

POTTSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS AGENDA  
AUGUST 17, 2006 - 8:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of minutes of the Regular Meeting held on August 3, 2006.

LIST OF BILLS

FINANCIAL REPORT

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

	<u>Previously Collected</u>	<u>Collected This Month</u>	<u>Distribution</u>	<u>Total Collected To Date</u>
Real Estate	--	\$1,929,880.15	\$ --	\$1,929,880.15
Interim Real Estate	--	1,090.55	--	1,090.55
Per Capita	--	22,746.00	--	22,746.00
Deed Transfer	--	53,650.01	--	53,650.01
Occupation	--	25,860.60	--	25,860.60
EMST	--	2,635.60	--	2,635.60
Delinquent Real Estate	--	107,395.67	--	107,395.67
Delinquent Per Cap. & Occ.	--	16,829.17	--	16,829.17
Earned Income Tax	--	355,817.28	--	355,817.28

COMMUNICATIONS

AWARDS

HEARING FROM PATRONS OF THE SCHOOLS

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Montgomery County Legislative Committee
2. Community Relations Committee
3. PSBA Regional Representative
4. Finance Committee
5. Personnel Committee

SPECIAL REPORTS

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REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

I. Recommendations for Action by the Board

(Items A to L are consent topics.

Items M to O are additional topics for Board consideration.)

A. Personnel

1. Resignations/Terminations

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

a. Professional

- (1) Kristin Shustack, Substitute Teacher, resignation effective 6/30/06. Employed since January 17, 2006.
- (2) Russel Landis, Substitute Teacher, resignation effective June 30, 2006. Employed since 3/5/06
- (3) Jean-Marie Driscoll, Substitute Teacher, Resignation effective June 30, 2006. Employed since 2/16/06
- (4) James Huie, Jr., Chemistry Teacher, Pottstown High School, resignation effective August 15, 2006. Employed since 8/13/01.
- (5) Brenda DeRenzo, Speech Clinician, Lincoln Elementary School, resignation effective July 27, 2006. Employed since 11/24/98.
- (6) Michael Anastas, Middle School Science Teacher, resignation effective August 22, 2006. Employed since 11/01/05.

b. Classified

- (1) Richard Michael Huss, Assistant Technology Coordinator, termination effective July 25, 2006. Employed since May 31, 2000.
- (2) Michael Nagle, Laborer, Substitute Playground Aide, Substitute Cafeteria Proctor, termination effective July 20, 2006. Employed since May 22, 2006.

2. Requests for Leave

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following requests for leave:

- a. Heather Ott, Lincoln Elementary Teacher, requests childrearing leave of absence, effective for the 2006 -2007 school year.
- b. Stephanie Blanchard, Pottstown Middle School Teacher, requests childrearing leave of absence, effective August 23, 2006 through and including November 15, 2006.

3. Elections

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following elections:

- a. Professional – EXHIBIT 1
  - (1) Linda Freeman, Guidance Counselor, Pottstown High School, effective August 23, 2006.
  - (2) Michael DiDonato, Long-Term Substitute Teacher, Barth Elementary School, Grade 5, effective August 23, 2006.
- b. Classified – EXHIBIT 2
  - (1) Edward Ott, Laborer I, effective July 24, 2006.
  - (2) Karen Ciccoli, IST Coach, location to be determined, effective August 23, 2006.
  - (3) Rebecca Villegas, Classroom Assistant, Barth Elementary School, effective August 23, 2006.
- c. Extracurricular – EXHIBIT 3
  - (1) John Katch, High School Assistant Football Coach, Level 2.
  - (2) John Armato, High School Assistant Wrestling Coach, Level 5.

