POTTSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS AGENDA
FEBRUARY 2, 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 January 19, 2006.

LIST OF BILLS

COMMUNICATIONS

None.

AWARDS

None.

HEARING FROM PATRONS OF THE SCHOOLS

SPECIAL REPORTS

None.

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REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

I. Recommendations for Action by the Board

(Items A to E are consent topics.)
(Items F to H are additional topics for Board consideration.)

A. Personnel

1. Resignations

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following resignations:

a. Classified

(1) Janet Lawrence, 847 Spruce Street, Pottstown PA 19464, Secretary to the Director of Education and Human Resources, resignation for the purpose of retirement, effective June 30, 2006.

b. Extracurricular

(1) Mark May, 3531 Jacksonwald Avenue, Reading PA 19606, Stage Crew Co-Advisor, resignation effective January 11, 2006.

2. Requests for Leave of Absence

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

a. Amy Downes, 291 2nd Street, Schwenksville PA 19473, Special Education Teacher, Barth Elementary, requests a childrearing leave, effective January 9, 2006 through the remainder of the 2005-06 school year.

b. Thomas Medvetz, 211 Cherrywood Court, Pottstown PA 19464, Head Wrestling Coach, Pottstown High School, requests a temporary leave of absence, effective January 11, 2006 through a date as yet to be determined.

3. Elections

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following elections:

a. Administrative/Supervisory – EXHIBIT 1

(1) Jessica Heffner, 50 Lenape Road, Barto PA 19504, Supervisor of Human Resources, effective February 13, 2006.

b. Professional – EXHIBIT 2

(1) Robert Mattson, 1008 Aikens Road, Wynnewood PA 19096, Business Teacher, Pottstown High School, effective January 12, 2006.

c. Substitute Teachers – EXHIBIT 3

(1) Brenda DiDonato, 7 West 10th Street, Pottstown PA 19464, Per Diem Substitute Teacher, effective January 9 through January 16, 2006.

(2) Brenda DiDonato, 7 W. 10th Street, Pottstown PA 19464, Long-Term Substitute Teacher, Barth Elementary, effective January 17, 2006.

(3) Leah Calverase, 61 W 10th Street, Pottstown PA 19464, Per Diem Substitute Teacher, effective January 18, 2006.

(4) Jeanie Driscoll, 477 Summitt House, West Chester PA 19382, Per Diem Substitute Teacher, effective January 18, 2006.

(5) Ryan Regensberg, 1006 N. Charlotte Street, Pottstown PA 19464, Per Diem Substitute Teacher, effective January 17, 2006.

(6) Kristin Shustack, 402 Grosstown Road, Pottstown PA 19464, Per Diem Substitute Teacher, effective January 17, 2006.

(7) Danielle Gulotta, 689 Dori Lane, Stowe PA 19464, Special Substitute Teacher, effective January 17, 2006 and upon receipt of emergency certification from PDE.

(8) Jennifer Depew, 234 E. Urner Street, Apt. 175, Pottstown PA 19465, District Floating Substitute Teacher, effective January 23, 2006.

(9) Laura Schneck, 247 N. Price Street, Pottstown PA 19465, District Floating Substitute Teacher, effective January 23, 2006

(10) Nicholas Odagis, 300 Fairway Street, Reading PA 19605, District Floating Substitute Teacher, effective January 23, 2006.

d. Classified – EXHIBIT 4

(1) Michael Weber, 250 N. Charlotte Street, Pottstown PA 19464, Substitute Custodian/Housekeeper, effective January 9, 2006.

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(2) Linda Czeiner, 944 High Street, Pottstown PA 19464, Substitute Custodian/Housekeeper, effective January 10, 2006.

e. Extracurricular – EXHIBIT 5

(1) Justine Donnelly, 28 Fox Glove Lane, Reading PA 19606, Anchor Club Sponsor, Level 1, effective for the 2nd semester of the 2005-06 school year.

