POTTSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS AGENDA
February 16, 2012 - 7:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

POTTSTOWN MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS PRESENTATION – Mrs. Barlow

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of the minutes of the Regular Board meeting held on January 19, 2012.

LIST OF BILLS – Mr. Wausnock

TREASURER'S REPORT – Mr. Wausnock (2nd meeting)

COMMUNICATIONS

None.

AWARDS

None.

PRESENTATIONS

1. Review of Currently Approved Elementary Project Plan – Dr. Reed Lindley/Mr. Jeffrey Straub
2. Impact of Proposed Plan Con Moratorium – Dr. Reed Lindley

HEARING FROM PATRONS OF THE SCHOOLS

II. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Co-Curricular Activities Committee – Mr. Hartman (1st meeting)
2. Facilities Committee – Mr. Hartman (1st meeting)
3. Community Relations Committee – Ms. Lydon (1st meeting)
4. Technology/Curriculum Committee – Mrs. Weand (1st meeting)
5. MCIU Representative – Mr. Hartman (1st meeting)
6. **Policy Committee – Mr. Wausnock – (2nd meeting)**
7. **Personnel Committee – Mrs. Weand (2nd meeting)**
8. **Finance Committee – Mr. Wausnock (2nd meeting)**
9. **PSBA Representative – Mr. Williams (2nd meeting)**
10. **Montgomery County Legislative Representative – Mr. Kefer**

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

I. Recommendations for Action by the Board

CONSENT

A. PERSONNEL – Dr. Sparagana

1. Resignations

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

a. Professional

(1) Ann M. Hayer, Special Education Teacher, Edgewood Elementary, resignation for the purpose of retirement, effective June 13, 2012, employed since December 1, 1997.

(2) Ratify Katherine Acuna, Substitute Teacher, resignation effective February 1, 2012, employed since December 12, 2011.

b. Co-Curricular Assigment

(1) Ratify James Martinez, High School Assistant Track Coach, resignation effective February 6, 2012.

2. Change in Position and/or Salary

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

a. Professional

(1) Ratify Thomas J. Simpson, from Per-Diem Substitute Teacher to Extended Per Diem Substitute Teacher, Pottstown Middle School, effective January 23, 2012, $115/day (coverage for Laurie White). Upon completion of Extended Per Diem Substitute Teacher position he will resume the role of Per Diem Substitute Teacher, in accordance with Board Policy 3920, $95/day.

b. Classified

(1) Ratify Judy Bermudez from Substitute Custodian/Housekeeper to Temporary Elementary Housekeeper, effective February 15, 2012, $12.34/hr.

(2) Ratify Anna Clouser from Substitute Custodian/Housekeeper to Elementary Housekeeper, initial assignment to be Rupert Elementary, effective February 15, 2012, $12.34/hr.

(3) Tracey Hanson from Substitute Classroom Assistant to One-on-One Assistant, Barth Elementary, effective February 21, 2012, $14.13/hr.

(4) Ratify Lois O'Dell, Classroom Assistant, Pottstown High School, from 5 hours per day to 6 hrs. per day, effective February 6, 2012.

c. Compensation for Missed Planning Time, 2011-2012 school year, $23 per period

Michaela Johnson	PHS	2 missed planning times January 17th, 18th, 2012	$46.00

3. Election

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following election:

a. Professional

(1) Ratify Amelia Reed, Per Diem Substitute Teacher, effective February 14, 2012, in accordance with Board Policy 3920, $95/hr. She will also assume the role of Substitute Classroom Assistant, effective February 14, 2012, $14.13/hr.

(2) Ratify Shaina Ward, Per Diem Substitute Teacher, effective February 13, 2012, in accordance with Board Policy 3920, $95/hr. She will also assume the role of Substitute Classroom Assistant, effective February 13, 2012, $14.13/hr.

b. Classified

(1) Elizabeth M. Skokowski, Substitute Nurse, effective February 21, 2012,

c. Homebound Instruction, $29/hour

(1) Ratify Justine Donnelly, Pottstown High School, from February 7, 2012 through March 6, 2012, assignment not to exceed 4 hrs. per week.

(2) Ratify Jennifer Winterbottom, Pottstown Middle School, from February 9, 2012 through February 23, 2012, assignment not to exceed 5 hrs. per week.

(3) Ratify Natasha Bolden, Lincoln Elementary, from February 15, 2012 through March 27, 2012, assignment not to exceed 5 hrs. per week.

B. PROFESSIONAL LEAVES – Dr. Sparagana

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following professional leaves:

Bldg.	Name	Conference Title	Conference Location	Dates to Attend	Cost
High School	Dennis Arms	Program of Study Task List Development/Revision	State College, PA	2/27/12 – 2/28/12	All expenses paid by PDE.
Admin.	Mindy MacRone -Wojton	Community Assessment & Graduate Seminar	Oklahoma City, OK	3/12/12 – 3/16/12	All expenses paid by attendee.
High School	Danielle McCoy	PACTA Symposium	Hershey, PA	2/20/12 – 2/21/12	Approx. costs $376.00 paid by Perkins Grant.
Admin.	Linda Adams Penny O'Donnell	PASBO Conference	Hershey, PA	3/7/12 – 3/9/12	Approx. costs $1335.00 paid by the district

C. FIELD TRIPS – Dr. Sparagana

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the following field trip:

# of students and/or group	Name of conference or activity	Destination	Date of trip	Cost to student	Cost to district-substitutes	Chaperone(s)
30	Environmental Science Club Trip to Pocono Environmental Education Center	Dingmans Ferry, PA	5/16/12 – 5/18/12	$45.00 each	$900.00	Kevin Downes, Vanessa Barnaik, Kathy Eagle

D. REAL ESTATE TAX EXONERATION

The Superintendent recommends the following Resolution be adopted by the Board:

WHEREAS, Linda S. Adams, Substitute Tax Collector for the Pottstown School District, has submitted a list of properties liened for school taxes amounting to $ 1,869,493.02 plus penalties of $ 186,949.52, totaling $2,056,442.54 for the original 2011 Real Estate Tax Duplicate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Substitute Tax Collector be and is hereby exonerated of and from said tax liability for the collection thereof, but no exoneration for the respected taxables is intended or affected by this action.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Substitute Tax Collector file the required reports and information with Portnoff and Associates so that the liens against these properties be properly reported.

NON-CONSENT

E. MOTION TO APPROVE OPTION 5B AS PRESENTED WITH CLASSOOMS BEING ADDDED AT THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS TO MAINTAIN THE PRE-KINDERGARTEN THROUGH GRADE 5 CONFIGURATION AND RELOCATE ADMINISTRATION STAFF AND SERVICES TO THE MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOLS AND THE ADMINISTRATION RE-DISTRICT TO PROVIDE BALANCED ENROLLMENT AT THE FOUR ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS.

The Facilities Committee recommends the Board approve Option 5B (4 Schools, Closing Edgewood), as presented with classrooms being added at the elementary schools to maintain the Pre-Kindergarten through grade 5 configuration and relocate administration staff and services to the middle and high schools and the administration re-district to provide balanced enrollment at the four elementary schools.

HEARINGS FROM PATRONS OF THE SCHOOLS (to address items to be voted on)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

INFORMATION

1. Second Marking Period Honor Roll Comparison – Dr. Lindley
2. PEAK Update: February – Dr. Sparagana
3. Monthly Meeting Notice: March - Mrs. Adams

FEDERATION REMARKS

ROUND TABLE

ADJOURNMENT