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- (3) John Iswalt, High School Head Boys Basketball Coach, Level 4.
  - (4) Marlon Randall, High School Assistant Boys Basketball Coach, Level 3.
  - (5) John Cherneskie, High School Head Girls Basketball Coach, Level 5.
  - (6) Christopher Jackson, High School Assistant Girls Basketball Coach, Level 3.
- d. District Pupil Services Summer Staffing – EXHIBIT 4
- (1) Kim Budner, Elementary Life Skills Teacher, effective July 1, 2006.
- e. Elementary Summer School (Paid through EAP and 21<sup>st</sup> Century Grant Funds) – EXHIBIT 5
- (1) Meridith Haflin, Classroom Assistant, effective June 19, 2006 through July 28, 2006.
- f. Homebound Instruction – EXHIBIT 6
- (1) The Horsham Clinic, Homebound Instruction, effective 6/7/06, for regular education student, Pottstown High School.
- g. Summer Clerical – EXHIBIT 7
- (1) Lori Schirk, summer clerical work, effective July 17 and 18, 2006.
- h. Summer Guidance – EXHIBIT 8
- (1) Sarah Buruschkin, summer guidance work, not to exceed 60 hours.
- i. Summer Technology Department – EXHIBIT 9
- (1) Ted Freese
  - (2) John Lewiski
  - (3) Joe Perrone
  - (4) Dale Williams

- j. Curriculum and Instruction Consultant – EXHIBIT 10
  - (1) Lisa Schiavone, Curriculum and Instruction Consultant, duties to be assigned by the Assistant Superintendent.
- k. Curriculum Committee Meetings – EXHIBIT 11  
(Includes planning and staff development hours to be scheduled by the Assistant Superintendent through the 2006-2007 school year.)
  - a. Karen Neitz, Franklin Elementary School
  - b. Ginger Angelo, Pottstown Middle School

4. Changes of Position and/or Salary – EXHIBIT 12

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

- a. Richard Weidner, from Special Substitute Teacher to Career Coach, effective August 23, 2006.
- b. Debra P. Greenly, from Substitute Classroom Assistant to Classroom Assistant, Franklin Elementary School, effective August 23, 2006.
- c. James H. Murray, from Substitute Classroom Assistant to Classroom Assistant, Pottstown High School, effective August 23, 2006.
- d. Amy L. Grimly, from Substitute Classroom Assistant to Classroom Assistant, Pottstown High School, effective August 23, 2006.
- e. Vicki L. Baldwin, from Substitute Cafeteria Proctor to Part-Time Cafeteria Proctor, Pottstown Middle School, effective August 23, 2006.
- f. Charlotte Green, From Substitute Van Driver to Part-Time Van Driver, effective August 6, 2006.
- g. Kelly M. Ortlip, from Library Assistant to Middle School Secretary I, effective August 14, 2006.

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5. Change in Start Date from August 24, 2006 to August 23, 2006

The Superintendent recommends the Board a change in start date from August 24, 2006 to August 23, 2006 for the following professional staff:

- a. Jaelyn Yoder, Special Education/Life Support, Pottstown High School.
- b. Benjamin Hayes, Elementary Music Teacher, Edgewood Elementary School.
- c. Kristen Hoffmaster, Elementary Teacher, Lincoln Elementary School.
- d. Susan Paravis, Elementary Teacher, Rupert Elementary School.
- e. Jill Pinder, Elementary Teacher, Barth Elementary School.
- f. Mark Agnew, High School Teacher, Pottstown High School.

B. Hours of Operation – EXHIBIT 13

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the hours of operation for the Pottstown School District for the 2006-07 school year as indicated on Exhibit 13.

C. School Attendance Officers – EXHIBIT 14

The Superintendent recommends that the individuals filling the following positions be approved as attendance officers for the school district for the 2006-07 school year:

Principals  
Assistant Principals  
Student Services Coordinators  
Special Education Liaison  
High School Secretary I  
Middle School Secretary I  
Middle School Guidance Counselor  
Director of Career and Technical Education  
School Resource Officer

D. Administrative/Supervisory Professional Leave

The Superintendent recommends Board approval of the following administrative/supervisory professional leave:

1. Mrs. Linda Adams to attend the Business Administrators Workshop, Lake Harmony, PA, September 27-29, 2006, with expenses paid by the district.

