenford	$10.79	Summer Cleaning
Seth	Pihanich	$11.12	Summer Cleaning
Kim	Retner	$10.79	Summer Cleaning
Ralph	Richards	$10.79	Summer Cleaning
Carl	Righter	$10.79	Paint Crew
Andrew	Sabuacak	$10.79	Paint Crew
Brian	Trostle	$10.79	Summer Cleaning
Michael	Tucker	$10.79	Summer Cleaning
Shannon	Wagner	$10.79	Summer Cleaning
Dalton	Wieder	$10.79	Summer Cleaning
Abbey	Yeager	$10.79	Summer Cleaning
Robert	Yost	$11.12	Summer Cleaning

District Pupil Services Summer Staffing

Name	Summer Position	Not to Exceed	Rate
Amy Piskai	Psychologist	30 days of service	$38.15/hr.
Alison Detweiler	Psychologist	30 days of service	$40.45/hr.
Monique Henderson	Psychologist	30 days of service	$39.26/hr.
Jaime Stringer	ESY Life Skills/Autism Teacher	70 Hours	$29/hr.
Erin Wydrzynski	ESY Life Skills/Autism Teacher	70 Hours	$29/hr.
Karen Lawler	ESY Life Skills/Autism Teacher	70 Hours	$29/hr.
Jamie DiStefano	ESY Life Skills/Autism Substitute Teacher	70 hours	$29/hr.
Jenna Bainbridge	ESY Life Skills Classroom Assistant	70 hours	$13.65/hr
Rachel Calancea	ESY Life Skills Classroom Assistant	70 hours	$13.65/hr
Linda Mills	ESY Life Skills Classroom Assistant	70 hours	$13.65/hr
Lori Sabuacak	ESY Life Skills Classroom Assistant	70 hours	$13.65/hr
Amy Sellman	Summer Speech Services	16 hours	$29/hr.
Theresa Spitko	Summer Speech Services	16 hours	$29/hr.
Jamie Vigliotta	Summer Occupational Therapist Services	8 hours	$29/hr.
Mindy Wojton	Summer Occupational Therapist Services	8 hours	$29/hr.
Meghan Walsh	ESY Teacher Learning Support	40 hours	$29/hr.
Meghan Lynch	ESY Teacher Learning Support	40 hours	$29/hr.
Lisa Stephenson	ESY Teacher Learning Support	40 hours	$29/hr.
Catherine Retzner	Substitute ESY Teacher Learning Support	30 hours	$29/hr.
Paula Pritchard	ESY Learning Support Classroom Assistant	30 hours	$13.65/hr
Theresa Truman	ESY Learning Support Classroom Assistant	30 hours	$13.65/hr

Jaclyn Yoder	ESY Life Skills Teacher	100 hours	$29/hr.
Gina Griffin	ESY Life Skills Classroom Assistant	75 hours	$13.65/hr
Theresa Truman	Sub. ESY Life Skills Classroom Assistant	30 hours	$13.65/hr
Theresa Dundon	Special Education Tutor	60 hours	$29/hr.
Jamie Harle	ESY Teacher 1:1 Learning Support	5 hours	$29/hr.
Diane Earnshaw	Special Ed. Dept. Chair Collaboration	5 hours	$29/hr.
Sandy Zuchero	Special Ed. Dept. Chair Collaboration	5 hours	$29/hr.
Theresa Dundon	IEP Teacher	15 hours	$29/hr.
Jamie Harle	IEP Teacher	15 hours	$29/hr.
Lisa Stephenson	IEP Teacher	15 hours	$29/hr.
Meghan Walsh	IEP Teacher	15 hours	$29/hr.
Mitchell Tew	Nurse	75 hours	Contracted Rate

Correction: Horizontal Salary Movement:
Professional staff member was eligible as of the last deadline of January 20, 2010.

