POTTSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS AGENDA
APRIL 16, 2009 - 7:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

SPECIAL REPORTS

1. Overall Facilities Plan for the High School/Middle School Campus – Vanessa Saylor

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on March 19, 2009.
2. Approval of minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held on April 2, 2009.

LIST OF BILLS

TREASURER'S REPORT

COMMUNICATIONS

1. Testimony to House Republican Policy Committee – Mr. Krem

AWARDS

1. Voices of Inspiration Award – Mr. Krem
2. Snag in the River Award (Delaware Valley Chapter of the Pennsylvania Association for Supervision/Curriculum Development – Mr. Krem

HEARING FROM PATRONS OF THE SCHOOLS

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

I. Recommendations for Action by the Board

(Items A to I are consent topics.
Items J to M are additional topics for Board consideration.)

A. PERSONNEL

1. Resignations/Terminations

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

a. Professional

(1) Mary S. Powell, Teacher, Franklin and Rupert Elementary Schools, resignation for the purpose of retirement, effective September 2, 2009. Employed since September 1, 1976.

b. Classified

(1) Gertrude Taylor, Part-time Housekeeper, Rupert Elementary School, resignation for the purpose of retirement, effective June 10, 2009. Employed since September 11, 2001

(2) Terry Hill, Substitute Custodian/Housekeeper, termination, effective March 31, 2009

(3) Ernest Gibbs, Substitute Custodian/Housekeeper, termination, effective March 31, 2009

(4) James Battle, Substitute Custodian/Housekeeper, termination, effective March 31, 2009

(5) James Lawrence, Substitute Custodian/Housekeeper, termination, effective March 31, 2009

(6) Juanita Rome, Substitute Proctor and Substitute Playground Aide, termination, effective March 31, 2009

(7) Deborah Scott, Substitute Nurse and Summer School Instructor, termination, effective March 31, 2009

d. Co-curricular

(1) David Detar, Jr., Extra-curricular Coach, termination, effective March 31, 2009

(2) Christopher Ambruch, Extra-curricular Coach, termination, effective March 31, 2009

(3) Ralph DeGraffenreid, Extra-curricular Coach and Game Worker, termination, effective March 31, 2009

(4) Anthony Zampella, Game Worker, termination, effective March 31, 2009

(5) Nancy Bixler, Accompanist, termination, effective March 31, 2009

e. Substitute Teachers

a. Jan Browning, Per Diem Substitute Teacher, termination, effective March 31, 2009

b. Taylor Angel, Per Diem Substitute Teacher, termination, effective March 31, 2009

c. Stacy Learned, Per Diem Substitute Teacher, termination, effective March 31, 2009

d. Christina Miller, Per Diem Substitute Teacher, termination, effective March 31, 2009

e. Ann VanDyke, Per Diem Substitute Teacher, termination, effective March 31, 2009

f. Michael Perez, Special Substitute Teacher, termination, effective March 31, 2009

g. Danielle Jolly, Per Diem Substitute Teacher, resignation, effective March 19, 2009

2. Leaves

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following leaves:

a. Classified

(1) Nancy Lavinia, Food Service Worker, Pottstown High School, request for leave of absence not covered by the Family and Medical Leave Act, effective March 30, 2009. End date to be determined.

(2) Britney Haring, Title I Classroom Assistant, Rupert Elementary School, request for leave of absence, not covered by the Family and Medical Leave Act, effective the 2009-2010 school year

(3) Joseph Fitz-Patrick, JROTC Instructor, Pottstown High School, request for leave of absence covered by the Family and Medical Leave Act, effective April 6, 2009. End date to be determined.

b. Professional

(1) Stephanie Blanchard, Teacher, Pottstown Middle School, request to extend leave of absence to June 10, 2009, not covered by the Family and Medical Leave Act

(2) Rachel Szmodis, Teacher, Pottstown High School, request to extend leave of absence to include first semester of the 2009-2010 school year, not covered by the Family and Medical Leave Act

c. Exempt

(1) Stephanie Vigliotta, School Psychologist, Franklin Elementary School, request for leave of absence, not covered by the Family and Medical Leave Act, effective the beginning of the 2009-2010 school year through approximately October 16, 2009