E. Professional Leaves

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following professional leaves:

1. Mr. Bob Mattson, Mrs. Denice DeAntonio, and Major Paul Fitz-Patrick to attend the Governor's Institute on Integrating Mathematics in CTE, July 31 through August 4, 2006, in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.
  - No substitutes needed
  - No cost to the district

F. Student Accident Insurance

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the student accident insurance coverage for the 2006-07 school year to be placed with Ace American Insurance Company through American Management Advisors as the plan administrator. Said coverage should have the following rates:

School Time:	\$ 36.00
24 Hour Coverage:	\$130.00
Dental:	\$ 8.50

The Superintendent recommends that the football insurance coverage for the 2006-07 school year be purchased through Ace American Insurance Company through American Management Advisors as the plan administrator at a cost of \$60.00 per player.

G. Camp Hill Special School Contract

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve an agreement between the Camp Hill Special School, 1784 Fairview Road, Glenmoore, PA 19343, and the Pottstown School District to provide educational services for a Pottstown resident special needs student for the 2006-07 school year at a cost of \$31,250.00.

H. Schedule of Insurance – EXHIBIT 15

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the Schedule of Insurance for the Pottstown School District as indicated on Exhibit 15.

I. Transportation Contracts – EXHIBIT 16

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve transportation contracts for the 2006-07 school year as listed on Exhibit 16.

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J. School Lunch and Breakfast Prices – EXHIBIT 17

The Superintendent recommends the school lunch and breakfast prices for the 2006-07 school year be approved as follows:

Lunches

Elementary (Grades K-5) School Student Lunch - \$1.60

Middle School/Senior High School Student Lunches - \$1.85

Elementary (Grades K-5) School Adult Lunch - \$2.10

Middle School/Senior High School Adult Lunches - ala carte

Reduce Price Lunch - \$.40

White Milk - \$.40

Breakfast

Full Price Breakfast - \$.90

Reduced Price Breakfast - \$.30

Adult Breakfast - ala carte

K. Policy for Free and Reduced Price Lunch Program

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the Pottstown School District's participation in the Free and Reduced Price Lunch Program for the 2006-07 school year and file the appropriate applications.

L. Bid Awards – EXHIBIT 18

The Superintendent recommends that purchase orders or contracts be awarded to the companies on Exhibit 18, the award in each case being made to the lowest bidder meeting the required specifications.

1. Fuel Oil

NON-CONSENT

M. Extracurricular Election – EXHIBIT 19

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following extracurricular election, as per Exhibit 19:

- a. Robert Hartman, Sr., High School Football Equipment Manager, Level 5.

N. Earobics – EXHIBIT 20

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve Earobics licensing for the elementary schools as indicated on Exhibit 20.

O. Financial Consultant

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve PFM as financial consultant for the Tax Study Commission at a rate of \$4,000. This is part of the Montgomery County Intermediate Unit Consortium pricing agreement.

INFORMATION

1. Single Audit Report, June 30, 2005 – Mrs. Adams
2. Conferences for Administrators, Supervisors, and Teachers – Dr. Lindley
3. PHS News – August 2006
4. Elementary School Information – August 2006

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Mrs. Smith's Redevelopment: Keystone Opportunity Zone Agreement for Payment of Specific Services – Mr. Kalis
2. Tax Commission Under Act 1 – Mrs. Adams (handout)

NEW BUSINESS

1. Personnel – Mr. Sparagana
2. Resolution for Appointments and Certifications of Administrators and Supervisors – Mr. Krem
3. School Resource Officer – Mrs. Adams
4. Phoebe Sime Trust – Mr. Kalis
5. Tax Committee Assignments – Mrs. Adams
6. Additional New Business Items

FEDERATION REMARKS

HEARINGS FROM PATRONS

Hearings from patrons of the schools and others having a legitimate right to be heard for items requiring an immediate vote.

REMARKS BY MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

ADJOURNMENT