Name	Building	From	Old Salary	To	Step	New Salary
Jolie Martinez	Pottstown High School	BACH	45,184	B+15	6.00	$45,951

Tuition Reimbursement

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following tuition reimbursement:

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Name	Building	Amount
Lisa Schade	Administration Building	$1820.00
Danielle McCoy	Pottstown High School	$1770.00

PROFESSIONAL LEAVES

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following professional leaves:

Building	Name	Conference Title	Conference Location	Dates to Attend	Cost
Middle Admin Sr. High	Robert Stevens & 2 of the following: Sue Yocum Jolie Martinez Eileen Undorfer	21st Century Conference	Washington, DC	6/21/10 – 6/23/10	Approx. $2668.00 paid by the 21st Century Grant
Admin.	Mary Rieck	Fred Rogers Center Collaboration	Latrobe, PA	7/6/10 – 7/7/10	Approx. $368.00 reimbursed by the Rogers Center
Admin.	Emily Baddeley	Early Childhood Positive Behavior Support PD Instructors Institute	Harrisburg, PA	7/13/10 – 7/16/10	Approx. $620.00 paid by the Pre-K Counts Grant
Edgewood	Angela Tuck	ASCD Leader to Leader (ASCD is the source of Healthy School Grant)	Lansdowne, VA	7/21/10 – 7/24/10	Approx. $100.00 paid by the district. All other expenses paid by ASCD group.
Admin.	Emily Baddeley	Straight Talk by the Experts (LETRS Training)	Hershey, PA	6/22/10 – 6/24/10	Registration ($1500) paid by SBSL. Approx. $340.00 paid by Pre-K Counts grant.

Lincoln Rupert	Sharon Holloway Heather Kurtz Shannon Wagner	Straight Talk by the Experts (LETRS Training)	Hershey, PA	6/24/10 – 6/25/10 6/21/10 – 6/25/10	Registration ($1500/each) paid by SBSL. Approx. $1021.00 paid by Title I grant.

CONTRACTS

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following contracts and copies be filed in the Secretary's office as addendum #2009-2010-090:

1. The Lincoln Center
2. Chester County Intermediate Unit
3. Chester County Intermediate Unit
4. Easter Seals of Southeastern PA
5. Wordsworth
6. The Pathway School
7. The Pathway School
8. MCIU Web and Data Services Agreement
9. Tri-County Village Productions

BID AWARDS

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the bid award listed below and a copy be filed in the Secretary's office as addendum #2009-2010-091.

1. Spring Sports Supplies and Equipment

2010-2011 BREAKFAST AND LUNCH PRICES

The Superintendent recommends the school lunch and breakfast prices for the 2010-2011 school year be approved as follows (prices listed below reflect no change over the 2009-2010 prices):

Lunches
Elementary (Grades K-5) School Student Lunch - $1.75
Middle School/Senior High School Student Lunches - $2.00

Elementary (Grades K-5) School Adult Lunch - $2.50
Middle School/Senior High School Adult Lunches - ala carte

Reduced Price Lunch - $.40
White Milk - $.50

Breakfast
Full Price Breakfast - $1.00
Reduced Price Breakfast - $.30
Adult Breakfast – ala carte

REVISED 2010-2011 CALENDAR

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the revised 2010-2011 calendar, as presented and a copy be filed in the Secretary's office as addendum 2009-2010-092.

2010 HOMSTEAD AND FARMSTEAD EXCLUSION RESOLUTION.

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the 2010 Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion Resolution, as presented and a copy be filed in the Secretary's office as addendum 2009-2010-093.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY TAX CLAIM BUREAU RESOLUTION

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the Resolution directing the Montgomery County Tax Claim Bureau not to collect delinquent real estate taxes on behalf of the Pottstown School District, as presented and a copy be filed in the Secretary's office as addendum 2009-2010-094.

BUDGET TRANSFERS

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the Resolution authorizing transfers within the 2009-2010 budget, as presented and a copy be filed in the Secretary's office as addendum 2009-2010-095.

INVESTMENT OF FUNDS RESOLUTION

The Superintendent recommends the Board adopt the following Resolution authorizing the Secretary and Treasurer to invest funds for the various school district accounts during the next fiscal year:

> WHEREAS, the funds are available in the school accounts from time to time that can be invested and,
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> WHEREAS, the School Laws of Pennsylvania do permit investment of school funds.
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> NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Secretary and Treasurer of the Board of School Directors of the Pottstown School District be, and hereby are, authorized to invest the funds for the various school district accounts, and
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> BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary and Treasurer be authorized to dispose the said investments as the funds are needed, and
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> BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the procedures and types of investments purchased shall be in accordance with the requirements of the School Laws of Pennsylvania.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE REVISED HEALTH & WELLNESS PLANNED COURSE OUTLINES

The Superintendent supports the recommendation of the Technology Curriculum Committee's revised health and wellness planned course outlines (revised to include content and activities that address driver and passenger safety), and recommends the Board approve the revised planned courses as presented to be implemented in 2010-2011.

