POTTSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS AGENDA
JUNE 22, 2006 - 7:30 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 June 1, 2006.

LIST OF BILLS

FINANCIAL REPORT

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

	Previously Collected	Collected This Month	Distribution	Total Collected To Date
Real Estate	$22,152,709.32	$ ---	$ 1,462.31	$22,151,247.01
Interim Real Estate	88,311.87	2,570.04	---	90,881.91
Per Capita	86,468.20	---	---	86,468.20
Deed Transfer	385,307.28	69,550.77	---	454,858.05
Occupation	104,843.22	---	---	104,843.22
Occ. Privilege	40,539.57	20,698.73	---	61,238.30
Delinquent Real Estate	861,294.02	42,312.60	---	903,606.62
Delinquent Per Cap. & Occ.	80,145.04	2,694.08	---	82,839.12
Earned Income Tax	1,532,499.91	429,842.57	312.17	1,962,030.31

COMMUNICATIONS

AWARDS
JROTC Award Letter

HEARING FROM PATRONS OF THE SCHOOLS

COMMITTEE REPORTS
1. Montgomery County Legislative Committee
2. Community Relations Committee
3. PSBA Regional Representative

SPECIAL REPORTS
Federal Programs – Dr. Laysears-Smith

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REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

I. Approval of Committee Minutes – EXHIBIT 1

Public Hearing – June 1, 2006

II. Recommendations for Action by the Board

(Items A to J are consent topics.)
Items K and L are additional topics for Board consideration.)

A. Personnel

1. Resignations

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following resignations:

a. Professional

(1) Michele Horger, Special Education Teacher, Franklin Elementary, resignation effective the end of the 2005-06 school year.

(2) Michael Perate, Social Studies Teacher, Pottstown High School, resignation effective the end of the 2005-06 school year.

b. Classified

(1) Lola Stine, Part-Time Housekeeper, Rupert Elementary, resignation for the purpose of retirement, effective June 14, 2006.

2. Leave of Absence

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following request for a leave of absence:

a. Maureen Parry, Special Education Teacher, Pottstown High School, requests a childrearing leave of absence effective on or about August 23 through September 8, 2006.

3. Elections

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following elections:

a. Professional – EXHIBIT 2

(1) Robyn Schaffert, Life Skills Teacher, Barth Elementary, effective July 1, 2006.

b. Classified – EXHIBIT 3

(1) Michael Nagle, Substitute Cafeteria Proctor, Pottstown Middle School, effective May 22, 2006.

c. Food Service – EXHIBIT 4

(1) Diana Vargo, Part-Time Food Service Employee, Pottstown High School, effective the start of the 2006-07 school year.

(2) Cindy Webb, Part-Time Food Service Employee, Pottstown High School, effective the start of the 2006-07 school year.

d. Nursing Responsibilities – EXHIBIT 5

(1) Denice DeAntonio, High School Teacher, nursing responsibilities for handicapped student, effective May12, 2006.

e. Extracurricular – EXHIBIT 6

(1) Eva Yashinsky, High School Stage Manager (2/3 position), Level 2, effective for the 2005-06 school year.

(2) Miles Feather, High School Stage Manager (1/3 position), Level 2, effective for the 2005-06 school year.

(3) Christopher Sperat, District Accompanist, effective for the 2005-06 school year.

(4) Benedict Modica, District Accompanist, effective for the 2005-06 school year.

(5) Lori Hoshaw, District Accompanist, effective for the 2005-06 school year.

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(6) Angela Owarzani, DECA Sponsor, Level 1, effective for 164 days of the 2005-06 school year.

f. Curriculum/Technology Meetings – EXHIBIT 7
Includes planning and staff development hours to be scheduled by the Assistant Superintendent throughout the 2006-07 school year.

