POTTSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AGENDA
JUNE 4, 2009 - 7:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

AWARDS

1. Pottstown Middle School Writing Awards/Board Report – Mrs. Cooper
2. Voices of Inspiration (Mr. Decker) – Mr. Krem
3. Snag in the River (Mrs. Undorfer) – Mr. Krem
4. Keystone PSSA – AYP Awards – Mr. Krem
5. Champions of Education Award – Mr. Krem

REPORTS
None

I. MINUTES – Mrs. Adams

Regular Board Meeting – 5/21/09

II. COMMITTEE REPORTS
1. Personnel Committee – Mrs. Pargeon
2. Finance Committee – Mr. Edwards
3. Facilities Committee – Mr. Hartman
4. Montgomery County Legislative Committee – Mr. White
5. PSBA Representative – Mr. White
6. Montgomery County Intermediate Unit Representative – Mr. Hartman
7. Community Relations Committee – Mr. Huss/Mr. Armato
8. Co-Curricular Activities Committee – Mr. Hartman
9. Dress Code Policy/School Uniforms – Mrs. Francis
10. Technology/Curriculum Committee – Mrs. Wilson
11. Policy Committee – Mr. Wausnock
12. Liaison with Borough Council and Economic Oversight Committee – Mr. Edwards

III. LIST OF BILLS – Mrs. Adams

CONSENT

PERSONNEL – Dr. Sparagana

A. Personnel

1. Resignations

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following resignations:

a. Classified

(1) Joanne Murray, Part-time Food Service Worker, Pottstown High School, resignation effective May 8, 2009, employed since September 12, 2007

(2) Ralph Schultz, Part-time Playground Aide, Barth Elementary School, resignation effective June 10, 2009, employed since February 3, 2005

(3) Sharon Alessi, Classroom Assistant, Edgewood Elementary School, resignation effective June 10, 2009, employed since August 21, 2008

b. Substitute Teachers

(1) Andrea Radice, Per Diem Substitute Teacher, resignation effective May 15, 2009, employed since November 27, 2007

c. Co-curricular

(1) Robert Decker, resignation as District Webmaster, effective the end of the 2008-2009 school year

(2) Deborah Demko, resignation as English Department Chairperson, Pottstown High School, effective the end of the 2008-2009 school year

(3) Ryan Regensburg, resignation as Head Soccer Coach, Pottstown High School, effective the end of the 2008-2009 school year

(4) Matt Reid, resignation as Head Soccer Coach, Pottstown Middle School, effective the end of the 2008-2009 school year

(5) Deana Deichert, resignation as Marching Band Instructor, Pottstown High School, effective January 2, 2009

2. Leaves

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following leaves:

(1) Amy Skarbek, Teacher, Pottstown Middle School, request for leave of absence, not covered by the Family and Medical Leave Act, effective for the 09-10 school year

3. Change in Position and/or Salary

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

a. Classified

(1) Diane Wise, from Substitute Food Service Worker to Part-time Food Service Worker, effective May 26, 2009, initial assignment to be Pottstown High School, replacing Joanne Murray, $10.83/hour

b. Professional

(1) David P. Todd, from Long Term Substitute Teacher to Business Education Teacher, initial assignment to be Pottstown High School, effective August 25, 2009, contract of Danielle McCoy, Bachelors, step A, $43,335

(2) Laura A. Christie, from Per Diem Substitute Teacher to Earth and Space Science Teacher, initial assignment to be Pottstown High School, effective August 25, 2009, new position, Bachelors, step A, $43,335

(3) Diane Fox, from Long Term Substitute Teacher to Chemistry Teacher, initial assignment to be Pottstown High School, effective August 25, 2009, contract of Edward Ott, Bachelors, step A, $43,335

(4) Evelyne Blair-Miller, from Building Substitute Teacher to Long Term Substitute Teacher, Pre-K, Franklin Elementary School, effective for the 09-10 school year, beginning August 25, 2009, coverage for Lori Freese, $194/day

4. Elections

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following elections:

a. Professional

(1) Rebecca L. Daniels, Business Education Teacher, initial assignment to be Pottstown High School, effective August 25, 2009, contract of Frank Dakota, Bachelors+15, step A, $43,957

b. Additions to the Game Worker List for 08-09

(1) Diane Crist, $10/hour
(2) Terry Phillips, $10/hour

c. Curriculum/Technology Development:
Includes planning, staff development, and curriculum hours to be scheduled by the Assistant Superintendent throughout the 2008 – 2009 school year, Teachers, $29/hour, not to exceed 500 hours each.