2002 CONSTRUCTION FUND: CONDITIONAL APPROVAL TO SPEND FUNDS FOR STADIUM UPGRADES

The Superintendent supports the recommendation of the Facilities Committee for conditional approval to use the remaining funds from the 2002 Construction Fund in the amount of $50,130.96 for stadium upgrades and fix the sound equipment for the LGI as a capital expense in the amount of $4,588 for upgrades quoted by Troxell Communications and recommends the Board approve the use of these funds with the Facilities Committee approval.

Upon roll call for the above consent items, all members present voted aye. Ayes: eight. Nays: none. Absent: one. Motion carried.

NON-CONSENT

MOTION TO CLOSE 10 MODULARS

Mr. Hylton moves that the Pottstown School Board direct the administration to submit a plan to close 10 of the 23 modulars currently in use at our elementary schools beginning with the 2010-2011 school year.

It was moved by Mr. Hylton and seconded by Mr. White that the Pottstown School Board direct the administration to submit a plan to close 10 of the 23 modulars currently in use at our elementary schools beginning with the 2010-2011 school year.

Mr. Hylton stated several reasons for closing 10 of the modulars: 1) special education enrollment is down with a slight increase in regular enrollment, 2) approximately 25 part-time special education classrooms are currently being held; closing 10 modulars would reduce this number to 15, 3) early stages of worst economic crisis, 4) $1.3 billion deficit in the State Budget, 5) school districts are facing sky-rocketing contribution costs to the state pension system, 6) no guarantee the school districts will receive the $19 million in state aid and decreasing aid next year when the federal stimulus ends and 8) increase in the cost of health benefits and utilities.

Mrs. Pargeon respectfully disagreed with Mr. Hylton's rationale to close 10 modulars. She expressed her concern on the impact this would have on student achievement. Mrs. Pargeon stated that anticipating fewer state resources solidifies the need to consolidate the elementary schools. She stated every decision the board makes should be about how it affects educating the students. She would like to know how this recommendation might impact student education.

Mr. Hylton replied that the student enrollment is no different from two years ago and it is obvious that the thing to cut is the modulars, which are unattractive and very inefficient. He voiced his opinion that it would be best to start with closing the modulars instead of closing a school.

Mr. Huss stated that the board works on the committee system. He asked if Mr. Hylton had presented his recommendation to close 10 modulars to the Facilities Committee. Mr. Huss expressed his disappointment with Mr. Hylton's actions to speak at the Task Force meeting on June 7th. Board Members were asked to sit and listen when attending the Task Force meetings.

Mrs. Weand stated that she received several complaints from the public regarding Mr. Hylton's speech at the last Task Force meeting. She voiced her concern that Board Members should not take away from the patrons time to speak at these meetings.

Mr. Hylton defended his right to speak. He stated that Mr. Bush, Chairman of the Task Force Committee, granted him permission to speak as a member of the community.

Mr. White stated that all the board members want what is best for the students but nobody on the Board speaks about the taxpayer. He voiced his concern that the taxpayer cannot afford all the programs and spending that the board is doing. Mr. White stated he believes Mr. Hylton's motion to close 10 modulars is a way to create some balance for the taxpayer.

Mrs. Weand disagreed with Mr. White's comment that no board member speaks for the taxpayers. She has always voiced her concern for the taxpayers and recalled that she supported the taxpayers' interests regarding Mr. Hylton's recommendation to spend $13 million for the window replacement project presented a few months ago. Mrs. Weand supports Mrs. Pargeon's comment that eliminating classroom space will hinder the education of our children.

Mr. Hartman would welcome the opportunity to discuss Mr. Hylton's motion to close 10 modulars. He does not believe it is appropriate to ask for a motion on a topic that has not previously been discussed at a Committee of the Whole meeting or presented at a committee meeting to then be brought to the full board for action. He recommended that the board table this motion until the Facilities Committee has an opportunity to review and discuss the use of classrooms in the modulars at their July meeting.