(1) Lisa DeRenzo, Rupert Elementary
(2) Frances Hylton, Lincoln Elementary
(3) Kathleen Marchek, Edgewood Elementary
(4) Jane Hospador, Franklin Elementary
(5) Barbara Ray, Rupert Elementary
(6) Dee Pettine, Pottstown Middle School
(7) James Benfield, High School
(8) Deborah Demko, High School
(9) Dawn Adams, Rupert Elementary
(10) Donna Carpenter, High School
(11) Patrick Coulter, Middle School
(12) Robert Decker, High School
(13) Thomas Marsden, Middle School
(14) Denise Leschak, Lincoln Elementary
(15) Aaron Torrence, Franklin Elementary
(16) Kathryn Eagle, Middle School
(17) Paul Castanzo, High School
(18) Thomas Daniels, Edgewood Elementary
(19) Heather Kurtz, Lincoln Elementary
(20) Andrea Hunsberger, Barth Elementary
(21) Joan Smith, Rupert Elementary
(22) Angie Tellis, Franklin Elementary
(23) Frances Emrick, Franklin Elementary
(24) Robin Anderson, Lincoln Elementary
(25) Kathleen Hayes, Rupert Elementary
(26) Tina Ludy, Edgewood Elementary
(27) Shannon Curry, Middle School
(28) Stefanie George, Middle School
(29) Kelli Wolfel, Literacy Coach

h. Elementary Summer School (Paid through EAP and 21st Century Grant Funds – EXHIBIT 8

Program runs June 19, 2006 through July 28, 2006 (math and reading) for a total of 29 days. Teachers paid for 3.5 hours/day plus 30 minutes planning. Reading tutors & assistants paid through EAP funds and math tutors and assistants paid through 21st Century funds.

Teachers
(1) Stacey Bauman, Reading and Math
(2) Karen Lawler, Reading

(3) Kari Kindig, Reading and Math
(4) Christopher Sperat, Reading and Math
(5) Kylie Friend, Reading and Math
(6) Jane Hospador, Reading
(7) Sallie Chesbro, Reading and Math
(8) Susan Paravis, Reading and Math
(9) Leslie Swartz, Reading and Math
(10) Desiree Schwoyer, Reading and Math
(11) Jennifer Depew, Reading and Math
(12) Doris Baer, Reading and Math
(13) Calista Boyer, Reading and Math
(14) Michael Koman, Reading and Math
(15) Nicholas Odagis, Reading and Math
(16) Shannon Wagner, Reading and Math
(17) Sharon Holloway, Reading
(18) Dawn Smith Adams, Reading
(19) Amy Nihart, Reading and Math
(20) Thomas Daniels, Reading and Math
(21) Diane Hahn, Reading and Math
(22) Joyce Cimaglia, Reading and Math
(23) Aaron Torrence, Math
(24) Nicole Cieri, Reading and Math
(25) Brenda DiDonato, Reading and Math
(26) Laurie Gresko, Reading and Math
(27) Karen Harbison, Reading and Math
(28) Diana Dotterer, Reading
(29) Natalie Feliciani, Reading
(30) Jamie Joffred, Reading and Math
(30) Mindy Bodolus, Reading and Math
(32) Jill King, Reading and Math
(33) Teresa Niemann, Math
(34) Rebecca Noll, Reading
(35) Denise Schleicher, Reading and Math
(36) Angie Tellis, Reading
(37) Kathleen Stadulis, Reading and Math

<u>Classroom Assistants</u>
(Paid for 5 hours per day)
(1) Holly Seltmann, Reading
(2) Katy Evans, Reading and Math
(3) N. Diane Wise, Rupert
(4) Dawn Choiniere, Reading and Math
(5) John Orr, Reading and Math
(6) Robin Debnam, Reading and Math
(7) Shanta Betts, Reading and Math
(8) Elizabeth Collings, Reading

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(9) Diane Haws, Reading and Math
(10) Sheree Kulp, Reading
(11) Dawn Scheffey, Reading and Math
(12) Brooke Niemann, Math
(13) Kelly Ortlip, Reading and Math
(14) Mary McMahon, Reading
(15) Terry Phillips, Reading and Math
(16) Joan Rhoads, Reading and Math

Coordinators
(Not to exceed 125 hours)
(1) Jill Pinder, EAP
(2) Joan Smith, 21st Century
(3) Natalie Feliciani, Special Education
(4) Lisa DeRenzo, 21st Century

Security (Paid through 21st Century Grant)
(7 hours/day)
(1) Stephanie White
(2) Richard Collings
(3) Deborah Gratzinger, Data Manager

Nurses (Paid through 21st Century Grant)
(5 hours/day)
(1) Anne Frederick
(2) Patricia Smutko
(3) Karen Dilliplane
(4) Jean Price
(5) Vickie Bianchi

i. Secondary School Summer School – EXHIBIT 9
Classes held July 3 through July 31, 2006 for a total of 20 days.
Elections pending student enrollment.

