



POTTSGROVE SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Meeting Held August 26, 2014

Summary of Key Discussion and Actions Taken:

The Pottsgrove School District Board of Directors held its twice monthly meeting on Tuesday, August 26, 2014 at Pottsgrove District Office.

During the **Education Report**, the following was presented/discussed:

Preparation for Opening Day – Superintendent Feola reported on new teacher induction, the professional development day in the week preceding the opening of s school and highlights from the first student day.

High School Renovation Project – James Hanna from D’Huy Engineering updated the Board and the progress being made on the High School Renovation project. There has been a minor delay in placing the rooftop HVAC equipment in place, but that should be resolved shortly. We are expecting to have the first portion of the renovated building turned back over to the District shortly after Labor Day. The next area of concentration will be in the locker room area and the music/art classroom wing.

Public Comments: No public comment

In addition to the regular monthly reports and business, **the Board took action on the following:**

The Board approved the Miscellaneous Employee salaries, the Act 93 Administrators salaries and the Executive Administrative Salaries, as posted on the agenda, effective September 1, 2014.

The Board authorized administration to enter into an agreement with Invo Healthcare Associates for supplemental psychologist services over the summer at a rate of \$72/hour.

The Board authorized administration to execute an agreement with Mishock Physical Therapy for the sponsorship of the tennis courts at the High School in the amount of \$6,000 for 2014-2015.

The Board authorized administration to enter into an educational services agreement with Alfred I. DuPont Hospital for a resident student who is hospitalized at that location.

The Board approved construction payments for the Pottsgrove High School Renovation project as follows:

- E.R. Stuebner, General Contractor \$1,361,503.26
- MBR Construction Services, Inc. – Electrical Contractor \$ 137,295.00
- Frey Lutz Corporation – Mechanical Contractor \$ 114,482.25
- Integrity Mechanical Inc. – Plumbing Contractor \$ 252,438.30

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

The Board discussed and approved the Board Committee Meeting dates and locations. These dates will be posted on the Board section of the District website on Wednesday.

The Board also discussed the proposed meeting dates, future role, and potential expansion of the Key Communicators group.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

The Policy Committee met prior to the Board meeting and discussed revisions to Policy 004, related to Board membership, defining a process for filling vacant Board seats. Additionally, the Committee discussed revisions to



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Policies 224 and 237 dealing with care of district property and electronic devices, respectively, as part of the district's preparation for 1:1 deployment at the middle and high schools. The Committee also considered two new policies proposed to support the 1:1 program including 137 that outlines student rights and responsibilities and 893 that deals specifically with protocols and limitations on the remote access of the devices.

Policy revisions and new policies will be posted for public review prior to a vote by the full Board.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Nester presented two capital project proposals including the repair or replacement of fencing at the softball field at Lower Pottsgrove Elementary School. A portable stage was also proposed for large group assemblies at Lower Pottsgrove. The Board approved these proposals.

Dr. Ziegler and Dr. Ramage were asked to address concerns expressed by some parents about lunches at the middle and high schools.

Mr. Valentine expressed appreciation to parents for their patience regarding transportation schedules on the first two days of school and emphasized the need for safety over speed in our transportation operation.

Mr. Valentine also urged the public to attend the ceremonial naming of our football field in honor of Coach Rick Pennypacker this Friday evening at 5:30 PM

Response to Questions Posed at Prior Meetings:

Superintendent Feola outlined intervention strategies in place for students who did not pass a Keystone exam.

Upcoming Dates:

Wednesday, August 27

7:00 - 8:00 PM - Grade 3 Back to School Night - Lower Pottsgrove

Thursday, August 28

7:00 - 8:00 PM - Grade 4 Back to School Night - Lower Pottsgrove

Friday, August 29

No School

5:30 PM - Dedication of Pottsgrove's Football Field – HS Stadium

Monday, September 1

Labor Day, No School

Wednesday, September 3

6:30 - 8:00 PM - Ringing Rocks Back to School Night

Thursday, September 4

7:00 - 8:00 PM - Grade 5 Back to School Night - Lower Pottsgrove

Tuesday, September 9

7:30 PM– School Board Meeting, Middle School



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Meeting Held May 13, 2014

Summary of Key Discussion and Actions Taken:

Wednesday, September 10

7:00 - 8:30 - Pottsgrove HS Back to School Night

Thursday, September 11

6:30 - 8:30 PM - West Pottsgrove Back to School Night

Thursday, September 18

7:00 - 9:00 - Pottsgrove MS Back to School Night

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Visit the Board website at <http://www.pgdsd.org/board>

For Renovation information, visit <http://www.pgdsd.org/facilities>