Mrs. Wilson stated she would like the Administration to look into the use of classroom space in the modulars due to the reduction in teaching staff resulting from the new budget. She agrees it should go to the Facilities Committee for consideration.

It was moved by Mr. Hartman and seconded by Mr. Wausnock to table Mr. Hylton's motion to close 10 modulars beginning in the 2010-2011 school year.

Upon roll call, the vote to table the motion is recorded as follows: Mr. White: nay, Mrs. Wilson: aye, Mr. Hartman: aye, Mr. Huss: aye, Mr. Hylton: nay, Mrs. Pargeon: nay, Mr. Wausnock: aye, Mrs. Weand: aye. Ayes: five. Nays: three. Absent: one. Motion carried.

ADOPTION OF 2010-2011 FINAL BUDGET

Mrs. Adams read the 2010-2011 Final Budget Resolution for Board approval.

It was moved by Mrs. Weand and seconded by Mr. Wausnock that the Board approve the Final Budget Resolution and a copy be filed in the Secretary's office as addendum 2009-02010-096.

Upon roll call, the vote to approve the adoption of the 2010-2011 Final Budget Resolution was recorded as follows: Mrs. Weand: aye, Mr. White: nay, Mrs. Wilson: aye, Mr. Hartman: aye, Mr. Huss: aye, Mr. Hylton: nay, Mrs. Pargeon: aye and Mrs. Wausnock: aye. Ayes: six. Nays: two. Absent: one. Motion carried.

THE JOINT SOUTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA SCHOOLS TRUST AGREEMENT

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the Trust Agreement authorizing the joint purchase of employee health benefits with the Montgomery County Intermediate Unit subject to final review by

the MCIU solicitor, as presented and a copy be filed in the Secretary's office as addendum 2009-2010-097.

It was moved by Mrs. Wilson and seconded by Mr. Hartman's that the board approve The Joint Southeastern Pennsylvania Schools Trust Agreement subject to final review by the MCIU solicitor.

Upon roll call, all members present voted aye. Ayes: eight. Nays: none. Absent: one. Motion carried.

MOTION TO APPROVE EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT FOR DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT

The Superintendent supports the motion to approve the entering into an Employment Agreement with Dr. Reed Lindley, as District Superintendent for the District based upon the terms previously recommended by the Personnel Committee and discussed with the Board, beginning July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2013.

Mr. Hylton qualified that he will be voting no as he supports hiring an Interim Superintendent, not that he is apposed to Dr. Lindley.

It was moved by Mrs. Weand and seconded by Mrs. Wilson that the Board approve the employment agreement for District Superintendent, Dr. Reed Lindley.

Upon roll call, the vote to approve the employment agreement for Dr. Lindley as the newly elected District Superintendent to be effective July 1, 2010, was recorded as follows: Mr. Hartman: aye, Mr. Huss: aye, Mr. Hylton: nay, Mrs. Pargeon: aye, Mr. Wausnock: aye, Mrs. Weand: aye, Mr. White: aye and Mrs. Wilson: aye. Ayes: seven. Nays: one. Absent: one. Motion carried.

Dr. Lindley thanked the board for their support and confirmed that a vacancy with regard to the position of Assistant District Superintendent will occur on July 1, 2010.

RESOLUTION – ELECTION OF ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. Krem stated that Dr. Lindley, Dr. Sparagana and himself worked well as a team. He encouraged the board to approve Dr. Sparagana as the Assistant Superintendent.

In accordance with sections 10-1071 and 10-1076 of the School Code, and based upon the nominations of Mr. David P. Krem as District Superintendent as well as Dr. Reed D. Lindley as District Superintendent-elect, a motion is hereby made to elect Dr. Jeffrey R. Sparagana as Assistant District Superintendent for the Pottstown School District for a term of three (3) Years beginning July 1, 2010; conditioned, however, upon Dr. Sparagana and the Board entering into a mutually satisfactory Employment Contract which will replace the one entered into between the Board and Dr. Sparagana in October 2009. The Board solicitor is hereby directed to meet with Dr. Sparagana to discuss proposed terms to then be included in an Employment Contract for review and approval by the Board.

Dr. Lindley asked the board to support this motion. He stated he looks forward to working with Dr. Sparagana to move the district forward.

