POTTSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AGENDA
SEPTEMBER 3, 2009 - 7:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

AWARDS
None

REPORTS
None

I. MINUTES – Mrs. Adams

Regular Board Meeting – 8/20/09

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 – Mr. Huss

CONSENT

A. PERSONNEL – Dr. Sparagana

1. Resignations/Terminations

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

a. Professional

(1) Kelly Tracy, Long Term Substitute Health Care Occupations Teacher, Pottstown High School, coverage for Denice DeAntonio, verbal resignation effective August 26, 2009, employed since August 25, 2009.

b. Classified

(1) Robert Edmunds, Proctor, Pottstown High School, termination effective September 1, 2009, employed since March 1, 1999.

2. Leaves

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following leaves of absence:

a. Professional

(1) Marge Grim, District Head Nurse, Pottstown Middle School, request for leave of absence effective October 26, 2009 to TBD.

(2) Kathy Marchek, Teacher, Edgewood Elementary School, request for medical leave of absence, partially covered by the Family Medical Leave Act, effective August 31, 2009 through approximately February 28, 2010.

(3) Rebecca Wyatt, Instructional Coach, Rupert Elementary School, request for use of sick days November 4, 2009 through December 31, 2009, covered by the Family Medical Leave Act.

b. Support Staff

(1) Nancy Lavinia, part-time Cafeteria Worker, Pottstown High School, request for medical leave of absence effective August 31, 2009 through TBD.

3. Changes in Position and/or Salary

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

a. Substitute Teachers

(1) Dan Scamardi, from full time Title I Assistant at Edgewood Elementary School to Building Substitute at Barth Elementary School, $194/daily, effective August 25, 2009.

(2) Jamie DeStefano from Building Substitute at Barth Elementary School, to Long Term Substitute at Barth Elementary School, $194/day, effective August 25, 2009.

(3) Elizabeth Allen, from Special Substitute Teacher to Per Diem Substitute Teacher, effective August 31, 2009, in accordance with Board Policy 3920.

(4) Melinda Wurtz, from Substitute Teacher to Long Term Substitute Teacher at Edgewood Elementary School, $194/day, effective August 31, 2009 for an expected duration of six months, filling in for K. Marchek.

b. Classified

(1) Beth Taylor, in addition to her current Substitute Teaching position, she will also assume the role of part-time Intervention Specialist at Edgewood Elementary School, $13.65/hour for 18 hours per week, effective September 8, 2009.

(2) Nicola Pascal, from Substitute Teacher to full-time Title I Assistant at Edgewood Elementary School, $13.65/hour, effective September 8, 2009.

(3) Eileen Strunack, from full-time Classroom Assistant at Barth Elementary School to full-time Classroom Assistant at Edgewood Elementary School, effective August 25, 2009.

(4) Thomas Reed, from Van Assistant to part-time Van Driver at the Administration Building, $14.05/hour, effective September 14, 2009.

4. Elections

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following elections:

a. Professional

(1) Julie Shea, Art Teacher, initial assignment to be Pottstown Middle School, effective September 1, 2009, Bach, step B, $43,335.

b. Substitute Teacher

(1) Kacie Zipay, add to Substitute Teacher list, in addition, she will also assume the role of part-time Intervention Specialist, $13.65/hour for 18 hours per week, effective September 8, 2009.

c. Classified

(1) Allen McBee, full time Classroom Assistant, Pottstown High School, $13.65/hr, replaces Holly Newman, effective August 25, 2009.

(2) Rachel Calancea, full time Classroom Assistant at Barth Elementary School, $13.65/hr, effective August 25, 2009.

(3) Carol Bender, seasonal Substitute Food Service for Pottstown School District, $10.41/hour, effective August 28, 2009.

(4) Loretta Garlington, seasonal Substitute Food Service for Pottstown School District, $10.41/hour, effective August 31, 2009.

d. Pottstown High School Learning Center and PSSA Remediation:

Tom Leinhauser	Learning Center Teacher	Pottstown High School	$29/hour
Scott Braunsberg	Learning Center Substitute Teacher	Pottstown High School	$29/hour
Maggie Munz	Learning Center Substitute Teacher	Pottstown High School	$29/hour
Debbie Demko	Learning Center Substitute Teacher	Pottstown High School	$29/hour

e. Elementary Student Assistance Program Training

Training to take place on August 4-6, 2009, as a requirement of the Mental Health Linkage Grant, $29/hour.

5. Tuition Reimbursement

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following tuition reimbursement:

a. Act 93 Staff

Name	Building	Amount
Danielle McCoy	Pottstown High School	$2511.00

B. RESOLUTION FOR APPOINTMENTS AND CERTIFICATIONS OF ADMINISTRATORS AND SUPERVISORS – Mr. Krem – EXHIBIT 1

The Superintendent recommends the resolution approving appointments and certifications for the purpose of rating professional staff members for the 2009-2010 school year be approved as presented in Exhibit 1.

C. PROFESSIONAL LEAVE – Dr. Lindley

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following professional leave:

Building	First Name	Last Name	Conference Title	Conference Location	Dates to Attend	Cost
Lincoln	Loretta Chris	Hoch Sperat	Presenting Literacy & Coaching in PreK at Early Childhood Education Summit	State College, PA	10/27/09 – 10/28/09	Approx. $295.00 paid by the district. • Room • Registration Paid by Step by Step Learning
High	Jon	Ross	Functional Behavior Assessment (A r-equired duty for Alternative Ed. Program)	Harrisburg, PA	10/21/09 – 10/22/09	Approx. $85.00 paid by the district.

D. CONTRACTS – Mrs. Adams

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following contracts:

1. High School Water/Gatorade Vending Contract for Athletic and After School Activities – EXHIBIT 2

2. Camphill Special School – EXHIBIT 3

3. Camphill Special School – EXHIBIT 4

4. Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence – EXHIBIT 5

E. SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER – Mrs. Adams – EXHIBIT 6

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the School Resource Officer agreement, as listed on Exhibit 6 (to be included in the next Board packet).

NON-CONSENT

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Policies – Mrs. Adams

   a. Policy 810.1: School Bus/Van Surveillance – 2nd Reading (no action to be taken) – EXHIBIT 7
   b. Local Board Procedures: 2nd Reading (no action to be taken) – EXHIBIT 8 (000, 001, 002, 003, 004, 004.1, 005, 006, 006.1, 007, 008, 011, 012)

2. Urban Land Institute (ULI) Presentation – Mrs. Zahora (discussion and possible action)

NEW BUSINESS

1. Public Forum on Effects of State Budget Scheduled for 9/10/09 – Mr. Krem

INFORMATION

1. Affidavit Procedure – Mr. Krem
2. Report Card – Dr. Sparagana
3. Partners in Public Education Letter – Mr. Armato
4. AYP Discussion Points – Mr. Krem

FEDERATION REMARKS

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ADJOURNMENT

EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF REAL ESTATE