(2) Eric Dusko, 431 Laurel Street, Pottstown PA 19464, Interim Head Wrestling Coach, Level 1, Pottstown High School, effective January 11, 2006.

f. Homebound Instruction – EXHIBIT 6

(1) Horsham Clinic, 722 East Butler Pike, Ambler PA 19002, Homebound Instruction, effective November 9, 2005.

g. Additions to Elementary After School 21st Century Program – EXHIBIT 7
Paid through 21st Century Community Learning Center Grant

(1) Brenda DiDonato, 7 W. 10th Street, Pottstown PA 19464, Tutor, effective January 12, 2005.

(2) Shanta Betts, 363 Walnut Street, Pottstown PA 19464, Assistant, effective January 12, 2006.

4. Change of Salary – EXHIBIT 8

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following change in salaries:

a. Special Substitute Teachers
Salary change effective January 2, 2006.

(1) Jason Feather, 1069 South Street, Pottstown PA 19464, Special Substitute Teacher.

(2) Scott Golightly, 619 State Street, Pottstown PA 19464, Special Substitute Teacher.

(3) Candi Haas Simmons, 30 W. 5th Street, Pottstown PA 19464, Special Substitute Teacher.

(4) Matthew Blute, 1665 E. Cedarville Road, Pottstown PA 19465, Special Substitute Teacher.

(5) Amy Grimley, 1049 Timber Lane, Pottstown PA 19464, Special Substitute Teacher.

(6) Annette Elsas, 317 Griffith Drive, Pottstown PA 19464, Special Substitute Teacher.

(7) Ronald Favinger, 1539 Woodmore Avenue, Pottstown PA 19464, Special Substitute Teacher.

(8) Beverly Thompson-Beck, 420 Walnut Street, Pottstown PA 19464, Special Substitute Teacher.

(9) Ben Trombetta, 317 Griffith Drive, Douglassville PA 19518, Special Substitute Teacher.

(10) Suzanne Endy, 177- N. Sanatoga Road, Pottstown PA 19464, Special Substitute Teacher.

(11) Cathy Di filippo, 1666 Unionville Road, Pottstown PA 19465, Special Substitute Teacher.

(12) Richard Collings, 860 South Street, Pottstown PA 19464, Special Substitute Teacher.

(13) Ruth Groves, 1390 Unionville Road, Pottstown PA 19465, Special Substitute Teacher.

(14) Teri Jensen-Sellers, 100 N. York Street, Pottstown PA 19464, Special Substitute Teacher.

(15) George Harmansky, 1008 Pine Street, Pottstown PA 19464, Special Substitute Teacher.

(16) Deborah Jones, 233 Creekside Drive, Pottstown PA 19464, Special Substitute Teacher.

(17) Julie Hauck, 106 Balsam Drive, Douglassville PA 19518, Special Substitute Teacher.

(18) Richard Weidner, 215 Moorwood Road, Telford PA 18969, Special Substitute Teacher.

(19) George Mang, 466 Pennsylvania Avenue, Reading PA 19606, Special Substitute Teacher.

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(20) Ryan Knox, 454 Spring Street, Pottstown PA 19464, Special Substitute Teacher.

5. Change of Position and Salary – EXHIBIT 9

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following change of position and salary:

a. Melanie Hansley, 630 Montgomery Avenue, Boyertown PA 19512, change of position and salary, from District Floating Substitute Teacher to Special Substitute Teacher, effective January 17, 2006.

6. Support Staff Tuition Reimbursement – EXHIBIT 10

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve payment to the following support staff employees for tuition reimbursement:

a. Elizabeth Bauer, 1117 E. High Street, Pottstown PA 19464, Classroom Assistant/Special Education, Pottstown High School, tuition reimbursement for classes taken at MCCC.

b. Anne Frederick, 32 Keen Road, Spring City PA 19475, Registered Nurse, Franklin Elementary, tuition reimbursement for classes taken at Eastern University.

c. Mary McMahon, 24 Walnut Street, Pottstown PA 19464 Classroom Assistant/Special Education, Barth Elementary.