Mr. Hylton stated that now that Dr. Lindley is elected the District Superintendent he is in favor of this motion.

It was moved by Mr. Huss and seconded by Mr. White that the Board approve the election of Dr. Jeffrey Sparagana as the Assistant Superintendent.

Upon roll call, all members presented voted aye. Ayes: eight. Nays: none. Absent: one. Motion carried.

Dr. Sparagana thanked the Board for their support. He looks forward to continuing his association with the district and moving the district forward in a positive manner.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Policy 122: Interscholastic Athletics and Co-Curricular Activities for Pottstown High School and Pottstown Middle School, 1st Reading
2. Policy 122.1: Co-Curricular Awards and Recognition for Co-Curricular Participation, 1st Reading

NEW BUSINESS

1. 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008 State Audit

Mrs. Adam reviewed the results of the audit. She reported that the district did well. Mrs. Adams explained the district was sited for not complying with a school bus driver recommendation. This was a letter of recommendation and was not a legislative requirement. The school district has implemented safety procedures in response to the finding. She responded vehemently to this finding. Mrs. Adams stated she will ask the board to acknowledge receipt of the audit report at a future meeting.

INFORMATION

1. Conference Report
2. Monthly Meeting Notice: July
3. 2009/2010 PDE Tuition Rates for Montgomery County Schools
4. First Suburbs Summit: July 16th

FEDERATION REMARKS

Ms. Volmuth stated that the Federation is aware of the budgetary restraints that all districts are under. The decision not to hire replacement teachers will increase the class size at the elementary level and will have an affect on teacher performance. She stated that it will be extremely difficult for the teachers to perform at the level they are being asked to do.

ROUND TABLE

Mrs. Pargeon – no comment.

Mr. Hartman congratulated Dr. Lindley for his excellent presentation at the First Suburbs meeting on June 10th. He stated graduation was a great evening. Graduation is the ultimate goal of the board. Mr. Hartman thanked Mr. Krem for all he has done for the district and students.

Mrs. Weand agreed with Mr. Hartman's comment regarding Dr. Lindley's presentation at the First Suburbs meeting. She stated that graduation was a wonderful evening filled with phenomenal energy.

Mr. White congratulated Dr. Lindley and Dr. Sparagana. He expressed his concerns that as future cuts may have to be made that the board realize cutting further teachers from their positions is not a benefit.

Mr. Hylton – no comment.

Mrs. Wilson attended the Annual PEAK Meeting. Dr. Sparagana did a great job presenting all the accomplishments of PEAK. She wished Mr. Krem well and thanked him for everything she has learned from him.

Mr. Wausnock enjoyed working with Mr. Krem and thanked him for his efforts to educate him during the past 2 ½ years. Mr.Wausnock stated he is looking forward to the remainder of his term working with Dr. Lindley and Dr. Sparagana.

Dr. Lindley thanked Mr. Krem for his support and wished him well. He reported that purchase orders will be going out soon for the 2010-2011 Core Reading Program. Dr. Lindley assured the board that administration will begin working on next year's budget as soon as possible.

Dr. Sparagana wished Mr. Krem the best in his new position at the Wyomissing School District. He thanked him for the guidance he had given him over the past 16 years. Dr. Sparagana reported that the PEAK event has grown over the years. He reviewed various results and effectiveness of the PEAK program. Dr. Spargana recounted the CNN Coverage on Pottstown's PEAK Program and the benefits to Pottstown. He stated he will notify the board when this coverage is aired.

Mrs. Adams urged the board and public to contact their state representative to support the educational portion of the Governor's Budget. She thanked Mr. Krem for his leadership.

Mr. Krem stated that the Governor suggested it will be the voice of the parents that will help to sway the State Senators vote. He thanked the present and past school boards and school district family for their support. He stated that a Superintendent is no better than the Board allows. His recommendation to the future of Pottstown is "do not hesitate, make the decision and move forward."

Mr. Huss thanked Mr. Krem for all his years at Pottstown. He will be missed.

Mr. Hartman suggested a global connect go out to provide contact information for contacting the state representatives. Mr. Krem recommended the information be placed on the district's website.

Mr. Huss announced there will be an executive session for the purpose of personnel and litigation.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mr. Hartman and seconded by Mrs. Wilson that the Board adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

Linda S. Adams
Board Secretary