(1) Scott Braunsberg
(2) Colleen Blute
(3) Kimberly Hilbert
(4) Debra Mann

d. Trojan Unity Camp
Includes planning and preparation of mini-grant awarded to Danielle McCoy, stipend of $500, to be paid through the Trojan Unity Camp mini-grant

(1) Sara Miller, Pottstown High School

e. Homebound Instruction (not to exceed five (5) hours per week), 29/hour

(1) Andrea Barlow, Pottstown Middle School, from May 28, 2009 to June 10, 2009

(2) Jennifer Mitchell-Winterbottom, Pottstown Middle School, from May 28, 2009 to June 5, 2009

f. Additions to Elementary Summer School, paid through EAP and 21st Century Grant Funds, program runs June 16, 2009 through July 25, 2009 (math and reading)

Sheree Kulp	Classroom Assistant	$13.19/hr
Mary Beth Reinhart	Classroom Assistant	$13.19/hr

g. Middle School Summer Tutoring, paid through 21st Century Grant Funds. Program runs June 22, 2009 through July 31, 2009 (math and reading).

Robert Marcus	Tutor	$29/hr
Ben Trombetta	Tutor	$29/hr

5. Tuition Reimbursement

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following tuition reimbursement:

a. Classified

Jennifer Kelly Thomas	Barth Elementary School	$261.00

B. PROFESSIONAL LEAVES – Dr. Lindley

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following professional leaves:

Building	First Name	Last Name	Conference Title	Conference Location	Dates to Attend	Cost
Sr, High	Danielle	McCoy	PACTA CTE Leadership Conference	State College, PA	7/29/09 – 7/31/09	Approx. $783.00 paid by the Tech Prep grant.
Admin.	Robert	Spencer	TTC Training Seminar	Lancaster, PA	7/27/09 – 7/31/09	Approx. $1150.00 paid by the district.
Edgewood Middle	Calista Gail	Boyer Cooper	Straight Talk by the Experts Conference	Harrisburg, PA	6/22/09 – 6/26/09	Approx. $2445.00 each paid by Title I Set aside & School Improvement funds

C. FIELD TRIPS – Dr. Lindley

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following field trips:

# of students and/or group	Name of conference or activity	Destination	Date of trip	Cost to student	Cost to district-substitutes	Chaperone(s)
60 HS Students	Disney Candlelight Massed Choir Processional	Orlando, FL	12/4/09 – 12/7/09	$789.00	$180.00	Mr./Mrs. Don House, Mr./Mrs. Limbert, plus additional chaperones

D. POLICIES

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the policies as listed on the exhibits indicated:

1. Resident Children: Admission to School (2nd Reading) – EXHIBIT 1
2. Utilization of Technology (2nd Reading) – EXHIBIT 2

E. CONTRACT – Mrs. Adams

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following contract:

1. Davidson School – EXHIBIT 3

NON-CONSENT

F. PSERS RESOLUTION – Mrs. Adams – EXHIBIT 4

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the Resolution regarding the Pennsylvania School Employers' Retirement System, as listed on Exhibit 4.

G. 2009-2010 TRANSPORTATION RATES – Mrs. Adams – EXHIBIT 5

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the transportation rates for 2009-2010, as listed on Exhibit 5.

H. BREAKFAST AND LUNCH PRICES – Mrs. Adams

The Superintendent recommends the school lunch and breakfast prices for the 2009-2010 school year be approved as follows (prices listed below reflect no change over the 2008-2009 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

I. BUDGET TRANSFERS – Mrs. Adams – EXHIBIT 6

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the Resolution authorizing transfers within the 2009-2010 budget, as listed on Exhibit 6 (attachment to be handed out at meeting).

J. INVESTMENT OF FUNDS RESOLUTION – Mrs. Adams

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,

WHEREAS, the School Laws of Pennsylvania do permit investment of school funds.

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary and Treasurer be authorized to dispose the said investments as the funds are needed, and

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.

K. 2009 HOMESTEAD AND FARMSTEAD EXCLUSION – Mrs. Adams – EXHIBIT 7

The Superintendent recommends the Board adopt the 2009 Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion Resolution, as listed on Exhibit 7.

I. TRANSFER OF FUNDS TO CAPITAL RESERVE – Mrs. Adams – EXHIBIT 8

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the resolution regarding the transfer of funds to Capital Reserve, as listed on Exhibit 8.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. PSBA Workshop on Making Meetings More Effective (June 11, 2009) – Mrs. Zahora

NEW BUSINESS
None

INFORMATION

1. Pilot Partnership with Creative Health – Mrs. Bateson
2. Supreme Court to Address Meeting the Needs of Special Education Students – Mrs. Adams

FEDERATION REMARKS

ROUND TABLE

ADJOURNMENT

EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR PERSONNEL ISSUES