POTTSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS AGENDA
OCTOBER 5, 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 September 21, 2006.

LIST OF BILLS

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 I are consent topics.)

A. Personnel

1. Resignations

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following resignations:

a. Professional

(1) Sarah Norris, Substitute Teacher, resignation effective September 9, 2006, employed since April 6, 2005.

b. Classified

(1) Patricia Smutko, Substitute Nurse, resignation effective September 11, 2006, employed since November 11, 2005.

2. Elections

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following elections:

a. Extracurricular – EXHIBIT 1

(1) Donna Carpenter, Pottstown High School, Mentor for Kevin Pascal

(2) Donna Carpenter, Pottstown High School, Mentor for John Lewiski

(3) Daryl Saylor, Pottstown High School, Mentor for Robert Mattson

(4) Daryl Saylor, Pottstown High School, Mentor for Frank Dakota

(5) David Caldwell, Pottstown High School, Mentor for Rachel Szmodis

(6) Lana Dickenson, Pottstown Middle School, Mentor for William Gumby

(7) Kevin Downes, Pottstown Middle School, Mentor for Tracy Fleming

(8) Deborah Demko, Pottstown High School, Mentor for Timothy Hough

(9) Robert Decker, Pottstown High School, Mentor for Scott Schrum

(10) Shannon Curry, Pottstown Middle School, Mentor for Jennifer Mitchell-Winterbottom

(11) Robin Romero, Pottstown Middle School, Mentor for Jaclyn Yoder

(12) Lisa DeRenzo, Rupert Elementary School, Mentor for Shannon Wagner

(13) Karen Winning, Rupert Elementary School, Mentor for Susan Paravis

(14) Collen Blute, Barth Elementary School, Mentor for Brenda DiDonato

(15) Joseph Snyder, Pottstown High School, Mentor for Benjamin Hayes

(16) Nicola Alutius, Barth Elementary School, Mentor for Jill Pinder

(17) Dee Pettine, Pottstown Middle School, Mentor for Julie Snyder

(18) Theresa Spitko, Franklin Elementary School, Mentor for Elizabeth Haring

(19) Denise Kuleski, Pottstown Middle School, Mentor for Ryan Regensburg

(20) Ginger Angelo, Pottstown Middle School, Mentor for Amy Gazzillo

(21) Amelia Leininger, Franklin Elementary School, Mentor for Kimberly Budner

(22) Bradley Mayberry, Barth Elementary School, Mentor for Michael DiDonato

(23) Sharon Butler, Barth Elementary School, Mentor for Susanne Swanson

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(24) Angela Wagner, Pottstown Middle School, Mentor for Erica Muscarella

(25) Andrew Bachman, Pottstown High School, Mentor for Corby Drone

(26) Amy Sellman, Edgewood Elementary School, Mentor for Hayley Mutter

(27) Justine Donnelly, Pottstown High School, Mentor for George Lorenson

(28) Stephen Allen, Pottstown High School, Mentor for Sharon Buchholz

(29) Michele Andre, Pottstown Middle School, Mentor for Chad Antonio

(30) Mary Lammey, Barth Elementary School, Mentor for Laura Schneck

(31) Aaron Torrence, Franklin Elementary School, Mentor for Nick Odagis

(32) Samuel Brooks, Pottstown High School, Mentor for Sarah Buruschkin

(33) Samuel Brooks, Pottstown High School, Mentor for Linda Freeman

b. Wilson Reading Program Tutoring – EXHIBIT 2

(1) Sandy Zuchero, Special Education Teacher, to tutor Pottstown High School Student, IEP requires Wilson Reading Program instruction, effective September 18, 2006 through November 17, 2006.

3. Change in Position and/or Salary – EXHIBIT 3

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

a. Earl D. Kissinger, from Substitute Custodian to 2nd Shift Custodian, Pottstown Middle School, effective September 7, 2006.

4. Extracurricular Compensation from 2005–2006 – EXHIBIT 4

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following extracurricular compensation from 2005-2006:

a. Nancy Bixler, Music Department Accompanist for the Barth Elementary Holiday Concert, December 2005.

B. Retirement Benefit Program Waiver

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the Waiver of Pottstown School District Retirement Benefit Program, Policy 3603.2d, waiving the employee's responsibility to submit in writing the intent to retire at least one hundred and twenty (120) days before the termination date of this policy, for the following employee:

1. Rosemary Wentzel, retirement effective June 9, 2006

C. Retirement Benefit Program Payment – EXHIBIT 5

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the accumulated sick leave and Retirement Benefits Program payment, effective June 30, 2006, Retirement Benefits Program effective after July 1, 2006 for the following employee:

1. Rosemary Wentzel, Teacher

D. Act 93 Agreement Issue – EXHIBIT 6

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve retroactive payment to the following employees:

1. Loretta Hoch, Lincoln Elementary Principal
2. Matt Moyer, Rupert Elementary Principal

E. Access Support Clerk Position – EXHIBIT 7

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve a change of the Access Support Clerk position from part-time (3.5 hours per day) to full time (7.5 hours per day).

F. Administrative/Supervisory Tuition Reimbursement – EXHIBIT 8

The Superintendent recommends approval of the following tuition reimbursement payment as indicated on Exhibit 8.

1. Dr. Angela Tuck, reimbursement for credits received at Immaculata University, effective October 5, 2006.

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G. Administrative/Supervisory Professional Leaves

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

1. Ms. Pam Bateson and Mrs. Rita Cohen to attend the Eastern PA Special Education Supervisors Conference in Hershey, PA, October 18-20, 2006, with expenses paid by the district.

H. Professional Leave

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following professional leave:

1. Ms. Ginger Angelo to attend PA State Athletic Directors Conference, Hershey, Pennsylvania, March 21-24, 2007.

   • Meals = $50.00
   • Registration = $250.00
   • Substitute = $255.00
   • Paid for by Athletic Department

I. Field Trip

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following field trip:

1. Forty-three student to visit Stewart Air Force Base, Newburgh, New York, November 19th and U.S. Military Academy, West Point, New York, November 20, 2006. Major Fitz-Patrick, Mr. Agnew, and Mr. & Mrs. Carpenter to chaperone.

   • Cost per student = $65.00
   • Two substitutes for one day = $170.00

NON-CONSENT

None.

INFORMATION

1. Barth Banner, October 2006
2. Edgewood Chronicles, October 2006
3. Franklin Focus, October 2006
4. Lincoln Log, October 2006
5. Rupert Review, October 2006
6. Faculty Lists/Web emails – Lisa Schade, IT Department
7. Website Committee – Taffy Wolfe, IT Department

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Keystone Opportunity Zone Agreement (former Mrs. Smith site)

NEW BUSINESS

1. Personnel – Mr. Sparagana
2. Professional Leaves – Dr. Lindley
3. Field Trips – Dr. Lindley
4. Alternative Education Placements – Dr. Lindley
5. Hiring of Assessment Appeal Experts – Mrs. Adams
6. Bid Award – Mrs. Adams
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