(1) Eileen Undorfer, High School and Middle School Math Teacher.

(2) James Benfield, High School and Middle School English Teacher.

(3) Matthew Boyer, High School Wellness Teacher.

(4) Anita Scott Scaltrito, High School Computer Applications Teacher.

(5) Kathleen Stadulis, High School and Middle School Social Studies and Science Teacher.

j. Middle School Summer Tutoring (Grades 6&7) – EXHIBIT 10
Paid through 21st Century and EAP Grant. Reading Teachers paid through EAP funds and Math Teachers paid through 21st Century funds. Program runs June 19 through July 26, 2006 for a total of 27 days, 5.5 hours/day

(1) Kevin Downes, Math
(2) Rita Burkhimer, Math
(3) Michael Dunn, Math
(4) Ryan Oxenford, Math
(5) Christopher Okonski, Reading
(6) Mary Palladino, Reading
(7) Mathew Boyer, Reading
(8) Amy Gazzillo, Math and Reading Substitute
(9) Robert Stevens, Math and Reading

k. Homebound Instruction – EXHIBIT 11

(1) Creative Health Services, Homebound Instruction, effective April 7, 2006.

l. Contractor Services – EXHIBIT 12

Margaret Williams, contractor providing transitional services to Middle School Guidance Department, effective the summer of 2006.

4. Change of Position and Salary – EXHIBIT 13

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following changes of positions and/or salaries:

a. William Bertoti, from LTS, Automotive Technology, Pottstown High School to Teacher, Automotive Technology, Pottstown High School, effective July 1, 2006.

b. Dorothy Houser, Part-Time Food Service Employee, Pottstown High School, from 3 hour position to 4 hour position, effective the start of the 2005-06 school year.

c. Karen Osley, Special Education Liaison, from bargaining unit to Student Service Guidelines, effective July 1, 2006.

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d. Holly Seltmann, District Social Worker, from Classified Support Staff Guidelines to Student Service Guidelines, effective July 1, 2006.

e. Jackie Kolpac, Middle School Newspaper, from full-year advisor to half-year advisor, Level 3, effective for the 2005-06 school year.

5. Retirement Benefit Program Payment – EXHIBIT 14

The Superintendent recommends payment of accumulated sick leave and Retirement Benefits Program as follows:

Payment of accumulated sick leave and Retirement Benefits Program payment, effective June 30, 2006, Retirement Benefit Program payment effective after July 1, 2006:

a. Mr. Bruce Brungard, Teacher.

b. Mr. Joseph Kacanda, Guidance Counselor.

c. Mr. James Tsakonas, Teacher.

d. Ms. Margaret Williams, Guidance Counselor.

e. Mr. Charles Dressler, Teacher.

f. Mrs. Carol J. Psota, Teacher.

g. Mrs. Jill Conrad, Teacher.

h. Mr. C. Mark Ottinger, Teacher.

i. Mr. Deane Cressman , Teacher.

j. Mrs. Diane Baker, Teacher.

k. Mr. James R. Bush, Business Administrator.

l. Mr. Wayne Thomas, Principal

m. Ms. J. Janet Lawrence, Secretary.

n. Ms. Mary Walton, Secretary.

o. Mr. James Lawrence, Custodian.

p. Mr. Bryan Rendina, Teacher.

q. Dr. Richard Stephenson, Teacher.

r. Barbara Yeager, Part-Time Housekeeper.

s. Josephine Bartchak, Food Service.

6. Support Staff Tuition Reimbursement – EXHIBIT 15

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve payment of tuition as follows:

a. Elizabeth Bauer, Classroom Assistant, requests tuition reimbursement for credits earned at MCCC, effective June 22, 2006.