3. Change in Position and/or Salary

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

a. Geoff Thomas, from Long Term Substitute Teacher to Substitute Classroom Assistant, Franklin Elementary School, effective April 14, 2009 to the end of the 2008-2009 school year, $13.19/hour, coverage for Kristen McMillan

b. Jesse Reider, from Special Substitute Teacher to Per Diem Substitute Teacher, effective March 16, 2009, in accordance with Board Policy 3920

c. Jessica Herrmann, from Special Substitute Teacher to Per Diem Substitute Teacher, effective April 20, 2009, in accordance with Board Policy 3920

4. Elections

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following elections:

a. Exempt

(1) Amy D. Piskai, School Psychologist, initial assignment to be Rupert Elementary School, effective June 1, 2009, $57,228, replacing Sabrina Abate

b. Classified

(1) Emily A. Schlear, Title I Classroom Assistant, initial assignment to be Rupert Elementary School, effective April 1, 2009. $13.19/hour Replacing Debra Hutchinson.

(1) Thomas Reed, Substitute Van Driver, effective April 14, 2009. $13.57/hour

(2) Thomas Reed, Substitute Van Assistant, effective April 14, 2009. $11.52/hour

(3) Patricia Charlton, Substitute Van Driver, effective April 14, 2009. $13.57/hour

(4) Patricia Charlton, Substitute Van Assistant, effective April 14, 2009. $11.52/hour

c. Substitute Teachers

(1) Kathryn R. Fretz, Per Diem Substitute Teacher, effective March 24, 2009, in accordance with Board Policy 3920.

(2) Ashley Mulligan, Per Diem Substitute Teacher, effective March 24, 2009, in accordance with Board Policy 3920.

(3) Kimberly N. Duelly, Per Diem Substitute Teacher, effective March 24, 2009, in accordance with Board Policy 3920.

(4) Laura K. DeSmedt, Per Diem Substitute Teacher, effective March 24, 2009, in accordance with Board Policy 3920.

(5) Corina M. Miller, Per Diem Substitute Teacher, effective March 25, 2009, in accordance with Board Policy 3920.

(6) Jennifer M. Flynn, Per Diem Substitute Teacher, effective March 30, 2009, in accordance with Board Policy 3920.

(7) Matthew J. Kasitz, Special Substitute Teacher, effective April 1, 2009, $100/day.

(8) Martha M. Smith, Special Substitute Teacher, effective March 30, 2009, $100/day

d. Pottstown Elementary After School Tutoring
All salaries paid through EAP and 21st Century Community Learning Center Grant

Toni	Belskey	Security	$15/hr.

e. Positive Behavior Support

(1) Tracy Groff-Camacho, Classroom Assistant, effective March 30, 2009, $13.19/hour, to be paid out of the Positive Behavior Support Grant

f. Additions to the Co-curricular List for 08-09

HS	Assistant Softball Coach	Jesse Reider	Level 1	$2,316.00

g. Corrections to the Co-curricular List for 08-09

(1) Frank Stehman, stipend for Middle School Head Wrestling Coach, Level 2, was incorrectly listed as $3,519.00, should be $3,159.00

(2) Danielle McCoy, stipend for High School Student Council Advisor was listed as $1,063.00, should be $531.50 (resigned from co-curricular position after first semester)

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

(1) Karen Fricke, $10/hour
(2) Jason Bergey, $10/hour
(3) Mary McMahon, $10/hour

i. Additions to the Mentor List for 08-09

(1) Ann Marie McDonnell, mentor for Catherine Retzner, effective February 9, 2009, $510.50 (1/2 stipend).

5. Tuition Reimbursement

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following tuition reimbursement:

a. Professional

Andrea Barlow	Pottstown Middle School	$1,224.00
Brooke Dunlap-Martin	Barth Elementary School	$1,071.00
Bernard Gallagher	Pottstown Middle School	$350.00
Jennifer Groff	Lincoln Elementary School	$895.00
Karen Kemmerer	Pottstown High School	$1,650.00
Denise Kuleski	Pottstown Middle School	$350.00
Karen Lawler	Franklin Elementary School	$252.00
John Lewiski	Pottstown High School	$350.00
Thomas Marsden	Pottstown Middle School	$1,071.00
Sara Miller	Pottstown High School	$327.00
Teresa Niemann	Rupert Elementary School	$285.00
Natalie Pileggi	Rupert Elementary School	$350.00
Bonnie Trainer	Lincoln Elementary School	$895.00
Todd Williams	Pottstown High School	$350.00

B. Curtailment of Program Resolution – EXHIBIT 1

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the Resolution to curtail the Pottstown High School Drafting Program as listed on Exhibit 1.