B. Administrative/Supervisory Professional Leave

The Superintendent recommends the following administrative/supervisory professional leave:

1. Mr. Daniel Tracy to attend the LEAPS Conference, January 13-14, 2006, in Harrisburg PA with expenses paid by LEAPS/Department of Education.

C. Field Trips

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following field trips:

1. Six students to stay at the Franklin Institute Beating Heart Sleep Over, May 5-6, 2006 or May 12-13, 2006 (2nd choice), Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Mrs. Lynne Williams and Mr. Marcheskie to chaperone.

This field trip to replace the trip previously approved for January 14-15, 2006.

• No substitute needed
• Cost per student = $39.00 plus cost of food

2. One student to participate in the 2006 District Band Festival at Norristown, School District, January 19-21, 2006, Norristown, Pennsylvania. Chaperone Mr. Charles Dressler and Mr. Brian Kozichek (Norristown S.D.)

   • No substitute needed
   • No cost to student

3. Eight students attend the Key Club Convention, March 3-5, 2006, Hershey, Pennsylvania. Mrs. Maggie Munz and Mr. Gene Huston to chaperone.

   • One substitute needed for one day = $85.00
   • Cost per student $210.00

D. Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) – EXHIBIT 11

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following items regarding HIPAA, as listed on Exhibit 11:

Policy 2820 – Privacy of Medical Records Pursuant to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA)
Board Resolution – HIPAA
Privacy Team – HIPAA
Privacy Officer – Duties and Responsibilities
HIPAA Business Associate Agreement

E. 2004-05 School District Audit

The Superintendent recommends the Board acknowledge the school district Audit Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005 as prepared by Maillie, Falconiero, and Company.

NON-CONSENT

F. Field Trips – EXHIBIT 12

This field trip to replace the trip previously approved for January 14-15, 2006.

1. Ten students to participate in the HOSA State Leadership Conference, March 22-24, 2006, Lancaster, Pennsylvania. Mrs. Denice DeAntonio to chaperone.

   • One substitute needed for three days = $255.00
   • Cost per student $250.00

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2. Twenty-five students to participate in the DECA State Conference February 22-24, 2006, Hershey, Pennsylvania. Ms. Angela Owarzani & Mr. Kyle Hindsman to chaperone.

   • One substitute needed for two days = $170.00
   • One substitute needed for three days = $255.00
   • Cost per student $277.00

G. Professional Leave – EXHIBIT 13

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following professional leave:

1. Mr. Ed Ott to attend Bio-Ed Seminar, January 30-31, 2006, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

   • One substitute needed for one day = $85.00
   • All expenses paid for by Tech Prep Grant

H. Tax Abatement – Borough of Pottstown

We received a request from the Borough of Pottstown to abate the taxes on the following properties: 30 W. King Street; 67 W. High Street; 69 W. High Street; 71 W. High Street, which are all part of the former Pottstown Metal Welding property purchased by the Borough of Pottstown. The Borough is asking that the taxes be abated for the 2005 year.

INFORMATION

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Facilities Update – Mr. Bush
2. Fitness Facility and Track Use Update – Armato/Lindley/Bush/DeRenzo
3. Athletic Facilities Construction – Shantz Baseball Field Concessions/Restroom – Grigg Stadium – Bush/Hartman/Huss/Lindley/Armato/Angstadt/DeRenzo
4. Virtual or Shared AP Classes – Lindley
5. Technology – Mr. Krem

NEW BUSINESS

1. Personnel – Mr. Sparagana
2. Administrative/Supervisory Professional Leaves – Mr. Krem
3. Board Policy 7260 – Wellness Policy – Mr. Krem
4. Professional Leaves/Field Trips – Dr. Lindley
5. Alternative Education Placements – Dr. Lindley
6. Transportation Contracts – Mr. Bush
7. Tax Office Audit Reports – Mr. Bush
8. Real Estate Tax Exoneration – Mr. Bush

9. Appointment of Substitute Tax Collector – Mr. Bush
10. Appointment of Auditors – Mr. Bush
11. Special Education Contracts – Mr. Bush
12. 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