7. Approval of Tenure

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve tenure for the following professional employees, effective June 22, 2006:

a. Mary Lammey, Teacher, Barth Elementary.
b. Cathleen Coughlin, Teacher, Lincoln Elementary
c. Calista Boyer, Teacher, Rupert Elementary
d. Dina Rice, Speech Clinician, Rupert Elementary
e. Rebecca Wyatt, Teacher, Rupert Elementary
f. Jason Bergey, Middle School Teacher.
g. Shannon Curry, Middle School Teacher.
h. Helen Bowers, Middle School Teacher.
i. Shirley Mark, High School Teacher.
j. Eileen Undorfer, High School Teacher.
k. Mark May, High School Teacher.
l. Kelly Smale, High School Teacher.

B. Approval of all Support Staff Salaries

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following Support Staff salaries, effective July 1, 2006:

Full-Time Classified – EXHIBIT 16
Full-Time Classroom/Library Assistants – EXHIBIT 17
Full-Time Food Service – EXHIBIT 18
Student Services – EXHIBIT 19
Nurses – EXHIBIT 20
Part-Time Classified – EXHIBIT 21
Part-Time Classroom/Library Assistant - EXHIBIT 22
Part-Time Food Service – EXHIBIT 23
Lunch Program Aides – EXHIBIT 24

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C. Administrative/Supervisory Tuition Reimbursement – EXHIBIT 25

The Superintendent recommends the following tuition reimbursement payment:

1. Dr. Angela Tuck, reimbursement for credits received at Immaculata University, effective June 22, 2006.

D. 2006-2007 School Calendar – EXHIBIT 26

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the 2006-2007 school calendar as presented in Exhibit 26.

E. Field Trip

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following field trip:

1. Two students to compete at Shippensburg University State Track Meet, Shippensburg, Pennsylvania, May 25-27, 2006. Mr. Ryan Oxenford and Mrs. Mary Ann Hill to chaperone.

F. Transportation Contracts – EXHIBIT 27

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following transportation contracts for the 2005-2006 school year, as per Exhibit 27.

G. Budgets Transfers 2005-06 – EXHIBIT 28

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the Resolution authorizing transfers within the 2005-2006 budget as listed on Exhibit 28.

H. Employment Rates for Rental Contracts

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following rates charged by the district for employees required to be on duty during the period of time that a facility is being rented:

Custodian	$29.00 per hour
Groundsman	$29.00 per hour
Maintenance Man	$38.00 per hour
Cafeteria Worker	$28.00 per hour

If an employee is not included in the above mentioned categories and is required to be on duty during the period of time the facility is being rented, the charge to the renter shall be 1-1/2 times the employee's hourly rate plus the cost of retirement, Social Security, and Worker's Compensation.

I. Long-Term Disability Plan

The Superintendent recommends the Board place the district's long-term disability coverage for professional and support staff employees with Assurant Employee Benefits, Bala Cynwyd, Pennsylvania, at a rate of $.21 per hundred dollars on a monthly payroll. This would become effective July 1, 2006.

J. Acknowledgments – EXHIBIT 29

The Superintendent recommends the Board acknowledge receipt of the Department of Education approval letter for PlanCon K, Project Refinancing, for the General Obligation Bonds Series of 2005 and General Obligation Series of 2006, as they appear on Exhibit 29.

NON-CONSENT

K. Bid Awards – EXHIBIT 30

The Superintendent recommends that contracts be issued to the companies indicated on Exhibit 30, the award in each case being made to the lowest bidder meeting the required specifications.

1. Bobby Shantz Field Project – Fences, Gates, Foul Poles, Backstop
2. Recoat Foam Roofs at Pottstown High School and Lincoln Elementary School

L. Adoption of Budget – 2006-07

1. Presentation of Budget
2. Adoption of Budget Resolution

INFORMATION

1. Collection of Delinquent 2005 School Real Estate Taxes
2. Maintenance Report
3. Conferences for Administrators, Supervisors, and Teachers

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

1. Personnel – Mr. Sparagana
2. Substitute Caller Contract – Mr. Sparagana
3. Administrative/Supervisory Tuition Reimbursement – Mr. Krem
4. Professional Leaves – Dr. Lindley
5. Special Education Contracts – Mr. Bush
6. Athletic Ticket Prices – 2006-2007 – Mr. Bush
7. 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