C. 2009 ALUMNI HONOR ROLL NOMINEES AND ALTERNATES – EXHIBIT 2

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the proposed alumni honor roll nominees and alternates as listed on Exhibit 2.

D. 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
Middle	Hannah	Koch	National Art Education Conference	Minneapolis, MN	04/17/09 – 4/21/09	Approx. $400.00 paid by the district.
Rupert	Matt	Moyer	Safe Schools Initiative Conference	Harrisburg, PA	5/5/09 – 5/6/09	Approx. $450.00 paid by Safe Schools grant
Annex	Genevieve Rosalia	Bell Hunter	Physical Therapy 2009 School Based Physical Therapy	Baltimore, MD	6/11/09 – 6/13/09	Approx. $1830.00 paid by the district.
Edgewood	Angela	Tuck	PASA Women's Caucas	Hershey, PA	4/29/09 – 5/1/09	Approx. $614.00 paid by the district.

E. FIELD TRIPS – Dr. Lindley
None

F. CONTRACTS – Mrs. O'Donnell

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following contracts:

1. Camphill Soltane – EXHIBIT 3
2. Delaware Valley Health Care Coalition (DVHCC) Participating Member School District Agreement – EXHIBIT 4
3. Wordsworth Spirit Program – EXHIBIT 5
4. Martin Luther School – EXHIBIT 6
5. UHS of Doylestown (Foundations) – EXHIBIT 7

G. EARNED INCOME TAX CONSOLIDATION – TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS – Mrs. O'Donnell – EXHIBIT 8

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following Tax Consolidation Collection Appointment Resolution, as listed on Exhibit 8.

H. REVISION TO 2008-09 SCHOOL CALENDAR – Mrs. O'Donnell – EXHIBIT 9

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the revision to the 2008-09 school calendar as listed on Exhibit 9.

I. BID AWARDS – Mrs. O'Donnell

The Superintendent recommends that purchase orders or contracts be awarded to the companies on the exhibits listed (to be handed out at meeting), the award in each case being made to the lowest bidder meeting the required specifications.

1. Winter Sports – EXHIBIT 10
2. First Aid General Supplies – EXHIBIT 11
3. Physical Education Supplies & Equipment – EXHIBIT 12

POLICIES

1. Special Education Student Records, 2nd Reading (no action to be taken) – EXHIBIT 13
2. School Visitors, 2nd Reading, (no action to be taken) – EXHIBIT 14
3. Behavior Support, 2nd Reading (no action to be taken) – EXHIBIT 15

NON-CONSENT

J. OVERALL FACLIITIES PLAN – Mrs. O'Donnell – EXHIBIT 16

The Facilities Committee recommends the board accept the Overall Facilities Plan for the High School/Middle School Campus, as presented on Exhibit 16.

DCNR GRANT RESOLUTION – Mrs. O'Donnell – EXHIBIT 17

K. The Facilities Committee recommends the board accept the Resolution for the application of DCNR grant funds, as presented on Exhibit 17.

L. 2009-2010 SCHOOL CALENDAR – Mrs. O'Donnell – EXHIBIT 18

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the 2009-2010 school calendar as listed on Exhibit 18.

M. BID AWARD – Mrs. O'Donnell – EXHIBIT 19

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the amending to the previously authorized purchase orders to the companies listed on Exhibit 19, the award in each case being made to the lowest bidder meeting the required specifications.

1. Fall Sports Supplies – Exhibit 19

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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

INFORMATION

1. Conferences for Administrators, Supervisors, and Teachers – Dr. Lindley
2. Conference Report – Dr. Lindley
3. PEAK Update – Mrs. Reick
4. Monthly Schedule of Board Committee Meetings – Mrs. O'Donnell

FEDERATION REMARKS

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ADJOURNMENT

EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS LITIGATION